

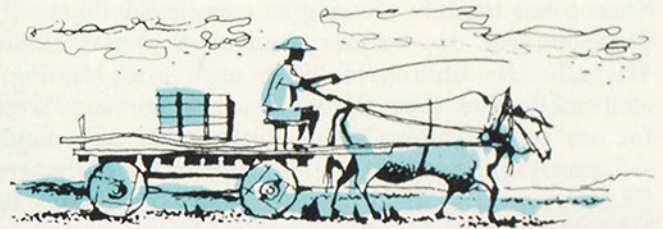


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Throughout the world, children are being born in greater numbers than people are being "born again." The population explosion poses the threat of world famine—but the greater danger facing mankind is famine for the Bread of Life.



The Voice of My Beloved

A Meditation on Song of Solomon 2:1-10

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IN THE SONG OF SOLOMON, OUR LORD, THE HEAVENLY Bridegroom of the Church, is described vividly and beautifully.

The Bridegroom is called by three titles in chapter 2:1-3. In verse 1 He is called the Rose of Sharon. This particular rose was not beautiful, but it grew plentifully in Oriental fields. In Isaiah 53:2 we read of Jesus, "He shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him." The beauty of Christ is deeper than that of outward features and natural characteristics.

While the rose of Sharon was not the kind chosen to set in a vase in the home, it had its value. When crushed, it gave forth a rare fragrance which was used in the manufacture of perfume.

Think of the crushing of Christ at Gethsemane, the pressure placed upon Him at Calvary, the awful suffering He endured. Yet the very crushing of the Rose of Sharon has brought blessing to countless millions of people from that day to this. And even until the moment He calls His Church to "Rise up. . .," blessing shall continue to flow from the place where He was "wounded for our transgressions," and "bruised for our iniquities."

Because Sharon was a large open field, the rose of Sharon was also called "the rose of the field." It was available to everyone. Many times I have admired beautiful rose gardens, but I knew they were not mine and I had no right to pick them. But the rose of the fields grew in such abundance that anyone could pick all he wanted. So is Christ today. He is not shut up in a walled garden, reserved for a select few. Anyone in this great open field called the world may enjoy the fragrant blessings of the wonderful, marvelous Rose of Sharon! He is within reach of all.

This Rose of Sharon is also described as the *Lily of the Valleys*. Is there anything more beautiful than a white lily? And He is white! He is pure! There was no guile in His mouth! There was no fault in His life, and every aspect of His ministry was perfect.

The fragrance of the lily reminds one of honey, so sweet and lovely. "How sweet are thy words unto my taste!" exclaimed David in worship. "Yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!"

We bring our lives to Him, all embittered by sin, soured by the world, and that Lily of the Valleys takes away the bitterness of sin, the guile, the blackness, and gives instead His own sweetness and purity.

Notice that He is the Lily of the *Valleys*. As we walk through the valleys of trouble, sorrow, bereavement, tragedy, hurt, discouragement, perplexity, fear, doubt, misunderstanding, sickness, and even "the valley of the shadow of death," we need fear no evil for He is there with us. His presence, His power, His grace and help are ours in the lowest place of every valley.

"He made himself," the Scripture says, "of no reputation." He went low, humbled Himself mightily. He went down, down, down, to meet the deepest human need. Thus, only humble souls will get to see this Lily of the Valleys. You can't find Him while you are haughty, proud, heady, highminded, stiff-necked, with closed heart and ears. You can't find Him in exalting self. You can only find Him by bringing yourself down, humbling yourself under the mighty hand of God. If you are going through a valley now, take hope and comfort from the Lily who is growing by your side.

Again, our heavenly Bridegroom is pictured as "an apple tree among the trees of the wood. . . . I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit was so sweet to my taste" (v. 3).

Christ is compared here with ordinary trees. He is as the apple tree among the trees of the wood. And the Bride, the Church, sits down under the shadow of the tree. Here she finds a refreshing shade from a scorching sun. The daily pressures of life are severe; the devil is abroad in the land to wither the souls of men in every way possible, and God's people are special targets of his efforts. But in the midst of all the pressure there is a tree that spreads its branches over the weary pilgrim to give him *protection* from the heat.

And there is also *rest* for the Church under the shadow of this great tree. Natural rest is important, but most of all we need times of spiritual rest, refreshment, and relaxation. Jesus said, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." It is not enough to pass by the shadow. We must sit down in the shadow "with great delight." Here is rest from our worries, our problems, our troubles. Here is rest from the perplexities and dangers that beset us. "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty."

"And his fruit was sweet to my taste." As we rest, we can feast on the fruit of Christ's presence and personality. The tree drops its fruit to those who take time to rest in its shadow—not just any kind of fruit, but *His* fruit! Galatians 5:22 tells us about this fruit: it is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance. These are some of the privileges

and blessings of the new covenant, purchased for us by His blood and sealed by His death.

In verse 4 we read, "He brought me to the banqueting house." Thank God, as we go further in His fellowship, beyond the tree we find the banqueting house. Those who take time to sit down first in His shadow, will be given the privilege of more intimate communion with Him. To those who value the things of God, more shall be given.

Our heavenly Bridegroom takes the initiative in drawing us to Himself. Here the Bride says, "He brought me in." It is He who lifts us. It is He who takes us and introduces us to greater spiritual blessings and power.

"His banner over me is love." He enlists the Church to march under His banner of love. Not the banner of hate, anger, distress, or despair, but the banner of love! Jesus said, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." If we do not live under the banner of love, we are not in the Church. There must be love, or we are outside.

Now the bride speaks of her own feelings: "Stay me with flagons, comfort me with apples: for I am sick of love" (v. 5). This bride had given herself completely to the bridegroom. The Church that does not give herself completely to her heavenly Bridegroom is missing God's plan. The love of Jesus Christ overwhelms the one who is seated under His banner. We must come, as people of God, to the place where everything else is secondary, and Christ is uppermost in our hearts, minds, and lives, dominating our every word and activity until we can say with Paul, "The love of Christ constraineth me."

In verse 6, after she expressed her love to Him, the bride says, "His left hand is under my head, and his right hand doth embrace me." Yes, He draws the Church to Himself. The more the Church loves Him, the more He can love the Church. "Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you."

Christ will only return for those who are ready. "The voice of my beloved! Behold, he cometh" (v. 8). Oh, hallelujah! If we are to hear the voice of our Beloved when He comes in the clouds, we will have to live close to Him every day of our lives. Those who think they can have just a small touch of religion and still hear His voice when He comes will be disappointed. Those who hear the "voice of my beloved" will be those who are being drawn closer every day to the Lord.

He is coming for those who can hear His voice, and He is coming for those who can see. If our eyes are so filled with the things of this world, and are taken up with its attractions, we will never see Him when He comes. "When the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?"

Many times in His ministry, Jesus told His disciples to watch, and on one occasion He said, "What I say unto you I say unto all, Watch." "To them that look for Him shall he appear..."

"My beloved spake, and said unto me, Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away" (v. 10). Is He your Beloved? Is Christ all in all to you? Can you say, "My beloved is mine, and I am his"? There must be an intimate, personal, direct relationship with Him for the heart to hear the voice of the heavenly Bridegroom. His call can come at any moment. Let us be ready. ◀◀◀

ON WHOM IT ALL DEPENDS

In the dark days of World War II England posted war slogans to inspire and encourage the people. One was placed near an elderly Christian woman's cottage. The message of the poster read, "It all depends on you."

Within a few days a neatly printed sign appeared in the cottage window. It read: "And I depend on God."

—L. L. MORRIS, in *The Standard*

IN GRIEF AND IN GLADNESS

Lest anyone think that the miracle at Cana gives license to splurge in alcohol, it ought to be clear that the dominant feature of that feast was Christ's presence. Anyone who has ever gone where men are trying to live it up without a blessing knows what a pitiful effort it is. It goes without saying that grief needs God's help; gladness needs it, too. The *good* time that tries to get away with something, to have fun at the expense of fair play and thoughtfulness, never quite comes off. The night out from God—as if we could get along all right without Him—is a crude contradiction.

—DAVID A. REDDING, in *The Miracles of Christ* (Revell)

GLORIFY GOD WHERE YOU ARE

When you are tempted to wish you were in more favorable circumstances so that you might better glorify God, think of Charles Spurgeon's philosophy along this line. He used to say:

"A fish of the sea might say, 'How I would display the wisdom of God if I could sing or mount a tree like a bird!' But a dolphin in a tree would be a very grotesque affair, and there would be no wisdom of God to admire in trout singing in the groves. But when the fish cuts the wave with agile fin, it is adapting wonderfully to its habitat. Its every bone is fitted for the circumstances in which it finds itself."

So God has matched our souls to our circumstances. We are not in our present situation by accident. Let us glorify Him where we are.

—Adapted

LOVE IS GREATER THAN INGRATITUDE

A general, riding over the scene of a battlefield when the fight was done, came upon a body which stirred. The bleeding form wore the uniform of the foe. Regardless of that the general said to his attendant, "Give him a drink."

As the officer stooped down to obey, the wounded soldier recognized the general. He raised himself on his elbow, drew a pistol, and with deadly hate fired at his benefactor's head.

The bullet missed its mark; and the general, as soon as he recovered from his surprise, said, "Give the drink to him, all the same!"

What a beautiful example of the forgiving spirit which Jesus tells us to show toward our enemies. How that general's attitude must have thrilled Christ's heart!

—High School Christian

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Perilous Times

With the continued stockpiling of atomic bombs and other nuclear weapons, the immensity of the danger that threatens the peace of our world is constantly increasing. The news, therefore, that the Red Chinese have produced and successfully tested an atomic bomb greatly heightens the peril of our times.

During the same week that this frightening news broke upon us, we were told that Nikita Khrushchev was no longer the head of government in the U.S.S.R. The world waits to see what course the new leaders will take in dealing with other countries. We can only guess what designs they may have, or what schemes may be in the minds of the Red Chinese leaders. We do know, however, that the leaders of the two largest Communist countries were in conference recently. Are they ready to mend the rift between them and collaborate in new moves against the free world? Their avowed aim is nothing short of world conquest. If there is no other way to achieve this but by gambling on nuclear war, will they not take the risk?

The Red military leaders recently boasted of powerful new weapons. This information is hardly needed. The world is already impressed. It is very clear that the human race is well equipped to destroy itself. It only remains to be seen how long unscrupulous men can hold this incalculable power in their hands without using it.

Evidently the "perilous times" predicted for the "last days" are now here (2 Timothy 3:1). Apart from God, there is good reason for men's hearts to fail them for fear of the awful events that lie ahead. But God will not permit mankind to destroy itself completely. Divine mercy will be extended to each person who repents and believes in Christ. This present world order will end in smoke and chaos but beyond the havoc there will be a better world.

The Bible says God has not appointed His saints to wrath but to obtain salvation through Christ. He will save them out of the terrible judgments which lie ahead. Once the saints have taken their upward flight, there will be "great tribulation" in the world, worse than anything mankind has ever known. It will be a veritable "hell on earth." In those days the world will be ruled by a "man of sin" described as Antichrist. His identity will become known after the Christians have gone. Anyone who decides at that late hour to become a Christian will have to seal his testimony with his blood.

The human race will not destroy itself entirely. God will intervene to preserve a remnant. The Scriptures tell of Armageddon, of Gog and Magog, of the fire that sweeps, the plagues that torture, the false prophet and the Antichrist—but even after the Millennium and the purging of the earth with fire, the Word of God still pictures people on the earth.

The peril facing the human race is great, but the peril facing each person as an individual is greater. Each of us must decide whether he will perish with the ungodly or be among those who believe in Christ and obtain salvation from sin and judgment. Jesus described the "distress of nations" and the calamities that lie ahead, in Luke 21, and said: "Then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh." He added, "Pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass." Let's be sure we are washed in the Blood, filled with the Spirit, praying always, that we may be ready to meet our Lord when He comes to snatch away His people from the flames of judgment that soon shall engulf a Christ-rejecting world.

—R.C.C.

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

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THE FAMILIAR SIGN, "UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT," ON a business establishment usually infers that things are going to be different, presumably better! And every person who has put his life into the hands of Christ could rightly display such a sign. Jesus taught us that every man has a master, but that no man can have two.

Paul wrote, "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (1 Corinthians 5:17). He knew from personal experience what it was to be under new management. He had not only identified with Christ outwardly; he had committed to Christ the entire management of his life and affairs.

Jesus said, "No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made worse. Neither do men put new wine into old bottles [wine-skins]; else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved" (Matthew 9:16, 17). Nothing short of a *new creation* makes one a Christian. "He is a new creature. . .," under new management. This indicates a radical change.

King Ahab humbled himself for a time, but he still took charge of his own affairs. He still made the decisions without consulting God, and they led to disaster.

Conversion is a crisis experience. It is a supernatural work of divine grace wrought in a sinner's heart by the regenerative power of the Holy Spirit. It makes a difference to be under new management.

The Samaritan woman was converted as she discussed the "water of life" with Jesus at Jacob's well. New management brought radical changes into this woman's life.

The Philippian jailer was converted, and was baptized at midnight as he accepted the challenge of Paul's words, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house" (Acts 16:31). New management brought him a new attitude.

Cornelius and his household believed unto salvation while Peter preached, and were baptized in the Holy Spirit before the sermon had ended (Acts 10). It was a radical change.

On the Day of Pentecost, at least three thousand were converted and baptized the same day.

Jesus told Zacchaeus, "Today is salvation come to thy house. . ." (Luke 19:9). Zacchaeus came under new management and it resulted in a transformation that day, not a gradual reformation. He was a new creature in Christ Jesus.

And what is a new creature? First of all, he is a



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work of divine power. It cost God nothing to create our world. He merely spoke it into existence. But it cost Him His only begotten Son to redeem man from his sin. A new creature is always a work of free grace. Nothing good in us motivated God to provide salvation. "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

Old things have passed away! All that belonged to the old Adam—the old manager—is swept out as the new Manager takes over. The old tastes and habits that bound and limited us; the old doubt; the old worldliness; the old pride—are all gone. The old house is torn down in order that the new may rise.

Behold, all things are become new! Look! The change is visible. It certainly is visible to ourselves. Our attitudes and reactions are different. It will also be obvious to others. They will see our faith evidenced by our works.

The Scriptures divide men sharply into two classes: sheep and goats; wise and foolish; dead and alive; children of God and children of wrath; saved and lost. We know to which group we belong. "Now are we the sons of God. . ." "And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us" (1 John 3:24).

The believer's speech is new. Cursing changes to praises. Lying to truth. Vulgarity to graciousness. Vanity to sincerity. The change is evident in the character of the one who is now under Christ's management. The dishonest man wants now to "provide things honest in the sight of all men." The thief now steals no more. Zacchaeus restores fourfold of all that he has wrongfully taken. All the plans, purposes, and goals of life are new. No longer does one purpose to live for self, but his attitude becomes, "To me to live is Christ." Heaven is the great goal. In no part of the believer's life is this newness absent. The new management affects his entire being.

Friend, are you tired of being managed by Satan? Are you weary of his domination in all the affairs of your life? Then turn to Christ today. He has purchased you with His own blood, but He waits for your invitation to assume management of your life. Will you not now invite Him to become the manager of your affairs? Bring your life under new management, and enjoy its fullest potential, both now and in the world to come.



RELIGIOUS NEWS PHOTO

The Cross and the Communion Table

By VIOLET SCHOONMAKER

EACH TIME WE GATHER AROUND THE COMMUNION TABLE we gather around the cross of our Lord. He who was lifted up from the earth draws us there, captures us, and holds us fast.

To the Cross we bring our sins and find pardon; our sicknesses and find healing; our weariness and find rest. Burdens roll away, fears vanish, and night becomes day at the place called Calvary.

The Cross is the secret of our missionary passion and the heart of our missionary message. It is God's great searchlight, ever turning in the heavens, illuminating man's guilt and God's holiness, man's weakness and God's power, man's unworthiness and God's grace.

No wonder the enemy has always tried to dim its light by clouds of unbelief and error. But today the wind of the Holy Spirit is driving away the clouds of doubt and illuminating the Cross with God's own glory. Just to the extent that the Church places the emphasis on the Cross, will she be a power for God in saving the lost.

The Cross speaks different messages to our hearts according to our needs, and to my heart today the Cross speaks a message of life. "In him was life, and the life was the light of men." But what life has He that we do not already have? All living creatures have some kind of life. We live. We move. We speak. What else is there? What is the *light of men*?

Oh, when we compare Him with others we find the

answer! His was a life that remained holy, though it never drew its garments aside in pharisaical separation from the unholy. "This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them," and yet He is not defiled. This Man "was tempted in all points like as we are, yet without sin." And this Man not only exhibited holiness; He imparted it.

In his book *Natural Law in the Spiritual World* Drummond shows how life, both physical and spiritual, consists in "correspondence with environment." God has provided in nature all that man needs to maintain his physical life. As long as he continues to breathe air, to drink water, to take food, man lives. When he ceases to do these things, he dies, for he falls out of correspondence with his environment. He is cut off from it, and to be cut off is to die.

God has provided for man's spiritual life also. Spirit is nourished and maintained by spiritual forces. God is the spiritual environment in which our spirits were created to live. Sin broke man's correspondence with God, and man died spiritually, just as a branch dies when severed from the vine.

Jesus came to reunite man with God by way of the Cross. He "suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God" (1 Peter 3:18). He came to bring about a spiritual resurrection in us who were dead in trespasses and sins. He came to put us back into correspondence with God. In Christ we begin to live spiritually, and the more we accept of the provision made the more abundant our spiritual life becomes.

But Jesus also came to give life to the world—His own life. Spiritually we eat His flesh and drink His blood, and His life becomes our life. We partake of His divine nature. We become the sons of God, and cry out, "Abba—Father." We share in the privileges of sonship, its nearness to the Father, its place in the Father's bosom, its fellowship, intimacy, and inheritance. We are made one with Christ.

Christ's life becomes our life. We partake of the humility that enabled Him to become a servant, the purity that made Him the friend of sinners, the perfection that emphasized the vileness of sin and the true nature of the enemy He had come to destroy.

His life is ours. We have access to His unsearchable riches. The great safe in which they were stored was broken open for us.

His life is figuratively in the bread we eat at the communion table, the life of the corn of wheat falling into the ground and dying, its growth, the cutting of the sickle, the trampling of the oxen, the crushing of the mill, the heat of the oven, and its breaking in the hand of our Lord. It is all ours.

His life is typified in the wine we drink at the communion table. It is a seed planted and dying, a plant shooting forth, rain from heaven watering it, sunshine, buds, blossoms, fruit, the harvest, crushing in the wine-press, the pouring out. Because of the Cross it is all ours.

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I bow my head and give thanks as He did on that last night with His disciples. Jesus is mine. I have all and abound.

*"Life, life, abundant life!
Jesus alone is the giver;
Life, life, eternal life!
Glory to Jesus forever."*





CHRISTIAN, TAKE COURAGE!

BY RONALD A. SNIDER
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THERE ARE TIMES FOR THE CHILD OF GOD WHEN IT seems that the sun has ceased to shine. Prayers bounce back from brassy heavens. The glory of the mountaintop experience, once so fresh and real, fades into the gloom of a valley of despair. The fire that once burned brightly in the heart seems now reduced to ashes.

Even the preacher has his moments of discouragement. Having ministered in glorious liberty and power, what pain to find the unction and anointing lifted from him. Moses cried in dismay, "Wherefore hast thou afflicted thy servant? and wherefore have I not found favor in thy sight, that thou layest the burden of all this people upon me?" (Numbers 11:11). And in another place he cried out from a yearning heart, "I beseech thee, show me thy glory" (Exodus 33:18).

What has happened? Does God forsake His own at times? Why should He, when our hearts yearn for the reassurance of His presence? Why does He seem so far away?

It was in such a time of discouragement that I went to my knees, praying earnestly for an answer. But the only answer that came was, "Take the Book and read." I opened my Bible, and read this plea from the heart of one of God's saints, "Why standest thou afar off, O Lord? why hidest thou thyself in times of trouble?" (Psalm 10:1) And again from the man after God's own heart, "How long wilt thou forget me, O Lord? for ever? how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?" (Psalm 13:1).

In the midst of the psalmist's seeking comes this word, "The Lord trieth the righteous" (Psalm 11:5). I found that the Hebrew word here translated *trieth* is one related to the testing of precious metals. The acid, the hammer, and the furnace test and purify, but they do not destroy the real item of worth.

Take heart, troubled saint! God has not forsaken His own. The choicest of His servants have sometimes felt as you feel now. Hear Elijah as he pleads, "It is enough;

now, O Lord, take away my life" (1 Kings 19:4). Even the apostle Paul confesses, "We were troubled on every side; without were fightings, within were fears." But he does not stop there. "Nevertheless God, that comforteth those that are cast down, comforted us by the coming of Titus" (2 Corinthians 7:5, 6).

Praise God! He does send comfort to His discouraged children. After the testing comes the comfort. "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning" (Psalm 30:5).

From my own experience and from what I read in God's Word, I would offer these suggestions for victory over discouragement:

First, search your heart for any sin or failing that may be hiding the Lord's face from you (Isaiah 59:1,2). If such is found, follow 1 John 1:9 for victory.

Second, remember that Satan will seek to keep you in the "Slough of Despond," as Bunyan calls it. James advises, "Resist the devil, and he will flee from you" (James 4:7). Take an active stand against Satan's oppression. "Thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ" (2 Corinthians 2:14).

Third, confess your absolute trust and dependency on God. This will assure your heart in faith. Feelings are not dependable, but faith is "substance"; faith is the "evidence of things not seen," nor felt. "And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith" (1 John 5:4).

Finally, draw near to God through praise (James 4:8). The Word declares that He inhabits the praises of this people (Psalm 22:1-3). Leave the prayer closet with an offering of praise and you will leave with the knowledge that Jesus is near.

Weary child of God, discouraged and distressed, look to Jesus, the Author and Finisher of your faith. "Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ" (Philippians 1:6). ◀◀◀



Christmas Comes But Once a Year

By HELEN JOHNSON

Supervisor of the Juneau Children's Home, Juneau, Alaska



These packages, sent by friends last year, provided a happy Christmas for about 40 people at the Juneau Children's Home.

"WHAT DOES CHRISTMAS MEAN TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS in a children's home?" you might ask. You may think it means only gifts and good things to eat. Although these are an important part of Christmas, they are only a part.

For one thing, the weeks before Christmas are a summing up of the love and care and the feeling of belonging for those who have been in the Home for any length of time. The children themselves plan for others—perhaps a supervisor or some other staff member, and for their own relatives (if they have any). Each saves his dimes to buy a suitable gift.

The children also help with the holiday plans for the Home. We all get caught up in Christmas plans. We make cookies, plan our trees, decide on a decoration for our front door. We must see that the smaller children get to the church for their program practice and that the older ones go at odd times to practice for their play or skit. Smaller children must take gifts and cookies to school. In the midst of all this, some child complains of a toothache which means a trip to the dentist.

The girls need new dresses which I must somehow

bring out of the blue. Someone calls to ask whether I have some quilts for a burned-out family. New children may come into the family and their names have been on no list; so gifts must be provided for them, for they must feel wanted and beloved, too.

With all this activity, the Christmas spirit somehow keeps alive; we work and plan and love every minute of it!

Every year God provides lovely gifts to the children from His servants—WMC groups, churches and individuals—all over the land. People ask for our list and remember these children who have no loving parents to buy gifts. The children have learned that you love them, for you have not failed them. Your kindness and loving concern have helped to ease the ache in many little hearts.

Christmas emphasizes home and family life. You have helped us make it a special time in our "family" too—a time that draws us all closer together and closer to the Lord, whose birthday we celebrate. We cannot provide for our large family without your help. And we want our children to have just as nice a Christmas as if they were in private homes. They are just like other boys and girls, except that they do not have the special things given to them or done for them that many children enjoy.

They eagerly anticipate the packages and enjoy placing them under the tree. Their eyes sparkle whenever they see their names on the packages. "Oh, look, it's for me!" they will say. Each realizes he is thought of as a person, an individual—not just another child. His own likes or dislikes are considered. I believe that gifts mean more to these children than to many in their own private homes, perhaps because they get so few during the year. They greatly appreciate what is done for them.

It will be the same this coming Christmas, will it not?

Editor's note: Mrs. Johnson tells us the Home is much in need of a new roof. It leaks and ruins the paint in the living room. It drips through the Johnsons' bedroom. It drops from the ceiling in the front porch. She has pans and towels in them sitting here and there when it rains hard. The Home Missions Department is hoping to receive enough money for the Children of Alaska Christmas Fund to send the Johnsons a check for a new roof this year.



The staff and children of the Juneau Children's Home.

VOLUNTEERS PREPARE BRAILLE LITERATURE



Mrs. Whitney and her volunteers prepare and mail over 600 pieces of Braille literature each month. A room in the First Assembly of God, Waukesha, Wis., provides a cheerful office. Here Mrs. Whitney transcribes quarterlies on a Perkins Braille. She volunteers several hours each day.

Sam Marten sets type for *The Pentecostal Digest* which is a monthly compilation of articles from *The Pentecostal Evangel* and other publications.



The cylinder of type is placed on the Braille duplicator. Mrs. Thomas Black is operating this helpful piece of equipment.

November 29
is
**'CHRIST FOR
THE BLIND'**
Sunday



Collating the Sunday school quarterlies is Mrs. Walter Williams. Sam Marten built the special furniture in the collating area.



In the fellowship hall of the church these C. A. volunteers are gathering and stapling more than 500 copies of *The Pentecostal Digest*.

Pastor King and Ken Marten load the literature into the car and take it to the post office. The material is on its way to hundreds of blind people who are anxious to receive gospel literature.



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A GYPSY KING DIES

BY HAROLD D. CHAMPLIN
Coordinator of the Gypsy Work
Redwood City, California

A GYPSY PROVERB: "CRY AT THE birth of a child for he is born to suffer; laugh at his death for he is freed of persecution."

Such was the case at the death of George Adams of Lynwood, Calif., the king of 75,000 Yugoslavian gypsies scattered throughout the United States, who gave up his rule through the will of God.

Mr. Adams became the king upon the death of his father, Mark Adams, in 1940. Mark Adams had been elected to the throne in 1931 at a national gypsy encampment in San Pedro, Calif. George Adams was the eldest of his three sons. In keeping with the giant task of his leadership, Mr. Adams was a six-foot-tall, mustached, 250-pound man.

While visiting friends on July 30

he quietly passed away from a heart attack at 10 p.m. And within a matter of minutes over 200 gypsies were at his bedside.

The Adams home in Lynwood is an elaborate mansion, very ornate outside and a masterpiece of beauty on the inside. Expensive oriental rugs are almost "ankle deep" in nap. Heavy velvet drapes contain deep colors. Exquisite china is displayed in mahogany china cupboards. Every room is nearly twice the size of regular rooms in other homes. In the bedroom stands a circular bed of immense size. Instead of overhead lighting, a push of the switch lights up the glass wall panel with variegated colors.

It was in the living room of this home that Clement Le Cossec, head of the Pentecostal gypsy work in France,

and three gypsy ministers had special services with the George Adams family and friends in May of this year. I quote from Brother Le Cossec's letter: "While in Los Angeles we had a wonderful meeting with the gypsies at the home of George Adams. Several gypsies and George Adams himself received the gospel with open hearts. We were there from six to twelve o'clock in the evening talking about the Lord."

The customs and traditions of one nation are often misunderstood by another. It is difficult for us to understand the customs of the gypsies. And the gypsy proverb, which has been quoted, is an expression of the sincerity of this colorful people.

Two thousand gypsies laid their king to rest in the simplicity of their traditions at Calvary Mausoleum in Los Angeles. Those that were close to the king could not keep back the tears of sorrow, while others expressed the joy "that at death he is free from suffering." The king was laid in a 1,200-pound casket of brass and copper. According to custom the people placed within it their contributions and expressions of faith in life beyond the grave. Some placed in the casket clothing, shoes, soap and towels; others put in money and jewelry to accompany him in the next life. The huge chapel was piled high with flowers. Mr. Adams' body went to a temporary grave. In two years it will be exhumed and placed in a private crypt to be built according to plans drawn by the monarch himself.

The gypsies encamped in Southern California after the burial to elect a new leader, and the title fell to Mr. Adams' son John, 27. The new king will inherit valuable land, which has belonged to the gypsies since they emigrated from Yugoslavia 75 years ago. The estate, worth an estimated \$350,000, is not the personal fortune of the ruler. It passes to the successor upon the death of the king.

The gypsies had a feast for their dead ruler nine days. And for six weeks after death shaving, wearing jewelry and musical entertainment were prohibited by ancient customs.

We thank God that this gypsy king heard the gospel story before it was too late. Today he is with the Lord. Thousands of other gypsies need to hear it too. Your prayerful support of the new gypsy evangelism work in the United States is needed. ◀◀

Christmas would be easier if we were far away

To be self-sacrificing in the midst of America's annual Christmas binge is a pretty severe test. Our home missionaries are put to that test yearly. It isn't a question of being tempted to overspend like the rest of us. They don't have it to spend. But the thought may come, ". . . if I had gone into business as I planned, instead of the ministry . . . if I had taken that good church instead of this home mission post. . . ."

Such thoughts are soon crowded out by the compelling spiritual need around. We cannot begin to reward such consecration. But each Christmas we do try to express the love of our church by sending a small gift check to each of our home missionaries. This can be done only to the extent *your help* makes possible. Send your gift to *Home Missionaries Christmas Fund, 1445 Boonville, Springfield, Mo. 65802.*



Guadalupe C.A.'s Expand Their Ministry

BY MARY BOOHER
Missionary to American Indians

THE C.A.'S OF OUR GUADALUPE, ARIZ., Indian Mission are not content to keep the blessings of the Lord to themselves. Lately they have felt the compelling love of the Lord to take the gospel to others.

Once a week, Brother Booher and our young people regularly visit the county hospital. As I am able, I accompany them. The C.A.'s have helped to lead many to God. In fact, not a week passes in which someone is not saved at the hospital. This has been a neglected and needy ministry.

One of our consecrated young workers, Augustine Rubio, the C. A. president, was saved and filled with the Holy Spirit in the Mission about two years ago. His whole family was Roman Catholic. Now his mother and grandmother have been saved and his mother has received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Augustine desires to attend Bible school as soon as he graduates from high school in order to equip himself for the ministry. He sometimes preaches in the week-night services of the Mission.

Another C.A., Sylvia Reyes, also in

high school, is the oldest of 10 children. She desires to be a missionary. Her people are Presbyterian and her father is very strict with her. She also is a faithful witness and soul winner in the hospital work when she is permitted to come.

Both Sylvia and Augustine have taken a course on soul winning.

The Spanish-speaking youth of our church are a great blessing since there are so many Latin Americans and Yaqui Indians in the county hospital. (The Yaqui also speak Spanish.)

We are thankful for our consecrated young people who continually seek more of God. Many of them are beginning to read the Bible regularly. God is using them greatly as they seek opportunities for Christian service. For instance, after they prayed with a patient who had cancer, his cancer fell off on the way to surgery!

Editor's Note: We are thankful to report that Sister Booher has no ill effects from the light stroke she suffered recently. However, she is unable to carry on the heavy schedule of ministry she formerly was following. She reports that she is gradually gaining strength.



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Sylvia Reyes, a Christ's Ambassador from the Indian Assembly in Guadalupe, Ariz., hands an Evangel to a patient. The C.A.'s have led many people to salvation while visiting the county hospital.
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SPIRITUAL LIFE AND HOME MISSIONS

BY R. L. BRANDT
National Secretary of Home Missions

SPIRITUAL LIFE IS THE BEDROCK UPON which the Home Missions structure must be built. By its very nature Home Missions presupposes vital spiritual life. Without this, Home Missions activity is like a bird with a broken wing. With it, all missionary activity becomes meaningful and fruitful.

Spiritual life, like most other forms of life, expresses itself in action. But all action does not necessarily express spiritual life. In fact, it is entirely possible that human activity can be a substitute for spiritual life rather than a fruit thereof.

Samson is a classic example. Follow his footsteps and you will find glorious exploits which sprang from the spiritual life he possessed. But if you follow far enough you will also find a man shaking himself as he had before, but with no glorious exploits. Though there was still action there was no spiritual life to undergird it, and thus there was no fruit.

All forms of life betray their identity not so much by their actions as by their fruit. Only true spiritual life can reproduce spiritual life.

Therefore, it is imperative that we guard against the deterioration of our foundations. For "if the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?"

Oh yes, we can go on with our activity. We can plan and promote. We can devise ways and means. We can even open many new churches. Yet all of this can be done in the energy of the flesh, and in the end yield nothing more than hay, wood, and stubble.

Spiritual life has only one source—God. The flow of that life is determined by relationship, and only by relationship. There is no other means. As man maintains his relationship with God he becomes a channel for the life of God, and in turn imparts life to others. To the degree this occurs Home Missions work is really meaningful and effective. ◀◀

IMPORTUNATE FOR MISSIONS

BY PASTOR R. E. BOOK
Albany, Oregon

"AND HE SAID UNTO THEM, WHICH OF YOU SHALL have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves; for a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him? And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee. I say unto you, though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth" (Luke 11:5-8).

Four years ago I came back from a visit to the mission field, confused and frustrated. In three small areas of our work, there were needs on which I could well have spent \$100,000 and not misspent a penny. Now, four years later, those projects are still unfinished.

When I saw this financial bottleneck in missions, I said, "I just don't have the money. How can I help?" Out of these verses of Luke 11 God spoke to my heart and said, "You can become an importunate pastor and then increase your own missionary giving." Every year

since then the Lord has enabled my wife and me to increase our missions giving. And God has blessed us.

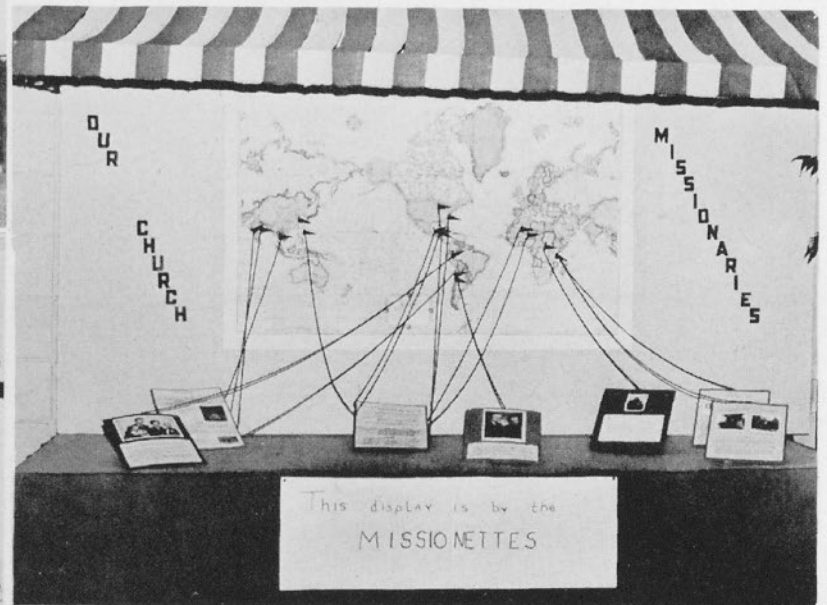
The word *importunity* means "brazenly persistent and shamelessly insistent." That is why I constantly bring the challenge, "Now is the hour for missions." Why this emphasis? Simply because the Holy Spirit says the time is short. As in the story of Luke 11, it is midnight. Then the man who came needed bread. The world needs bread—the Bread of Life. Over two billion people lie down every night without Jesus Christ.

Giving is the first act of faith. You have said, "Pastor, I'd love to do it if I had the time." Or, "I'd love to give if I had the money." If you wait until you have the money to give or the time to spend, you will wait until eternity begins and time is no more. If you want a job done, find the busiest person in the church and he'll make time to do it. Faith working through love gets the job done. If I'm giving \$100 now because I want \$400 back, it won't work. However, if we invest it with no thought of material reward, but because we love the Lord that much, the results are wonderful.

MILLIONS DIE WITHOUT THE BREAD OF LIFE



The accompanying article is a condensation of a message given by Pastor Book at Albany Assembly's annual mission's convention. The convention team (left) included the L. P. Furmans, missionaries to Tanganyika; C. C. Burnett, president of Bethany Bible College; the Eugene Willises, missionaries to Ecuador; and Pastor Book. Also shown are two of the many exhibits which added atmosphere to the convention.



I Was Saved Through a Tract

By FELICIDAD SATO
As told to Louise Horst
Missionary to the Philippines

ONE DAY WHILE I WAS COMING FROM WORK IN QUEZON City by bus someone handed me a tract entitled "Warning." It was the notice of a campaign at Roxas Park in January, 1959. There was an invitation for each of us to go and take our sick. But I did not read the tract in the bus. I put it inside my bag and just kept quiet.

When I arrived home I put the tract inside the sewing machine box. Later when some of our friends and neighbors visited I remembered the tract and showed it to them. We read it together. One friend said she had been at an earlier Roxas Park campaign. We decided to take some food with us and go to the meetings as an excursion.

We went just for fun, not reckoning on the convicting power of the Holy Spirit. When the altar call was given I went forward. My friends went too, but I did not know this until later. I found myself weeping tears of repentance. On our way home after that first night's service we were all telling about what had happened to us.

I didn't know anything about the Bible, so as I read the tract again and again I wondered about the question, "Are you ready?" I asked my companions and they said it meant that you should be ready when the Lord comes. And I didn't know if I was ready.

Before the campaign was over an invitation was given for those who had accepted Christ to follow Him in water baptism. I decided to go. I did not know my friends had made the same decision, for I had not asked them. When the time came to go to Paranaque where the baptismal service would be held, I found my friends there and we were able to follow Him in water baptism together.

I was present at the Bethel Bible Institute graduation. When I saw the students and the graduates, somehow God spoke to my heart that I should also study. I felt the call of God. After that I asked a lady, Sister Maningas, how I might be able to study in Bible school. She encouraged me to go ahead and enroll, but she warned me that to be in Bible school is not heaven—that there would be some trials. However, she told me that if I was really called of God I would be able to go through. She gave me my first Bible. I was then 24 years old.

I graduated in 1962. Since that time I have remained in Bethel Bible Institute serving the Lord as librarian and as a helper. Also I am pioneer pastor of the little Malinta Bethel Chapel just outside the campus.

I can truly say that I am satisfied with Jesus and I praise God for the little tract that was given to me in the bus that day. ◀◀◀

CONVENTION GOALS

- ① YOUNG PEOPLE CALLED OF GOD
- ② PRAYER PARTNERS
- ③ SYSTEM GIVING \$20,000
- ④ SACRIFICE OFF. \$3,000
 - EVANGELISM
 - OUTFITS

In the Sunday morning service Pastor Book by special telephone connection spoke from the platform of the sanctuary direct to Missionary Arthur Cannon in Costa Rica.

How can a person give with this kind of love? First, identify with Christ and His purposes. In Galatians 6:14, Paul said he would glory only in the cross of Jesus Christ—the cross that crucified him to the world and the world to him. That is a double death. It is possible for me to have the world crucified to me but not to be crucified to the world. The result would be love for something I could not have. John said, "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." You must experience that double death. Then you can give out of a heart of love.

Second, pray for a vision of the lost world—a vision of the two billion people without the message of Jesus Christ. Paul Rader, who became the great soul winner of his generation, prayed that God would give him a vision of hell and of eternal judgment. This vision revolutionized his life.

Third, pray that the Lord will reveal the power of the gospel to you. It is the gospel of Christ that changes people and transforms communities. Now is the best time for revival. While there are doors closing in certain parts of the world, we are hearing about other doors opening and the hearts of men opening to the gospel.

Let's work, give, and pray until Jesus comes. ◀◀◀

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CALL TO ACTION

J. Philip Hogan

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Tide of Islam

WE SOMETIMES QUESTION THE STATEMENT that America is a Christian land. When we measure our sin against the standards of the Word of God, we of course fall far below these standards. However, if we use the term Christian in a general sense, just as we talk about North Africa being Moslem, then the fact that we have been privileged to grow up in a Christian culture takes on an altogether new meaning.

I have just returned from West Africa where the tide of Islam rolls southward. Islam is not only a religion but also a political concept and, most of all, a thorough-going culture. When I preached in Senegal I saw young people raise their hands and even come forward for salvation. I know that these young people will suffer economic privation, will be ostracized from their families, and if they persist in a Christian life will probably be seriously threatened, even killed.

I saw young men from the Moslem community sit in a Sunday school class outside the church in Dakar. An irate Moslem father invaded the class, withdrew his son, proceeded to whip him with a leather lash in front of the class, and then dragged him off protesting.

In other Moslem lands there are doubtless thousands of secret believers who have not found it possible to take an open stand. One of our missionaries working on the border of Nepal recently told me that she personally knows of scores, even hundreds.

Every experience I face along this line brings home to my heart two vital lessons: First of all, we should be thankful that our faith is so easily maintained. Secondly, we must remember that world evangelism can only be launched from areas where there is free access to church and free testimony for Jesus Christ—areas like our own United States. Pray for those in lands where the whole fiber of living is antichristian. ◀◀



River Platte Bible Institute campus is site of Argentine youth camp.

Graduation— Doorway to Outreach

By Verne Warner
Missionary to Argentina

GRADUATION AT RIVER PLATTE BIBLE School in Buenos Aires is a day of rejoicing. With thankfulness we watch these dedicated young men and women receive their diplomas, for we know

God is able to use each of them in needy areas of Argentina.

Let me share with you some reports that are coming from recent graduates.

Emilio Figueroa and Horacio Balbi

Capacity crowd attends graduation ceremonies.





On grounds formerly an estate, the school prepares Argentine youth for Pentecostal ministry.

are in Patagonia, Argentina, founding the southernmost Assemblies of God church in the world. Cyril Pedersen is in the tropical province of Salta working among the jungle Indians. Mary Koroluk and Isabel Besbach are in the mountainous area of Cordoba doing evangelistic work and helping in a local church. Deyse Cyarzo is traveling across the country in the interest of Sunday schools. Aderqui Ghioni is building a new church in the town of Tres Arroyos.

You can see that we are projected into many fields through those whom we have helped to prepare for the Master's work. The investment in this school is paying rich dividends. ◀◀

Missionary Verne Warner awards diploma to one of 12 recent graduates of the River Platte Bible Institute at Buenos Aires.



A Missionary's son tells about . . .

Christmas with a Difference

By Bob Williams



IF YOU'VE EVER LONGED FOR A REALLY unique Christmas I think I can tell you about one that will provoke your envy.

The closing days of 1961 found our family traveling on the Nile, the immortal river of Moses and the Pharaohs. We were on a barge named the *Hurriyah*, an intricate contraption composed of six smaller barges tied together and run by a water paddle.

When Christmas came the barge was crossing what is known as the *sudd*, a region where the Nile seems to lose itself in a gigantic swamp of papyrus.

We were surrounded by Moslem Arabs who were entirely indifferent to Christmas. But my sisters and I felt we ought to do something to celebrate. So as our barge rounded a curve on its snakelike course through the *sudd*, we hurriedly picked a papyrus leaf. Soon it was standing proudly in the lounge. We went to considerable trouble in decorating it with tissue paper. The whole idea proved more than the Moslem steward could take. He very innocently threw the "thing" overboard.

Cyril Pedersen, RPBI alumnus and son of Norwegian missionaries, is working among Indians of northern Argentina.



Christmas on the mission field wasn't always that different, however. For my sisters and me it meant six weeks away from boarding school—the longest break in the school year. The environment at home had a definite Christmas air. The British had been in control of Nyasaland (now Malawi) for 100 years and the Africans had assimilated western customs and observances, among them Christmas. Like the Europeans they copied, these people had many different ideas about what Christmas really meant. To many of them it was a festival important only for what they could get. I can still see the little African children holding out their hands and looking up with unsure expectation as they voiced the simple and expressive plea, "*Kissimasi, kissimasi.*"

Christmas offers a great opportunity to the missionary to present the true story of Christ. This in itself makes Christmas a time of special satisfaction. But for the benefit of personal morale, I think every missionary needs a special identification with his homeland at this season.

On Christmas eve our family would gather around our Christmas tree in Africa to sing carols and read the Christmas story. Then we exchanged gifts and opened presents that the WMC's, Missionettes, and other missions-minded groups had sent to us. It was a time when we were drawn close to the American way of life again and indirectly, to the purpose of missionary work.

To the missionary, who has committed himself to a spiritual struggle in a foreign land, each gift and each thoughtful card is more than just a beautiful item. It even means more than a tender thought. It reinforces his belief in the real spirit of Christianity and of Christmas.

Remember your missionaries this Christmas. Such thoughtfulness is an investment in the morale of your entire missions program. ◀◀

The Light of the World

Sunday School Lesson for December 6, 1964

JOHN 1:1-14; 2 CORINTHIANS 4:5, 6

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

John's Gospel has rightly been called *The Gospel of Light, Life, and Love*. These three terms describe the need of mankind and the character and nature of Christ and His salvation. And our lesson centers around that aspect of salvation which may be defined as *light*.

1. THE LIGHT IN ETERNITY (John 1:1-5)

In the first five verses of his Gospel, John ascribed to Christ the following attributes and characteristics:

a. *Preexistence*. "In the beginning was the Word." John called Jesus the "Word," a title used by no other inspired writer. He meant to say Christ is the "final and absolute revelation of God." (See Hebrews 1:2.) Not only so, but he stated that Christ is eternal—just as God has always existed, so has Christ.

b. *Deity*. "And the Word was with God, and the Word was God." In these few words John stated one of the most profound of all mysteries; namely, that Christ is God and yet He is distinct from God. Both God the Father and God the Son have their own distinct personalities. (And, though John does not mention it here, the same is true of the Spirit.) Here the record simply declares Christ the Word to be one with God in substance and essence but distinct in personality!

c. *Creativity* (vv. 3, 10). "All things were made by him." John was very emphatic in these verses. Christ was active in the work of creation, cooperating with God in every aspect! (See Colossians 1:16, 17.)

d. *Life-giving*. "In Him was life." John was not speaking here of natural life (though, of course, Christ as Creator is the Author of such life). *Life* in John's Gospel has reference to spiritual life—that life which is and always has been in Christ and which issues from Him. "He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life" (1 John 5:12).

e. *Light-producing*. "And the life was the light of men." Here again John was not particularly referring to "the light of reason or conscience," but to the light of spiritual illumination, the light of revelation, the light of salvation. Life is properly mentioned as the source of light, for no man experiences this spiritual insight until he receives Christ as his life! This is why men who are intellectually brilliant may yet spiritually walk in darkness.

2. THE LIGHT IN THE WORLD (John 1:6-14)

a. *Light Proclaimed* (vv. 6-8). Here John the Baptist was introduced by way of contrast with Christ. "He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of the Light," "that all men through him might believe." Jesus said of John the Baptist that "he was a burning and a shining light." Yet John was a light only in that he

was a witness to Christ—"the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world."

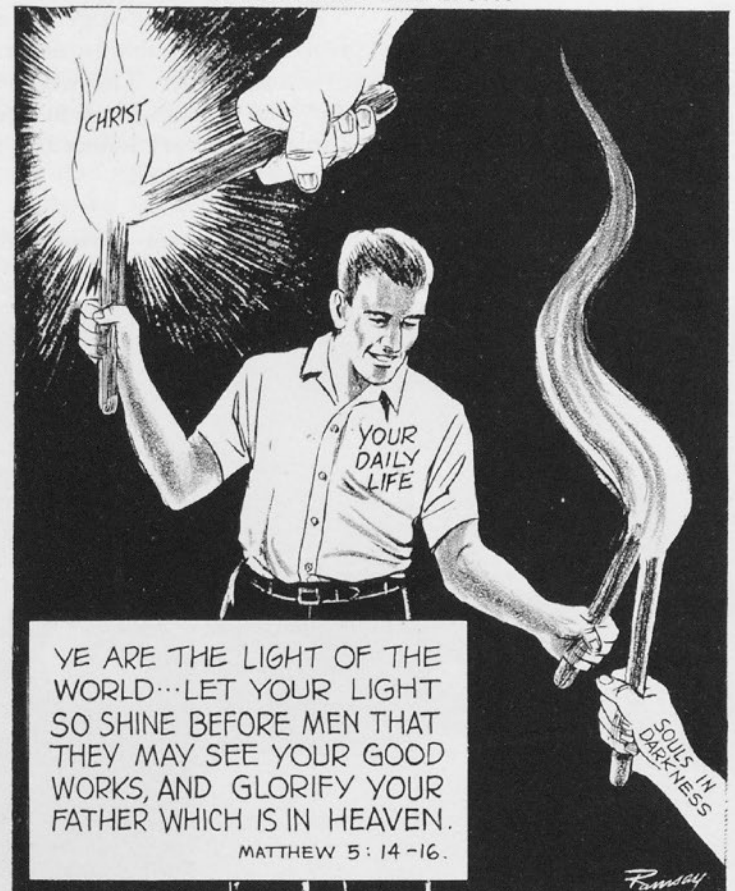
b. *Light Rejected* (vv. 10, 11). What tragedy, what irony, what pathos are in the words: "He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not." It is not surprising that men did not understand the mystery of the Trinity, or of the Incarnation, but to reject Him of whom the prophets had spoken was inexcusable! "And this is the condemnation, that light [Christ] is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil" (John 3:19).

c. *Light Received* (vv. 12-14). Here John described the results of receiving Christ. By placing one's faith in Him one receives power to become a son of God and is "born again"—born into God's family! In verse 13 he stressed the fact that the experience whereby one becomes a child of God is not the result of natural processes or human effort.

3. THE LIGHT IN MAN (2 Corinthians 4:5, 6)

Paul's words are a continuation of the theme John developed and also take us back into eternity. Just as God and Christ the Word cooperated in the Beginning, causing light to replace darkness, so they cooperate in bringing the light of salvation and dispelling the darkness of sin. John spoke of the Word becoming flesh and said, "We beheld his glory." Paul stated we behold God's glory in Christ who is the image of God. He further said: "We all, with open face, beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory" as we allow His Spirit to have right of way in our lives! ◀◀◀

SPREADING THE LIGHT



Highlights of the 20's (1920-1924)

By Noel Perkin, Foreign Missions Director Emeritus



THE MISSIONS DEPARTMENT OF THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD was born in 1919, which was before any regular constitution and bylaws had been adopted. J. R. Flower served as first secretary and treasurer of the infant department. By editorials in *The Pentecostal Evangel* and by public ministry he sought to bring about a closer co-operation of the fellowship in establishing indigenous churches throughout the world.

District Councils Formed

As the work developed, district councils were formed in China, India, Japan, Egypt, and Liberia. Bible schools were soon operating in these areas, for our missionaries realized that our goals could be reached only through a trained national ministry in each country. Frequently these schools were as simple and informal as our Lord's own Bible classes on the Judean hillsides.

Early district councils overseas consisted almost entirely of our own missionaries. However, as years went by national leaders were able to exercise more and more initiative. Today they lead our organization in almost every country where we work.

A Worldwide Fellowship

It is interesting to notice the breadth of view our early leaders had. The records show that in 1921 a resolution was adopted that "steps be taken to nurture a worldwide fellowship of Pentecostal believers." The title suggested for the proposed body was, "An Ecumenical Union of Pentecostal Believers." We have been 40 years implementing this resolution! We are thankful for the progress which has been made.

Early Finance

The problem of financing new outreach was, and has always been, of prime importance. From earliest days

our policy has been to respect the wishes of the donor in the use of gifts for missions. A simple but profound suggestion of the time was that "in taking monthly missionary offerings in the Assemblies, three baskets be placed on the altar: the first to receive offerings for foreign missions... the second basket to be for home missions, and the third to represent the expense fund of the whole missionary department." The one proposing this motion added, "Let us in this way give God a chance, and see how He guides the givers."

In the distribution of missionary funds it was repeatedly emphasized that all money would be used 100 per cent as designated.

Budget for a Missionary

When we had reached a total of 230 missionaries under appointment (1921), an attempt was made to establish a budget. The basic figure was \$40 per month for each missionary, \$20 for each missionary child, and \$500 travel expense for each missionary going to or returning from the field. It was estimated that \$25 to \$30 per month was needed for the maintenance of each of our mission stations, which numbered approximately 100 at that time. The total missions budget figured out at \$233,800 for a year of operation.

Actually, this budget was a goal rather than a fact! It was almost 10 years before our missions giving reached this total. This means that as a whole our missionaries did not average even the modest \$40 per month considered necessary. J. R. Flower, missions secretary-treasurer, mentioned that some offerings he received were designated for the "neediest missionary." "Strange as it may seem," he said, "this would apply to two-thirds of the missionaries on our list!" (Continued on next page)

Anna Ziese, missionary to China since 1920, has not been heard from since 1956.



J. E. Varonaeff (center), first Assemblies of God missionary to Russia, meets with Ukrainian Council of Pentecostal believers.



Clipsheet—A valuable addition to your missionary scrapbook



Early Congo converts meet for baptismal service. ▲

Veteran missionary B. T. Bard, shown teaching at Truth Bible Institute in Peking, China, many years ago, is now ministering in Germany at age 70. ►



In spite of limited support, God met the needs of early missionaries in thrilling ways. In December, 1920, our South China missionaries were in embarrassing financial straits. They had largely pooled their funds in order to meet the monthly bills. They were, as one of them said, "Living from hand to mouth—God's hand to our mouth." One reason the missionaries were so hard-pressed that month was because some mail from America had been burned in transit. And of course there was no air mail by which they could receive emergency help.

For Christmas Day there was no prospect of anything special. The missionaries decided that for the Lord they could happily fast over Christmas if necessary. But God had other plans. A missionary's letter recounts, "Just before Christmas the Chinese groceryman—who was not a Christian—sent up a nice turkey, with candy, nuts, dried fruits, and fancy cake. He said it was a present for our Christmas dinner."

Furloughs

Missionaries during this period were unable to take furloughs at regular intervals. Many remained abroad from seven to nine years and some longer. A few literally went to the field for life. While this spirit of sacrifice is inspiring, the long terms no doubt contributed to the heavy loss we suffered in missionary lives laid down, perhaps earlier than was necessary. We have learned through the years how better to safeguard the most precious investment in missions—our missionaries' lives.

1920 Highlights

Brother Flower wrote, "Missionary zeal is running high; we have 200 missionaries on our list and 40 applicants for appointment. The funds we receive are insufficient. Shall we retrench, or shall we go after this problem with faith and works? The only thing we can do consistent with our testimony is to go forward—not retrench, but meet the need."

He also stated an important bit of missions philosophy: "Pentecostal missionaries have a holy calling. They cannot follow the methods of non-Pentecostals who have gone before, neither can they bend their efforts in building up charitable institutions, hospitals and schools. Pentecostal missionaries have a Pentecostal commission—to

Since this article was written an unconfirmed report has come from Hong Kong indicating that Anna Ziese passed away in the Spring of 1964.

be witnesses in Jerusalem, in Judea, and to the uttermost parts of the earth. Witnesses!"

D. W. Kerr, an executive presbyter in 1920, wrote, "It is not wise to construct much machinery. We have enough! What we need is a lubricant—oil from heaven!"

Anna Ziese reported her safe arrival in China in July, 1920. She wrote, "My heart is burning to give the gospel to the Chinese." Years later Miss Ziese chose to remain on despite the Communist take-over. We have had no communication from her since 1956 and have no way of knowing if she is still alive.

Other "Firsts" of the Twenties

H. C. Ball, later to serve as field secretary for Latin America, began his work among Spanish-speaking people along the Mexican border. The beginnings of Pentecostal literature in Spanish were made at this time.

The first baptismal service in what was then Belgian Congo was held at Christmastime in 1922. Forty-two converts were baptized.

A Bible school accommodating between 50 and 60 students was established in North China in 1922. This may have been our earliest long-term Bible school established overseas.

J. E. Varonaeff and his wife were our first Assemblies of God missionaries to enter Russia. In 1922 they reported that several new Assemblies had been formed, and that 60 believers had been filled with the Holy Spirit at Kiev.

Sample Field

Upper Volta, West Africa, was entered by our missionary pioneers in 1920. After losing one or more horses on their way, they wrote that to take this land for God would cost "the blood of men and horses." This prediction has indeed proved true. Part of the cost of opening Upper Volta was in the lives of missionaries. Eric Booth-Clibborn, a grandson of the late General Booth of the Salvation Army, was one of our earliest missionaries in this field. With his wife and little daughter he arrived in Africa June 19, 1924. Just 19 days later he died of fever.

Brother Booth-Clibborn was only one of a long list of missionary warriors who laid down their lives in Africa, India, China and other lands for the gospel. But from this seed has grown a large and mighty church by the help and inspiration of the Holy Spirit. ◀◀◀

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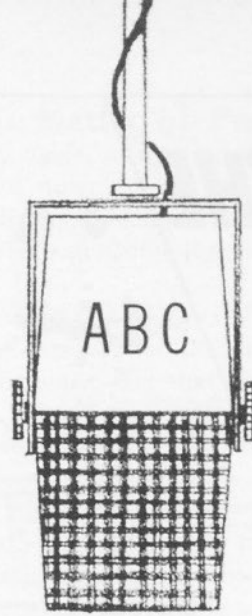
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Ads announcing the various broadcasts conducted by the Assemblies of God in Taiwan are run in the newspapers and magazines. These ads promote the release of *Revivaltime* for the English-speaking people in Taiwan, in addition to the Chinese broadcasts.

Revivaltime Helps Taiwan Church Grow

THROUGH THE DEDICATED AND SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS of concerned Christians, *Revivaltime's* stirring message of salvation is now being aired in five of the largest cities on Taiwan (Formosa).

The radio service released over the BCC network in Taiwan ministers each week to approximately 20,000 English-speaking people on the small island, almost half of its audience being American servicemen and their families. Paul Pipkin, Assemblies of God missionary to Taiwan, recently wrote to *Revivaltime* assuring us of the broadcast's effectiveness:

"Only mass communication of the full gospel can compete with the population explosion which challenges the church today. Every effort will be made to continue our five-city coverage via BCC. Our gospel magazine advertises the five spots on the dial at which *Revivaltime* may be heard.

"I am enclosing a picture of the American vesper service, which meets in our home every Sunday night. The offerings of these Pentecostal military people pay

for the *Revivaltime* ad in the *China Post*. These people appreciate *Revivaltime*. On its 10th anniversary they sent a \$40 offering as an appreciation gift.

"The last minute of *Revivaltime*, released here on BCC, features a spot announcement inviting the English-speaking audience to call my telephone number day or night if in need of spiritual counseling."

Time after time *Revivaltime* has received letters from foreign workers thanking the broadcast service not only for the effectiveness of its salvation message in their country, but also for the personal blessing and inspiration they receive from it.

Helping to ease the burden of our missionaries is one of the Christian's greatest privileges. Each dollar you give to *Revivaltime* puts 1,200 souls within reach of the gospel. How many souls can you help to bring under the ministry of one of our ministers working on a foreign field? If you would like to have a part in *Revivaltime's* worldwide radio ministry, send your offering to *Revivaltime*, Box 70, Springfield, Mo. 65801.

to church only twice and in 1956 I was taken sick again. The doctor found I had a blood disease. He told my wife I would not live over 24 hours.

My 12-year-old son asked his pastor to come and pray for me. The pastor prayed; then he asked the church to pray; and my condition began to improve. In about a week I was released from the hospital.

The pastor continued to visit and to pray with me. In three weeks I was able to go to Sunday school and two weeks later I was strong enough to stay for the worship service as well.

It was on March 13, 1957, that the Lord Jesus Christ became real to my heart and soul. I surrendered all to Him. That same summer I went to work. Since then I have lost very little time because of sickness. God has healed my back and my blood is normal. I am happy to witness for my Saviour.—James Parks, Columbus, Ga.

(Endorsed by Pastor Aaron M. Wall, Bealwood Assembly of God, Columbus, Ga.)

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MEN'S FELLOWSHIP LEADS INTO WAYS

Men Win Souls in Syracuse, N.Y.

THERE WAS A SENSE OF URGENCY about the Men's Fellowship Soul-winning Invasion in Syracuse, N. Y., September 12-16.

Representing various business endeavors—automotive dealer, insurance, nursing homes, plantation farmer, church headquarters—these men "had left all" to share their experiences in witnessing and winning souls for Jesus. As one pastor aptly said, "They were sent by the Lord at this time to our area."

"It was the Book of Acts in action today!"

From the opening session when the "Shekinah glory" filled the tabernacle until the last reports of the witnessing teams were heard, "a fire was kindled in the hearts of those who attended until it became a genuine passion for souls. It was a passion not only of concern for the lost, but of desire to learn how to speak to someone and lead him to Christ."

It was evident that the motivation for this ministry must come from a genuine love for lost souls and not a selfish desire. Our objective and goal—to win men to the Lord Jesus and establish them in the faith—was stressed at the minister's luncheon.

Inspiration and training sessions were conducted Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday at 7 p.m. Following a brief session on Wednesday evening, approximately 35 couples or teams of two, including men, women and teenagers, went onto the streets to practice what they had been taught.

Within 45 minutes they began to return relating exciting and thrilling experiences. Reports varied from leading souls to Christ, or ministering to the sick and needy.

It was estimated that 18 souls were led to accept Christ in the brief period of visitation. But it has not stopped here. For churches and people alike have continued to pursue this "lost dimension" in Pentecost with thrilling results.

One pastor reports that teams continue to go out prior to the midweek



Leadership in the *Royal Rangers* has provided the men of the Eastside Assembly in Kansas City, Mo., an opportunity for service. Warren Hamel (center), commander of the outpost, has had many years of training in boy scout work. His experience and enthusiasm have helped to advance the program rapidly. Officers include two chaplains, four lieutenant commanders, and three patrol leaders. Copastors of the church are Darrel Massey (left) and Chester Massey (right.)



United action by the men of the church in various ministries is carried on through Men's Fellowship. The men of the Gospel Tabernacle Men's Fellowship, New Kensington, Pa., are prepared to go on a visitation assignment distributing *The Pentecostal Evangel*. Asa C. Martin (right) is pastor of the church.



Active witnessing by the men of the Gospel Tabernacle in New Kensington, Pa., is carried on regularly with services at the Light for Life Mission. One of the men is leading the song service while others play their instruments. Other men from the church are in attendance also. Through Men's Fellowship the men of our Assemblies of God churches are finding ways to consistently witness to sinners and win them to Christ.

NEXT SUNDAY IS MEN'S DAY!

OF GREATER SERVICE . . .



service and already three adults have been led to Christ with seven children added to the Sunday school. All of these new converts have been added to the church.

It is apparent that if the church is to accomplish its mission (and the Lord desires that it shall, even as He sent out the 35 couples in Luke 10) it must realize that "There is a great harvest, but only a few are working in it—which means you must pray to the Lord of the harvest that he will send out more reapers" (Luke 10: 2, Phillips). ◀◀

Pastor Takes Men to Bar

By Lonnie E. Calloway
Pastor, Northside Assembly of God
Muncie, Indiana

PRAYER MEETINGS SEEM TO DIE WHEN you pray for folk who are too lazy to pray for themselves. Or when you pray for the Lord to save the unsaved who will attend church tomorrow, knowing full well that no unsaved will be in the services tomorrow. Nobody bothers to bring the unsaved.

Last Saturday night I took our men to a bar. As we stood on the street between three barrooms singing "There Is Power in the Blood," in five minutes we had more sinners listening than attended our church in a year.

Later in the evening, on the way home, one of our group remarked, "I feel better than I've felt in six months!" We're going back to the bar next Saturday night!

Our men sang, testified to individuals, and prayed with weeping men and women for two hours! The people begged us to sing more of the grand old songs about Jesus.

Three or four men sang over the loud speaker while others, with pockets full of tracts and Testaments, moved up and down the street speaking to interested individuals. We have seen dozens kneel right on the street and confess their sins to the Lord.

The final result is difficult to calculate, for follow-up work is not always easy. But the obvious result in the lives of our men is thrilling. Pastors of other denominations in our city remark to me, "I wish I had men who had the courage to work for God like that." ◀◀

Men's Day Theme: TRUE Phil. 4:8

Honor the "Man of the Year" in Your Church

Honor one of the men in your church on Men's Day. This will provide an opportunity to say "thanks" to all the men for their contributions to the church, and especially to this one. In turn, this recognition will challenge the men to even a greater devotion to the Lord's work by outlining to them some of the requisites which make a man outstanding.

Qualifications "Man of the Year"

The "Man of the Year" shall be judged on the following qualifications:

PERSONAL—He shall have a personal life devoted to Christ, to Bible study, and to prayer.

HOME—He shall effectively serve as priest of his own house, directing his family in worship and spiritual conduct.

CHURCH—He shall faithfully minister in his church by his attendance, Christian service, and stewardship.

COMMUNITY—His witness to his world should be effective through high Christian and ethical conduct at work and through a diligent effort to win his neighbors and working associates to Christ.



Men's Fellowship groups throughout the United States have given money through Light-for-the-Lost, the missionary arm of Men's Fellowship, for printing and distribution of literature overseas. At the Revival Center in Georgetown, British Guiana, 10,000 pieces of literature provided by Light-for-the-Lost were distributed by the people during an evangelistic campaign.

Today Is Men's Day

Once a year on Men's Day we ask you and your church to contribute to the support of the National Men's Fellowship Department. Your offering will help to "mobilize men for Christian action." Won't you give? A *Winner's Wallet* will be given FREE to each man in your church when you give \$5.00 or more.

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FOREIGN NEWS DIGEST

Hong Kong Scholarship Declined

A short time ago we were greatly encouraged by the testimony of one of our Ecclesia Bible Institute students. He said that another denomination had offered him a trip to the U. S. to study in Boston, Mass., for six years if he would agree to be baptized into their church. He said he prayed about the matter, and felt that he would be turning his back on his Pentecostal testimony if he accepted this offer. So he told them no.

This same young man has now accepted the pastorate of one of our Assemblies of God churches, and the other evening he told me of the victories that God is giving him. Already a revival meeting has filled the church to capacity with many souls coming to the Lord. He also said that the old saints had all experienced a refilling of the Holy Spirit. His prayer now is that the gifts of the Spirit would be operative in the church and that God would continue to prove Himself to the many hungry people in that area.

We have already had several promising young men apply for the next fall term. God is going to use this Bible school in a greater way than ever before as you continue to back us up in prayer.

—Paul V. Greisen

Philippines No One Hurt

The sky darkened and the wind came whistling in at 95 miles an hour. The heavy rain beat down mercilessly. It sounded like a thousand howling demons gyrating to drumbeats of rain on the roof.

The next day, Bethel Bible Institute campus looked like a battlefield. Many beautiful trees were felled. Branches were strewn everywhere. Roofs were damaged. Electric power was off. Our water

supply had run out. But, thank God, no one was hurt! "Dading," the worst typhoon to strike Manila in many years, had come and gone. But we had been safe in God's keeping.

We also thank God for the fruition of our vision for the Far East Advanced School of Theology (FEAST). The plans were finalized on July 29, 1964, and as soon as the typhoon season ends, construction will begin. The Derrick Hillarys arrived on August 3rd to help us in this school and also BBI.

Only six students will be enrolled this semester. All of these have proven ministries and now feel called to a deepening of their knowledge of God's Word. We are training them for leadership and for Bible school teaching. We thank all those who have already contributed towards the cost of this project through offerings sent to the Foreign Missions Department, and we are praying for the balance of funds to be provided.

—Harold Kohl

All Fronts Advance

San Jose was host church for the Fourth Annual Council of the Western Visayan District held last April. About 150 ministers, delegates, and guests gathered to enjoy spiritual refreshing and fellowship. On the closing night, seven ministers were ordained.

The assemblies in Aklan are growing. Last May we drove our Speed-the-Light carryall to this province in northern Panay to look over the work. The rivers of Antique were flooded so long detours were necessary. But the opportunities challenged us. Four churches are now partly finished. Please pray that the Lord will help the Christians to complete these churches.

Kalibo, the capital of Aklan, is the educational center of northern Panay. Cottage prayer meetings

are conducted there and many are being added to the group of believers. When evangelistic meetings were held in the city plaza, about 80 people expressed their desire to receive Christ. Please pray that a strong work shall be established in this city.

Ten young people, five of them our school girls, were baptized in water at our Easter sunrise service at the Sibalom river.

—Warren Denton

Guatemala Children Reached

Since the first of this year we have held 14 Sunday school conventions. Emphasis was put on each teacher being a soul winner, with the result that in Asuncion Mita 17 children have accepted Christ during the regular Sunday school hour.

Children's meetings were held in some of the churches in conjunction with the conventions. Around 200—including teen-agers—were saved in these meetings, 40 of them from the Comapa church alone.

We have been thrilled with the enthusiasm of the workers and feel that the results of the conventions will be long lasting.

—Perry Dymond



Walter Haydus clasps hand of Gustavo Interiano (left) who is having a highly effective ministry in Guatemala.

Hundreds Are Filled

Gustavo Interiano, a product of our Bible institute, has seen 110 filled with the Spirit in Teucal, 64 in San Antonio, 30 in Tiquisate, 66 in Progreso, 65 in Ovajero, 40 in Atescatempa, and many more under his ministry. Praise God for His working in this Central American republic.

—Walter and Miriam Haydus

Ghana

Harvest Service Blessed

The first Sunday in August Mrs. Cobb and I went to the village of Ashallaja, about 20 miles from Accra. We had to walk the last two miles and cross a river in a dugout canoe. Our purpose was to hold a Harvest Service to raise the money needed to finish the Ashallaja church building. The mud walls are up and the roof is on, but there are no windows, doors, or concrete floor.

The churches in this area sent offerings and individual persons brought harvest offerings from their farms. The service lasted from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and the presence of the Lord was there. The Ghanaians really like this kind of service. None objected to a long sermon! We didn't have a chance to eat, but I did have a green coconut and drank the milk from it.

When the offering was counted, \$150 had been given for the church. The pastor, George Quarcoo, was extremely happy over this answered prayer. He now feels the Lord will make a way for him to attend our Bible school at Saltpond next year.

In the city of Accra, God is greatly blessing the Evangel Church. Our attendance in January 1963 was only 89. Now, 18 months later, it is 230. In the past four weeks 39 have come to the altar for salvation.

Please pray for these churches and for Brother George Quarcoo in his desire to attend Bible school. We urgently need trained workers.

—Robert Cobb

Italy

Crusade Successful

After months of prayer and searching, the Lord worked a miracle and opened the way for the Naples Evangelistic Crusade. We secured a large 2,000-seat theater in the center of the city. Some 16 assemblies of the Naples area cooperated to make this ten-day crusade (August 28 to September 6) an effort of lasting value to God's work in Italy.

To supplement our efforts, Light-for-the-Lost provided 50,000 Gospels of John printed in Rome on our Speed-the-Light presses. And the Italian saints (many so very poor) have raised over \$800 to pay for advertising.

Java Central Bible Institute students are taught by both missionaries and national leaders.



We are thankful to God for His provision for a mighty Holy Ghost visitation on this ancient city.

—Hal Herman

Italian Ministry Not Routine

Gospel ministry in Italy is anything but boring or monotonous. Rather it can be a suspense-filled adventure to keep a missionary on his toes, or better yet, on his knees.

For example, consider these recent episodes:

We were run out of one town by a priest-provoked mob.

We were pulled in by police for distributing tracts.

We were invited to preach at a rally in the largest communist-controlled city in Italy.

We were involved in a debate with a Roman Catholic priest over the Pentecostal experience.

Is it any wonder we appeal for prayer support from you at home?

—Thomas Grazioso

Egypt

Now—Thirty Babies

A couple of weeks ago a new baby boy came to the orphanage. He was about one week old when his father brought him from his village, very dirty, and dressed only in a long shirt. His mother died following his birth. Now he is fine, and when his father visited him recently he remarked that he could tell his baby was receiving good care.

The little fellow has joined the thirty others under two years of age who are now occupying the newly redecorated nursery. They look so nice in their pink cribs and are under the care of Monika Wehmer, a capable nurse whose training was entirely with children.

—B. W. Corpany

WITH THE LORD

"HE WAS ALWAYS CHEERFUL." THIS is what Noel Perkin, Missions Director Emeritus, remembers as one of the most striking characteristics of Ira Shakley who died in Bethany Retirement Home, Lakeland, Florida, on September 5, 1964, at the age of 89.

Brother Shakley was born in Congress, Ohio, on May 18, 1875. In 1916 he and his wife left the United States as missionaries to Sierra Leone. In 1920, sponsored by the Illinois district, they received missionary appointment by the Assemblies of God Foreign Missions Department. Their work was primarily in Freetown among the Kru tribe. Ira Shakley was dearly loved by these people who looked to him as a father.

The Shakleys served as Assemblies of God missionaries until 1939. Brother Shakley is survived by his wife who is 93 years old.

East Pakistan

Permission Granted

For several years now a new church in Chittagong has been the number one project of our Missionary Fellowship. But time and time again our plans have been wrecked. We finally came to feel that we would never be able to receive the governments approval for what we felt God wanted us to do. But after years of frustration and almost despair, praise His wonderful name, everything has changed. We now have located a beautiful piece of property in an ideal location. And, wonder of wonders, the government agency issuing the building permit has given us a letter saying that there is no objection to our building a new Assemblies of God church. How we thank the Lord for answered prayer.

Chittagong is a city of nearly 400,000 people. It is the second largest in all of East Pakistan. If you could only walk with me through the congested streets and see the masses of people whose faces are stricken with hopelessness, I am sure you would understand our desire to see a center of evangelism established.

—Ronald Peck



Anthony Foti family



Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Hollandsworth



Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lehmann



Henry Swain family



John Bueno family



Norman Backman family



Loretta Castaldi



Eva Davison



Bobbie Wilkins



Ann Symonds



Hilda Palenius



J. Furnari



Carol Wingren

MISSIONARY NEWS NOTES

The James W. Jones family has received missionary appointment to Malaysia. The Milus Wrights have been appointed to Jamaica but will spend a year in British Honduras relieving the Russell Schirmans who will be returning for furlough.

New missionaries who have already left the United States are the John Bueno family (El Salvador), the Henry Swain

family (Korea), Bobbie Wilkins (Liberia), and Hilda Palenius (Ghana).

Missionaries returning to the United States are the Gerald Falleys (Nigeria), the Earl Wilkies (Uruguay), Lois Lemm (Liberia), Hazel Stigem (India), and Alice Stewart (Taiwan).


Recently returned to their respective fields are Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lehmann (Ghana), Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hollandsworth, and the Norman Backman family (Liberia).

Carol Wingren has completed her studies in Switzerland and is now in Senegal. Eva Davison

and Ann Symonds are spending some time in England before they continue to Ghana.

The Paul Finkenbinder family is moving to California where Mr. Finkenbinder will continue preparation of Spanish gospel broadcasts.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Foti, Loretta Castaldi, and Josephine Furnari, who formerly held appointment under the Italian Branch of the Assemblies of God for work among the Italian peoples abroad, have now received full missionary appointment by the Foreign Missions Department.



Homefront Highlights

AMERICAN INDIAN MINISTRY

Kesheno, Wisconsin

The Norman Rehweekels report that as a result of the Indian camp at Gresham they now have several new families attending services. Several have been saved.

Lakeside, Arizona

The Bert Parkers have rented a hall in McNary for services. Already several have been saved.

Casa Blanca, Arizona

Church and Sunday school attendance is averaging in the 90's at the Casa Blanca Pima Indian church. During a summer revival with Virgil Sampson, Pima Indian evangelist, three young couples gave their hearts to Christ. More Indian men are answering the call of God.

Cibecue, Arizona

Brother and Sister Roy Nelson, missionaries to Indians at Cibecue, recently wrote: "We are thankful for our 1962 Chevrolet panel truck, without which our missionary work among these Apache Indians would be hindered. We have to haul almost everyone to church. We make two trips in opposite directions for each service. Many times the truck is so loaded the back end seems to drag the ground. God was so good to us in providing this means of transportation. Without it, it would be almost impossible to have church. It is always ready to go out over these roads—through dust or mud, rain or snow. Thank the Lord for all who had a part in buying this vehicle."

Tohatchi, New Mexico

The Gene Steeles are conducting released-time classes for the Assemblies of God students at the Toadlena Boarding School. After three years of clearing the land and getting ready to build a church, the Steeles report that the construction of the Newcomb Assembly is now progressing.

Gallup, New Mexico

The Caleb Smiths, missionaries at Gallup, have religious education classes at three boarding schools on the reservations. They also bring about 30 boys and girls from the schools to Sunday school and church each Sunday.

Bark River, Michigan

The Carl Peppiatts report an excellent increase in Sunday night attendance which has reached over 50. This is a comparatively new work.

Lumberton, North Carolina

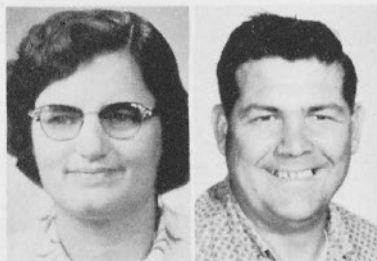
Ralph Buchanan, missionary at Lumberton, reports that his church is still experiencing a continuous move of the Spirit. The Lord is saving souls and healing bodies. Three new families attended the church recently for the first time.

Rapid City, South Dakota

Five people, two from Rapid City and three from Wanblee on the Pine Ridge reservation, were baptized in water at Rapid City as a result of the Indian camp meeting at Wanblee.

Albuquerque, New Mexico

Paul Evans, missionary at Albuquerque, reports there are nearly 27,000 Indians in the area who have not had the full gospel. Many have been found to be hungry for the truth.



Ruby Brown

Robt. Oakes

New Appointees

Ruby Luellen Brown, who has been working with her husband (J. O. Brown) for three and one-half years among the Pima Indians, has received appointment. She is licensed with West Texas District. The Browns are ministering at Chandler, Ariz.

Robert W. Oakes has been re-appointed to the American Indian field. He will also be teaching in the Newcomb public school at Tohatchi, N. Mex. Brother and Sister Oakes were missionaries among the Apaches for a total of six years.

Brother Oakes, a college and Bible school graduate, is ordained. He recently transferred from the Arizona District to the New Mexico District.

Phoenix, Arizona

The Lonnie Thomases are rejoicing over the news that the Pima Indian tribe has granted them two and one-half acres of land on the Salt River reservation on which to build a mission. The Thomases plan a groundbreaking soon.

Aberdeen, South Dakota

Owen Mincks, missionary on the Cheyenne reservation in South Da-

kota, writes that a severe storm struck the Moreau area the evening after the Indian camp meeting had closed. It demolished some buildings and tore roofs from houses in its fury. No doubt the camp trailer houses and their large tent would have been ruined if the camp meeting had been in progress.

Kayenta, Arizona

The East Gary, Ind., Assembly (Denver Baker, pastor) made a substantial contribution toward a Chevrolet panel truck for the Roswell Dillinghams at Kayenta.

Lower Brule, South Dakota

The Albert Hollands, pastors at Lower Brule, are conducting religious education classes in their trailer as part of the school's released-time program. Their lovely new church is finished on the outside, and ready to be finished on the inside as funds are available. The tribe paid the Hollands' expenses to be delegates to the Boy Scout Leaders Convention on Indian Youth in New Mexico. Brother Holland plans to start an Indian Boy Scout troop.

Mobridge, South Dakota

Dedication services for the new Indian church at Mobridge were set for October 16. Twenty-four people attended the first service conducted in the new church July 5. The Leo Banksons are pastors.

Cayuse, Oregon

Mrs. Robert Ruark has organized an Indian junior choir which has appeared at their own services and at other events on the Umatilla reservation. The choir was featured at the Indian Festival of Arts, LaGrande, Oreg., and has received invitations to return for the Indian-White dinner and service at Thanksgiving time. Also, Sister Ruark has been invited to be one of the dinner speakers. This singing group has opened many new doors for the Ruarks among the more influential Indians in their area.

Parker, Arizona

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd L. Cruse are the new pastors at Parker. Dedication services for the new church annex were conducted September 6 while the Fred Cruses were still pastors. J. K. Gressett, superintendent of the Arizona District, was the dedication speaker. T. C. Cunningham, assistant superintendent of the Southern California District, and W. H. Weaver, pastor of Lynnwood First Assem-

bly, were also speakers. Nearly 135 Indian people attended the services. A potluck dinner, prepared by the Indian women, was served on the grounds.

Indian Youth Camp

The first Indian Youth Camp in the Baboquivari Mountains on the Papago reservation near the Mexican border was conducted August 17-21. Thirty-nine young people attended. Several young people were saved. Laurel Akers, South Texas D-CAP, was camp speaker and gave valuable assistance in organizing the camp.

A tragic accident occurred when a boy slipped and fell about 150 feet from a ledge and was killed.

Tucson, Arizona

The John Swanks are working among the Yaqui Indians of the Tucson area. The government has signed a bill to give these Indians a tract of land to relocate the present village. As the matter now stands, the chief will not grant permission for a Protestant church to be built in the new village. It will be some time before the Indians actually move because the land is undeveloped desert and they have little money to build. The Swanks are trusting God to make it possible for them to establish a church among these needy people.

Potlatch, Washington

Souls are being saved in Potlatch, where the Everett McKinnies are ministering. They recently had a baptismal service in the Skokomish River when six followed the Lord in baptism. Each convert has lived a consistent Christian life for a number of months.

LaPush, Washington

Six families from the Renton, Wash., First Assembly painted the outside of the parsonage and the church and wired the auditorium for Pastor Esko Rentola at LaPush recently. Fifteen converts were baptized in water recently. Eight from the LaPush church were filled with the Spirit at the Elwha Indian camp. George Effman, camp evangelist, also ministered for five nights at LaPush following the camp.

Winslow, Arizona

Jewel Barnett, missionary at Bird Springs, is the happy recipient of a new pickup. It was contributed by the Assembly of God in Covina, Calif., where Judge B. Lindsey is pastor.

JEWISH MINISTRY

Los Angeles, California

Pansy Williams, who for several years has been co-worker with Frieda Neuhaus in Jewish ministry, has left the field due to family circumstances.

Chicago, Illinois

Ernest Kalapathy of Elmhurst, Ill., has joined the staff of Shalom Center, Chicago, as a part-time assistant.

ALASKA MINISTRY

Fairbanks

The old Lutheran church building has been torn down and the house at the rear of the property has been given to the Fairbanks Assembly for a parsonage. It is being moved to another site.

Aniak

The Otis Lichlyters were hoping to get their house built by winter. Attendance at the services has been encouraging, but the Lichlyters have not yet seen the move toward God among the people for which they are praying. They will appreciate your prayer.

Chugiak

The Edgar McElhannons are the new pastors at Chugiak, following the Bernard Tewells who ministered there for several years.

Valdez

The C. C. Personeuses are interim pastors at Valdez until a regular pastor comes. Bonnie Carriker, who has been pastoring the church since the earthquake, resigned in August.

Stebbins

Lawrence Burton, missionary at Stebbins, reports an encouraging incident as follows:

"While out hunting seals on the sea ice with an Eskimo Christian, I was unhappy about having shot at and missed a very large seal (ugruk). These seals weigh as much as a thousand pounds and provide blubber, oil, meat, leather, and fur—so important to Eskimo life.

"Tim said to me, 'Why you feel bad?'"

"I answered, 'The seal means life to you and your family.'"

"Quickly Tim replied, 'Jesus my life.'"

"I shall never forget the sincere testimony on the sea ice by an Eskimo whose heart has been warmed by the love of God."

Kaktovik

The Mel Cooleys, missionaries at Kaktovik on Barter Island, have been moving their church building to a new site approximately three-fourths of a mile away. Most of the village has completed a similar move. The Sunday school has held steady, averaging 45.

DEAF MINISTRY

Washington, D. C.

Thomas Goulder has been appointed Assemblies of God chaplain in the world's only secular college for the deaf. Serving with four chaplains of other faiths, Brother Goulder provides counseling and pastoral ministries at Gallaudet College, Washington, D. C. He is the first Assemblies of God minister to serve in this capacity. Gallaudet College has an enrollment of more than 700.

In addition to the chaplaincy duties, Brother Goulder teaches a Protestant religious education class in Kendall School, a laboratory school for deaf children on the campus.

He is a graduate of Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo., and has completed class work toward a master's degree in religion. He served as an instructor in the CBI School for the Deaf during the spring semester of 1964.

The college chaplain was minister to the deaf in Sedalia, Mo., 1961-62, and at Rockford, Ill., 1962-63. He has been an appointed home missionary with the Assemblies of God since 1961.

Rockford, Illinois

Lloyd Couch has accepted the position as minister to the deaf in Rockford, Ill. Brother Couch has been an appointed home missionary in St. Louis, Mo., since his graduation from Central Bible Institute in 1959.

THE EVANGEL FOR CHRISTMAS? WHO'D I GIVE IT TO?



It's a good magazine. I read it every week. But Christmas is pretty much a family thing with us—I can't think of anyone I'd give a subscription to a church magazine. . . .

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THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL

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PRISON MINISTRY

Chaplaincy Trainees

The Assemblies of God is developing a broader ministry to prisoners through placement of Bible college graduates in chaplaincy training programs.

Manford Craig, a recent graduate of Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo., has been accepted for clinical training at Larned (Kans.) State Hospital. Working in various areas of the hospital, Mr. Craig will be under the direction of Supervisory Chaplain James Thiessen.

In an effort to develop qualified chaplaincy candidates, Paul R. Markstrom, national prison chaplain, is promoting seminars and counseling sessions for ministerial students. Sessions are conducted on Bible college campuses and in penal institutions.

The Prison Division of the Home Missions Department maintains contact with state and federal penal institutions and makes literature available to prisoners free of charge. The literature includes Bibles, Sunday school quarterlies, Bible dictionaries, calendars and books.

Members of the Assemblies of God minister in an estimated 400 jails and state institutions.

Crime Increasing

The 1963 crime rate was 12 per cent higher than the average rate for 1960-1962. Our national population grew 1½ per cent during 1963. Since 1958, crime has increased five times faster than population. Generally, the states which are reporting the highest crime rates are those which have the fastest growing population.

FOREIGN-LANGUAGE MINISTRY

Miami, Florida

September 8 was the opening night of the Bible school in Miami. The American churches and pastors of the section cooperated in the welcome service. Twenty-three students registered and others are planning to enter later for a six-week period. Ten students are in the first-year class, five in the second-year and eight in the third-year.

During Hurricane Cleo two of the big front (plate glass) windows of the Evangelical Refugee Center were broken and some plaster in the building fell but no one was hurt.

Kathleen Belknap, director of the Center, is presently in Springfield, Mo., working on a book in Spanish.



These happy people, most of them Indian, were baptized recently in the Skokomish River near Potlatch, Wash. Everett L. McKinney, pastor, is second from right.

Evangelism **BREAKTHROUGH**



WING ADDED TO WOODWARD SANCTUARY

WOODWARD, OKLA.—The local Assemblies of God congregation dedicated a spacious \$40,000 addition to the sanctuary of its church on August 17. After having frame churches destroyed by wind in 1940 and by tornado in 1947, the church erected a stone building in 1950 and now this has been enlarged.

Dedication speaker was R. E. Goggin, district superintendent of Oklahoma. The Couriers Quartet of Harrisburg, Pa., presented special music.

The new 50-by-120-foot addition was built under the leadership of its pastor who has served the church for 10 years. J. D. McCluskey was pastor when the first stone building was erected. As well as the carpeted, wood panelled sanctuary with year-round air-conditioning, the addition includes a church office, pastor's

study, toddlers' room, nursery, and a youth classroom.

—C. A. Nicholson, Pastor

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HOUSTON, TEX.—Attendance increased at the Shady Oaks Assembly here during the ministry of Evangelist F. M. Fryer. Seven were saved, four reclaimed, six baptized in the Holy Spirit, four refilled and 12 baptized in water. Six joined the church during this revival which was held in April. The evangelist returned for another campaign in August and again there were good results with five saved, six reclaimed, and four baptized in the Spirit.

—B. L. Sanders, Pastor

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SYLMAR, CALIF.—Lynn and Becky Wickstrom conducted a Kids' Crusade at First Assembly of God here with outstanding results. New contacts were made through these meetings. In five nights 176 boys and girls were registered. The church was greatly encouraged.

—G. C. Sturgeon, Pastor

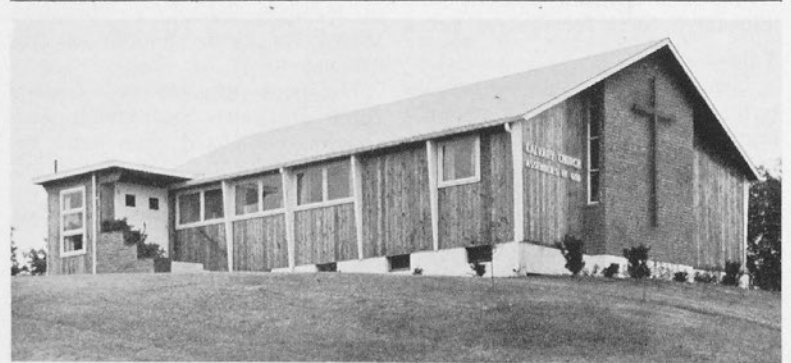
DEDICATED DEBT FREE

ELSINORE, CALIF.—Joyful dedication services were held April 12 when the First Assembly of God congregation moved into its new building. T. C. Cunningham, assistant superintendent of Southern California, was the speaker. L. L. Ammons is pastor.

The project was begun in February, 1963, with \$50.00 in the building fund. When the church was dedicated, the only indebtedness that remained was less than \$30,000 on the new furnishings. Proceeds of the former building, donated labor, and a pay-as-you-go construction plan contributed to this splendid achievement. Previous pastors who assisted toward the building program were Ralph Love and C. C. Arnold.



Seating 200, the sanctuary decor of gold and turquoise is accented in carpet and stained glass. W.M.C.'s purchased the new piano. Other features are a carpeted prayer room, workroom, and fellowship facilities.—L. L. Ammons, Pastor



TEN YEARS OF GROWTH

MANCHESTER, CONN.—Calvary Assembly of God has begun the second decade of its ministry. Tenth anniversary services were conducted over the Labor Day weekend when Evangelist Gene Burgess of Memphis was guest speaker. A Negro gospel soloist, Vera Rutherford, was guest for

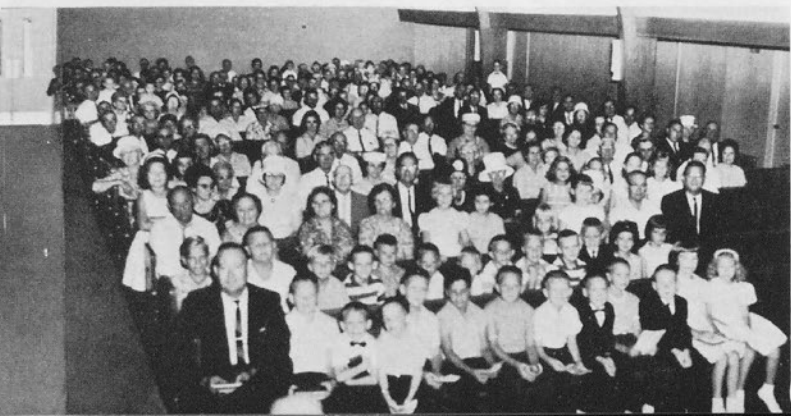
the week of anniversary services.

Founded in 1954 by the present pastor, the church now worships in its own beautiful structure.

Having completed a three-year term of office as district C. A. president, the pastor now is devoting his undivided attention to the work of this growing assembly.

—Kenneth L. Gustafson, Pastor

RUSSELLVILLE, ARK.—A 50th anniversary celebration in a spacious new sanctuary was a happy occasion for the First Assembly of God on August 30. Sunday school attendance was 507 that day. J. W. Farrell is pastor of the assembly. Under his leadership the new church with 14,500 square feet of floor space and an auditorium to seat 1,000 was erected at 124 East "G" Street.



SPRINGFIELD, MASS.—With an emphasis upon the youth of the church, Evangelist Gene Burgess of Tennessee ministered to the Bethany Assembly of God here. Several sought the Lord for salvation or a deeper walk with God. The Labor Day Sunday school attendance set a new record. The evangelist's talk to youth on "Evolution, Fact or Fiction," was greatly appreciated.

—David W. Flower, Pastor

PHENIX CITY, ALA.—The altars at the Golden Acres Assem-

bly of God here were filled night after night during Evangelists Michael and Peggy Lord's "God Save America" crusade. There were sinners seeking salvation, backsliders returning to God and Christians rededicating their lives. The people were stirred by Brother Lord's illustrated message, "What Would Communist America Be Like?" Public interest was aroused by a 15-minute TV interview with the Lords and a story written by the local newspapers.

Another means of publicity was a trailer remodeled for the pur-

pose of exhibiting pictures from behind the iron curtain. This mobile unit was placed in the Phenix Plaza Shopping Center and the Lords and others led the many visitors through the exhibit explaining the photographs, then into the prayer chapel where they witnessed to them. Free copies of *The Pentecostal Evangel* and other gospel literature were handed to the visitors. Brother and Sister Lord plan to use the mobile exhibit in other localities in the future.

—James O. Worrill, Pastor

WESTON, OHIO—There was a real visitation of God night after night during a 12-day meeting with Evangelist Daena Cargnel of Urichsville, Ohio, at the Assembly of God here. Some were saved and filled with the Spirit and others brought to a closer walk with God. A Church of Christ group came from a neighboring city with a deep hunger for God. One of these ladies was saved and two were filled with the Holy Ghost. Their husbands also went forward for salvation. On deliverance night a woman who walked with the aid of a cane and a man who suffered from a spine injury were prayed for and healed. A great move of God was experienced on the night Sister Cargnel gave her personal testimony, "Saved from the Convent." The people have been greatly stirred in Weston.

—Frank L. Blessing, Pastor

WORTHINGTON, MINN.—The Tanner Team of Willmar, Minn., conducted a successful evangelistic campaign at the Assemblies of God church here in October. Their anointed music and preaching attracted the largest crowds in several years. Scores of first-time visitors attended. Several adults responded to the invitation to accept Christ as their personal Saviour. Victories were won in the lives of a number of members.

—John W. Everett, Pastor

MANASSA, VA.—The Assembly of God here was greatly blessed by the ministry of Evangelist H. S. Ryan of Hampton, Va. Each service was unique as the Holy Spirit ministered and the altars were filled nightly by young and old. The last night of the meeting the Holy Spirit stirred the hearts of the people through Evangelist Ryan's personal testimony of God's healing power.

—H. V. Spruill, Pastor

SHREWSBURY, PA.—Evangelists Freddy Clark and Joe Peterson conducted a successful revival at the Full Gospel Assembly of God here. The whole church was revived, particularly the young people who sought the Lord with great earnestness throughout the meetings. Many new faces were seen. The attendance was excellent every night.

—Alfred D. Boyd, Pastor

BRISTOL, VA.—In a recent revival with Clyde G. Brown of South Carolina, the First Assembly of God here experienced a wonderful refreshing from the Lord. A good number were saved and several were baptized with the Holy Spirit. The church as a whole was strengthened.

—Reginald A. Stone, Pastor

EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Atmore	A/G	Nov. 27	W. A. Johnson	T. E. Barnes
Ariz.	Douglas	First	Nov. 29-Dec. 13	Ward & Mary Popejoy	Clarence Collins
	Tuba City	** Navajo Hopi	Nov. 29-Dec. 13	Victor Etienne	M. Shaw
Ark.	Greenwood	A/G	Dec. 6-20	Royce L. & Mrs. Lowe	Lowell Snitker
	Hope	First	Nov. 29	Paul & Pat Emerson	Bob Willhite
	Searcy	Searcy Mission	Nov. 29-Dec. 13	Otis Runyon	Tommy R. Carpenter
Calif.	Avenal	A/G	Nov. 29-Dec. 8	Louis & Mari Neely	Ken George
	Blue Lake	A/G	Dec. 1-6	Paul & Mrs. Clark	Truett Bobo
	Cotati	A/G	Nov. 29-Dec. 4	Charles Senechal	John Hudgins
	Hacienda Heights	Community Chapel	Dec. 1-6	Gene Burgess	Bruce W. Taylor
	San Jose	Bethel	Nov. 29-Dec. 6	Ernie Rogers	Leland Keys
Colo.	Denver	Central	Dec. 1-13	Lynn Dell Lummer	Leroy Duke
	Greeley	Glad Tidings	Nov. 30-Dec. 13	Bob Wilson	N. L. Bascom
Fla.	Daytona Beach	First	Dec. 1-13	Frank J. DePolo	Ralph C. Francis
	Eagle Lake	First	Nov. 27-Dec. 13	H. Syvelle Phillips	Carnell Bruce
	Panama City	St. Andrews	Nov. 29-Dec. 14	Ernie Eskelin	Howard Ridings
Ga.	Atlanta	Brookhaven	Nov. 29-Dec. 11	Russell Peavy	William Presnell
Hawaii	Honolulu, Oahu	First	Nov. 29	Tommy Barnett	Eldon Vincent
Idaho	American Falls	A/G	Dec. 1-13	Wesley F. Morton	Pete Peterson
Ill.	Effingham	First	Nov. 22	Billy Carter	Marvin E. Tuggle
	St. Elmo	First	Dec. 1-13	Bob & Paughnee Bornert	Yale Roberts
Ind.	Elkhart	Bethel	Nov. 29-Dec. 6	F. L. Strength	G. A. Uldin
	Edinburg	A/G	Dec. 1-6	Harry V. Vibbert	Gerald Badger
	New Castle	First	Dec. 1	Daniel Summa	Paul Davidson
Iowa	New Sharon	A/G	Nov. 29	Bob Watters	G. D. Coborn
	Shenandoah	Full Gospel Tab.	Dec. 1-13	Lowell Lundstrom Team	A. R. Sorenson
	Woodbine	A/G	Nov. 29-Dec. 13	Ivan & Mrs. Kimmel	G. E. Fogelman
La.	Lake Providence	First	Nov. 29	C. B. Anderson	Paul Young
Maine	Fryeburg	First	Dec. 3-13	Perrello Brothers	R. Miraglia
Mass.	Pittsfield	Calvary Bible	Dec. 1-13	Paul & Evelyn Graban	Joseph Beretta
Miss.	Columbia	First	Dec. 1-13	Don & Marjorie Logan	Ronald Connally
Mo.	Canalou	A/G	Nov. 30-Dec. 13	Robert Holland	Roy Bennett
	Kansas City	Dodson Tab.	Dec. 1-13	Lee & Bonnie Krupnick	Thomas G. Cates
	Puxico	A/G	Dec. 2	Loyd Middleton	C. M. Roberts
Mont.	Bozeman	First	Nov. 29-Dec. 6	Roy & Arlene Brewer	W. A. Redmond
Nebr.	Milford	A/G	Dec. 2-13	Musical Lebsack	Paul Sherman
N. Mex.	Alamogordo	First	Nov. 29-Dec. 6	E. Dale Franks	Eugene McClain
	Albuquerque	Highland	Nov. 29-Dec. 6	James H. Black	Robert Northrop
N. Y.	Endicott	A/G	Nov. 28	Werner M. & Mrs. Johnson	Robert Bressette
	Staten Island	El-Bethel	Nov. 29-Dec. 6	John W. Thompson	James L. Tate
	Waverly	Glad Tidings	Nov. 29-Dec. 6	Werner M. & Mrs. Johnson	Harry R. Burnard
Ohio	Alger	A/G	Dec. 1-13	Peter DeLeon	Ralph Palmer
	Canton	Central	Dec. 1-13	Tommy Wilson	Evans P. Richards
	Massillon	First	Dec. 1-13	Harry J. Steil	Carl E. Ladd
Oreg.	Newport	A/G	Dec. 1	Waymon (Tex) Rutledge	A. C. Grimes
Tenn.	Memphis	Whitehaven	Dec. 1-13	Don & Dixie Cox	Bobby Bowen
Tex.	Athens	First	Dec. 2-13	Sara E. Sharp	C. E. Wilson
	Cisco	First	Dec. 1	J. B. & Mrs. Essary	Thelma Hostetter
	Coppell	First	Dec. 1	Jimmy & Lenete Merritt	A. L. Pery
	Floydada	A/G	Nov. 30-Dec. 13	Franklin A. & Mrs. Burns	Ralph Staggs
	Hearne	A/G	Dec. 2	Samuel Calk	C. W. Irby
	Waco	Morrow Avenue	Nov. 30	J. Nathan "Jimmy" Phillips	C. Edward Willis
Wash.	Zillah	Village Church	Dec. 3-13	The Ellison Family	Gordon Shannon
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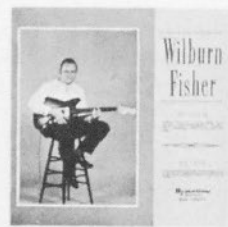
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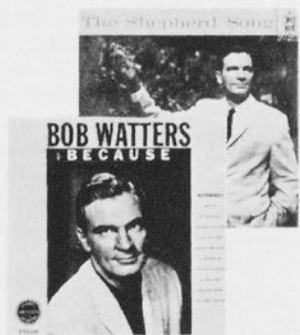
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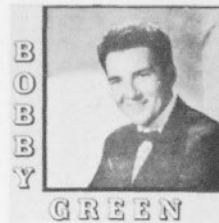
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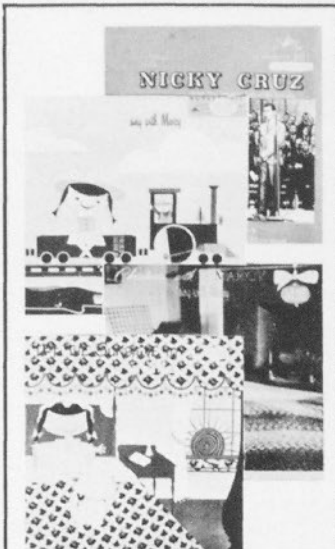
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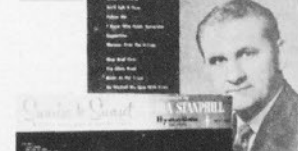
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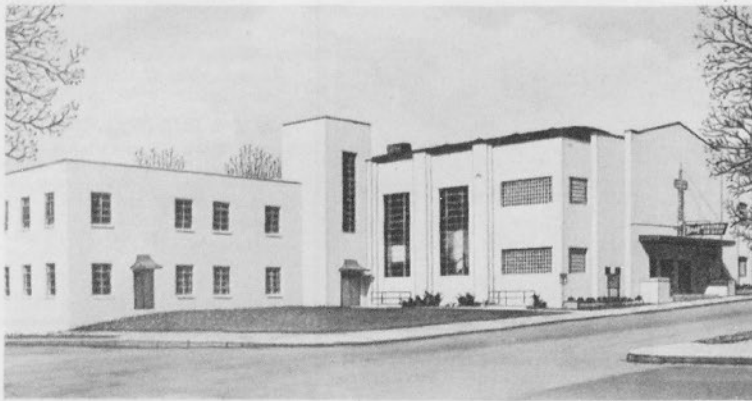
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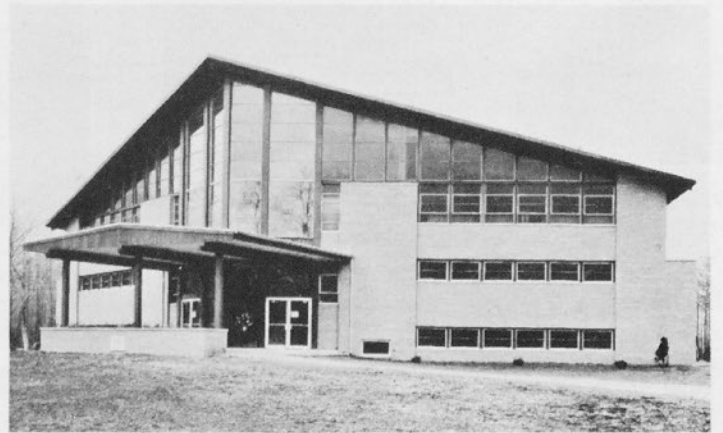
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