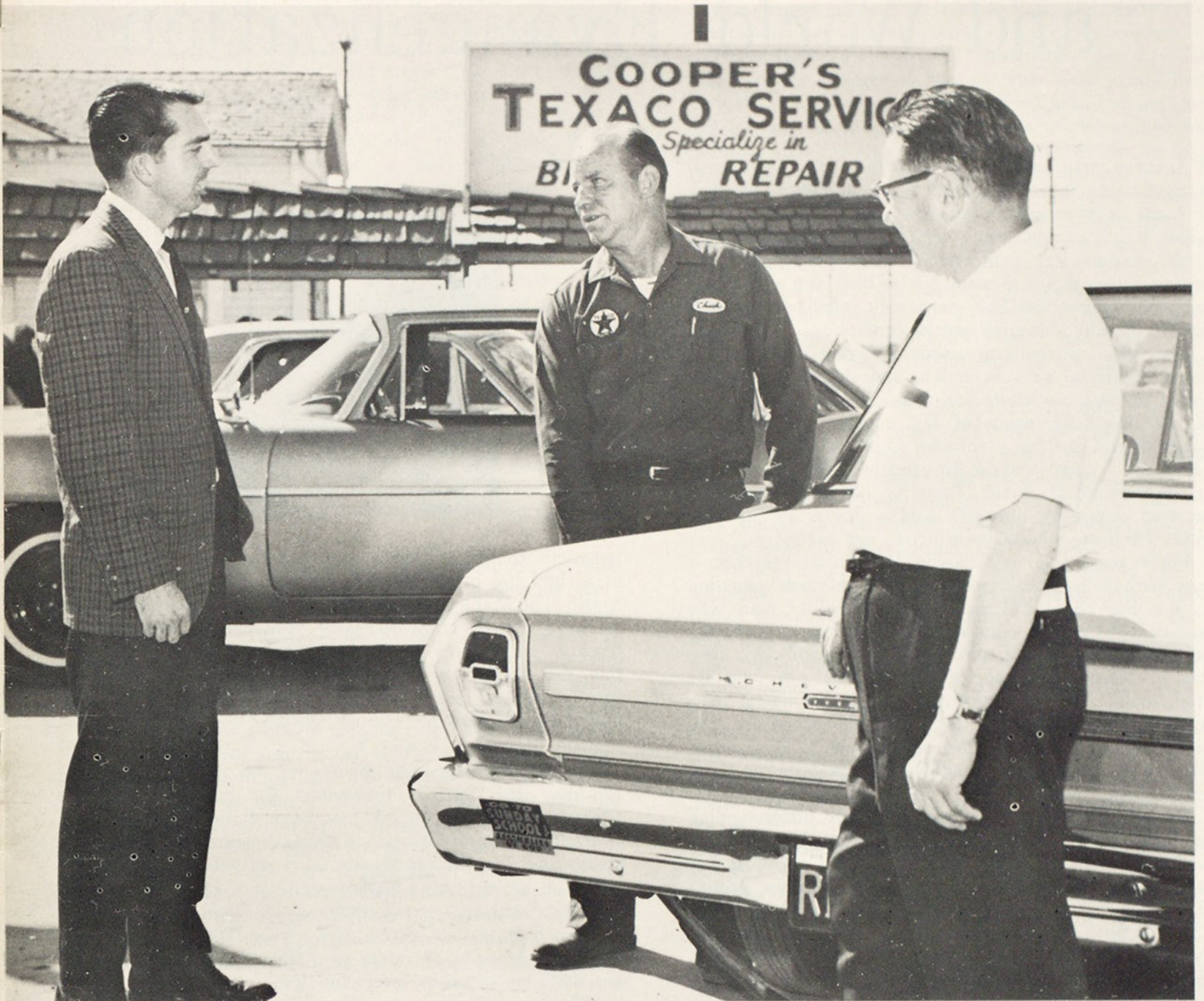


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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT SAITH THE LORD



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TRUE TO CHRIST—Marvin Barbee (left), assistant pastor of the Alisal Assembly of God, Salinas, Calif., and Harry Preston, former MF president of the church, and other men of the church have witnessed to Mr. Cooper while he fills their gas tanks. —See page 8



TODAY IS MEN'S DAY

Spiritual gifts are not a hobby to play with; they are tools to work with and weapons to fight with.

Spiritual Gifts and World Evangelization

—By DONALD GEE

WHEREVER THE PENTECOSTAL MOVEMENT HAS PLACED evangelization in the forefront of its activities, whether at home or overseas, it has prospered. From the very outset it has engendered a remarkable zeal for sending forth missionaries. Pentecostals are foremost in promoting Bible schools in many lands. They aim at planting indigenous churches. They now seek intelligent orientation to rapidly changing world conditions.

But world evangelization should involve a demonstration of spiritual gifts in action, and should not be engaged in as a substitute for them. If the manifestation of the Spirit by means of His supernatural gifts declines, there can be a turning to absorption in evangelism as a compensation for spiritual gifts rather than an expression of them. There is no need to choose between a passion for souls and a desire for spiritual gifts. They are mutually inclusive, not exclusive.

Forty years ago, as a young Pentecostal preacher, I was invited to speak at a small Pentecostal mission in the East Side of London by a wealthy man who was running it as a religious hobby. Before the meeting he approached me and said, "You understand, Mr. Gee, that in this place we are not after spiritual gifts; we are after souls." The false antithesis struck me like a blow in the face. It revealed the profoundly mistaken conception of spiritual gifts that was present in England at that time. In some quarters it still persists and not only in England!

Therefore we must hold fast to rightly understanding the gifts of the Spirit as a divine equipment for the work of world evangelization. To regard them in any other way is to turn them into a specialty for groups of people that become little more than religious clubs. There is *no* future for gifts of the Spirit on that line, except in the stagnant backwaters of an esoteric sect. When the element of novelty wears off, which is inevitable, it leaves the devotees isolated from the main stream of healthy evangelical Christianity. Spiritual gifts are not a hobby to play with; they are tools to work with, and weapons to fight with.

But for all that, we must retain a proper place for the prophetic gifts of the Spirit in world evangelization. It is speaking with tongues that has made the Pentecostal Movement a distinct and recognizable entity in the



twentieth century. There is nothing to be ashamed of in a right use of a perfectly scriptural gift of the Holy Spirit. The shame rests upon those who, in flat defiance of the Scripture, forbid to speak with tongues. Balanced teaching and healthy example will soon let everyone see that the novelty of speaking with tongues is only an introduction to far greater and deeper manifestations and experiences of the eternal Spirit of the living God.

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So many have written concerning the continuance of speaking with tongues throughout the history of the Christian Church, that it has become superfluous to repeat the chain of evidence. The continuance of identical phenomena is sufficient to correct a mistaken argument based on an erroneous application of 1 Corinthians 13: 8-13 that "whether there be tongues, they shall cease. . . ." The time is plainly stated. It is when "that which is perfect is come," and refers to a time still future when we shall see "face to face" and know even as we are known.

That the Church suffered a diminution of the miraculous gifts of the Spirit after what is called the apostolic era cannot seriously be disputed, but the reason was not that God deliberately took them away because their purposes were accomplished. John Wesley laid his finger on the reason when he said that they decreased "because the love of many, almost all Christians, so-called, waxed

cold. That was the real cause why the extraordinary gifts of the Holy Ghost were no longer found in the Christian Church." To make the sovereignty of God responsible for that which came about through human backsliding would be ridiculous were it not serious.

The miraculous gifts of the Spirit are not the Holy Spirit Himself. The Comforter had come to abide and at no time did He cease to remain among the churches as their source of power and light and life. In the great persecutions He was their strength to glorify Christ. In the great controversies, He was still there to guide into all truth. The early churches were by no means societies of angels, though supernaturally gifted. The letters addressed to them reveal in places a lamentable lack of holiness. An unwarrantable idealism can sometimes hinder our faith. We are of the same stock as they, and the Spirit of God never left them, though at times His activity was severely hindered.

The intellectual achievements of the Early Fathers played a great part in stabilizing the doctrine of the Church, yet these were not a full compensation for her supernatural gifts. It is for the restoration of those gifts that the revival movements have prayed. It was a great part of the spiritual hunger in the hearts of the pioneers of our Pentecostal Revival. The present charismatic revival among the Episcopalians, and others, is a continuance of the same abiding hunger. At heart it is a hunger and thirst for the living God, but it is none the less that when it longs to taste the manifestation of His presence and power. We must not minimize the important part that the speaking with tongues has played in causing the worldwide spread of the Pentecostal Movement, and hence its world evangelization. It thrills participants with hope that more and other restored gifts of the Spirit will follow. That hope must be wisely directed in the truth and not allowed to drift into fanaticism.

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We have some plain instances as recent as the nineteenth century of the dangers that can accompany every revival of the spiritual gifts, especially those of a prophetic nature, or those connected with divine healing. To read the early literature of Edward Irving and John Alexander Dowie, for example, is to catch something of the exuberance of our own early Pentecostalism, or that of this later charismatic revival. World evangelization would have been, under God, their safeguard. They neglected it, and perished. If we have caught a truer vision we may humbly thank God and take courage.

The Pentecostal Movement has girdled the earth and is reputed to include about ten million people. It still is growing. Its health has largely been due to its world evangelization. The divine impetus for that has been the baptism in the Holy Spirit accompanied by spiritual gifts. What is the future for such a movement? That will depend, under God, on its spiritual leadership; and, if it is to remain loyal to its heavenly vision, that leadership will manifest spiritual gifts. In the Early Church the gifts of the Spirit resulted in recognized ministries described in such passages as 1 Corinthians 12:28 and Ephesians 4:11. They were fundamental to its great task of world evangelization.

The Lord's plan appears to be a multitude of gifted men and women exercising their varied gifts in harmony

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The Grace of Giving

By Earl W. Goodman
Montana District Superintendent

I PEN THESE LINES TO CHALLENGE OUR THINKING, lest the day come when giving is no longer a grace. If we have been psychologically conditioned, we may feel that a certain suggested sum is what God would have us give. If not, we may feel that God asks nothing, and our gift then is meager indeed. It is of the utmost importance that we pray asking God what we are to give. Giving is a grace. It is not to be merchandised.

Scripture distinguishes between tithe and offering. The disposition of the tithe is arbitrary—one-tenth of all income. It was in effect before the Law and it has never been abrogated, for in Leviticus 27:30 we read, "And all the tithe is the Lord's; it is holy unto the Lord."

Honest men keep hands off God's portion. The fact that "the tithe is the Lord's" needs no support. We cannot give that which is not ours. We simply pay our most reasonable debt.

Grace is in effect in the matter of offerings. "Let everyone give as his heart tells him," is Phillips' translation of 2 Corinthians 9:7, 8 which continues, "For God loves the man whose heart is in his gift. After all, God can give you everything that you need, so that you may always have sufficient both for yourselves and for giving away to other people."

We are instructed to give from our hearts, yet intelligently. "He that seeth his brother have need" is sufficient incentive. One isn't called upon to pray about this. God holds us responsible to meet the need commensurate with our ability. "For if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not."

First consideration of our needs locally is shown in this exhortation, "He that careth not for his own is worse than an infidel." We ought to take care of the needs clearly evident before investing in needs that may not be substantiated. Many deceivers prey upon the churches in this hour using coercion or compulsion amounting to extortion.

"The Lord loveth a cheerful giver." This surely does not suggest compulsion. Some use coercion through calculated fear of embarrassment and pressure gifts out of proportion to the ministry served. Giving is robbed of its grace. We no longer give offerings, we meet demands. Our Lord offers to reward liberality so that we are able to abound in every good work. This doesn't mean \$100 to one of the Lord's servants and \$1 to another who is equally faithful and dedicated.

When giving is ruled by our emotions, God's kingdom suffers. We have pure minds responsible for these matters. Giving is a grace. Let's see it rescued from these bad practices. ◀◀

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Teen-Age Smokers

The current increase in smoking among teen-agers is extremely serious in view of its effect on health. The Surgeon General's report released last January showed that smoking is "an important cause" for the rise in chronic bronchitis, emphysema, and coronary artery disease. The report said the use of tobacco is a frequent cause of heart failure. If we want American youth to be free from these diseases—if we don't want them to have cancerous lungs or weak hearts—we will be greatly concerned about the present situation.

Statistics were presented by the government report which showed that the death rate from lung cancer among cigarette smokers is 1,000 per cent higher than among nonsmokers. "There can be no doubt that a smoker invites the horrible specter of cancer upon himself," it stated. "Air pollution and other factors are minimal in comparison with smoking."

For these reasons, if for no others, adults have reason to be genuinely alarmed over the fact that more teen-agers are smoking than ever before—and that they are starting earlier. Surveys by the American Cancer Society indicate that about 10 per cent begin cultivating the cigarette habit by the seventh grade, and 50 per cent are regular smokers by the time they reach the 12th grade. Educational authorities are worried. Some schools prohibit smoking on the school grounds. Other schools permit students to smoke in a special room—provided they enroll in a course on tobacco's harmful effects on health. Teachers warn the boys and girls but they find the habit spreading among their pupils in spite of everything. The constant barrage of cigarette advertising has the desired effect.

The U. S. Children's Bureau recently conducted an attitude survey among teen-agers to find out what, if anything, adults can do to influence young people in this matter. On the basis of this survey the Children's Bureau said to parents, "If you don't want your child to smoke, don't smoke yourself." This advice is sound and simple enough until the parents try to quit the habit. They try pills; they try methods; they tell themselves they are going to quit but all their efforts fail. If they would take their problem to Christ in prayer they would find deliverance from this bondage—for the Lord came to earth to set men free from all harmful habits. There is a cure through Christ's mighty power.

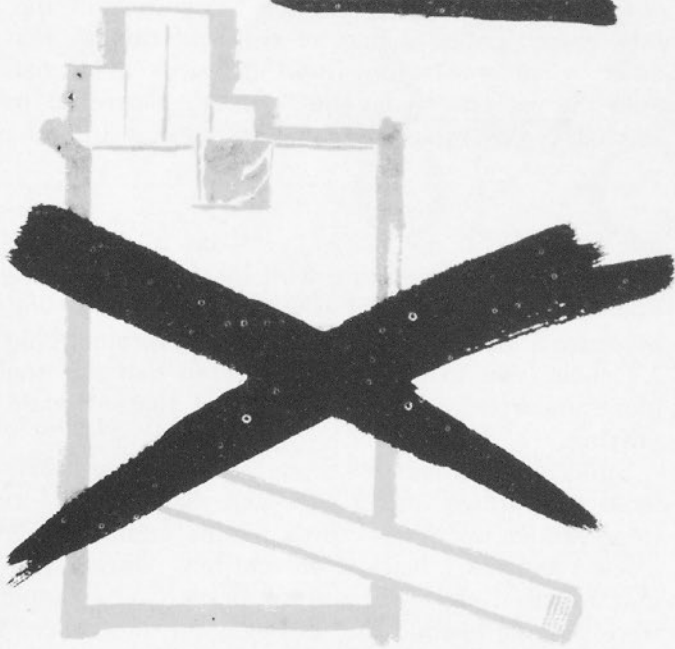
The greatest thing parents or other adults can do for teen-agers is to set a good example and to teach their children what the Bible says about the human body. The body is the temple of the Holy Spirit. God wishes to dwell in these bodies; therefore they should be kept as clean, as healthy, and as strong as possible.

Another thing adults can do is to insist that the government pass proper laws to protect youth from smoking. If tobacco advertisers will not voluntarily warn the public about their product there should be legal pressure. The Federal Trade Commission announced that all cigarette packages will be required to describe the contents as health hazards which could lead to death. First it was said this would go in effect January 1, 1965. Then a six-months delay was announced. The legislation is threatened with court tests which could delay this labeling for years. Undoubtedly the eight-billion-dollar tobacco industry will continue to let American youths smoke themselves into hospitals, wheel chairs, and premature death unless the American public demands that Congress and the White House disregard all the tax dollars, business profits, and the votes of people who make their living from the tobacco industry, and ACT.

—R.C.C.

How to Break the Cigarette Habit

BY EVANGELIST BOB WATTERS



RECENT PUBLICITY ON THE DANGERS OF SMOKING HAS inspired many smokers to try to break the habit. For years the position of most evangelical Christians has been that the habit is unacceptable. It obviously is unbecoming to a Christian to indulge in this unhealthy practice.

Bill, newly saved, agreed with this philosophy, so as he left the church one night he took the pack of cigarettes from his pocket and threw it away. He was quitting. But the next day, when a tense situation developed in the office, Bill instinctively reached for the cigarettes that weren't there. He borrowed one, then bought a pack. By the time he returned to church the next Sunday, he was smoking his usual quota.

Bill had been sincere in his determination to break the habit when he threw his cigarettes away. But he learned that determination was not enough. Many other sincere people, like Bill, make a start at giving up cigarettes; but when the craving for tobacco returns they find that although they have given up the habit, it has not given them up.

Experts in the study of human behavior tell us that the way to break a habit is to replace it with a stronger one. To do this, we are told to present the mind with a choice between immediate satisfaction and eventual reward. The choice most appealing to the individual will win out, according to this theory, which is all right as far as it goes.

On this basis, the smoker can admit that smoking offers the immediate pleasure of the cigarette. But the habit of *not* smoking, he can see, offers the better reward. There is release from a wearisome chain of cigarettes; peace of mind regarding the lung cancer threat; an improved personal appearance; a more effective Christian testimony; and, best of all, the assurance that it is pleasing to God for him to quit.

But why does not the knowledge of these simple facts

enable more people to quit cigarettes? Actually, it is not breaking the habit that is hard. It is *wanting* to break it. The desire to quit must be stronger than the habit itself. We cannot doubt the sincerity of many people who attempt to give up cigarettes, even though they are unsuccessful. Like Bill, they lack the strength of deep desire.

The first step toward breaking the cigarette habit is to recognize that you are a slave to any power that dominates you. By submitting to cigarettes you have become their slave. Jesus said that His mission of redemption included the "opening of the prison to them that are bound," and the "setting at liberty of them that are bruised." Satan's power is very real; but, "No man can serve two masters." If Christ is now your master, you need not be a slave to any unwelcome power.

In 2 Corinthians 4:10 we read, "That the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh." When you receive God into your life you are to manifest or demonstrate the life of Christ in your "mortal flesh," which is your physical life. This certainly includes your physical habits. God knows we are weak in ourselves; therefore He has made provision for us to receive extra strength to manifest Christ in our lives. The power of the living Christ in you is the result of your spiritual creation as a child of God. Just as you were born into the physical world, so now you are "born again" into the spiritual kingdom where Christ is master. Christ is greater than any habit, and He can break any fetter Satan had placed around your life before you became a new creation.

So, if you have a real desire to give up cigarettes, take it to the Lord in prayer. Pray something like this, "Lord, I know it is Your will for me to be free from smoking. I truly want to be free. Help me now to receive strength from You to stop smoking. I believe, as the apostle wrote, 'I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.' Thank You, Father. In Jesus' name. Amen."

Write these words on a small card or paper: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me" (Philippians 4:13). Put it in the pocket where you used to carry the cigarettes. If you are tempted to smoke, take the card from your pocket and read it aloud. Give thanks to God for His strength, and you will find He is giving you the extra strength you need. He is your Master now.

Do not allow failures in the past to discourage you as you take these positive steps to victory over cigarettes.

Use every opportunity to tell your family and friends you have given up cigarettes. The Bible says "... They overcame... by the word of their testimony..." (Revelation 12:11). Some may taunt and try to get you to break down and smoke; but be prepared for this, and

be ready to stand by your determination to be free from this habit which belongs to the old life.

While there are many who will be able to break the cigarette habit by following the above-mentioned steps, one further step should be taken. Prayerfully approach your minister (or other dedicated Christian) and request that he lay his hands on you and pray (1) that you will be released from all desire for cigarettes, and (2) that you will be healed of this physical infirmity. Totally surrender your body and mind to Jesus Christ and ask

Oregon mother tells how Christ delivered her from Satan's power

'He Redeemed My Life from Destruction'

I KNEW AS I STOOD IN THE PRAYER LINE THAT NIGHT that I was possessed of demons. I wanted terribly to hide my condition from the people, but I had come to the point where I wanted deliverance more.

It was April 1963, and because of a discouraging experience six years earlier I had become bound by habits of sin. One of the first was cigarettes. I did not understand my torment, but even in the midst of it I wanted God, and wanted Him to save me. As physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual stress worsened I began drinking, and was soon bound with a craving for alcohol.

During that time a doctor gave me several prescriptions containing narcotics, but they did no good. Even in that condition I turned to the Scriptures and based my only hope on the fact that "whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

As I walked forward for prayer, God let me know that the evangelist would be prepared by Him to help me. Five demons were named by the evangelist; and I then admitted I was demon possessed and felt compelled to do their bidding. As they prayed for me I experienced some relief. But deliverance had not come.

On May 17, I began the battle for my very life. Satan seemed very real, and during that night I had no doubt he was trying to kill me. A numbness and choking sensation made it almost impossible to plead the power of Christ's blood against the power of the devil. By morning I was exhausted.

Torn with physical pain I could hardly bear, and emotionally tortured by unfamiliar desires, I was encouraged when my pastor recognized the urgency of the need and called upon the church to join together in prayer for my deliverance.

As I went forward for prayer, I was in touch with three worlds. I was in fellowship with the Lord, for He had just assured me with a promise, "If ye shall

Him to take complete control of you. Then thank God in faith that He does answer. *By this step alone I have seen numerous deliverances from the tobacco habit.*

There is more than psychology involved in this method of breaking the cigarette habit. There is the employment of scriptural principles and the recognition of the binding tobacco habit as part of the "old things" that pass away when we become new creatures in Christ. Not only the cigarette habit, but any other harmful practice as well, can be broken by applying these scriptural truths.

ask anything in my name I will do it" (John 14:14). I was actively cooperating with the pastor and congregation in believing God for my need. And I was conscious of Satan's threat, "If you don't stop praying like that I'll choke you to death." I answered that my soul was more important than my body, and that I would keep praying.

Suddenly a numbness came into my legs. My right hand was drawn into a claw-like shape. Still I refused to surrender my vocal chords to this satanic power. For a few moments I blacked out entirely. During the battle that followed the devil did speak to God's people who were praying around me, through my own voice. When at last the demons began to leave it was with a tearing sensation that made me think my life was being torn from my body.

"Lord," I cried, "if I die, I'll be with You!" But remembering my four children, I continued to believe for complete deliverance.

Our pastor laid hands upon me and began to pray according to the Scriptures. Suddenly back of his human hands seemed to be the hands of Jesus Christ. I felt His virtue flowing into my body. I have never felt more gratitude toward my Lord than in that moment. From that night to this I have never craved cigarettes, alcohol, or narcotics.

Several weeks later I began to experience headaches and pressure so severe as to cause momentary blindness. I was even hospitalized, but doctors could not find the trouble. On September 17 the suffering was terrible. All that day I resisted the Satanic suggestion that relief would come if I would return to the evil things from which I had been delivered. That night, when the faithful people of God were again praying for me, the Spirit of God gave me the knowledge that the blood of Jesus was driving the final demon from my brain, healing the place where it had been. As it was commanded to leave it paused in my throat, swelling it out of proportion, and finally left with a loud scream.

Since that night I have had no more of those terrible headaches or pressure. Jesus Christ has liberated another captive! And "he whom the Son sets free, is free indeed!"

It is now more than a year later. Never in all my life have I known such love, peace, and joy. Jesus Christ has forgiven my sins and filled me with the Holy Spirit. He has redeemed my life from destruction!—Carolyn Palmer, Burns, Oregon.

(This testimony is endorsed by Jay E. Beebe, pastor of Burns Assembly of God. He states that Carolyn Palmer regularly attends the services of the church and is still praising God for wonderful deliverance.)



GOD'S GREAT SYMPHONY OF CREATION

As it was in the beginning, so shall it be when redemption is complete: the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy. All His works shall praise Him.

GOD DELIGHTS IN MUSIC. HE LOVES HARMONY; IN FACT, He laid the keynotes to all harmony. He planned all perfect combinations. The mechanics of music point to the creative hand of God. The notes of the scale are all related on the basis of exact mathematical precision. Middle C has 440 vibrations per second, while C above middle C has twice as many, or 880, and so on up and down the scale. Each note has its own characteristic but is based on the same mathematical precision.

God did not make a silent creation. He set all nature to a tune. He put a song in the birds, a tune in the wind, babble in the brook, roaring in the waves, thunder in the sky, and a cry in the animals. Only recently it has been discovered there is a relationship between light and music. If our ears were properly tuned we could *hear* the sunset as well as see it, and we could *see* the harmonious colors of the song of birds as well as hear it.

God put music in man at the very beginning. He made man in His own image, in harmony and in tune with Himself. He communed with Adam and Eve in the garden and there was perfect fellowship. There was no discord, friction or fear. All of nature, all of God's creation, was in a major key.

Sin entered, however, and that perfect harmony was destroyed. A curse was pronounced on all nature and soon signs of the Fall became evident. Since then nature has been in a minor key. The music of creation has been out of tune. All created life groans in a sort of universal travail. It is subjected to frailty and condemned to frustration. It is in bondage to corruption, decay, and futility.

Among members of God's highest creation, the human family, there is a restlessness, a discontent, a longing and yearning for fellowship and harmony with God. This is evident even among the heathen and pagan. They go through all sorts of privations, torture and punishment to find peace and happiness. When they have come to the end of their pilgrimage or punishment, or have given the best they have to their gods, they are just as unhappy as before. Their religions bring only fear and dread. Their chants are weird and sad. They give a feeling of loneliness and homesickness.

People everywhere try to find something that will satisfy that longing and yearning in their hearts. Some

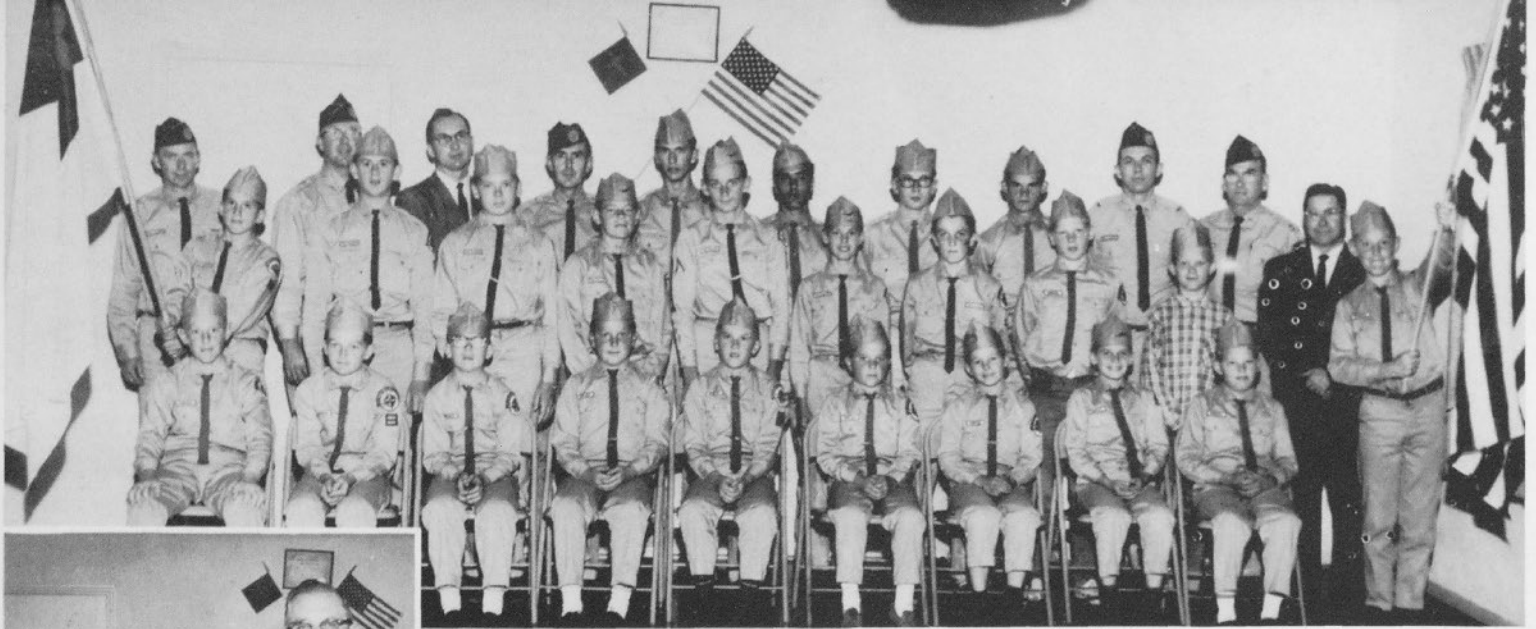
try to find it in pleasure. They may find temporary thrills; but oh, the emptiness and letdown afterwards! Others seek fame, which when attained does not satisfy. Others think if they can only accumulate a lot of this world's wealth they will be happy. Alas, how true the words of the songwriter when he wrote, "The dust I gathered round me only mocked my heart's sad cry."

God has not given up having a perfectly tuned symphony. He has provided a "tuning clinic" called Calvary. There man can be perfectly tuned and the chords that were broken will vibrate once more. The only way to get back into tune with God is to have the sin question settled. Sin destroyed the harmony; redemption from sin will restore it. He made provision for the curse to be lifted by sending His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, down to earth to be made sin for us so that man could be released from the curse. "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us" (Galatians 3:13).

What a change when Christ comes into the heart and fills that aching void. Fellowship with God is restored and there is peace and contentment. The heart can now sing in a major key for it is back in tune with its Maker. The song of those set free is a foretaste of the heavenly choir, when the redeemed of earth shall break forth in song in heaven. It will be as the sound of many waters, the symphony of a perfect creation.

Some day the work of redemption will be completed. "For all creation is waiting patiently and hopefully for that future day when God will glorify His children. For on that day thorns and thistles, sin, death and decay that overcame the world against its will, at God's command will all disappear and the world around us will share in the glorious freedom from sin which God's children enjoy. For we know that even the things of nature, like animals and plants, groan in sickness and death as they await this great event. And even we Christians, although we have the witness of the Holy Spirit within us, aren't free from trouble; we too wait anxiously for that day when God will give us full rights as His children, including the new bodies He has promised us—bodies that will not be sick again and that will never die" (Romans 8:19-23, Living Letters translation).

If people only understood that longing in their hearts, and recognized that it is Christ they need. He alone can satisfy. ◀◀◀



A strong Royal Ranger program is carried on by the church. The first Monday of each month marks the regular Men's Fellowship meeting and the other three Monday nights are devoted to the Royal Rangers. The men give monthly to support the work.



Harry Preston (left), former MF president, presents the gavel to W. S. Price, the new MF leader of the Alisal Assembly.

Salinas Men's Fellowship Selected 'Church of the Year'

Outstanding participation in MF projects and services brings special recognition to Salinas, Calif., church

OUTSTANDING PARTICIPATION IN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP projects and activities by the Alisal Assembly of God Men's Fellowship, Salinas, Calif., brought the church special recognition by both the Northern California-Nevada District and the national Men's Fellowship Department. It is the Men's Fellowship "Church of the Year."

The men of this church have made a great contribution to its success. Each Sunday afternoon they hold four or five services in the Monterey County jail. During the week they minister in mission services and at a Boys' Ranch.

On the first Monday of each month a Men's Fellowship meeting is held featuring local talent and a special speaker, often a layman giving his testimony. The other

three Monday nights are devoted to the Royal Rangers outpost where many of the men find a special outlet for their talents. Harry Preston, former Men's Fellowship president of the church, says, "Men's Fellowship is one of the strongest arms of the church. Men are happy when busy for the Lord. It is a highlight in my life, and I recommend it highly to all pastors and Assemblies of God churches."

Joe D. Wright, pastor, evaluates the men's place of leadership in his church as follows:

"The laymen are very important to the success or failure of the local Assembly. Leadership is a *must* for any congregation, and lay leadership is a great blessing to any pastor. Good Christian laymen and the help of God have made our Assembly what it is now."



Ed Cole, Men's Fellowship director of the Northern California-Nevada District, speaks at the Alisal Assembly's MF dinner. Photo at right shows Burton W. Pierce (left), national MF secretary, presenting a plaque to Pastor Joe D. Wright (center) and W. S. Price, local MF president, in recognition of their Assembly's being selected as the MF "Church of the Year."

DEATH ROW REVIVAL!

BY BURTON W. PIERCE
National Men's Fellowship Department

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CONDEMNED TO DIE, CHARLEY COATES, SON OF A MEDICAL doctor, sat out his last night on earth in his cell on the top floor of the Tattnel Prison in Georgia. He was to be executed at daybreak for the first-degree murder of a state trooper.

The spirit of unrest which usually pervades a prison the night before an execution gripped the entire prison that night, from death row to the kitchen. But the unrest this night was different.

In the cell next to Charley was Wade Holley. Wade's picture had been on the front page of most southern newspapers. An ex-policeman, he had while in uniform singlehandedly closed down the tent revival of the First Assembly of God in Augusta. Persons praying were literally pulled from the altar. The pastor warned Officer Holley not to interrupt that service, but he countered, "The meeting is too noisy, and I am going to close it up."

Later, Officer Holley, involved in a robbery while drunk and off duty, shot and killed a man. He was apprehended and convicted of murder.

But these convicted murderers were not forgotten. A Mrs. Davis, from South Carolina, learned Charley was in prison and sent him her own Bible. For two years Pastor and Mrs. C. M. Hicks, of the First Assembly of God in Augusta, Ga., (now of Athens, Ga.) visited the men and taught Charley how to use the Bible. They witnessed of the saving power of Christ and both men, though condemned to die, were gloriously saved and filled with the Holy Spirit.

Charley's experience was more than just a confession of faith. He became a student of the Word. He gave up smoking and witnessed for Christ at every opportunity. Soon after his conversion he took as his motto, "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." He would say, "Brother Hicks, whatever happens now I can't lose." He had a rubber stamp made with his motto and stamped all his mail with this testimony of his faith.

Soon other men on death row shared in this same glorious experience of salvation. Revival fires began to spread through the prison. Prisoners went about their duties singing the songs of Zion. The dining room rang with exultant praises to God.

Pastor Hicks described the prison scene the night before the execution. It was about 10:30 p.m. He and another minister were preparing for final services in the upper room on death row. On his last night on earth, Charley was to be baptized. The guards brought in a water tank used for photography. The prisoners clasped hands through the bars of their cells. The two ministers were outside the bars. Guards joined hands in the Christian circle.

It was a strange sound that greeted the warden of the prison as he walked down the road that midnight! He couldn't sleep for thinking of his responsibility at dawn to take the life of young Charley Coates. As he neared the gates of the prison, he heard the shouts of praise to God resounding from death row. From other quarters in the prison came unmistakable sounds of prayer and praise.

Soon the prison warden emerged from the elevator on the top floor. Walking by the electric chair, the warden came to death row where the guard quietly unlocked the door and admitted him. He, too, found his place in the prayer circle. The men were lost in worship of God. Little thought was given to whether the man was prisoner or guard, convicted slayer or warden, black or white. The important thing at the moment was the individual's personal relationship to the Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Never was there a baptismal service such as the one in which Charley Coates was "buried with Christ" in the old photography tank in the corridor of death row in Tattnel Prison. The men testified of the divine power of Christ to transform their lives.

As the moments ticked into hours and dawn began to break, men shouldered their individual responsibilities to execute Charley Coates. The phone line to the governor's office remained open. Technicians made their final test of the electric chair. The prison barber shaved the head of the condemned man so proper electrical contact could be made. The newspapermen began to arrive. The warden was overheard to say, "Charley, I have never seen a man in prison so transformed by the power of God. I have done everything possible to prevent your execution, but now I must fulfill the responsibility of my office."

As the sun began to rise, Charley took his final walk. He glanced out the window and caught his last glimpse of this earth in its morning beauty. A few steps to the chair and the eyes of all the witnesses were focused upon him. The electrodes were rapidly adjusted. The final moment for transfer of his soul into eternity had arrived.

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The Bracero Burden

By Michael J. Hines



Above: View from mission door shows specialized mission field—crowds waiting for work contracts.

Below: Gospel workers have this year distributed 300,000 tracts among the braceros.

Bottom: Purpose of the work—that men may find Christ.



EVERY YEAR, PARTICULARLY AT THE time of the cotton and fruit harvests in Texas and California, about 200,000 Mexican workers—called *braceros*—enter the United States. The migration is closely controlled by the American government which, from its headquarters in Empalme, dispenses contracts to the *braceros*.

This situation has been a special challenge to us in the past few years, and we have tried to meet the challenge. We endeavor not to let any fellow pass through the contract center without a chance to hear the gospel.

Last month we distributed 72,000 tracts, 4,000 Gospels, 10,000 booklets, and hundreds of New Testaments to those who would memorize John 3:16. We have already had 3,356 men respond to the call for salvation.

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One amazing aspect of this ministry is that most of these men have never before seen a Protestant church nor heard the real story of Jesus. Yet they are opening their hearts and responding by the hundreds. Here, many miles from priests and families, they are especially open to the truth.

Most of the men who come to Empalme are strangers to each other, so it is difficult for fanatics to get organized enough to do much damage. Sure, we get knocked down at least once or twice a week. Hardly a day goes by in which we aren't bombarded with rocks, dirt, and rotten fruit. And hardly a night service is held without their throwing gravel, boulders, or bricks into the meeting place. But so far not one of us has suffered more than bruises. The Holy Spirit has given such messages against sin that men have stood frozen on their feet. Many times when we would walk from the contract center to the mission, 50 to 100 men would follow to get a Gospel portion to read.

Probably not more than a dozen churches in the United States or Mexico know about this work among the *braceros*. But there are hundreds of thousands of men from every state in Mexico who know this work exists and have felt its influence on their lives. Thousands have heard their first gospel message here, and hundreds every week have been at the altars to find Jesus. We are truly thankful for this ministry the Lord has entrusted to our care. ◀◀



By Jonathan W. Glover
Missionary to Sierra Leone

Devil Society DEFEATED

IN 1952, THREE AFRICAN NATIONALS from the Swedish Pentecostal Mission in Liberia came to Koindu, Sierra Leone, and preached the gospel. For two nights a baker named Moses listened attentively. He was convicted of the sin in his life but did not yield to the Lord.

Two weeks later, the Christians came back again and he gave them lodging in his house. That night the Christians talked to Moses about his soul and he surrendered to the Lord. His life was completely changed. He told his new friends to destroy his fetishes for he no longer desired his former way of life.

Two weeks later, Moses was baptized in water, and not long after that he received the infilling of the Holy Spirit. He started attending church in Foya Kamar, Liberia, walking the distance of 14 miles from Koindu. For three years he and several others attended church there every Sunday.

Soon after he was baptized he started going into the villages to preach. The people were open to the gospel and souls were saved.

Since the new Christians had no church in Koindu, they were allowed to meet in an unfinished house with no shutters over the windows. One night while a service was in progress some members of the Devil Society threw some powerful "devil medicine" through the windows on the Christians. This "medicine" usually makes terrible sores on the skin of those it touches, but it had no effect on the Christians at all. Soon townspeople began to laugh at the Devil Society, because its members had been unable to harm God's people.

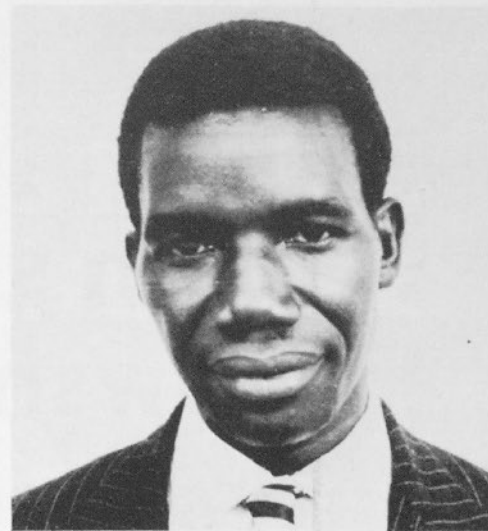
On another occasion, at one o'clock

in the morning, a Court Messenger took Moses and eight other Christians to a large flat rock where several hundred people had assembled. Here they were tried for their beliefs. After much discussion the Court Messenger left, saying they would decide the case on the following day. He told Moses and his friends they could return to town.

As the Christians left, the villagers decided to follow them and kill them on the way. Moses and the others started walking home. They could hear footsteps behind them but did not see anyone. The next day the people said, "You really did run fast coming home last night. We were running behind you, trying to catch you and kill you, but we never could find you." Did God blind their eyes as He did the Syrians who came to kill Elisha? We only know that once again God took care of His people.

Later Moses, his wife, and several other Christians were put in jail because of their testimony. But this did not stop them. When they were released they continued to spread the gospel.

In 1955, Moses asked the Swedish missionaries to come to Koindu and help him start a church there. Since the missionaries lived in Liberia, they could not come into Sierra Leone, so Moses decided to go to Freetown, the capital of Liberia, in search of a Pentecostal missionary. In Freetown he met Assemblies of God Missionary George Hemminger and asked him to come to Koindu and help them. One week later, Mr. Hemminger and his wife made the long trip to Koindu and held services. There were about 10 or 12 strong Christians and 70



Moses Fayiah

interested people. Some time later Mr. and Mrs. John Kennedy came to help them.

The people first gathered out in the open. Then for a time they met in a mud church which they had to enlarge three times to accommodate the crowds. Finally, in 1960, construction began on a large cement block church. It was completed in 1962 and was dedicated by E. L. Phillips, Assemblies of God Field Secretary for Africa.

The land for the church was given to the Christians by the chief of Koindu. Ironically, this was the very site where the Devil Society used to make their sacrifices.

Moses has led this congregation since its beginning and he is a very wise and faithful pastor, supported entirely by his own people. His wife Nancy helps him in the work of God.

The young men from the church have preached extensively in the surrounding villages. As a result, many people have been saved. At the present time they all come to Koindu on Sunday morning for church, and there is usually a congregation of about 230 Christians worshipping God together on the Lord's day.

The phenomenal growth of this church shows God's readiness to help a dedicated national pastor who is serving Him with faith and courage.

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Men's Fellowship Advances in Alaska



Members of the Men's Fellowship of Sitka, Alaska, sponsor *Revivaltime* broadcast, in addition to helping their Assembly in many other ways.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUPS OF ALASKA are making tremendous contributions to the work of their Assemblies in Juneau, Anchorage, Sitka and Ketchikan.

The MF of *Juneau*, the capital city of Alaska, is composed of many of the town's leading businessmen and civic leaders. Pastor Roy J. Davidson is justly proud of his men and would like to have you meet a few.

Charles Nowlin ("Chuck" to all his friends) is a barber by trade. Monday is his day off which could be spent hunting deer, bear, goat or moose. However, "Chuck" spends his day off at the Juneau Children's Home cutting the boys' hair. He is also an excellent Sunday school teacher, displaying a love for God's unfortunate little ones.

Don Anderson, an excellent photographer and one of Juneau's leading merchants, spends every Thursday evening working with the Royal Rangers. His assistants are Elmer Ignell, an outstanding contractor who is supervising the construction of Juneau's new Assembly, and Abbe Jorganson who is employed with the State of Alaska. These men regularly take the boys hunting, fishing, and swimming and supervise other Royal Ranger activities too.

Gus Peterson is also one of Juneau's leading businessmen, owning the city's only garbage disposal plant. On Sunday he arises at 5 a.m., because of his work, but he makes time to pick up three or four carloads of native children for Sunday school.

Two other MF members, Wayne Hunter and Jerry McNevin, are successful hunters. Recently they brought in a large moose and other game so the Juneau Children's Home could have meat this winter. They, too, are active church workers and Sunday school teachers.

Another group of men goes to the city jail every Sunday morning for a service before Sunday school. The city clerk, Harold Carrigan, and his son-in-law, Barry Neeley, are in charge of this service. God has blessed their efforts and souls have been saved.

An outstanding MF worker is Bruce Sifford, a warrant officer in the U.S. Coast Guard. Every Sunday morning from 7:30 to 9 he conducts a radio program featuring gospel recordings.



A boat in the harbor near Sitka.



View in Sitka looking toward Three Sister Mountains.



Beautiful Alaska scene.

This man initiated a personal campaign to obtain free air time for such a program, as there was none in Juneau. The radio station personnel were so impressed with his efforts that he was asked to announce and choose all musical selections to be used. Many homes are being blessed by this testimony of Christian music.

Brother Davidson says: "Words are inadequate to express the good the MF members are doing at Bethel Assembly of God in Juneau, under the able leadership of James Strom, MF president. There are many other men who are contributing to the growth of our church in various ways. We cannot name all of them, but we sincerely thank God for each of them."


From Anchorage also comes a glowing report of the part MF is playing. Pastor Harold C. Bither says there were many pressing needs in the First Assembly of God in Anchorage which never were filled until the MF caught the vision of what men working with other men can do for God.

In 1962 a kick-off supper instituted MF. From then on, enthusiasm carried the men along. MF means a great deal to men living in Alaska where Christian fellowship is especially precious.

"Too often we have allowed the world to provide the needed fellowship for our Christian men," says Pastor Bither. "Now our MF group meets monthly and cooks supper for an evening of Christian fellowship and service. On several occasions we have announced wild-game dinners, or served native Alaskan salmon or trout. However, the greater blessing of MF is not the dinners nor even the social fellowship but that which men have



Bill Davis, a member of the MF of Sitka, Alaska, sends a Tlinget Indian broadcast every week to his own people.



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accomplished for God's eternal kingdom."

In just two years, the Anchorage MF has undertaken some great projects including the erection of a kitchen and cookhouse at the newly organized campgrounds; erection of a quonset building for the chapel at camp; building of washroom facilities with full plumbing for the youth camp; painting the exterior of the local church; plumbing a new parsonage for one of the smaller churches; caribou hunting for the Valdez Children's Home; and now actively working in the construction of a new church in Anchorage.

The Men's Fellowship has drawn new men into the church. These who have received an invitation to share in a meal prepared by other men have found genuine fellowship and returned to the church. As a result, many of them have been saved. One such man who first attended the church during an MF dinner and later returned with his family, was converted, was baptized in water, and joined the church, now serves as a member of the building committee.

Brother Bither feels that the Men's Fellowship in Anchorage has only begun to show its strength and that, if Jesus should tarry, even greater works than these shall be accomplished by men working with men through the power of the Holy Spirit, faithfully witnessing in an expanding community.

The Sitka MF was first organized

in September 1956 under the leadership of Wesley Hanson, former pastor. One of the first major projects was the sponsorship of *Revivaltime* on a local station. This ministry of presenting the gospel to the whole community by radio is still being carried on today.

Pastor John Phillips says the Sitka MF has always been "on call" whenever needed and helps consistently with church maintenance. Projects have included a new church sign, enlargement of the parking facilities, painting, supplying of music stands, and clearing the lots for the new church site.

One of the MF members is in charge of services in the Pioneer Home, a retirement home for the pioneers of Alaska. The MF is also participating in a Sister City project with the J.C.'s in locating a sister city in Japan with whom to communicate.

About once a year the Sitka MF takes part in city-wide evangelistic efforts. The men of Alaska, like other MF groups over the nation, are happy to be a part of the effective ministry of evangelism in their community.

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A Good Way to Say "Thank You"

By Jewell Ready

SAMMY CRINKLED HIS FRECKLED NOSE AS HE FOLLOWED his parents up the wide wooden porch steps of his grandparents' house. Although breakfast had been no more than an hour ago, the heavy scent of sage and celery and onions made him hungry. And there was already the smell of molasses and nutmeg bubbling in baked beans. Hoping for someone to offer him at least a cookie, he began peeking under towel-covered pans just as soon as he had been hugged by Grandma and Grandpa and the three aunts who were already there and chattering so loudly that nobody would have heard him if he had mentioned being hungry.

"I've been waiting for you," his grandfather took Sammy by the arm. "I want you to go along with me to see some folks." With one finger he raised the cloth on a long cookie sheet and pretended that nobody should hear him whisper, "They're under here—oatmeal and raisin."

With a neat stack of the cookies in one hand, Sammy went along outside to the station wagon. When he was seated beside his grandfather he looked at the load of vegetables and dressed chickens in the back. There must have been five or six baskets, at least—a chicken in each, Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, and jars of canned vegetables. "What are they for?" he asked.

"Since it's Thanksgiving," Sammy's grandfather smiled, "I want to show the Lord how thankful I really am for all the good things He gives to us. Just saying that I'm grateful isn't enough—sharing with needy people is a good way to say 'Thank You' to God."

Sammy hadn't thought about it, but Grandpa was certainly right. Sammy went with him to each of the houses where they left a basket of food. And the people who came to the door thanked them over and over again, until Sammy almost felt badly about going back to Grandma's and eating all the good things that covered the table. But when Grandpa asked God's blessing on them all, Sammy felt something special—a warm rich feeling—and the only time he could remember having it before was the time he had given that jammed BGMC barrel. That one day he felt like he was a star member of the team, helping missionaries tell people in other lands about Jesus.

But as Sammy looked at the yummy turkey leg he was eating he soon forgot about everybody but himself. And by the time he had finished his first piece of pumpkin pie it was quite another feeling he was having. Not the special warmth that comes from giving, this time, but something strangely like a pain that comes from taking—too many helpings.

That evening there was a thanksgiving service at his grandparents' church. Snuggling in beside Grandpa he noticed for the first time how dark and work-stained his hands were as he held the songbook. And while his suit was clean and carefully pressed it was very old. Grandpa wasn't rich—what he had given away this morning wasn't really food he could spare. But he had been so thankful that he had a warm house and enough to eat that he wanted to show it—and he had done this by sharing with others.

Sitting there, Sammy felt he really had to find a way to show God that he was grateful. Living in America, having parents who were Christians, hearing God's message Sunday after Sunday—there was so much to be thankful for. Of course, the only way to show his thanks was to share what he could of these blessings with someone else as Grandpa had done.

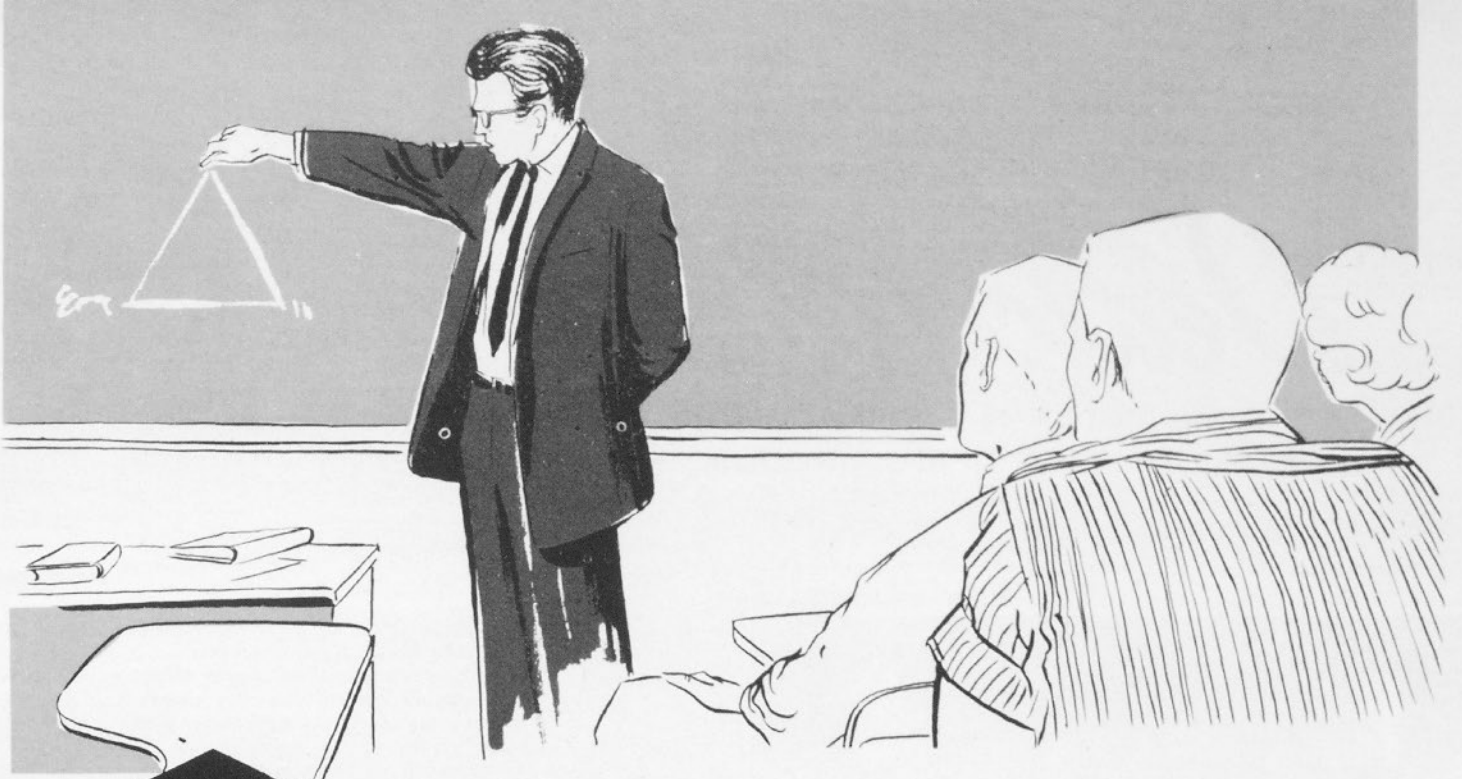
Perhaps the loaded BGMC barrel had never really left his mind, for back it came again. Sammy thought about the gospel literature and other teaching helps that the money in his barrel, if it were filled again, would buy. This was what he could do to really say "Thank You" to God.

He looked at Grandpa again and this time Grandpa was looking back. They smiled across the hymnbook and it seemed as if Grandpa knew his secret. Right then Sammy was surer than ever that he would fill his BGMC barrel bank before next collection day.

"Everything okay, Samuel?" Grandpa whispered.

"It's more than okay, Grandpa," Sammy told him, "It's the best Thanksgiving of my life!"





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▲ SPRINGFIELD, MO.—North Side Assemblies of God church at 2310 North Campbell Avenue dedicated its new building on September 20, 1964. Pastor Glenn A. Green, who has served the assembly since 1951, says nearly half of the cost of the fully air-conditioned building was raised before the dedication. The sanctuary of the 44-by-90-foot building seats 400 with the use of overflow rooms in the back of the auditorium. Interior of the sanctuary features blond pews, wood ceiling and laminated beams. With the classrooms below there is room for a Sunday school of 400 persons of every age level.



▲ LATROBE, PA.—On May 3, 1964, Calvary Temple was dedicated here following a year of hard work and sacrificial giving on the part of the congregation. Pastor Robert L. Bradley and members of the church, supervised by the contractor, helped in the carpentry, masonry, electrical, and general work. Saturdays were set aside as workdays. The ladies provided a hot meal each Saturday for all the laborers. The sanctuary, shown here, seats 300. The lower level has a youth chapel and 13 classrooms in three separate departments.

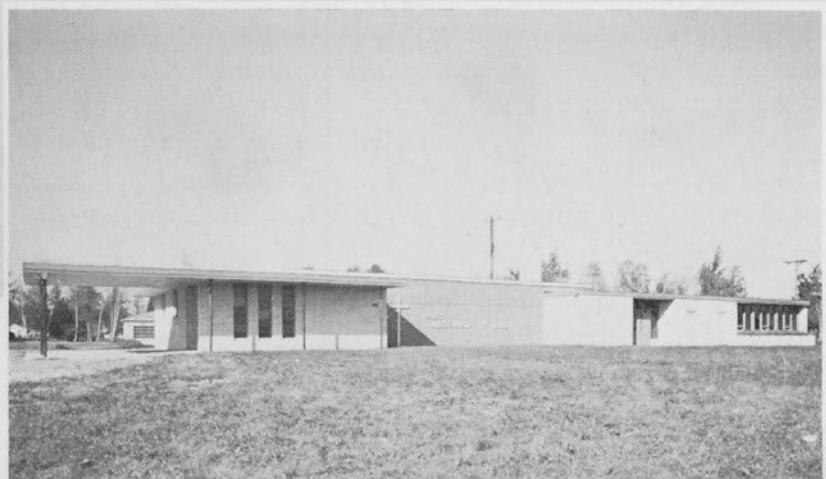
▼ WILMINGTON, N. C.—June 14, 1964, marked a high achievement for the First Assembly of God here in the dedication of a new church and parsonage. The congregation of 30 members started a building fund when Wayne D. Barkley came to pastor in 1960. They purchased 2½ wooded acres and the men of the church toiled long and hard to remove the timber. Today they have a brick church that accommodates 200, with a fine educational wing, and plenty of space for the future additions to the building that are envisioned by this forward-looking church.



▼ WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WIS.—Pastor Lyle E. Curtis and congregation of the Assembly of God dedicated this new brick-and-block building represents thousands of hours of donated labor on the part of the pastor and members. The chancel, beautified with stone and wood paneling, features laminated arches, acoustical tile ceiling, and a large suspended redwood cross. A balcony over the entrance narthex boosts seating to 600. The new building which has a full basement is connected to the former building providing a total of 25,000 square feet of floor space with 37 classrooms.

▼ ALPENA, MICH.—Built on a choice, spacious location, the first unit of the First Assembly of God at Ripley and Second Streets was dedicated here on January 12, 1964. Everett D. Cooley, Michigan district superintendent, was speaker and former pastor Gunner Kars also participated. According to Pastor Truman S. Lowell who acted as general contractor, current indebtedness is only \$7,000. The unit can seat 200 and is equipped for Sunday school uses.

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▲ PINE BLUFF, ARK.—Of steep-rooted contemporary design in redwood and natural stone, the new sanctuary of First Assembly of God was dedicated on May 24, 1964, according to R. A. Thompson, pastor for the past 10 years. The dedicatory speaker was Fay Hutchinson, a member of the Arkansas District Executive Presbytery and also a former pastor. Centrally heated and air-conditioned, the church accommodates 600 including six classrooms, nursery, pastor's study, and evangelist's quarters. First Assembly's Sunday school has maintained a Gold Crown rating for 18 consecutive years.



▲ PLYMOUTH, MICH.—Pastor John Walaskay and congregation dedicated a new sanctuary seating over 300 at the Assembly of God on September 27, 1964. An additional 75 can be seated in the balcony and another 30 in the choir area. The 50-by-80-foot addition with full basement is joined to the original church by a breezeway. The building is of laminated arch construction with buff brick veneer over cement block.

Psalm 150

Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp.

Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs.

Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him with stringed instruments and organs.

Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.

Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

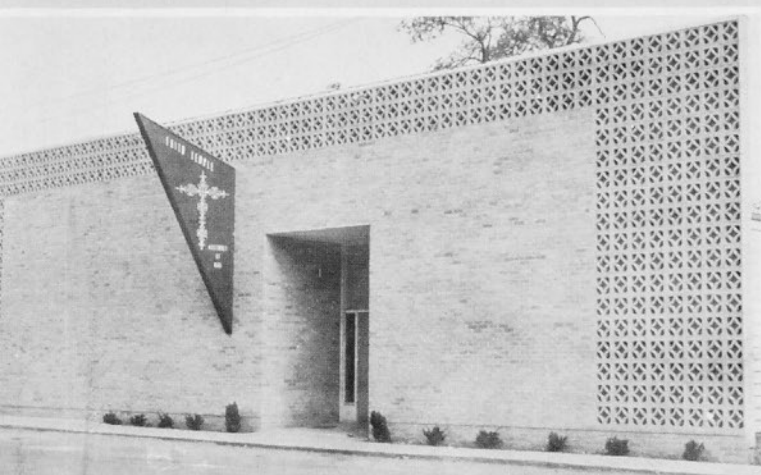


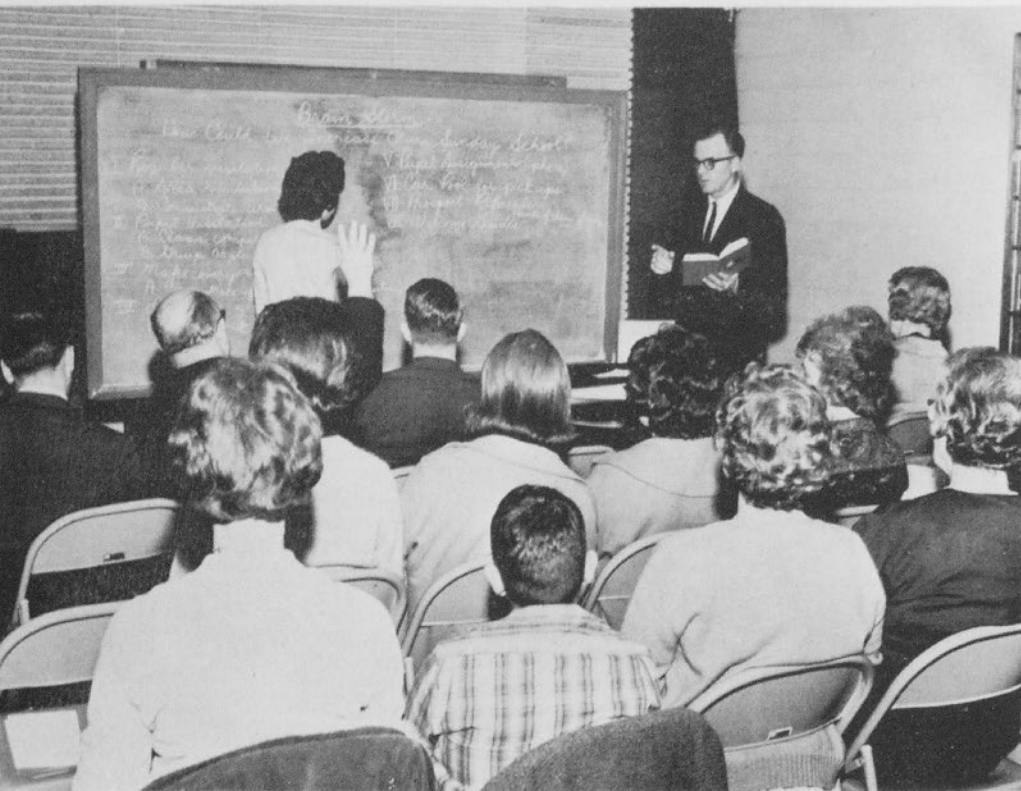
▲ RAPID CITY S. DAK.—Bethel Assembly of God recently celebrated its 15th anniversary with special services in its two-year-old brick building. Earl H. Harper, who started the work in 1949, is still the pastor. The auditorium will seat 400 with the overflow space. Spacious Sunday school facilities are provided on the basement level. There were 132 in attendance at the anniversary services when S. H. Peterson, district superintendent, and C. W. Ringness, national secretary of benevolences, were guest speakers.

▼ MINATARE, NEBR.—The new Assembly of God structure here is of deep-red brick construction trimmed in white stone. A red cross stands out in the white stone facade. The interior, shown here, is striking in the simplicity of its design. Finished in natural wood, normal seating is 200. Accordion doors are used in both sanctuary and educational wing to provide classrooms and C. A. chapel. Wayne D. Allen is pastor.



▼ COLCHESTER, ILL.—Pastor Loren Curtis initiated the Assemblies of God work here in May, 1962, and led his congregation in the dedication of Faith Temple on September 11, 1964. Illinois District Superintendent E. M. Clark was speaker. Assisted by gifts of \$500 from the WMC's and \$500 from Speed-the-Light, the new congregation purchased a former post office building. A year later the adjacent 40-by-70-foot sanctuary was begun.





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Freedom Through the Word

Sunday School Lesson for December 13, 1964

JOHN 8:31-36, 45-51; PSALM 119:41-48

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

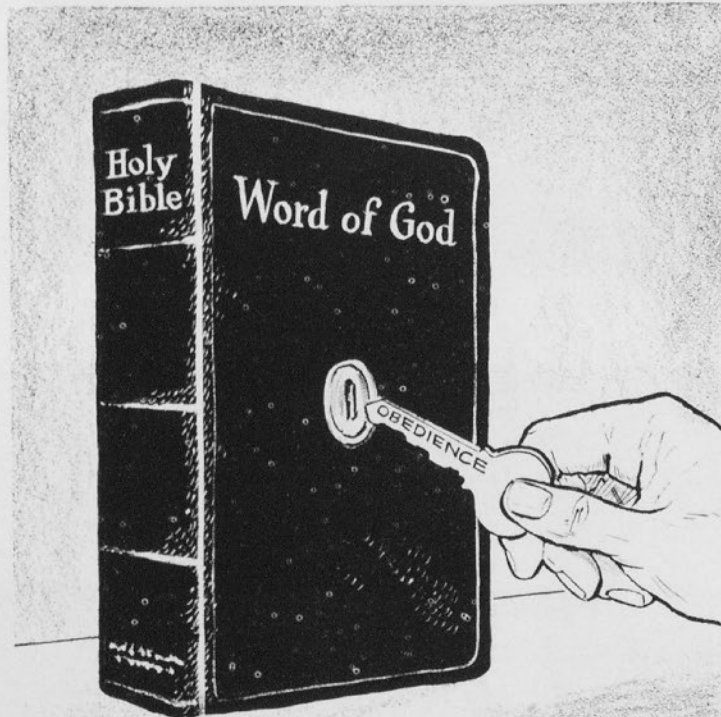
December 13 is Universal Bible Sunday, and in keeping with that thought our lesson title emphasizes "Freedom Through the Word." This is only one of a number of important points in the lesson text but a most wonderful one.

Freedom and Bondage (John 8:30-36).

As a result of Christ's preaching (as recorded in previous verses) some of His hearers had come to believe in Him (v. 30). To them Jesus said: "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed." At once the importance of God's Word appears. There are "disciples," and there are "disciples indeed." There are those folk who are fully dedicated, spiritually mature, and growing Christians; and there are those who are not. Other things being equal, the difference depends upon consistent, daily feeding upon the Word and upon walking in its light.

"And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." As a Christian receives continuous revelation of the truth, he increasingly experiences spiritual freedom,

KEY TO FREEDOM



IF YE KNOW THESE THINGS, HAPPY ARE YE IF YE DO THEM. JOHN 13:17

and this of course is the kind of freedom Christ meant.

"They answered him, We be Abraham's seed, and were never in bondage to any man; how sayest thou, "Ye shall be made free?" "They" refers to the unbelieving Jews in the crowd. These men resented Christ's words, for the natural man does not like to face the truth regarding himself. The words of Jesus implied that all men were in bondage and that the truth (that is, His teaching) alone could set men free from that bondage. (See Isaiah 61:1; Titus 3:3; 2 Peter 2:14; 2 Timothy 2:26; Ephesians 2:2.)

The unbelieving Jews must have known Christ was speaking of *spiritual* bondage, for they hardly would have denied they were living under political and social bondage. But they did deny being in spiritual bondage by claiming they belonged to the nation chosen of God in Abraham and therefore they acknowledged no one as their master.

Christ pressed the matter further by saying: "Whosoever committeth sin is the servant [bondslave] of sin." The "whosoever" indicates the universality of this great principle. It applied to these Jews regardless of their membership in the Jewish nation. And today, though men boast of their freedom to do as they please, the enslaving power of sin remains a grim reality. Only the Son of God, the Lord Jesus Christ, can set men free!

Children of God and Children of the Devil (John 8:38-44).

The unbelieving Jews had claimed Abraham as their father, but Christ denied this relationship on any spiritual ground. Abraham had believed God's Word, and these Jews were refusing to accept the Word as spoken by God's Son. In verse 44, Christ drew a distinction which divides all men into two classes. Men are either the children of God by virtue of having been born again—receiving a new nature by accepting Christ by faith—or else they are the children of the devil. (Compare verse 44 with Ephesians 2:2.) According to John 8:47, children of God give evidence of their sonship by hearing and obeying God's Word!

Loving God's Word—the Sign of Sonship and the Source of Spiritual Freedom (Psalm 119:41-48).

Psalm 119 is one of the most remarkable of all psalms. In the original text it consists of 22 sections, each consisting of 16 lines composed of eight two-line couplets. Each of these eight couplets begins with the same letter of the alphabet, and each of the 22 sections of the psalm begins with a different letter of the Hebrew alphabet. All but one or two of the 176 verses of the psalm refer, in one way or another, to the Word of God!

In the psalm there are: (1) *prayers* for illumination, guidance, and understanding from the Word; (2) *praises* for the power of the Word; and (3) *protestations* of faith in, love for, and loyalty to the Word in view of the part the Word plays in the life of the child of God. Any Christian will find it greatly edifying to spend time reading and rereading in a devotional attitude this inspiring psalm honoring the Word which God in turn has "magnified" *above* all His name (Psalm 138:2).

The more varied a man's experiences may become, the more chance he has to know God, and the more chances God has to show Himself to him. Every new experience is a new opportunity to know God.

—Phillips Brooks



"When our car overturned, God worked a miracle preserving our lives," says Navy Lieutenant.

We Took a Lot for Granted

GOD HAS A WAY OF BRINGING INTO SHARP FOCUS SOME of the blessings we tend to accept as just a part of our lives as Christians. My wife and I have been enriched and made freshly aware of many blessings through an experience which on the surface seemed like a disaster.

The prayers of saints in a prayer meeting; the fellowship of those of like precious faith; divine protection; these are among the things we had taken for granted—until one day last May.

After a combined business and pleasure trip, I was driving with my wife and our seven-months-old son Keith from Tulsa, Okla., to Washington, D. C. Both in Tulsa and in Virginia friends had been requested to pray for our safety on the road.

Chatting happily, we rounded a curve on U. S. Highway 60 near Mountain View, Missouri, at a safe 55 miles per hour. The highway was clear, visibility good. About 300 yards ahead on the right a car approached from a side road. As he neared the highway I saw the driver was looking the other way and that he was not going to stop at the intersection. He was apparently going to make a left turn in front of us. I applied the brakes and swerved to avoid hitting him. We went off the left shoulder and hit a concrete ditch. When the impact occurred, the car left the ground, landed on its left side, bounced again and landed on its top against a fence.

When I came to my senses, my wife was on the driver's side of the car; I was lying on my stomach opposite her on the ceiling of the car; and Keith was standing on his head in a pool of shattered glass. We crawled out of the wreckage feeling God's presence in an unusual way.

We were taken to a doctor's office in Mountain View, where X rays and thorough examination showed that none of us was hurt seriously. Keith had not even a scratch. My wife had a small muscle wound and a few bruises. I had only very minor cuts and bruises. (But our little terrier which had been with us disappeared completely and we never found him.)

The Lord had worked a miracle in preserving our lives. The patrolman who investigated the accident said there did not appear to be enough room for three people in the smashed passenger compartment. But we felt sure there were not three, but four, for God was with us!

Through this experience we also learned the value of this great Pentecostal fellowship. We would have been stranded had it not been for the love and compassion of Pentecostal people. Pastor W. O. Cox in Mountain View showed true brotherly concern. He picked us up at the hospital, provided food, helped us get cleaned up, and provided shelter for us until we could go back to Tulsa.

A Christian used-car dealer in Tulsa provided us with a car for our trip home with a minimum outlay of cash. We will not soon forget the kindness and hospitality of the brethren who strengthened us in our need.

Looking back on this experience we realize in a new way that none of us is self-sufficient. We need the Lord with us every moment, even when the way seems smooth—and we need the prayers, assistance, and fellowship of one another.—Lt. Kenneth H. Maxwell, SC, USN, Alexandria, Virginia



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Sectional Missionette Banquet a Success

By CHARLOTTE SCHUMITSCH

THE FIRST MISSIONETTE MOTHER-DAUGHTER BANQUET ever held in the Riverside Section of Southern California had nearly 200 in attendance. This was an exciting time for the Missionettes of that area as they planned diligently to make the event a success.

The program was arranged by the Sectional Sponsor, Mrs. Verbena Landers. Assisting at the banquet was Mrs. Clotilda Starks of Chino, Sectional WMC Director. Guests of honor were Mrs. A. N. Trotter, speaker of the evening, and Mrs. Florence Beck, District WMC president. Special numbers were furnished by several Missionette groups.

All mothers attending were honored, as were three Missionettes who had achieved the most on the *Stairway to the Stars* Program.

Times of fellowship such as this banquet play an important part in the growing-up process of girls. They need to learn how to plan for and serve at banquets. The social benefits are many. In addition, the spiritual aspects help them to build strong Christian character. Often there is a time of consecration at the conclusion. This can result in decisions that will have a lifelong effect.

Missionettes of the Riverside Section will long remember their first mother-daughter banquet, and no doubt there will be others in the future. A gathering of this type can be a good substitute for many worldly pleasures that tempt young people on every hand.



Missionette Donna Landers of the Arlanza Assembly in Arlington, Calif., is shown with the centerpiece which was used at the banquet. It won a trophy this summer for being the most attractive display at a district Missionette gathering. At the right are Missionettes Ginger and Patty Starks who sang at the banquet. They are from Chino, Calif.



Some of the ladies who attended the Riverside Section banquet were (left to right): Mrs. Cleo Starks, Mrs. Florence Beck, Mrs. Doras Herman, Mrs. A. N. Trotter, and Mrs. Verbena Landers.



Junior and Senior Missionettes of the Arlanza Assembly are shown with their sponsors, Mrs. N. Scott and Mrs. G. Rowland. At the left are Pastor and Mrs. Don Landers. These girls recently joined with the Royal Rangers of their church to sponsor a car wash. They earned \$52.00 for the Teen Challenge Center in Los Angeles.

DEATH ROW REVIVAL

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"Charley, do you have anything you wish to say?" asked the warden.

He certainly did. Pastor Hicks relates that Charley Coates' testimony that morning moved hardened newspapermen to tears as he told of the transforming power of God which could save a man's soul, change the life of a common murderer, and fill him with the Holy Spirit.

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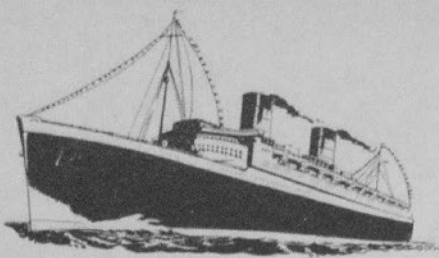
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A capacity crowd attended the first camp meeting to be held in the newly completed 1,600-seat auditorium at the Pentecostal Free-Will Baptist headquarters in Dunn, N. C.

RADIO

C. M. Ward Camp Meeting Speaker in North Carolina

Pentecostal Free-Will Baptists Challenged by Revivaltime Evangelist

AN OLD-FASHIONED CAMP MEETING held in the new auditorium at the Pentecostal Free-Will Baptist headquarters, Dunn, N. C., August 24-30, was greatly blessed by the ministry of C. M. Ward, *Revivaltime* evangelist.

Capacity crowds attended the camp meeting every evening as the well-known radio evangelist fanned the flames of revival with his dynamic preaching.

The week-long meeting was the

first to be held at the new campsite erected for conferences, conventions, and camp meetings. The 1,600-seat auditorium is presently open at the sides and one end, but the plans are to convert it into an all-season heated and air-conditioned meeting place.

The theme for the camp meeting was, "Revival in Our Time." Emphasis was placed on the fact that the days of revival are not over, but God is on the throne and is still able to



A 100-voice camp meeting choir provided beautiful and inspirational music for the meetings. Ed Walker, pastor of the Oak Heights Pentecostal Free-Will Baptist Church in Goldsboro, N. C., directed the choir.



Herbert Carter (left), general superintendent of the Pentecostal Free-Will Baptist Church, directed the camp meeting; *Revivaltime* Evangelist C. M. Ward was speaker, and Ed Walker was choir director. A highlight of the camp meeting was the talented singing of a young quartet (right), the Musical Four, which participated in each night's service.



do exceeding above all that we may ask of Him. Each service began with the theme song, "To God be the glory, great things He hath done."

In summarizing the results of the camp meeting, Herbert Carter, general superintendent of the Pentecostal

Free-Will Baptists stated: "We feel that revival was accomplished in the hearts of thousands of people who attended the services, and we believe that it will carry over to our local congregations, and we will see results from this meeting for weeks to come.

INDIAN BABY HEALED

HERE IN THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD Indian Mission at Happy Camp, Calif., we rejoiced when Mrs. Vera Arwood gave her heart to the Lord. But we were concerned for her baby who needed a touch from the Great Physician.

Ronnie was eight months old and his head was abnormally large. Three times Mrs. Arwood was forced to have new baby baskets made in order to accommodate his growing head. He never cried or uttered any sounds, and was apparently deaf. He lay listlessly, making no attempt to move.

One Sunday evening after preaching I felt led to ask Mrs. Arwood to bring the baby forward for prayer. The congregation joined in compassionate, believing prayer as we anointed Ronnie with oil and prayed, taking authority against the affliction in the name of Jesus (see James 5:14, 15).

The glory of God filled the church. When we finished praying, Ronnie gave a big sigh and smiled at me. By the time the service was over, his head had decreased in size noticeably.

The following Tuesday morning, during our regular prayer meeting, Mrs. Arwood brought the baby with her to the altar. She placed him on the floor beside her. Within a few minutes Ronnie had pulled himself up

and was holding on to the altar and uttering his first sounds!

Ronnie is now more than two years old and is normal in every way. His lungs are strong and he talks fluently. We are all thankful to God for this miracle of healing.—Mrs. Helen M. Loucks, Happy Camp, California

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Spiritual Gifts and World Evangelization

(Continued from page three)

for His glory. None will have all the gifts, though some will have more than others. The truly supernatural will remain securely anchored in consecrated natural ability, for all good and great missionary-evangelists are eminently practical.

When our Lord began His earthly ministry it was threefold. It consisted of teaching, preaching, and healing. The ministry of the Holy Spirit is Jesus continuing to do and to teach, and for this there are given the varied gifts of the Spirit. In our usual system of one-man pastorates of local churches we can only hope to approximate to a full-orbed ministry where there are exceptional men who combine something of the teacher, the evangelist, and the healer. We wisely adjust ourselves for practical purposes by calling in other and complementary ministries, and allowing our pastors to develop organizing ability. In all these spheres of diverse service true spiritual gifts can shine forth. Indeed, without them we cannot be truly "Pentecostal" though we carry the name.

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When gifts of the Spirit are lacking there are produced churches that are run by natural gifts just like efficient business concerns in the world. There is nothing

wrong in the organization; the failure is in the motive power. In the end such churches produce spiritual starvation, and in the older denominations we see today a hunger and thirst for a new outpouring of the Spirit of God.

Our Lord's ministry of healing and deliverance, although announced as part of the reason of the Spirit of God having come upon Him, was always subservient to His preaching and teaching of the kingdom of God. He always made clear that a man's spiritual need was far deeper than his physical, and that the soul was more than the body. Compassion moved our Redeemer as He healed all that came to Him, but it was because they came to Him. He went to them with the preaching of the Word. The popularity of giving men what they want in the way of relief from immediate pain, or the attraction of the outwardly wonderful, must not deflect us from preaching the kingdom of God in its ethical application. Our Lord's preaching of repentance eventually led to His rejection as a preacher (Matthew 11:20).

When our Lord gave His final charge to the apostles just before He ascended to the Father He coupled with it the promise of the gift of the Holy Ghost for power to fulfill a commission that extended to the "uttermost part of the earth." The continuance in spiritual prosperity of the Pentecostal Revival depends upon continual consecration to worldwide missions. If our spiritual gifts cannot flourish in the wide arena of universal witness there is something wrong. Their use in evangelism is a healthy test of their validity.

The term "evangelism" needs to be properly interpreted. We tend to use it in far too restricted a sense. It should never be separated from the deepening of spiritual life. To maintain evangelism in depth we need holiness in the fullest sense of that great word. It is as much a part of the gospel as remission of sins, and so also is the gift of the Holy Ghost to empower for service. To precipitate decisions for Christ and nothing more is not full-gospel preaching. True Pentecostal evangelism is concerned with both soul winning and growth in grace. We are not only an Evangelistic Revival; we are a Holiness Movement.

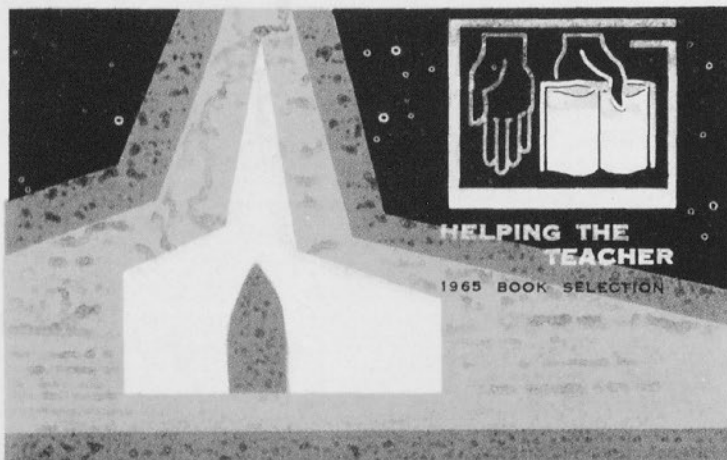
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LETTERS

EVANGEL READERS WRITE

ARTICLE BRINGS BACK MEMORIES

I enjoyed the article by M. M. Pinson who was one of the first presbyters of the Assemblies of God. It brought back many childhood memories. My father G. S. McGraw was a teacher in a Bible school near Georgianna, Ala., and Brother Pinson's boys were in that school awhile. I was just about 13 then. The children would meet and pray, and some of them were filled with the Spirit. I received the Baptism at that time (1908). A number of years later God called me into the ministry and I had the privilege of serving Him, first with my father and later with my husband.

When my life's journey is through I want to be able to come rejoicing, bringing sheaves with me.

MRS. RUBY M. HART
Brewton, Alabama

44 YEARS OF FELLOWSHIP

Since this is the golden anniversary year of our Assemblies of God fellowship, I have been looking back and thinking of all the blessings I have received since 1920 when I became affiliated. Prior to that date I was with Brother Waltham in another Holiness group.

Times have changed. I walked many a mile to keep a preaching appointment in the early days. Sometimes I pedaled a bicycle or rode a mule if there was no train. In order to get to one church where I pastored I walked five miles to a town where I caught the log train, rode it ten miles, then walked four miles to the

church, but I counted it an honor to be called of God to carry this blessed gospel.

I have baptized as many as 52 at one time in the creek. I am still preaching some, but I am now 74 and there is not much demand for an old minister anymore. I still have that "Go ye" in my soul, though.

WILEY WAGNON
Warren, Arkansas

FILLED 42 YEARS AGO

I have been enjoying the articles about the older people who have been in Pentecost so long.

I was filled with the Spirit in 1922 in the sand hills of Oklahoma. The Lord has been so good to me. I always enjoy the *Evangel*. I used to get it at church and I used to distribute copies in bus stations, hospitals, everywhere. Now I'm not able to go to church every Sunday so I've subscribed and it comes to my home.

I have a neighbor who belongs to another faith. She says she sure enjoys my *Evangel*s.

MRS. ANNIE TAYLOR
Nacoma, Texas

SENDS PRAYER REQUEST

Please pray for my children and other loved ones. I'm sending the *Evangel* to them and asking God to save them and fill them with the Holy Ghost.

I've loved the *Evangel* for 40 years. When I was a girl it was always in our home. After I married and moved away my grandmother subscribed for me, and later I subscribed for myself.

While I lived in Arkansas there was no other Pentecostal person near me so you can imagine what the *Evangel* meant to me.

MRS. OTTO LITTLE
Wetumka, Oklahoma

A READER FOR 48 YEARS

I don't want this 50th anniversary year to go by without telling you how I love the *Evangel*. I've been a subscriber about 48 years.

The Lord saved me and baptized me with the Holy Ghost just a few days after my 17th birthday. I don't know how I would have gotten along from then until now without the *Evangel*. There were times when I

didn't live where I could attend service, but when the *Evangel* came I would take the paper and my Bible and get somewhere alone where I could read, cry, pray, and worship the Lord.

The Lord Jesus is my Saviour, my Healer, and has been so good to me and my family. I've never had the desire to go back to the world, for He is so wonderful.

MRS. W. M. SCOTT
Sheridan, Arkansas

BETTER THAN CHRISTMAS "TREATS"

As Christmas drew near I was impressed with the thought that "it is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20: 35). I suggested to our congregation that instead of handing out the traditional "treats" our Sunday school should give a special offering where it would be a *real* treat to the recipients.

This idea grew out of the realization that although the traditional Christmas treat served a good purpose in less prosperous times it now is superfluous, for the children have plenty of sweets. In fact, they do not appreciate cheap candy. We once gave out hard candy, but went to filled candy, and later to fine chocolates.

The suggestion was met by great enthusiasm in our church. We would give an extra Sunday school offering to a very needy orphanage. This would save us the time spent in buying, sacking, and distributing the unnecessary "treat." There would be no sticky paper, candy, or fruit peelings on the church floor either.

So an extra offering was taken in our Sunday school in December and was sent to the orphanage. Everyone was thrilled to know they were giving "treats" to boys and girls who needed them. I did not hear one negative comment.

It occurred to me that other churches might like to know what we did. I would estimate that our churches spend nearly a quarter of a million dollars on Christmas "treats" each year. Possibly the money can be put to a better use in the real spirit of Christmas.

TOM SHUMATE, Pastor
Assembly of God Church
Merritt Island, Florida

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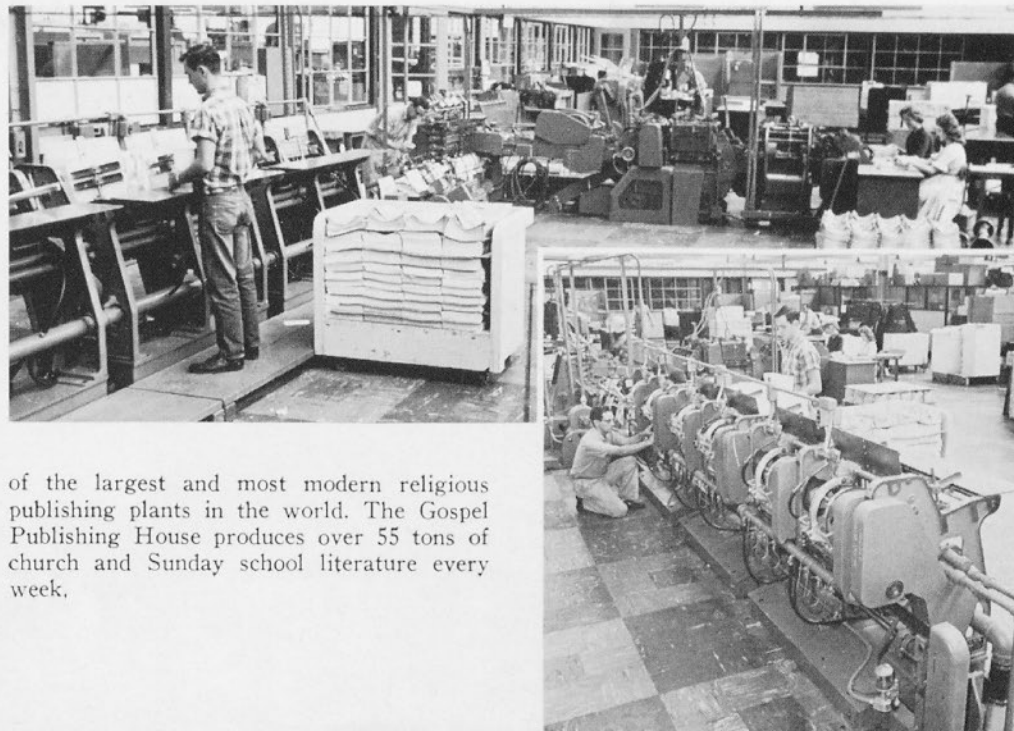
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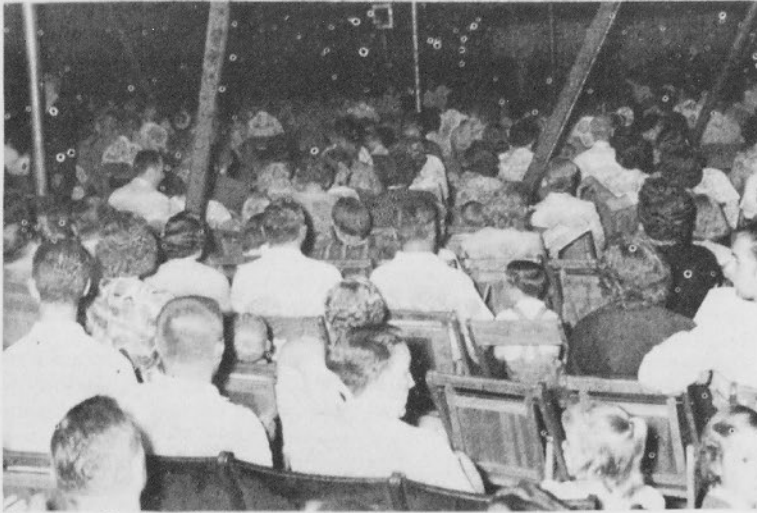
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Evangelism **BREAKTHROUGH**



Portion of the crowd attending the tent crusade in Dover, Pa., conducted by the Paul Olson Evangelistic Party.

DOVER, PA.—The Rohlers Assembly of God (William J. Farrell, pastor) and the Dover Assembly of God (John Beamer, pastor) sponsored an old-fashioned tent crusade with the Paul Olson Evangelistic Party. S. W. Brewer, pastor of the First Assembly in York, Pa., and Homer Peterson, pastor of the Taxville Full Gospel Church in York, also cooperated in the meeting.

The large tent was erected on one of the major highways in the area. Many people who had not attended the Pentecostal churches joined the crowds that filled the tent to capacity.

On the weekend services Evangelist Paul Olson presented dramatized sermons on hell and the coming of Christ. There were 85 decisions for Christ recorded. Sev-

eral gave thrilling testimonies of healing and 14 received the baptism of the Holy Spirit in the "Tongues of Fire" services on Sunday afternoons.

One of the contributing factors of the success of the crusade was the wholehearted cooperation of the pastors of the Assemblies of God churches in the Dover-York area. The burden was shared by all, and all were blessed.

On the Sunday following the crusade several new families attended the Rohlers Assembly as a direct result of the meeting.

—William J. Farrell, Chairman

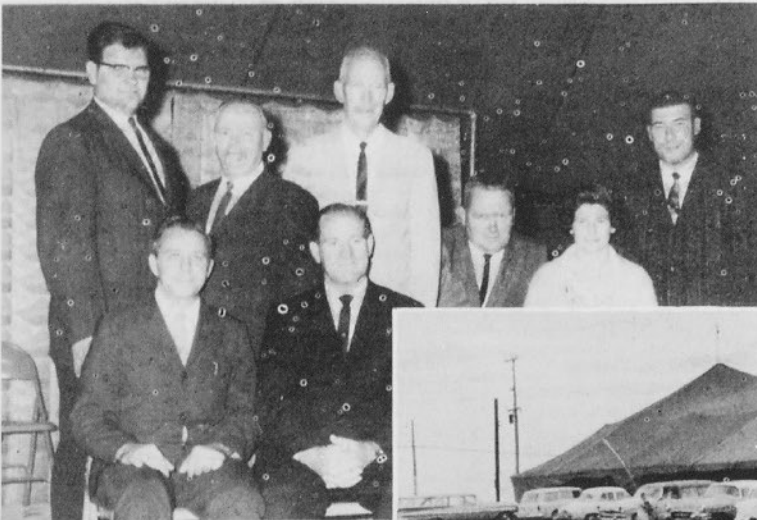
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ABERDEEN, S. DAK.—The outreach of the recent Ernie Eskelin meeting at the Assembly of God Tabernacle here was unusual. God's people had a mind to work, and souls were saved. Great interest was sparked with free time on the local T.V. station in addition to the weekly telecast, "Assemblytime." An attendance of 264 broke a 1947 Sunday school record; and the devil's proverb, "People don't come out like they used to," had a good Christian burial!

—D. W. Wartenbee, Pastor

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COVINGTON, IND.—New life has been added to all phases of Bethel Full Gospel Assembly of God here through the addition of many new converts. During the revival with Evangelist Tommy Heady, 25 were saved, three filled with the Holy Spirit, and 14 baptized in water. A woman testified that God removed the stiffness in her ankle joint which



Cooperating ministers in the Dover crusade are (seated) John Beamer, William J. Farrell, (standing, left to right) S. W. Brewer, Homer Peterson and H. E. Hardt. At the right is the evangelistic party—Paul and Dorothy Olson and Harris Heidenreich, associate evangelist.



The Olson gospel tent which was the scene of three glorious weeks of a soul-winning revival.

The Sunday school of the Assembly of God Tabernacle, Aberdeen, S. Dak., broke its attendance record with 264 present during the meeting with Evangelist Ernie Eskelin.



remained after a fracture healed. Many of the new converts were strengthened by the duration of the four-week meeting. The Sunday school reached a near-record attendance without any special drive.

—Allen Lehmann, Pastor

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BRUCE, S. DAK.—Gospel Tabernacle Assembly of God here had 57 in Sunday school and 78 on Sunday evening during a three-week October revival with Evangelists Homer and Margie Giles. Fourteen came forward for salvation. Several testified that they received healing. The meetings were well attended by people of other denominations, some of whom were seeking the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

—D. V. Juve, Pastor



Pastor and Mrs. D. V. Juve of Bruce, S. Dak., S. S. Superintendent Mrs. Phil Rasmussen, and Evangelists Homer and Margie Giles display the Sunday school attendance record.

WITH CHRIST

MINA L. SCHAMEL, 57, of Piedmont, Mo., went to her eternal reward October 18. Licensed by the Southern Missouri District in 1959, Sister Schamel served as an evangelist. She is survived by five children.

BASIL E. HILLMAN, 65, of Gary, Ind., went to his eternal reward October 31. He was ordained in 1925 and was a member of the Indiana District. Brother Hillman pastored churches in Gary and Marion, Ind.; Byesville, Zanesville, Dunkirk, Ashland and Marion, Ohio; Norfolk, Va.; West Plains, Mo.; Atlanta, Ga.; and Arcadia, Kansas. He also served as an evangelist.

MIDWINTER CAMP

Second Midwinter Camp, Jan. 31-Feb. 15, Calvary Assembly of God, 1919 Miller Ave., Winter Park, Fla. W. Millington, Bible teacher; Eddie Barg, evangelist.—by Dale C. Zink, Pastor.

HUNTINGTON STATION, L. I., N.Y.—Evangelist and Mrs. Ernest Berquist conducted revival services here recently with lasting results. Excellent crowds attended the meetings. Several new contacts were made.

—Charles Shaffer, Pastor

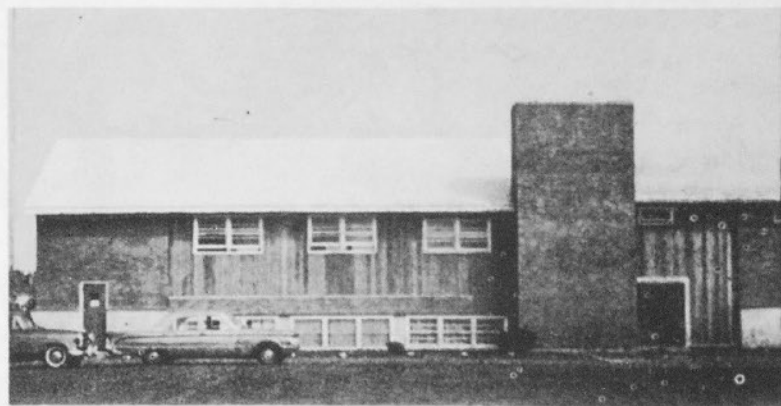
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BALTIMORE, MD.—The entire church was blessed by the ministry of the Giannattasio Evangelistic Team at the Middle River Assembly of God here. Some were saved, a number filled with the Holy Spirit, others were refilled and many testified of healings. Visitors attended each night. Pledges were received by the evangelist for a much-needed bus.

—Clyde C. Oliver, Pastor

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CUBA, ILL.—The Holy Spirit brought soul searching at the Assembly of God here during a revival with Evangelist and Mrs. David C. Goodwin of Ottumwa, Iowa. Christians made fresh consecrations to God. A singspiration in the city park gave the evangelists opportunity to witness to the community. Young people especial-



SOUTHINGTON, CONN.—The first revival held in the new sanctuary of Calvary Assembly of God was conducted by Evangelist Gene Burgess of Memphis, Tenn. Pastor Benton Tippet, Jr., reported a great number of visitors attended the meeting and several families became interested in attending regularly. The church is thankful for these days of spiritual refreshing.

ly were attracted by the Good-years old, this was its first revival campaign. As high as 125 attended some meetings. Sixteen were saved, two were filled with the Holy Spirit, and one was refilled. The converts have followed the Lord in water baptism and are now participating in a class for new converts conducted by their pastor.

—L. P. Spratt, Pastor

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ARNOLD, MO.—There was a good attendance at every service during a revival at the First Assembly of God here with Evangelist and Mrs. G. A. Snively. Although the church is nearly two

years old, this was its first revival campaign. As high as 125 attended some meetings. Sixteen were saved, two were filled with the Holy Spirit, and one was refilled. The converts have followed the Lord in water baptism and are now participating in a class for new converts conducted by their pastor.

—Kenneth Brown, Pastor

EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Bay Minette	First	Dec. 30-Jan. 10	Don & Dixie Cox	E. L. Black
	Mobile	Orchard	Dec. 8	W. A. Johnson	John Williams
Ariz.	Phoenix	Northwest	Dec. 1-13	E. T. Quanabush	M. P. Elliott
Ark.	Harrisburg	Greenfield	Dec. 1-20	R. L. Courtney	C. E. Throgmartin
	Winslow	A/G	Dec. 6	D. R. & Mrs. Clements	Charles Fiant
Calif.	Carpenteria	Calvary A/G	Dec. 13	Jack K. Bryson	Clarence Eigenhuis
	Newhall	First	Dec. 9-20	Tommy & Esther Lance	Bob Bloom
Del.	Dover	Calvary	Dec. 9-13	J. Earl & Mrs. Douglass	David Vespa
Fla.	Ft. Lauderdale	Evangel Church	Dec. 9-13	Paul Olson Party	Jack Starbuck
Ga.	Macon	First	Nov. 29—	Nettie Parham	C. M. Hicks
Ill.	Renault	A/G	Dec. 13-20	Wilburn H. Fisher	J. E. Carmack
	Logansport	First	Dec. 8-13	J. E. Friend	Harold Yeates
Ind.	St. John	Highway Tabernacle	Dec. 9—	Bill & Naomi Hayes	F. Harshman
	Vincennes	A/G	Dec. 15-20	J. E. Friend	Walter Keeney
Iowa	Ottumwa	First	Dec. 2-13	Ralph A. Creider	Stanton E. Johnson
Kans.	Newton	A/G	Dec. 6—	Donnell-Holler Team	William Boyd
La.	Mansfield	First	Nov. 29	J. F. Perry	Forrest Helton
Mich.	Armada	A/G	Dec. 8-20	Duane M. Wessman	Fred Speet
Minn.	Mt. Clemens	Bethany	Dec. 1-13	Ray C. Eskelin	Howard M. Burk
	Minneapolis	Glad Tidings	Dec. 8-13	Arthur & Anna Berg	Richard Larson
Miss.	Minneapolis	Evangelistic Aud.	Dec. 6-13	Jim & Tammy Bakker	Russell H. Olson
	Hurley	Magnolia Springs	Dec. 6-20	Alfred Allen	W. Grady Mizelle
N. Y.	Jackson	Faith	Dec. 13-18	F. L. Langley	John Griffith
	Syracuse	Grace	Nov. - Dec.	Joseph DeGrado	N. S. Farrington
N. C.	Westfield	A/G	Dec. 8-13	Werner M. & Mrs. Johnson	Ernest Edwards
	Burlington	A/G	Dec. 6	Diehl Family	Charles Elliott
Ohio	Wilmington	First	Dec. 15-20	Tommy Wilson	Marie Moore
	Boise City	First	Dec. 9-13	Gene Burgess	David Reddout
Okla.	Ft. Cobb	Bethel	Dec. 8-21	Leonard Negrin	Robert Higginbottom
	Gracemont	A/G	Dec. 16—	Franklin A. & Mrs. Burns	Alfice L. Stanley
Oreg.	Meeker	A/G	Dec. 6-20	Jack Martz	Charles W. Decker
	Oklahoma City	Hilltop	Dec. 7	Al Davis	John Bennett
Pa.	Turner	A/G	Dec. 8-13	John Irish Smith	E. Gutekunst
Tenn.	Melcroft	A/G	Dec. 6-13	Curtis Sample	T. L. Stewart
	Bristol	Glad Tidings	Dec. 6-13	Gene Jackson	B. Morris McKenzie
Tex.	Fort Worth	Faith Temple	Dec. 6	Glen & Faithe Shinn	J. C. Thompson
	Houston	Jacinto City	Dec. 6-20	Melvin McKnight	A. F. Hanks
	Houston	Lindale	Dec. 6—	George Hayes	James McKeehan
	Sachse	A/G	Dec. 8	J. B. & Mrs. Essary	E. R. Burden
	Spearman	First	Nov. 29-Dec. 13	John Robinson	J. V. Barker

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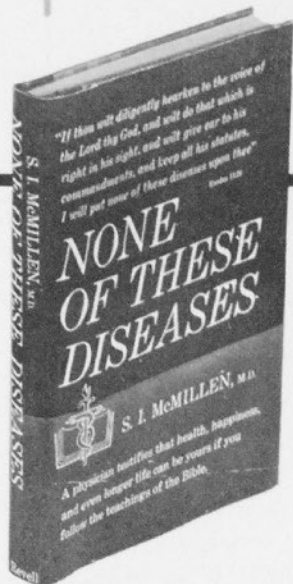
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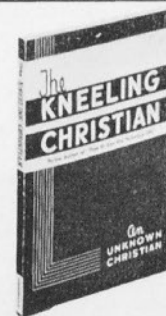


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The Ultimate Statistic

BY MICHAEL HORBAN

IN HIS OWN STRAIGHTFORWARD WAY, GEORGE BERNARD Shaw once pointed out that, for all the medical statistics that show that fewer and fewer people die of this or that disease, the ultimate statistic still remains the same: one out of one dies.

Every one of us, sooner or later, must encounter death. History, cemeteries, and daily news combine to remind us that death comes to all. There is no defense against it.

The Bible tells us that we all have an appointment with death. "It is appointed unto men once to die" (Hebrews 9:27). And every funeral service, every memorial cemetery, every obituary, and every saddened face tell us most graphically that men keep this appointment. This certainty of death and the uncertainty of what follows produces the "fear of death."

But death is not the only "ultimate statistic." There is the fact of sin: one out of one is a sinner. "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 6:23). To put it another way, "There is none righteous, no, not one" (Romans 3:10). Could anything be plainer?

The fact of sin does not need to be argued. Sin is something you feel in your own heart; it is something you observe in others, even in your own loved ones and friends; and it is something revealed in the Bible. In fact, the Bible defines sin and tells us that sin is against God, the Judge of all the earth, and must be accounted for before His judgment bar.

How can any man be happy when he knows that he must die, and that he is a sinner? Actually, man's predicament is darker than Mr. Shaw realized. There is the overwhelming fact of sin. And the Bible calls sin the sting of death.

It is against this serious background that the Bible teaches us the most important ultimate statistic of all: one out of one is loved by God and can be gloriously saved. The crowning glory of the gospel is that it is for all men. No one is excluded. God loved the world. He thought of every individual when He provided salvation. He intended for you to be saved. "The Lord...

is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9).

When Jesus said, "Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out," He meant that He will never turn away a sinner who knocks on His door. All are welcome. The last chapter of the Bible extends this big invitation, "Whosoever will, let him take of the water of life freely" (Revelation 22:17).

We cannot save ourselves, but we can all be saved by the virtue and victory of Another, the Lord Jesus Christ. It is interesting to know that when the bee stings you, it leaves its stinger in the wound and goes away to die. It can never sting or hurt again. So for the Christian, death's sting is gone—left in the One who took our sin and punishment. There is nothing left for us but everlasting life.

What good news this is! It is as sure as God and His Word; it leaves no room for the smallest shadow of doubt.

But how does one become committed to Christ? Fortunately, the steps that save a man are simple to understand and easy to take.

The first step is to admit that you are a sinner in God's sight and therefore need a Saviour from your sins. The Bible says so. You must humbly admit this.

The next step is to believe that Jesus is the Son of God who died on the cross for your sins. In His immense love He took upon Himself the penalty which our sins deserved.

Then, you must receive Him into your life as Saviour and Lord. It is this act of personal commitment which so many people miss. Christ stands at the heart's door. He wants to come in. And He promises that if you open the door, He will come in. This is the essence of Christianity.

Have you opened the door to Christ? Have you ever asked Him to come in? Do it now.

Take death seriously, because one out of one dies. Take sin seriously, because one out of one is a sinner. Take salvation seriously, because one out of one who receives Christ is saved. ◀◀