



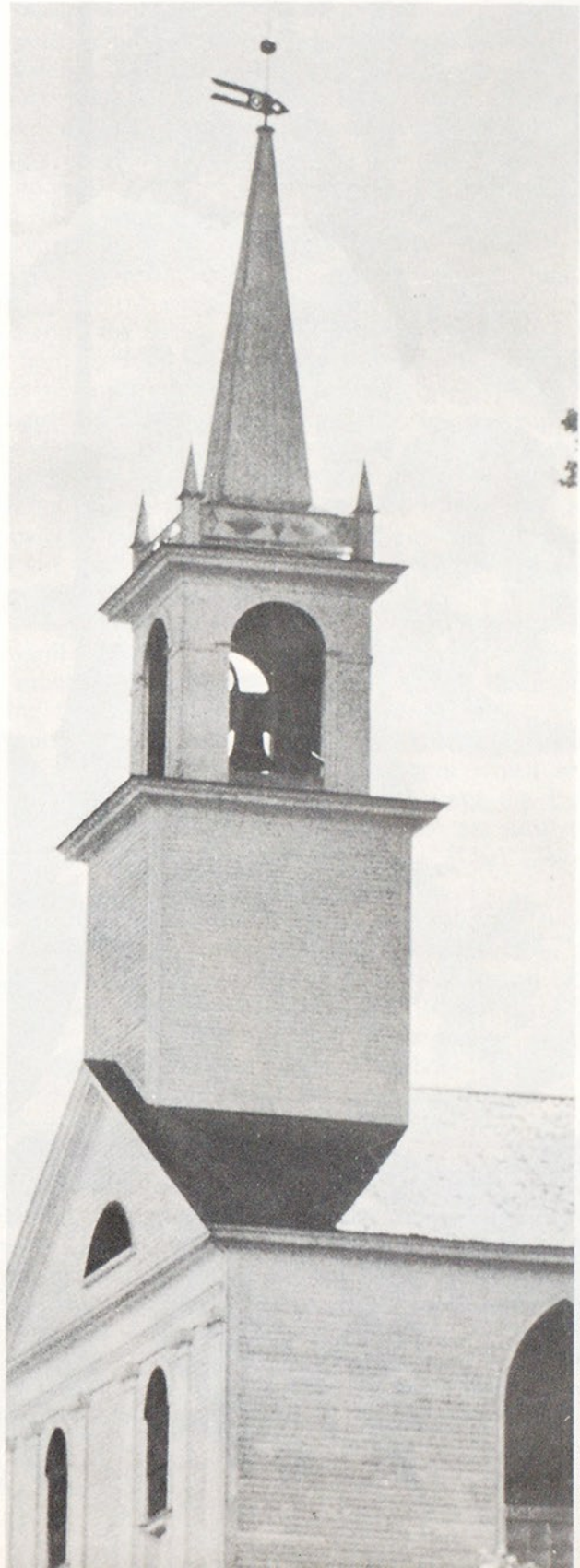
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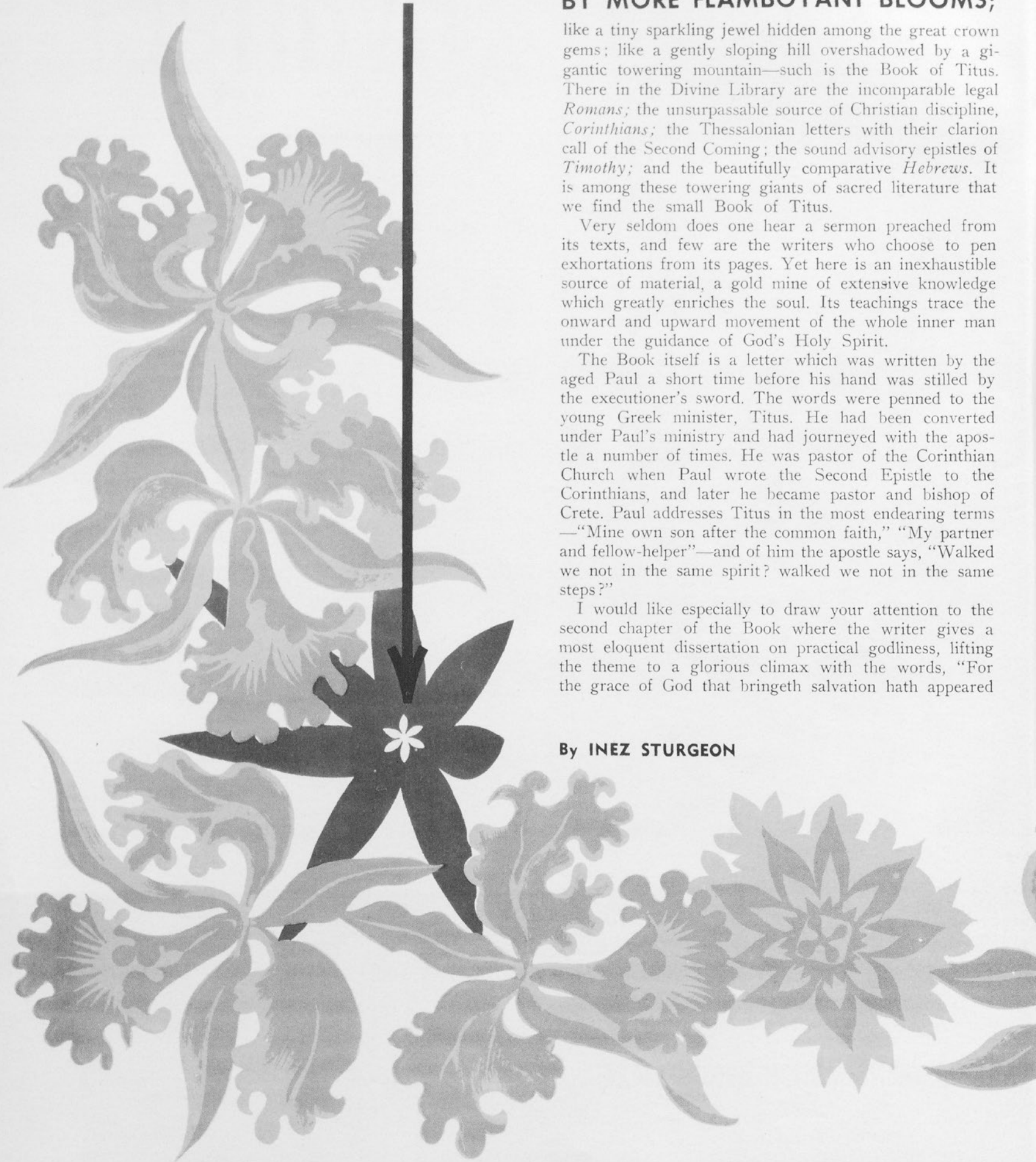
like a tiny sparkling jewel hidden among the great crown gems; like a gently sloping hill overshadowed by a gigantic towering mountain—such is the Book of Titus. There in the Divine Library are the incomparable legal *Romans*; the unsurpassable source of Christian discipline, *Corinthians*; the Thessalonian letters with their clarion call of the Second Coming; the sound advisory epistles of *Timothy*; and the beautifully comparative *Hebrews*. It is among these towering giants of sacred literature that we find the small Book of Titus.

Very seldom does one hear a sermon preached from its texts, and few are the writers who choose to pen exhortations from its pages. Yet here is an inexhaustible source of material, a gold mine of extensive knowledge which greatly enriches the soul. Its teachings trace the onward and upward movement of the whole inner man under the guidance of God's Holy Spirit.

The Book itself is a letter which was written by the aged Paul a short time before his hand was stilled by the executioner's sword. The words were penned to the young Greek minister, Titus. He had been converted under Paul's ministry and had journeyed with the apostle a number of times. He was pastor of the Corinthian Church when Paul wrote the Second Epistle to the Corinthians, and later he became pastor and bishop of Crete. Paul addresses Titus in the most endearing terms—"Mine own son after the common faith," "My partner and fellow-helper"—and of him the apostle says, "Walked we not in the same spirit? walked we not in the same steps?"

I would like especially to draw your attention to the second chapter of the Book where the writer gives a most eloquent dissertation on practical godliness, lifting the theme to a glorious climax with the words, "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared

By INEZ STURGEON



to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ."

In the first instance we are told that the gospel is for *all* men! This is the glory of the gospel, that it is not a hidden mystery, but it is to be proclaimed to the whole earth. Simeon, holding the Holy Babe in his arms, burst forth in ecstasy at the revelation, "Mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of *all* people." The sins of the whole world were expiated; and the only reason this does not affect the salvation of every man is because some reject it. No man is outside the mercy of God unless he deliberately places himself there.

Paul now holds up the high objective, the glorious hope, the preeminent incentive of the Christian Church, *the second coming of Christ*. The majestic splendor of this described event is then brought within sight and realization of the humblest child of God—within the handclasp of the newest recruit in the "army of the saved"—as Paul proceeds to name the three steps to the Rapture at the second coming of Christ. Three steps? Yes, only three, and these hold the secret of participation in that grand "jubilee of all ages."

Concisely, briefly, and without mincing words, the apostle gives forth the requisites and declares that the grace of God "teaches" us the same. In the original Greek the word used for *teaching* implies the idea of a disciplining process—bringing into subjection our human nature and thereby refining it until the objectionable portions are submerged by those attributes brought to us in the new life of God breathed into us at salvation. It is a regulation of this new life which has been born from above.

All three of the "teachings" are disciplinary measures and have to do with our lives in this present world—our contacts of all kinds in the processes of life.

The first step is described by the word *soberly*. This word entails a very minute examination of all desires, ambitions, and the purposes that arise in our hearts. Christianity is a matter of the individual heart before it is a matter for the street. The word *sober* as here used is one associated with wakefulness—watchfulness—vigilance. Paul elsewhere enjoins, "Let us watch and be sober." Peter also admonishes thus.

Calvin said, "We are commanded not merely to moderation in eating and drinking, but to spiritual sobriety, rather, when we shut in all our senses, that they do not intoxicate themselves with the unlawful things of the world." We must not allow the things of the world to draw us into a state of unnatural excitement or lull us into a stupor. Born in thought, illicit desires, if harbored, will result in deeds; and these, if committed, will shape into an undone eternity.

What an example of this foregoing description is found in the expression, "My Lord delayeth his coming," in relation to an expected return of a master. It is illustrated by a Lot in Sodom, by a Balaam before a Balak, and by a mess of pottage accepted for a birthright! No wonder our Lord warned, "Take heed to *yourselves!*" The inward look with discipline will bring the upward look with assurance. We stand now atop the first step.

"*Righteously*" is the next step. Righteousness is the outward manifestation and expression of a holy heart. So we have the sequence of these words placed very correctly by Paul; first ourselves, and then our relation with others. This latter is the point where we touch the world. Here we see the sin, the shame, the sorrow, and the heartache; at work we are surrounded by it, on the street almost encompassed with it, and yet the Christian meets the world with a heart and life completely separated from the desire for it or participation in it. There must be a spiritual separation and physical renunciation.

This triumph is like a Joseph in Egypt, living in the simplicity of holiness, showing to an unscrupulous Egyptian a righteous life by refusing to defile himself; like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, in the midst of pagan idolatry, living righteously and refusing to bow the knee to the image. Triumphant righteous living is based on one foundation—a cleansing of the heart in sober, individual, disciplinary living.

We have but to take one more step of this inseparable triumvirate of experience. "*Godly*." There must come a very practical realization of the presence of God and a yielding to His claims in our daily life.

A number of years ago Charles M. Sheldon realized this, and wrote a book, *In His Steps*, of which more copies have been sold than any other except the Bible. In that book he applied the question, in practically all the circumstances of everyday life, "What Would Jesus Do?"

John Wesley was criticized with the words, "He has taken religion out of the parlor and placed it in the kitchen." And rightly so—for true Christianity must bring a knowledge of the presence of God 24 hours of the day, seven days a week, and 52 weeks a year, in and through all circumstances of life. We should ever enjoy the glorious privilege of living under the eyes of God. Our lives should be lived with God, for God, and in God.

Then as we successfully mount the three steps, "*soberly*," "*righteously*," and "*godly*," we shall await the consummation, the glorification, the "glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour, Jesus Christ; who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works."

Inez Sturgeon and her husband, F. A. Sturgeon, recently moved to Orangevale, Calif. (near Sacramento), to be pastors of the First Assembly of God there.



Tell Them the Truth!

It's rally time in America—time for a great Sunday school rally in every church—time to rally all our forces and reap the ripened grain that is so precious to the Lord of the harvest. And if the public opinion polls are correct, the American people are more ready to accept an invitation to Sunday school and church today than ever before.

A poll taken this summer by the Harris Survey of Washington found that 97 percent of the adult population profess a belief in God; 72 percent, a belief in an after life. Only one out of 100 calls himself an atheist today (that is, says he does not believe in the existence of God), and only two out of 100 call themselves agnostics (that is, they say the existence of God is unknown, and probably unknowable). The vast majority claim some kind of religious faith.

But the poll also revealed that only about half of the American people attend religious services as often as once a week. Millions of people who claim to believe in God seldom, if ever, darken a church door. When interviewed by polltakers, many of them appeared to be plagued by a bad conscience concerning the depth of their religious commitment, and expressed the hope that their children will be more religious than they!

Maybe they are hoping their children will attend Sunday school and church regularly, even if they themselves do not. This is wishful thinking! Our job is to enroll the entire family in Sunday school. This may be the remedy for the bad parental conscience.

The fact that more people are attending church today than a generation ago is no reason to relax our soul-winning efforts. On the contrary, we need to pause and ask what kind of preaching they are getting when they go to church. Does their church preach the gospel? Are they told they need a New Birth? Do they hear the pure Word of God? Or is their pastor one of the "new breed" of clergymen who talk more about race than righteousness, who preach on universal peace rather than individual peace with God, who are more concerned with the war on poverty than with man's battle against sin? Many people are fed up with the social gospel. They hunger for "old-time religion."

Attending a church that has a form of godliness but denies the power of God (see 2 Timothy 3:5) may be more dangerous than attending no church at all. It can give people a false sense of security.

We need to double our efforts to bring people in touch with the truth. We need to warn them that heaven is real; that hell is real; that they must repent, turn away from their sins, and have a real experience of salvation if they would miss the place of eternal torment and gain a home in heaven.

This is a day when preachers like to talk about God's goodness but seldom mention His severity. The Bible teaches both, all the way through. In the Old Testament, God revealed Himself to Moses as One who is "merciful and gracious," willing to forgive sin, but also as One who "will by no means clear the guilty" (Exodus 34:6, 7). In the New, Jesus stressed God's love for mankind but also emphasized His hatred of sin, and said, "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

During National Sunday school week, which begins today, we need to gather people of every age into Sunday school. And when they come, let us tell them the truth about the future life—about the way of salvation to escape the devil's hell, and about the Spirit-filled life of holiness which will lead them to God's heaven. They need not perish. We must offer them the Word of Life.

—R.C.C.

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MAN IS A PARADOX, for he is an eternal soul living in a mortal body. We read in 2 Corinthians 4:16, that "though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day."

Sometimes you have a hard week, with tremendous battles. Your mind reels under the impact of Satan's attacks. You find yourself just simply weary—wary in mind, weary in body; and you go to God's house needing something fresh from heaven.

The outward man is perishing. It is getting older. We cannot stop that, because old age is one of the results of man's fall into sin. "But though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day." We are so constituted physically that we need the rhythm of eating, working, and resting in stated periods. We cannot eat one enormous meal that will sustain us for a whole week. This would cause terrible indigestion. We would have feast, then famine.

We know this is not practical for the physical body, yet it is exactly what some people try to do spiritually. They will come to church on Sunday morning, and will sit back in their seats, fold their arms, and look at the preacher as if to say, "Feed me!" But no minister can feed you enough to last you a week. You have to read the Word of God every day. You have to let your mind and thoughts dwell on spiritual things every day. Then if you cannot get to church for every service, thank God you do not have to become a spiritual weakling.

This is not to discredit church attendance. God forbid! We need to meet together: "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together." We need Christian fellowship. We need to hear the Word of God. But God has put in our own hands His wonderful Word, and He has given us the means of access to the throne of grace so that we do not have to starve just because we cannot get together with other saints.

As we get up in years, the body gives out. The outward man is perishing. But Christ does not leave us at a certain age. We can go from strength to strength in the name of the Lord so that even in our old age we shall know Him in a most wonderful and beautiful way.

STRENGTH THROUGH THE WORD

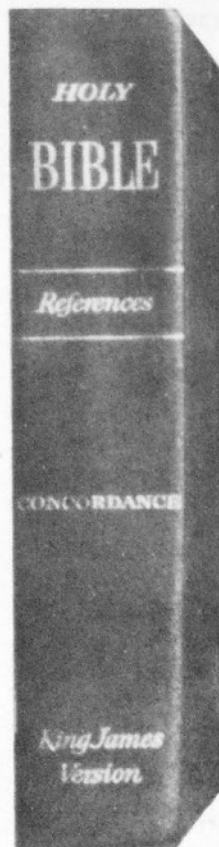
"Feed the flock of God," Peter wrote. We need an appetite for spiritual things. That is why I like to dig into the Word of God and set a spiritual table.

*Jesus has a table spread
Where the saints of God are fed,
He invites His chosen people, Come and dine.
With His manna He doth feed
And supplies our every need:
O 'tis sweet to sup with Jesus all the time."*

How is your appetite? When you get sick physically you say, "I don't want to eat." Well, if you don't feel like eating spiritually, there is something wrong too. You are spiritually sick.

We need to love the Word of God. We do not want to remain in that baby state where we have to have the milk bottle all the time, to be fed and entertained. But, bless God, we need to be fed with the strong meat of the Word!

Now it is necessary that you get your spiritual "vita-



RENEWAL OF THE INNER MAN

By **FRANK J. LINDQUIST**
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mins." We have a lot of vitamins in the Word of God. Isaiah says, "Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall; but they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; they shall walk, and not faint" (40:31). There are plenty of vitamins, minerals, proteins—and that is what we need. Go out and say like David, "For by thee I have run through a troop; by my God have I leaped over a wall."

MANNA IN THE MORNING

Satan is a real enemy, and we are in a real warfare. We can either fight or run. So many in America have chosen to take tranquilizers in order to forget their worries. But, thank God, He can lift the burdens of His saints. When you cast your burdens on the Lord, He will sustain you. That is a real tranquilizer, and it does the most good when taken in advance of each day's battle.

You need to meet God and read His Word every morning. Sometimes we are so tired at night that all we do is point to the Bible and say, "Lord, them's my sentiments!" Then we fall into bed. We have gone all day and left the last tired moments of the evening for a little devotion. Israel had to gather manna early in the morning, because when the sun came up it evaporated and was gone. That is typical of our getting spiritual food from God at the beginning of the day. We need to read the Word, feed on it, make it a part of us. Meditate on it day by day, so that as one wonderful

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The following is a spontaneous expression of what the Holy Spirit has done in the life of one Spirit-baptized believer.

I FOUND A NEW LIFE

By MRS. ETHEL FALK
Turlock, California

FROM TIME TO TIME people ask, "What good is the baptism of the Holy Spirit?" The Baptism brings an overwhelming love and closeness to Jesus. There is a new, deep love for God, for my church, and my fellowman. Jesus has become a living power in my life—a new reality.

I have found the baptism of the Holy Spirit has a revolutionary effect in many ways. It brings:

1. *A New Desire for Illumination of God's Word*

a. There is a new eagerness to know what He says about questions that arise.

b. The Word has become new and living.

c. New truths, new blessings are discovered daily in this rich storehouse of treasures.

d. There is a constant feast at His bountiful banquet table.

2. *A New Concern for Others*

a. It brings increased compassion and love for those without Christ.

b. There is a new tenderness and concern for those of the "household of faith."

3. *A Quickened Conscience*

The inward searchlight of the Holy Spirit has startled me many times by His revelations of things I never knew existed in the innermost recesses of my heart in such areas as spiritual pride, intellectual pride, self-centeredness, a staid stuffiness. His searchlight penetrates everything if we let it shine.

4. *A New Dimension to Life*

There is a new spirit of discernment, understanding, insight, and destiny, and a greater sense of well-being.

5. *Power to Overcome Temptations*

One actually becomes sensitive to any slight tendency to compromise. "Be ye transformed" has a new meaning in every area of my life.

6. *Strengthened and Enlarged Faith*

a. There is spiritual growth; with stronger faith I press onward and upward.

b. I have learned to expect definite manifestations of His love and power daily.

7. *A New Set of Values*

With each little purchase I find myself asking, "Is this really needed?" "Will it bring blessing?" "Will it glorify my Lord?" The result is a new and wholesome set of values. It actually is a delight to give to the Lord. I have learned what giving "cheerfully" (hilariously) means.

8. *A Love for All Believers*

a. Everyone who really loves the Lord Jesus, regardless of race or church affiliation, is truly my brother or sister in the Lord.

b. Preconceived notions, ideas, theological training, personal dogmas are all upset. In place of relying on former teachings, I go directly to the Word, asking the Holy Spirit to give me His answer.

c. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55:9).

d. Former criticisms and old prejudices and skepticisms vanish in His presence.

9. *Indescribable Joy, Peace, and Love*

a. "My cup runneth over." And the more it overflows, the more He pours in.

b. I thought I knew a little about the abundant life in Christ; now I realize I am barely touching the outside fringes as richer blessings come daily from His hand.

10. *New Power and Freedom to Witness*

a. An eagerness to make the Lord known supersedes all former hesitation and ineffectiveness.

b. Whereas once I was reluctant to speak for my Lord, I now find it difficult to keep quiet about Him and His matchless love for all.

11. *A New Awareness of "God's Time Clock"*

a. I live in joyous expectancy of His very soon return.

b. He has given me full confidence that He will supply the power and grace I need to stand true regardless of possible trials or persecutions.

12. *Intensified Prayer Life*

a. The rich blessings resulting from a ministry of intercessory prayer are priceless.

Sometimes it is costly to the body and strength, especially when I am awakened in the night with a terrific burden of prayer for a certain person, or problem, or situation that the Lord places upon my heart.

Sometimes the burden lifts shortly; at other times it continues two or three hours. There have been instances when I have tried to go back to rest, only to continue praying until He has given a certain calm, peace, and assurance.

b. The Holy Spirit has taught me to be specific in petitions, as well as in praise and adoration, where formerly I often prayed in generalities, sometimes with little real concern.

c. Praying in the Spirit continues to be a tremendous experience—a humbling and melting before the Lord in the consciousness that the Holy Spirit is directly interceding before the Throne of Grace.

I would say, in conclusion, the Spirit-filled life is joyous, solid, and enduring.

1. It becomes sweeter and more precious daily.

2. There is a release from fears, doubts, and guilt.

3. My spirit once bound, captive, is gloriously free—soaring into new heights, new depths of joy, power, and faith in this new love of the Lord.

4. Each day brings adventure in the ways of the Lord.

a. These tremendous blessings cause me to pray: "Lord, enlarge my capacity to receive, as well as to share with others the wonders of Thy grace."

b. No thrills of this world can possibly hold a candle to the thrilling experiences afforded by the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

c. This is for everyone who hungers and thirsts, who asks for it, obeys Him in complete surrender, believes, and is willing to receive.

Our Mission to the Military

THE WORD WAS SO FINAL. Chaplain Ronald De Bock wrote from Da Nang, South Vietnam: "An Assemblies of God lad was brought into our field hospital already dead on arrival. He was Kenneth W. Parker, lance corporal, U.S.M.C., from Dexter, Missouri."

Another letter came to the Servicemen's Division from Wayne, a Marine in Chu Lai, South Vietnam. Positioned atop a bunker overlooking the China Sea he wrote: "I was very glad to receive your letter. Letters mean even more in this desolation called Vietnam. I am very thankful for the work you are doing. My spiritual status has been greatly jeopardized. It is difficult just to stay alive here. The only other Christian I know, Marine Lance Corporal Holder, was killed on May 28 in an attack by the Viet Cong. His mother and father are both members of the Assemblies of God."

The Servicemen's Division of the Assemblies of God serves as a link between the soldier and the home church. It is charged with the obligation to alert the fellowship to its spiritual responsibilities to mobilized youth. Apathy will be disastrous. It seems that the scream of each new headline urges us to hasten in this effective ministry to the military.

An increasing number of our churches across the country are displaying the certificate, *Our Mission to the Military*. This beautiful certificate is presented to each church which includes the Servicemen's Division in its regular budget.

The Servicemen's Division, a ministry of the national youth department (Christ's Ambassadors) of the Assemblies of God, is performing a great service on behalf of all our churches. It is extending our full-gospel ministry into a military community of more than two and a half million men and their families.

According to the servicemen's representative in the U.S., Robert R. Way, the goal of this ministry is twofold:

(1) To reach every unsaved serviceman with the gospel message; and

(2) To encourage every Christian serviceman to live a victorious spiritual life during his tour of active duty.

To accomplish these aims a variety of literature is continually made available both to the local church and the serviceman.

The church may receive the Servicemen's Honor Roll to keep its service personnel before the congregation for prayer. Also, *Prayer Warrior* is sent to those who agree to carry a prayer burden for our peace-keeping forces.

For military personnel, the Servicemen's Division provides free of charge a series of tracts, helpful booklets, sermons, guidance pamphlets, a guidebook for new Christians (*Now What?*), a paperback book (*The Cross and the Switchblade*), Bible study manuals on Mark and Corinthians, and other current productions.

Letters stream from the Division in a constant flow. Nearly 65,000 pieces of mail annually carry encouragement and the offer of help to the recruit and career

soldier alike. The replies tell of those who have been saved and spiritually blessed.

At Ease, a quarterly publication, is sent to all whose names are on our mailing list. *Reveille* is periodically provided to all armed forces personnel who can effectively use it.

The servicemen's representative in Europe (Richard D. Fulmer) has organized 35 fellowship groups of servicemen who meet in monthly gatherings for spiritual strengthening and evangelism. From its office in Springfield, Missouri, the Servicemen's Division provides valuable assistance to the European program and to the work of the Assemblies of God chaplains around the world.

The Servicemen's Division depends on contributions from the churches and interested individuals to finance its good work. Churches will receive missionary credit for their offerings. Does your church's bulletin board display the identifying certificate, *Our Mission to the Military*?

IN SOUTH VIETNAM: 1965

*Down in the swamp paddy under the sky,
A place full of horror to live or to die,
Burning by day in the heat of the sun,
Shiv'ring by night when the day's course is run;
Sniping at enemies as planes roar o'erhead;
We succor the living; we bury the dead.*

*Down in the rice paddy, death all around,
Planes in the blue sky, bombs on the ground;
Terror and darkness are with us at night,
Evil stalks everywhere in broad daylight;
No hope for a respite when the day is done,
No place out of range of the rifle or gun.*

*Down in the Viet swamp, far from our friends,
The flash of a rifle—another life ends.
Fever and ague wrack body and soul,
Life is a torture in this dismal hole;
Yet we're buoyed up in our terrible plight;
For God is still with us, and our cause is right.*

*Down in the swamp hole with one life to give;
Freely it's given that freedom may live;
Closer and closer we cling to the earth,
Dreaming of home and the land of our birth;
We stand by our comrades, no foes can divide;
We're true to our buddies who fight by our side.*

*Down in the rice paddy, under the rain,
Hoping our efforts will not be in vain;
Bearing the brunt of an unending fight,
Doing our utmost for God and the right.
Americans, pray for your sons on the line;
Be true to your country; seek guidance divine.*

An anonymous American serviceman in South Vietnam penned these lines. They were submitted to the Assemblies of God Servicemen's Division for publication.



Highlighting the General Council Reports . . .

262 NEW CHURCHES OPENED IN THE PAST BIENNIUM

DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS 262 new churches were opened in the U.S. and membership in the Assemblies of God in this country increased 8.1 percent (from 514,532 to 555,992).

Significant advances were made not only in our foreign missions work, but in home missions also. Offerings for home missions reached an all-time high, with a 40 percent increase over the previous biennium.

These were among the highlights in the report which the General Superintendent, T. F. Zimmerman, presented at the General Council sessions in Des Moines, Iowa, last month.

"The Holy Spirit is at work, wresting souls from the enemy and preparing a Bride for our wonderful, soon-coming Lord," said Brother Zimmerman.

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The General Superintendent outlined the functions of the new Spiritual Life—Evangelism Commission which has been very active in recent months.

The new Commission is coordinating the evangelism thrust of all departments; assisting in various efforts to win the lost; planning and promoting such spiritual emphases as the Week of Prayer, Bible reading, and family devotions; and providing services for our full-time evangelists.

Another function is to provide a placement service to assist laymen who are willing to move to a new area and help support a pioneer church. In this connection, a Mobilization and Placement Service (MAPS) is now in embryo. Certain steps have already been taken, he said, including the development of a list of advantageous target areas for new churches in various districts.

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Brother Zimmerman announced that the Assemblies of God in Great Britain and Ireland, as well as the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, will join with U. S. Assemblies in ob-

serving the Universal Week of Prayer, January 2-9, 1966. He also mentioned the new monthly publication *Advance* which will be introduced in October, designed specifically for ministers and church leaders; and the emphasis on personal evangelism, which will be given church-wide during Training Month (January 1966).

Referring to the prayer conferences conducted in seven areas last winter, he said: "These times of prayer and waiting on God were an inspiration and blessing to those of us who attended."

He added: "A broad, coordinated evangelistic thrust is being drafted to provide a whole-church-family participation, involving our men, women, and youth. We urge our entire fellowship to be much in prayer that in every way we will have the mind of the Spirit in these plans."

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Bartlett Peterson, General Secretary, told the General Council that during the past two years net gains were made in the number of churches and ministers, as well as church members. There are now 8,452 churches—with 555,992 members—and 10,237 ordained ministers. However, Brother Peterson expressed concern over the relatively small number of persons being added to our list of licensed ministers. Only 39 have been gained in the past two years.

He pointed out that "many of our ordained ministers have now reached an age bracket in which a much larger number of deaths occur. While it is true that ordained ministers who come to us from other fellowships are on the increase, the number of men coming up in our ranks is insufficient to maintain even a status quo in the ordained list. . . .

"A few years ago a larger percentage of our youth felt called to the ministry. It is noticeable that our present broader emphasis includes other pursuits in life, and that during this

same period a much smaller number of our youth is entering the ministry. It is as true of our history as it is of the history of other churches before us, that the church produces what she preaches. Has a time arrived when a study should be made of this important subject with a view to re-evaluation of our direction?"

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M. B. Netzel, General Treasurer, reported that offerings received for all purposes, including missions, increased in 1964 and again in 1965, as did also the volume of sales by the Gospel Publishing House. Using the fiscal year 1956 as a basis for comparison, he said offerings in 1965 increased 75 percent and Gospel Publishing House sales increased 68.9 percent.

He stated that bonded indebtedness on the Administration Building at the national headquarters in Springfield, which amounted originally to \$2,000,000 has been reduced to \$1,188,000.

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Brother Netzel cited the churches of three districts for outstanding participation in the Cooperative Plan. In 1964 North Dakota led all the districts in this regard with 49.95 percent (approximately one-half) of all churches in the state participating. New Jersey was second, with 45.7 percent, and Minnesota third, with 35.1 percent.

The top three churches in Cooperative Plan giving for 1964 were:

Calvary Full Gospel Assembly of God, Inglewood, Calif. (Marcus Gaston, pastor)

Bethel Temple, Los Angeles, Calif. (Arne H. Vick, pastor)

Glad Tidings Tabernacle, New York City (Marie E. Brown and R. Stanley Berg, pastors)

NEW EXECUTIVES CHOSEN

At the 31st General Council two new members were elected to the executive presbytery. T. E. Gannon was chosen to fill the vacancy left by the retirement of G. F. Lewis, an assistant general superintendent; and Joseph R. Flower was elected to succeed the late Richard J. Bergstrom as a nonresident executive presbyter.

Watch the *Evangel* for detailed reports and photos from the General Council in the weeks ahead. A number of the Council sermons will appear also, depending on the amount of space available.

Revivaltime is now heard by more people than ever before. The number of stations releasing it (as of April) was 464, an all-time high. In the past two years 11 new stations outside the U.S. were added.

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The latest Sunday school reports from U. S. churches show 1,008,977 enrolled, an increase of 4,181 over two years ago. There are 8,929 Sunday schools, an increase of 37. Souls won to Christ in the Sunday schools in 1964 numbered 89,290.

Other interesting statistics: Vacation Bible schools were conducted by 35

percent of our churches last year (a slight increase) with 211,248 enrolled. The boys and girls of the Sunday schools set a new record by giving \$45,562.97 on BGMC Day.

Boys and girls camps conducted by the various districts in 1964 yielded a great spiritual harvest. There were 1,973 saved and 2,142 baptized with the Holy Spirit at 85 camps attended by 14,034 campers and 1,980 workers.

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The Department of Benevolences reported that property in Kansas City, Mo., has been given to the General Council to be used for child care.

When remodeling is completed this property will accommodate 35 children. This is in addition to the Hillcrest Children's Home, which houses about 100 boys and girls, and three other homes which, although not operated by the Department, are approved by it; namely—

Maryville Children's Home, owned and operated by the Illinois District Council.

Real Life Children's Ranch, Okeechobee, Fla.

Daniel Children's Home, Fairfield, Tex.

Recently a 30-bed nursing care unit

Executive Presbytery of the Assemblies of God (1965-67)



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Superintendent



Bert Webb
Assistant
Gen. Supt.



H. S. Bush
Assistant
Gen. Supt.



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Gen. Supt.



J. P. Hogan
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Gen. Supt.



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Northwest
Area



D. H. McLaughlin
Southwest
Area



G. R. Carlson
North Central
Area



Kermit Reneau
South Central
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R. H. Wead
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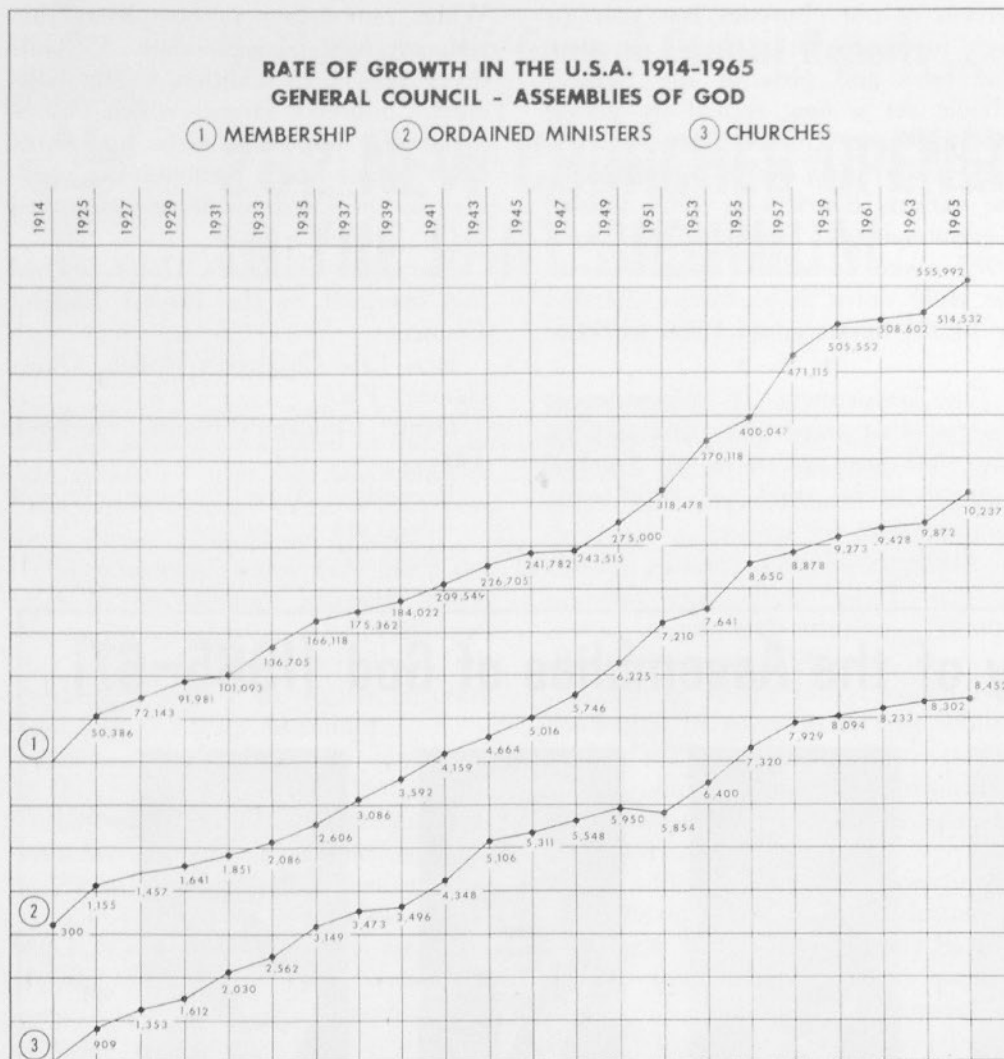
G. W. Hardcastle
Gulf States
Area



J. R. Flower
Northeast
Area



E. W. Bethany
Southeast
Area



was added to Bethany Retirement Home, Lakeland, Fla.

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The Truth for Youth program of personal evangelism has become an outstanding feature of the Christ's Ambassadors program. In two years the young people distributed 9,258,693 gospel tracts.

They gave \$512,474 to Speed-the-Light last year. Total Speed-the-Light giving now exceeds five million dollars.

Summer camps for youth have become very popular. Last year 64 youth camps reported a total enrollment of 10,637 campers and 2,169 workers. At these camps, 1,114 young people made decisions for Christ and 1,601 received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

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As of April, 25 Assemblies of God ministers were doing active duty as military chaplains. They reported approximately 4,000 individuals professed personal conversion to Christ through this ministry to the armed services in the past fiscal year.

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Enrollment at Assemblies of God

Bible and liberal arts colleges last fall was 3,613, an increase of 13.9 percent over the previous year. About 60 percent of the students are in theological programs and 40 percent in the arts and sciences.

Correspondence courses offered by the Berean School of the Bible continue to find wide favor. About half of the enrollees are ministerial students; the remainder are Christian lay workers. In 1964 the Berean School issued 762 certificates for completed courses, an average of 15 per week.

Central Bible Institute had 634 students enrolled last year, an increase of 14.2 percent over the previous year. There were 95 graduates in the class of '65.

Evangel College had 786 students enrolled and reported 102 graduates in its class of '65.

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World Missions offerings received in 1964 totaled \$8,750,000 setting a new record in gifts to Assemblies of God missions. Annual per capita giving was \$15.73. In other words, the total contributions to missions averaged out to \$1.31 per month for each

member, or less than five cents per day.

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As of March 31, there were 891 foreign missionaries and 372 home missionaries under appointment. Among the home missionaries were 98 in Alaska, 183 for American Indians, 9 for the Jews, 54 ministering to the deaf, 1 to the blind, and numerous Teen Challenge workers.

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Men's Fellowship Department reported a good growth in MF membership, and also in gifts to Light-for-the-Lost. There are now 1,582 chartered groups of Royal Rangers with 19,187 men and boys enrolled. This is double the number reported a year ago. However, it is estimated there are an additional 3,500 Royal Rangers groups not yet chartered. Emphasis is being placed upon leadership training at the present time. About 2,700 men are now enrolled in Royal Rangers correspondence courses of leadership training.

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During the biennium 527,507 orders were processed at the Gospel Publishing House (an increase of 12.6 percent). The sale of Bibles, books, and other church supplies increased sharply.

The Music Division, still comparatively new, has developed a large repertoire of choir books, sheet music, anthems, and instrumental music. Recently the Music Division released its first hi-fi album, a selection of choral arrangements entitled, *To God Be the Glory*, featuring the choir of First Assembly in Memphis directed by Paul Ferrin.

Four new publications were introduced by the Church School Literature staff, bringing the total to 43. New features have been introduced in other publications, including a broader (seven-year) cycle of uniform Sunday school lessons on adult, youth, and junior high levels.

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The paid circulation of *The Pentecostal Evangel* increased from 182,361 in March 1964 to 188,336 in April 1965. Approximately 11 million copies were printed in the past year. One issue, a special Crusade Issue published in May 1964, had a total printing of a million copies, a new all-time record for any single issue of the *Evangel*.

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LIGHT-FOR-THE-LOST IN INDIA

WHAT A DAY! Saturday, July 17, was one of those most blessed days here in Calcutta when our hearts were filled to overflowing with the joy of the Lord. We have witnessed over 600 non-Christian young men sit and listen for over three hours to the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ.

This was our second Light-for-the-Lost rally of the West Bengal Bible Correspondence School. We had invited some of the students living in and around Calcutta to be present. Many of those who came had already completed the 13 lessons of the course and thus had some knowledge of the Bible and the Person of Jesus Christ.

Everyone sat attentively while D. P. Roychoudhury presented the deeper and precious truths of God's Word. One Bengali brother, a converted Hindu, gave his testimony of how he had found Christ as his Saviour. His testimony was most impressive in convincing these young men of the reality of salvation.

Unless you have labored in a non-Christian place, you will find it difficult to understand the keen excitement of such a rally as this. You know how difficult it can be to bore with an electric drill a hole in a piece of metal. The drill burns and slows down. Only with great patience and perseverance are you able to accomplish the task. This is the way it is working for God in a pagan land. The people are schooled in heathen philosophy which scoffs at the idea of a Saviour; fettered by fears and superstitions; misguided by deluded and deceiving priests. On top of all this, they are bewildered by the pleasing propaganda of the Communists. It takes nothing less than a mighty visitation of the Holy Spirit to bring together such a crowd of seekers as we saw in this rally.

Many of these young men stayed behind for further counseling and prayer. They filled the prayer chapel and were standing five deep around the walls.

Our correspondence school covers a vast area. Many of the 4,000 students live in remote jungle areas where


By **MARK BUNTAIN**

their only opportunity of receiving and studying God's Word is through correspondence. Brother Stanley Swar-naker, in charge of our Bengali course, is a young lawyer who has his master's degree in law and is presently studying for his bachelor of divinity degree in an Anglican college. He is thoroughly Pentecostal and has a promising future in the service of the Lord.

The progress of the West Bengal Bible Correspondence School is made possible by literature from Light-for-the-Lost. Both of our evangelistic teams, the King's Men and the Light-and-Life team, go out weekly armed with tracts and gospels provided by Light-for-the-Lost. Every tract is printed with an invitation to enroll in the correspondence school. This is our only means of making these valuable contacts.

Our present big Light-for-the-Lost project is the Dum Dum Crusade. Dum Dum is the area around the Calcutta airport, the largest air terminal between Tokyo and London. Land is being purchased for a new church building, and the area is being opened up by a literature campaign. Excitement for the project is running high. Everyone is busy filling 125,000 plastic bags with tracts and booklets made possible by Light-for-the-Lost.

Dum Dum is on the edge of metropolitan Calcutta and is 40 miles from the Pakistan border. It serves a multimillion population, and we are believing God to help us build a lighthouse for Him right in the heart of its residential area.

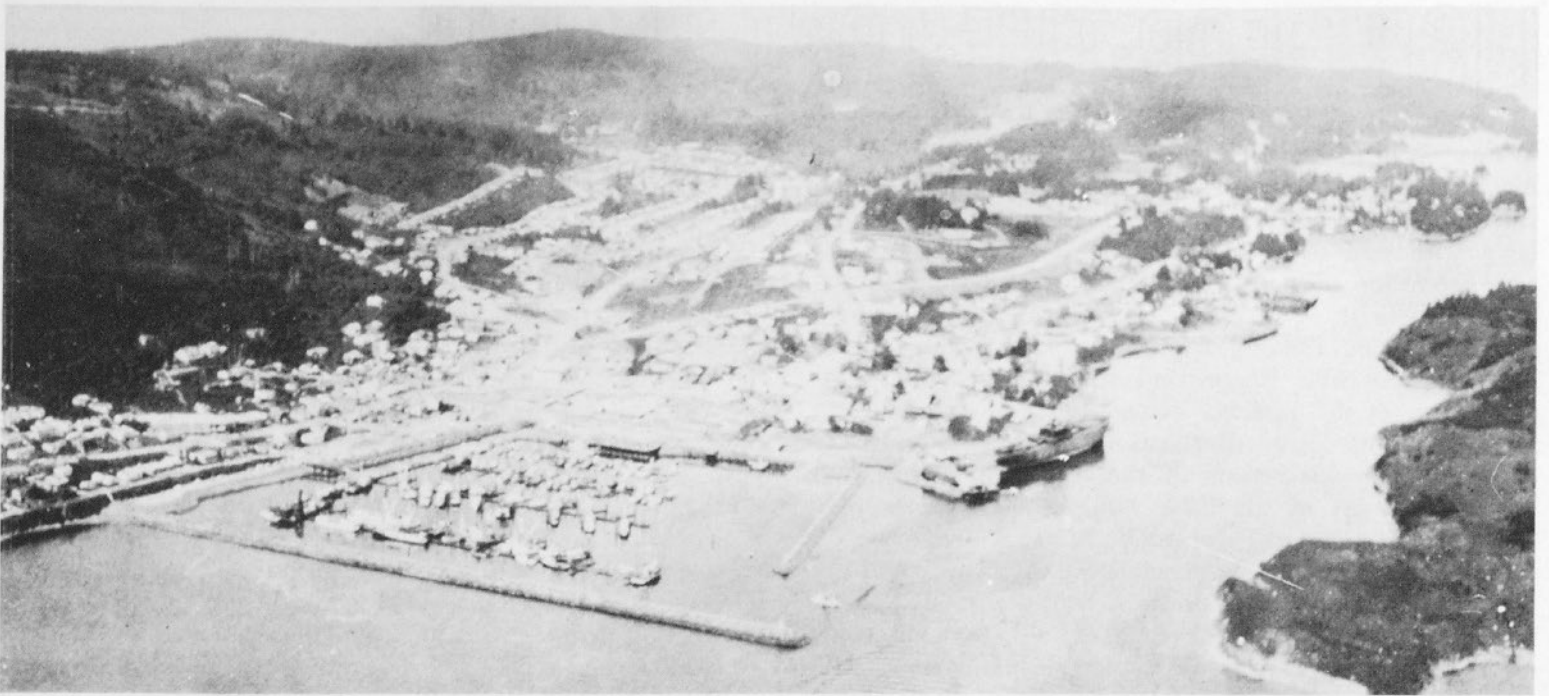
All of this evangelistic fervor and achievement could never have been accomplished without the tremendous help from Light-for-the-Lost. We here at the crossroads of the East can only thank God from the bottom of our hearts for every Assemblies of God layman who is making this great literature program possible. On behalf of the Pentecostal believers here in Calcutta, may I thank you in the name of the Lord. 

Indian musicians playing instruments during the Light-for-the-Lost rally in Calcutta.



Over 600 people listened attentively to D. P. Roychoudhury during the rally of the West Bengal Bible Correspondence School.





Kodiak, Alaska, located in the northeast corner of Kodiak Island, is the oldest city in Alaska.

Ministering in

KODIAK

the King Crab Capital of the World

By **WILLIAM CUMMINS**
Pastor, Assembly of God in Kodiak, Alaska

KODIAK, ALASKA, is the largest settlement of the Kodiak Island group and is the oldest city in the state. It is situated at the foot of Pillar Mountain on the shores of Saint Paul's Bay, in the northeast corner of Kodiak Island, which measures roughly 150 miles.

This historic town is due north of Honolulu and due west of Juneau, being slightly farther north than Glasgow, Copenhagen, and Moscow.



The recorded history of Kodiak dates back to 1741 when the Bering Expedition skirted these shores on their return to Russia after exploring the mainland of Alaska. The survivors of this expedition took a few of the sea otter skins back with them, and the sight of this fabulous pelt caused excitement among fur traders unequaled even by the famous gold rush of a later date.

The local economy today, however, is based largely on the fishing industry, the most publicized of which is the Kodiak king crab.

The work of the Assemblies of God in this historic city, however, is only about 10 years old. In 1955, Brother and Sister Charles O. Hirschy felt led to begin a full-gospel work in Kodiak. They rented a home and began to hold services in their living room. Later on they were able to purchase a number of fine lots and begin construction of the present church building.

In June, 1960, my wife and I were appointed pastors of the Kodiak Assembly and continued the construction of the building. At the present time we have eight lots and the nearly completed combination church-parsonage.

Our congregation, like many Alaskan congregations, is continually changing. We minister to some from the Kodiak Naval Base, located five miles outside the town. The average serviceman and his family are here for two

William Cummins, shown with his wife and five sons (another son was born in July), has pastored the Kodiak Assembly since 1960.




Pictured above are the children's Sunday school classes with their teachers, and at the right is the attractive combination church-parsonage of Kodiak.

years. At the present, however, our congregation is largely made up of local people, and the possibilities for a strong work here appear to be excellent.

God has wonderfully provided over the years. We have always had a church pianist, a Sunday school staff, and VBS workers. Quite a substantial number of people have been saved, and during the past year we have seen an increased interest in the full gospel. We have a full-gospel prayer meeting each Thursday evening especially for those interested in the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Since the March, 1964, earthquake and tidal wave,

Kodiak has been in the process of extensive rebuilding which includes complete new waterfront and downtown areas, new streets, and many new homes. I am reminded of the words of the Psalmist, "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it; except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain." God has already demonstrated to Kodiak that the works of men's hands can be swept away in a moment of time. Pray that there will be a greater acceptance of the message of the Cross that will enable men to lay up the true riches that cannot be swept away. 

NEW REGIONAL INDIAN BIBLE SCHOOL OPENS

THE NEWLY ORGANIZED regional All Tribes Indian Bible School, with Don R. Ramsey as president, opened September 20 in Phoenix, Arizona. The school has been remodeled and all space utilized. The school term will end in May.

ATBS is providing a three-year graded course in Bible subjects and a stress on languages (native as well as English). Music is optional. There are four morning study classes.

During the afternoons students are expected to work at jobs in the city to finance their Bible education. Jobs are arranged and follow-ups are made by school personnel.


A student need not be a high-school graduate to qualify for enrollment at ATBS. Also, a student need not have a call to pulpit ministry to find the school valuable for spiritual Christian training. An Indian interpreter, a pastor, or an evangelist should be able to follow his calling with confidence following completion of the three-year course. Field trips and preaching tours will be scheduled frequently.

The school will have nine staff members, including

the president (who is also an instructor). Other staff members are: Vice-president Joe Hanna (also an instructor); Betty Hanna, instructor; Virginia Ramsey, business manager; Pauline Mastries, girls' dormitory supervisor, hostess, and music instructor; Roy Mikesell, plant maintenance foreman; and Barbara Willowsby, head cook. Two other positions are yet to be filled.

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Virgil and Eunice Sampson have accepted the pastorate of the Phoenix Indian Assembly. They will coordinate their congregational services with those of All Tribes Indian Bible school. Brother Ramsey will act as senior copastor of the school and mission.

Anyone wishing to sponsor a student by contributing \$40 a month—\$10 for tuition and \$30 for room and board—may send his offering to the Home Missions Department, 1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo. 65802, clearly designated for: *Phoenix, Arizona, Indian Bible School Student Fund.* 

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

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

HOME MISSIONS DEPARTMENT

1445 BOONVILLE AVE., SPRINGFIELD, MO. 65802

Babies on the Navaho Indian reservation in the Southwest remain in a cradle board until they are old enough to walk.



Navahos in the Grand Canyon Area Want Assemblies of God Church

NINETY ADULT NAVAHOS living near the Little Colorado River community of Cameron, Ariz., have petitioned their Tribal Council at Window Rock headquarters for a mission land grant on which to build a new Assemblies of God church.

The congregation, by faith, has started a building fund and has obtained a 42-passenger bus for transporting families to church. Speed-the-Light funds helped the congregation purchase the late-model vehicle.

Brother and Sister Don Ramsey have been ministering to the congregation since July, 1961. They had moved to Tuba City, Ariz., a nearby reservation community in 1960. Feeling led of God to initiate a new mission in the area, the Ramseys traveled

to several nearby communities attempting to locate a group of Indians open to the message of the gospel. In 1961, they met an Assemblies of God lady, Ruth Bradford, who was anxious to see her community reached with the full gospel.

When the Bradfords moved to Cameron in 1959 to take a secular job, there were no church services conducted by any group. There was, though, a small Sunday school class sponsored by one of the neighbors. Sister Bradford suggested that they begin jointly conducting Wednesday night services. The neighbor agreed, and soon her house space was too small for those attending.

Sister Bradford began transporting two of the Indian families to Tuba

City on Sundays for church services there. The distance between the two communities is 25 miles, but this was the closest full-gospel work to Cameron. The Bradfords and Ramseys agreed to join forces in instituting regular evangelistic services at Cameron.

Weekly Saturday evening services were started in a lean-to at the Semallie family camp on the north side of the Little Colorado River canyon. Within a few weeks other families began to appear for services, and

Point Sublime on the north rim of the Grand Canyon.



the congregation grew to approximately 30.

When cold weather forced the group inside, God moved on the hearts of a young Navaho couple to open their home for the services. The Begays owned the largest home in the community, and by spring their living room was accommodating an average of 70. Soon the Begay home was too small for the growing congregation.

A Catholic man, Charlie Huskon, began attending services and encouraged the missionary to apply for rental of the newly constructed Cameron Chapter House (community building). Brother Ramsey was granted permission to rent this for Sunday services for \$20 a month. The congregation has been permitted to use it regularly ever since.

The mission now ministers to more than 50 families in the community, and weekly attendance averages 100. Numbers of Navahos have been saved and healed; and two young married couples have been filled with the Holy Spirit within the past year. Two camp meetings and several special meetings conducted during the past two years produced excellent results.


A number of Navahos have been baptized and are growing in grace. One young man, Thomas Begay, acts as the mission interpreter because of the tribal language barrier. Sister Bradford conducts children's church, sponsors a Missionettes group, and does visitation. Brother Bradford contributes mechanical abilities, drives the bus, and helps with the musical arrangements.

The mission has several Navaho song leaders and others who assist the missionary in various ways. A youth group is headed by Brother Begay and consists of approximately 40 young people—some yet unsaved. The church also has Wednesday evening prayer services.

Besides pastoring the mission, Brother and Sister Ramsey assumed a share of responsibility for released-time instruction of Assemblies of God students at the Tuba City Boarding School. Five years ago there were no registered Assemblies of God students in this school. Brother Ramsey encouraged parents to enroll their children as preferring Assemblies of God teaching. Now approximately 100 students attend Thursday and Sunday services sponsored by the Assemblies of God. Many of these children have been saved and baptized.



Don Ramsey (right) and an Indian member of the Cameron congregation stand beside the bus.

Recently Brother Ramsey was invited to assume directorship of the All Tribes Bible School in Phoenix, Ariz. (See the article on the preceding page.) Members of the Cameron congregation are praying earnestly that God will send them another pastor who is burdened for Indian souls—one who will help obtain the needed land and build a new Assemblies of God church at Cameron. The area presents great possibilities for continued full-gospel ministry. 

Baby Healed

I praise the Lord for the wonderful miracle He performed for my baby. My son was born with a condition in his neck that made it impossible for him to hold his head erect. It would flop from side to side or forward on his chest.

During a revival crusade at our Assembly, Evangelist George Butrin and Pastor Herbert prayed for the baby. In a few minutes he held his head erect and is now normal.—Mrs. Terry Appleby, Hustontown, Pa.

(Endorsed by Raymond F. Herbert, Assembly of God, Three Springs, Pa.)



Mrs. Terry Appleby and baby

PERSPECTIVE

POSSESSION AND VISION

BY R. L. BRANDT

National Secretary of Home Missions

SPIRITUAL POSSESSION always parallels spiritual vision. Where there is no vision, there is no possession. God said to Abraham, "For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it..." The extent of Abraham's vision was to determine the extent of his possession.

Conversely, in the business of church extension and home missions, the extent of our possession is an accurate measurement of our vision. Addition of an average of 200 new churches each year for 35 years, as has been the case in our movement, certainly bespeaks a Spirit-begotten vision. But recent experience should deeply concern us, for it seems to indicate a diminishing vision. During 1964 we added only 121 new churches.

Since vision is supremely important, what can be done to revive it?

Vision and life are simultaneous. In the physical sense it is possible to be blind and yet be very much alive. But spiritual vision and spiritual life rise and fall together. Therefore, where vision is lacking and where "possession of the land" is no longer the concern, priority attention must be given to the spiritual life of those involved.

It is possible to have good but misdirected vision. The Christian may have a vision for the glories of the coming kingdom, and at the same time have no vision for those who are lost in the kingdoms of this world. Jesus discovered this problem in His disciples. They had great vision for a "harvest home" but no vision for the harvest field. To correct this Jesus ordered "eye exercise": "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

Then, too, there is no better stimulant to spiritual vision than the Holy Spirit. "Your young men shall see visions," Joel prophesied when he foresaw the coming of the Holy Spirit. And the history of the Pentecostal outpouring from its earliest beginning until today is replete with supporting evidence.

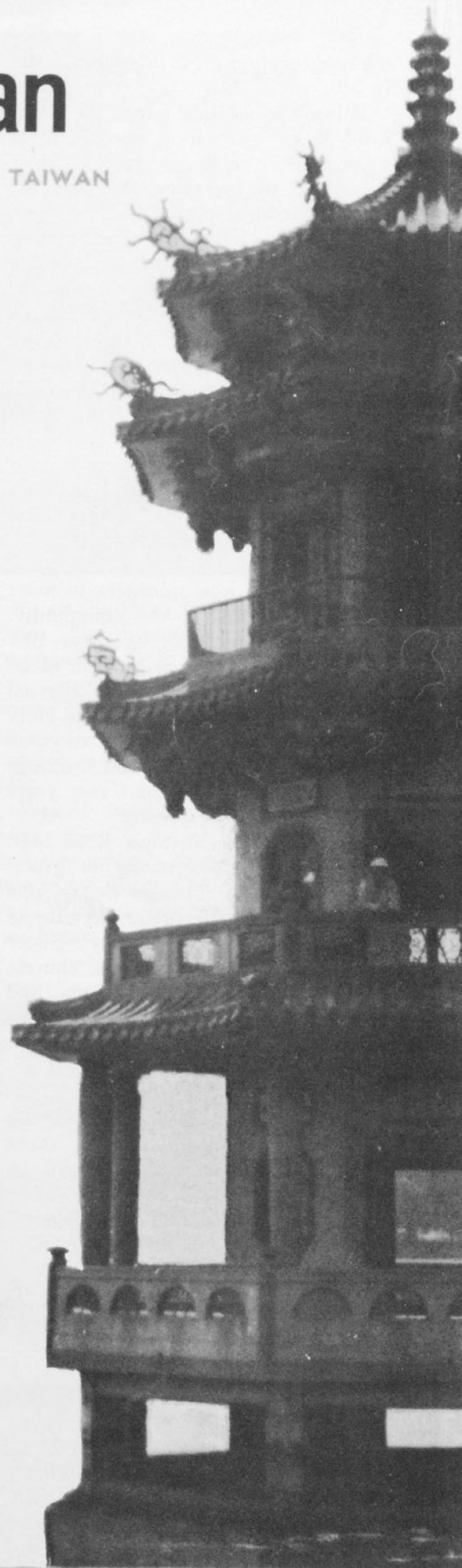
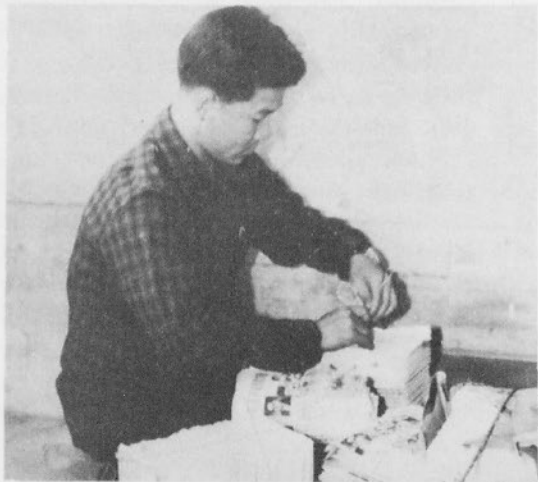
There is a great land yet to be possessed. There is a vision to be had.

God's Touch on Taiwan

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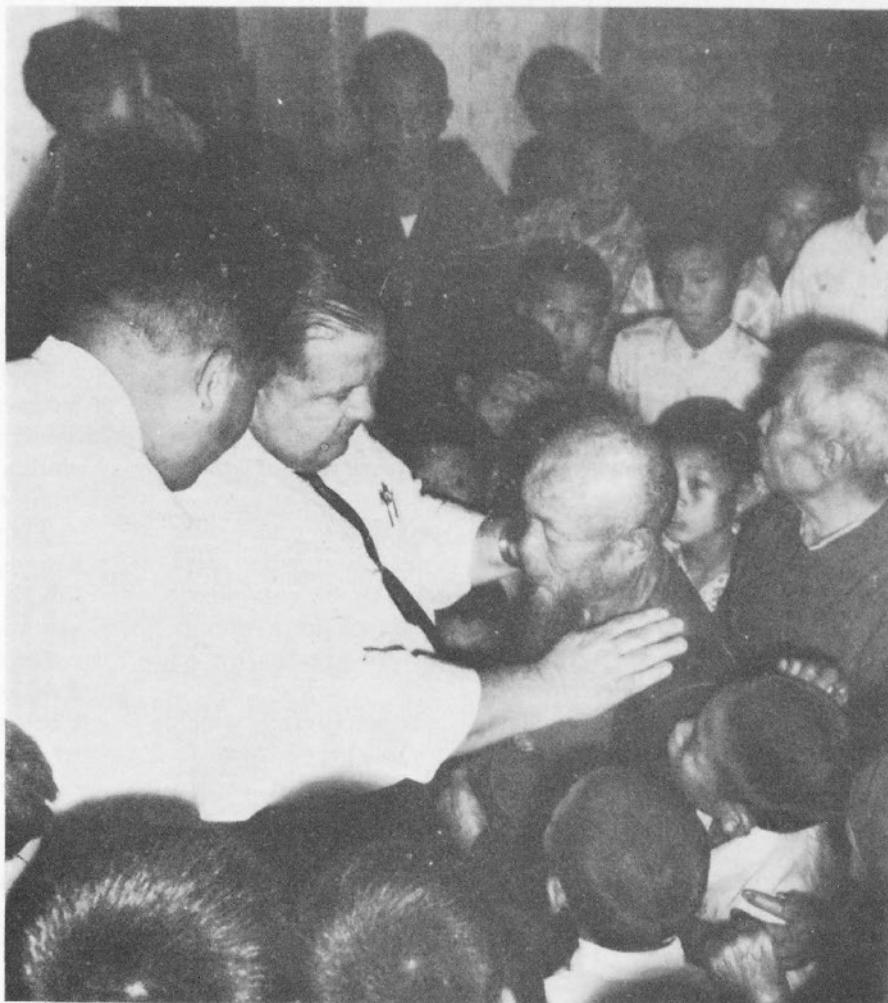


The Assemblies of God in Taiwan recently conducted a series of evangelistic campaigns which have proved very fruitful. Students from Taikuang Bible Institute conducted street meetings in the city of Kaohsiung, attracting large crowds of interested Taiwanese. In conjunction with these meetings, the students also distributed more than 50,000 pieces of Light-for-the-Lost literature in two and a half weeks.

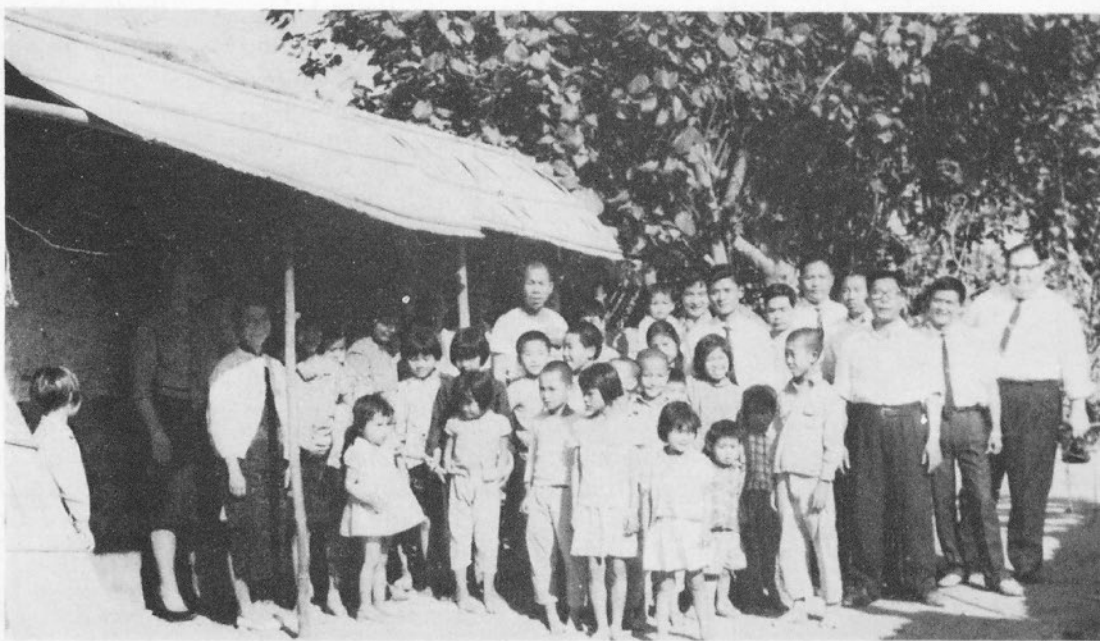
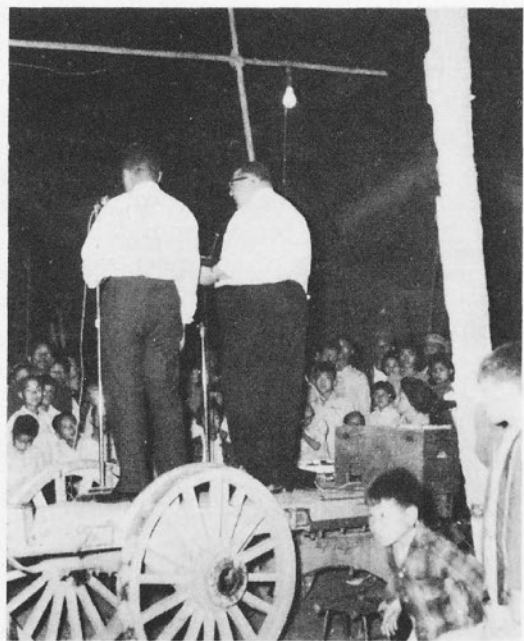




One of the highlights of the Taiwan campaigns was the dedication of a new church at Fengshan (left). Evangelist Al Reid (below, center) conducted a week of meetings in the new church. He then moved to nearby Chao-ming and preached for four days in a village which had had no previous gospel witness.



An example of the tangible results of the Chao-ming campaign was a Paiwan teen-ager (left) who was saved and baptized. Three of the services in Chao-ming were held at night. Out in the open air, Evangelist Reid preached from a low cowcart. Many people pressed through the crowd to be prayed for by the evangelist, responding with trust to his warm compassion and love for them. God's hand is on a receptive Taiwan; will you help the efforts of its missionaries and national workers with your prayers?



SAINTS WITHOUT HALOS

By ARTHUR HEDLEY

THE WORD *saint* IS ONE WORD in which the popular meaning differs from its essential meaning in the New Testament.

When Paul addressed his Epistle to the Romans to "the called of Jesus Christ...beloved of God, called to be saints" (Romans 1:6, 7; see also 1 Corinthians 1:2; Ephesians 1:1), he wrote to *living* persons, to those who would hear his words read in a Christian assembly by an elder.

Some churches have their own special order of saints which includes only those who are *dead* and who, after close investigation, are deemed worthy to be canonized. But the Bible gives no sanction whatever to a double standard of sainthood. All true believers are known as saints in the New Testament.

"There is no aristocracy in the Christian Church which deserves to have the family name of *saint* given especially to it. Such titles as Saint this or Saint that cannot be used without darkening the truth that this honor and obligation of being saints belong equally to all who love Jesus Christ," declared Dr. Alexander Maclaren.

The word *saint* is never applied to individuals as such. It is usually used in the plural. Only twice is it used in the singular as applied to persons (Philippians 4:21; Revelation 22:11), where, however, the "saint" (holy one) is regarded as a member of a community.

The word *saint* in the New Testament is the English equivalent of "holy" as applied to the individual. Jesus alone is called "the Holy One of God" (Mark 1:24). The fundamental idea of *holy* is that the man, thing, or place that is holy (see Exodus 39:30, 41; 40:9) belongs to God, and is, therefore, separate from that which is profane or common property. What belongs to God partakes of the divine character and nature (2 Peter 1:4).

The saint is a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ as his only Saviour. Believers are now the "beloved of God called to be saints" (1 Corinthians 1:2), and are under a sacred obligation to reveal their "high calling" as "children of the Highest" (Luke 6:35) by walking in "holiness and love." We are God's own possession bought with a great price, even the precious blood of Christ (1 Peter 1:18, 19; and see 1 Corinthians 6:19, 20). He has set us apart for Himself that His holy purposes may be fulfilled in and through us.

Our calling and duty as saints are clearly and simply summed up in 1 Peter 1:15, 16: "As he which called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy."

True saintliness springs from a close relationship with Christ, a readiness to know and do His will, a deep yearning to be conformed to His image (Romans 8:29). As we fully consecrate our lives, our time, our talents to Christ, and walk in the Spirit, so shall we unconsciously reveal the beautiful virtues and graces listed

by Paul as the "fruit of the Spirit" (Galatians 5:22, 23). We are set apart to "show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9).

Saintliness is to be seen in our daily conduct and character in the home and in our daily vocation. The life of separation demanded of those in Christ (2 Corinthians 6:14-18) is a life of separation from sin and from the world with all its enticements.

Thousands live as a recluse, shutting themselves up in a monastery. Such a life finds no sanction in Scripture, for if we are to earn our daily bread and to be "the salt of the earth" (Matthew 5:13) to save it from total corruption, we must mingle with sinners (1 Corinthians 5:10). The separation enjoined by Paul is spiritual. A Christian has to sit in an office, to engage in business, to work in a factory or store where he may be Christ's only witness. Life can be very hard and lonely for the believer; yet when we live for Christ, however sinful the environment, we shall influence someone for Christ.

There are those who are watching us daily, in the home, at college, in our daily vocation. They are quick to discern whether we have the mind and spirit of Christ. They have their own standards by which they judge whether a professing Christian is real or a mere formalist.

The poet says, "We needs must love the highest when we see it." A friend, who lost his sight through malnutrition when a prisoner of war in Japan, told me there was one man who was so genuine and to whom Christ was so real, that they turned to him when all seemed lost. This man's faith, cheerfulness, self-sacrifice, and kindness gave them new hope and courage.

There is nothing sanctimonious or unnatural about those who are not only "called to be saints" but are saintly in conduct and character. Dr. Wilfred Grenfell, in his brief autobiography, *What Christ Means to Me*, paid a very beautiful tribute to his mother's saintliness. "We boys," he said, "never once knew her deeds to belie her words: we never knew her to act in anger or unjustly. She had a knowledge of the truth we did not have, and the inner light which comes from following in Christ's footsteps." The memory of her quiet, virtuous life was a source of inspiration and strength throughout his own heroic and sacrificial service for Christ in Labrador.

The true saint of God is humble and too deeply conscious of his own sinfulness to regard himself as a saint. Pride, love of publicity, and desire for the praise of men revealed the Pharisees to be hypocrites and godless. They worshiped God with their lips, but their hearts were far from Him (Matthew 15:8). Our Lord likened them to sepulchres which were whitewashed outside but within were full of corruption (Matthew 23:27-33). Jesus startled His hearers on the Mount by saying, "Except

your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 5:20).

The closer our relationship to God, the clearer will be our conception of His holiness and our own sinfulness, and the more we will feel our need of the cleansing blood of Christ. The greater our knowledge of our own hearts the better we are able to understand what some of God's choicest saints said of themselves.

Samuel Rutherford, a very saintly man, said, "My salvation is to me my Saviour's greatest miracle."

The last entry of Thomas Chalmers, a renowned Scottish preacher, in his journal was, "What would I do if God did not justify the ungodly!"

It has been said that "the saints of God are too sharp-sighted for their own self-satisfaction." Our consolation

lies in the fact that, unworthy though we know ourselves to be, Christ knows the sincerity of our love to Him (John 21:16, 17. Though "our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things" (1 John 3:20).

Our security for time and eternity rests not on our saintliness, for salvation is not of works lest any man should boast (Ephesians 2:8, 9). It rests in the perfect righteousness of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and in the full atonement He made for our sins by offering Himself (Hebrews 9:26-28). All who are in Christ Jesus stand clothed in His spotless righteousness. Out of love and gratitude to Him we are to strive to grow in His likeness (1 Peter 2:21), knowing that one day through grace "we *shall* be like him; for we shall see him as he is" (1 John 3:2).



NO PILLS FOR HEARTACHE

By S. J. SMITH

AN ELDERLY CHRISTIAN LADY LOST A SON through an industrial accident. Her daughter-in-law wrote to tell me of the loss and added that although the mother was taking medication for several physical ailments, "there are no pills for heartache."

Humanity has always been well acquainted with sorrow and grief. Job said out of the depths of his misery, "Although affliction cometh not forth of the dust, neither doth trouble spring out of the ground; yet man is born unto trouble as the sparks fly upward" (Job 5:6, 7).

The very nature of human relationships, coupled with the brevity of life, makes sorrow inevitable. The Psalmist observed that "God setteth the solitary in families" (Psalm 68:6). Yet several millenniums previously God was sympathetic to Adam's solitude even amid the beauty of the garden of Eden and said: "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him."

The story of family life is an unending cycle. Two young people decide they will share the joys and sorrows of life together and take their vows of loyalty. Soon the home is blessed with the patter of little feet and the fleeting years that follow are filled with the activities of a growing family.

One by one the children leave to take their places in life, and mother and dad are left alone with their memories! As a pastor visits elderly people he is so often shown pictures on the mantle of grown sons and daughters who are away from home.

The final portion of the story is always a sad one. Death takes one of the parents and the children stand at the graveside beside the other with heavy hearts. The

fond endearing relationships of home cannot be broken without a great sense of loss. It is in this hour of pain that the discovery is made—there are no pills for heartache!

But wait, there *is* a healing balm! When the child of God enters the experience of sorrow he is not "as others which have no hope" (1 Thessalonians 4:13). Paul wrote in the midst of great personal anguish, "Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort; who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God" (2 Corinthians 1:3, 4).

God has a purpose in consoling His people even beyond their own immediate peace and rest of mind. One writer has summed it up this way: "God comforts us, not to make us comfortable, but to make us able to comfort."

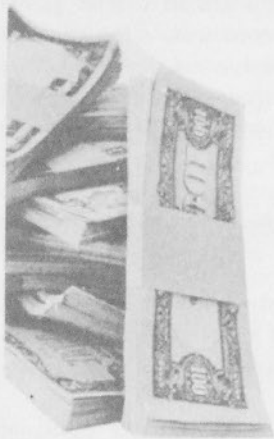
There is a great ministry in sympathy and compassion which every child of God may exercise. It does not require eloquence of speech or profound knowledge to have an understanding heart. *Genuine Christian sympathy can prepare hearts to receive the gospel in a way that no acquired talent could accomplish.*

In every community there are people lonely and in need. Their condition should challenge every believer. Recently I conducted a funeral under unusual circumstances. There were only five of us at the graveside service and none had known the man whose funeral we were attending. There were no next of kin to shed a tear—no known relatives to say farewell with a sense of loss. Prior to his passing, this 69-year-old man lived alone. There were no friends nearby to cheer him with their visits.

Jesus Christ was acquainted with grief, and His church is intended to represent His understanding compassion in a world afflicted with heartache, sin, and sorrow. The apostle James wrote, "Pure religion before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world" (James 1:27).

There are no pills for heartache. But there is balm for sorrow. We do well to search our hearts as individuals and churches and see how we measure up to our commission to minister that balm—in Christ's stead.

YOU CAN TAKE IT WITH



YOU!

CONTRARY TO POPULAR OPINION, it is possible to take your wealth with you beyond the grave. In the past, American Indians, Egyptian monarchs, and people of various other cultures believed that after death the departed soul still needed food, companionship, money, and other things commonly used in this life. As a rule, these items were provided for the deceased by relatives and friends. Tombs in many parts of the world reveal buried treasure, utensils, and in some cases even the skeletons of persons who had been buried alive for the pleasure and comfort of the departed.

We do not believe that departed souls are interested in any of the material things left in their tombs, much less are able to enjoy or utilize any of the material, physical pleasures of their earthly life. But we have reason to believe that it is possible to transform material wealth into heavenly currency to be used to good advantage in eternity.

Have you ever thought about the fact that God makes each of us responsible for the material gain that has come to us? We will be expected to give account of our stewardship.

Jesus gave us a key to good stewardship when He said, "He that saveth his life shall lose it, and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it." If we hoard material gain only for selfish purposes, we shall lose it all—and our souls as well. But if we invest faithfully in God's work, we convert our material gains into heavenly currency. The Christian's stewardship of his earthly possessions does not end with this life, but includes the plans he makes for the disposal of his estate after he is gone.

A man who had several thousand dollars, some real estate, stocks, and bonds, gave careful consideration to this matter. As a result, in drawing up his will, after making equitable provision for the members of his family, he remembered the work of the Lord. He left a generous cash gift to his home church. Part of his stocks and

By FRED SMOLCHUCK

bonds went to a Bible school, and the rest to the Home Missions Department, of his denomination.

After his death, the Bible school was able to offer several scholarships because of his gift. The students who were helped in this way became missionaries and Christian workers, winning many souls to the Lord. These in turn won others, and the chain reaction goes on.

The Home Missions Department used its portion for the support of missionaries and workers among the Eskimos and the American Indians. New churches were started; souls were saved.

Other spiritually beneficial projects were started with the funds designated by this faithful steward to God's work. Truly, the passage, "...and their works do follow them," is literally fulfilled by this kind of stewardship. This is an example of conversion of material wealth into heavenly funds. The careful designation of a part or all of one's estate to God's work is an investment that brings eternal dividends.

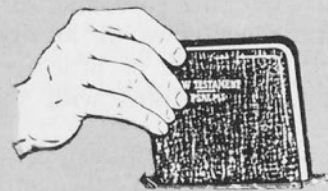
It is tragically true that many of God's people who would like to see their estate used for the glory of God, are neglecting to take the necessary steps to insure this.

Don't let the devil cheat you out of investing your life's savings or material gains in the work of the Lord through procrastination or indecision. Make a proper investment. Convert your assets into negotiable exchange. You can take your money, your real estate, and other holdings with you by furthering the work of the Kingdom, if you act now and invest wisely in God's work.

Ask God for guidance as to where your investment should be made. Local churches, world missions, Bible schools, and many other facets of God's work are all in the great heavenly banking and investment department of God's kingdom.

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven" (Matthew 6:19, 20).

What would happen to your estate if you were to be called to meet the Lord tonight? Whether it is large or small, plan now to invest it for eternal dividends. Don't wait. You may lose all tomorrow if you hesitate to invest in God's program today.



Walking with the WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SEPT. 26-OCT. 3

Sunday—Psalms 112, 113

Monday—1 Timothy 1

Tuesday—1 Timothy 2

Wednesday—1 Timothy 3

Thursday—1 Timothy 4

Friday—1 Timothy 5

Saturday—Psalms 114, 115

Sunday—Psalms 116, 117

Renewal of the Inner Man

(Continued from page five)

verse goes through your mind all day it becomes new and God shows you truths in it that you never saw before.

RENEWAL IN PRAYER

We are renewed by waiting upon God in prayer. That was what we read in Isaiah. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." But waiting upon God does not always require being on our knees. I have been able to wait on God while driving my car and have had marvelous communion with Him. I have meditated on Him while I was out walking. As you do your daily tasks, keeping your mind on the Lord, you are renewing your inner man. It takes the drudgery out of life when we are able to have such communion with God whatever we are doing.

The inner man is also renewed by fresh infillings of the Holy Spirit. I pray that we all may have a fresh touch from God. I like to see the Spirit of the Lord fall on our people, with manifestations of His presence. It is right for us to manifest this thing we have. When God anoints us with fresh oil, it takes the squeaks out; it makes the machinery run right, bless God, and everything goes well.

FINALLY, BRETHREN . . .

We need to be renewed in our minds. Sometimes our thinking goes wrong. We get melancholy, depressive thoughts. It is sad to be in that condition. Romans 12:2 speaks about the renewing of our minds, when God comes and erases the old things and gives us fresh new thoughts from above. Then we are through with our worries and free from all those depressing things that come to weigh us down, and we are ready to go out and face the world in the name of the Lord.

What you think is important. Paul tells us how we should think: "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things" (Philippians 4:8).

"Well," you might say, "I cannot always think on these things; my mind gets off on something else." You may have to exert will power to do it. You even may have to quote a Scripture, or pray out loud, to get your thoughts in the right channel; but as you determine to discipline your mind and control your thought life, God will help you.

Paul goes on to use the *word of action*. After you think, *do something*. In verse 9 he says, "Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you."

There is a spirit of defeatism that can get on us. The ten spies experienced this when they looked over the Promised Land. They brought back a negative report: "We were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight." Well, that inferiority complex is from the devil. You will never win if you feel like a grasshopper; but when you get the anointing of

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the Holy Ghost and faith in the living God, you will have other thoughts. You will experience what Daniel saw: "The people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits."

We are not a defeated people, dear friends. The outward man may perish and return to dust, but there is something in us that is eternal. Death cannot touch it; Satan cannot touch it. It is an eternal renewal of the inner man that came from God in our new birth. We are born-again Christians, redeemed by His blood. We belong to Jesus. Thank the Lord, Satan is a defeated foe right now. Let us go on in the name of the Lord and in the victory of Jesus to win and to do things for our God.

PRAISING GOD ALOUD

Billy Bray's whole life was spent in praising the Lord, and for the most part aloud. He couldn't help himself; with a heart always in tune, every influence, every breath shook from its tremulous chords some note of thanksgiving.

"As I go along the street," he said, "I lift up one foot, and it seems to say 'Glory!' and I lift up the other, and it seems to say 'Amen!' and they keep on like that all the time I walk."

Usually one would find him singing. "Bless the Lord, I can sing," he would say. "I can't sing so sweetly as some, but my Father likes to hear me sing. My Father likes to hear the crow as well as the nightingale, for He made them both."

—*Evangelical Visitor*

A WORLD SURPRISE

ONE OF THESE DAYS OR NIGHTS—while men are busy with the common pursuits and cares of life, and everything is rolling on its accustomed course—unheralded, unbelieved, and unknown to the gay world, here one, and there another, shall secretly disappear. They will be "caught up" like Enoch, who was not found because God had translated him. Invisibly, noiselessly, miraculously, they shall vanish from the company and fellowship of those about them and ascend to their returning Lord. Strange announcements of the missing ones may be in the morning papers. Strange accounts will be whispered around in circles of business and society. Apostate Christendom and the slow in heart to believe all that the prophets have written will have the truth brought home—that no such half-Christianity as theirs is sufficient to put men among the favorites of the Lord.

—J. A. SEISS

THE ANNOUNCEMENT TO JOSEPH

Sunday School Lesson for October 3, 1965

MATTHEW 1:18-25

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

OUR LESSONS FOR THIS QUARTER, taken chiefly from the Gospel of Matthew, have as their theme, *Christ—King and Saviour*. Our first lesson pertains to the events connected with the birth of the King.

THE TITLE OF THE GOSPEL

"The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham." These words are perhaps deliberately ambiguous. The word *generation* is the word *genesis* which may mean genealogy or birth and is the title of the first book of the Bible. Hence the title may refer to (1) the genealogy following it; (2) the actual birth of Jesus; (3) the life history of Jesus; (4) the era of grace ushered in by Christ at His first coming, to be consummated at His second coming.

Matthew wrote primarily to show the Jews that Jesus of Nazareth was the Messiah promised in the Old Testament. Thus he makes two important points in the

title words to capture the attention of the Jew: (1) Jesus is a descendant of David to whom God promised that his descendant would rule Israel (2 Samuel 7:13-16); (2) Jesus descended from Abraham whom God had made father of the chosen nation through which Messiah would come (Genesis 12:2, 3; compare Galatians 3:16).

THE DISTRESS OF MARY

Mary was betrothed to Joseph—a relationship as sacred and binding as marriage itself. While still in the home of her parents, she "was found with child" (Matthew 1:18). An angel had appeared to explain to her the miracle that was to take place. Did she tell Joseph? Or did she feel the secret too sacred to share? At any rate this signal honor was not without its agony and suffering. What would Joseph think? What would the outside world think?

Matthew explains Mary's condition very simply. It was "of the Holy Ghost" (v. 18). Thus in a few words he states the greatest fact in human history, the greatest miracle of the ages—the miracle of the Incarnation.

THE INTENTION OF JOSEPH (v. 19)

It is difficult to imagine Joseph's feelings. Evidently he felt Mary was guilty of unfaithfulness, yet he still loved her. But though he loved her, he felt he must do that which the law required and "put her away," that is, divorce her. His goodness, his lack of vindictiveness, his consideration for Mary is most praiseworthy. He would not expose her to public shame, but privately, in the presence of the two necessary witnesses, he would hand her a bill of divorcement.

THE INTERVENTION OF GOD (vv. 20, 21)

If one walks in all the light he has, more light will be given. Thus Joseph received the guidance for which he had such great need. The angel (1) reminded Joseph of his ancestry, thereby qualifying him for the great honor which was to be his as well as Mary's; (2) explained to Joseph that Mary's conception had been divinely effected by the Holy Spirit; and (3) commanded Joseph not to fear but to proceed with the consummation of the marriage.

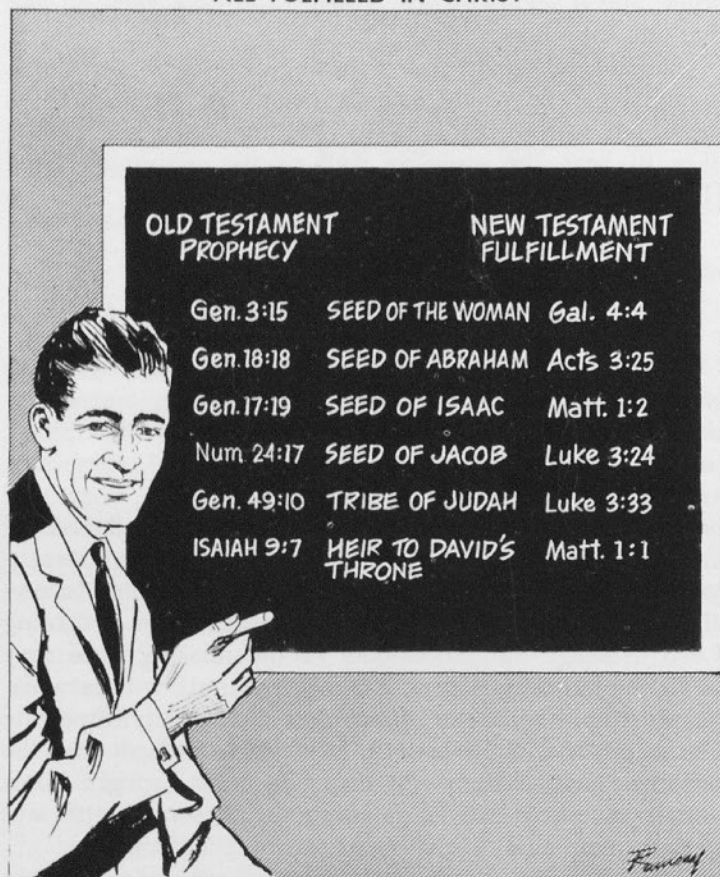
"Thou shalt call his name JESUS; for he shall save his people from their sins" (v. 21). The word *Christ* is really a title meaning *anointed*, and indicates Messiahship. *Jesus*, however, is a personal name. It is the same word as *Joshua* of the Old Testament which means *Jehovah is Saviour*. Here again Matthew is emphasizing that which is of utmost importance—Jesus did not come primarily to set forth an ideal way to live, nor to become a great Teacher; He came as a Saviour!

THE FULFILLMENT OF PROPHECY

"Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled..." (v. 22). This expression or its equivalent occurs more than 20 times in Matthew's gospel. Here Matthew points out that the virgin birth was a fulfillment of Isaiah 7:14.

"They shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us" (v. 23). Matthew emphasizes the deity of Christ. This Son is "God with us," that is, God manifested in human flesh. As John puts it, "The Word was God... and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us" (John 1:1, 14). Great indeed is "the mystery of godliness"! (See 1 Timothy 3:16.)

ALL FULFILLED IN CHRIST



OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECY	NEW TESTAMENT FULFILLMENT
Gen. 3:15 SEED OF THE WOMAN	Gal. 4:4
Gen. 18:18 SEED OF ABRAHAM	Acts 3:25
Gen. 17:19 SEED OF ISAAC	Matt. 1:2
Num. 24:17 SEED OF JACOB	Luke 3:24
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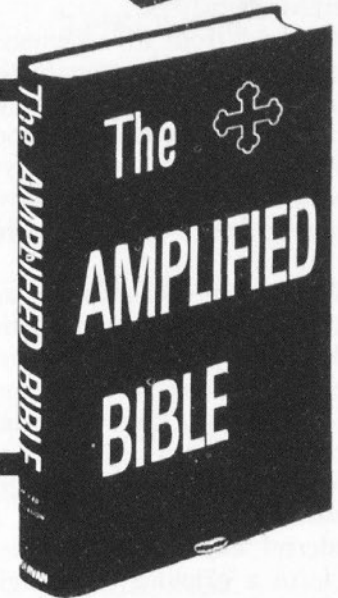
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Soul-Winning Crusade Is Outstanding Success

By RON ROWDEN

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Already 200,000 copies have been distributed for use in personal evangelism, and additional orders are being received daily!

Prepared from Mr. Penney's autobiography, *Fifty Years with the Golden Rule*, this is the life story of the distinguished owner of more than 1,700 retail stores, who last year was presented the Layman Movement's highest honor, "Letterman in Christian Living."

Mr. Penney was a man of advanced years, married for the third time (after losing his first two wives by death) before he made his full commitment to Jesus Christ. The disastrous events preceding his conversion, his complete financial collapse (at the age of 58 he was \$7 million in debt), and his wonderful experience of divine healing form a gripping, challenging story, ideal for personal witnessing.

A *Revivaltime* listener in West Allis,

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And in Hot Springs, S. Dak., a member of the local Assembly told us: "We wish to order more of the miniature books, *What Happened to J. C. Penney*. This is such a wonderful, stirring testimony. We ordered 100 copies and they were gone in no time. Now our pastor says to order 200 additional copies. We pray we will win many souls with them."

One Eastern Christ's Ambassadors group has ordered 2,000 miniature paperbacks to use in their citywide soul-winning crusade! And the Anderson (California) Assembly of God requested: "Please send 500 copies of the J. C. Penney miniatures. We are going to use them in a special door-to-door revival campaign."

Mr. Penney himself is so impressed with the treatment of this full-gospel literature that he has requested a quantity of them for his own use! He wrote: "I think this is an excellently prepared story, and I deeply appreciate your interest in me. I have heard a good deal about your fine contributions via radio. May God continue to bless you in the years ahead."

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Mr. J. C. Penney

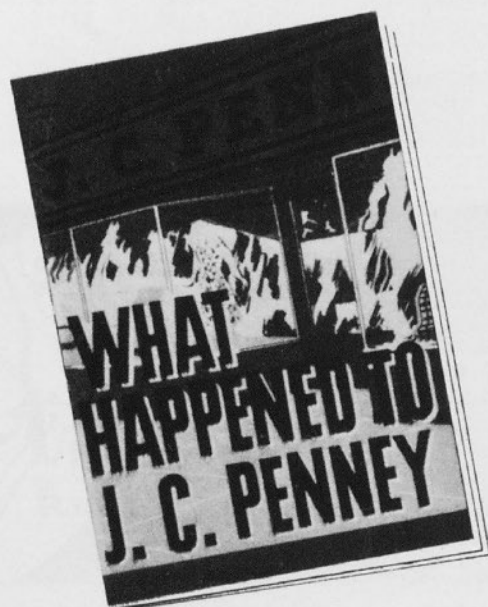
this unique book. A *Revivaltime* listener in Wakefield, Kans., testified: "On a recent trip we stopped in Hamilton, Mo. While there I visited the manager of the J. C. Penney store and gave him some miniatures. He recalled Mr. Penney talking about them when he visited the store earlier in the summer. This is the building where Mr. Penney worked as a youth.

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Each summer *Revivaltime* listeners unite their efforts to turn vacation time into salvation time. To assist in this summer soul-winning crusade C. M. Ward annually prepares a salvation-slanted distribution piece, especially designed to catch the eye and grip the heart of the unbeliever. This year, as we enter the fall season, the gospel miniatures are still in great demand. College students are eager to distribute the books among unsaved classmates. C. A. groups plan to use them in street meetings and jail services. Mothers, unhindered by vacationing youngsters, determine to spend more time visiting unsaved friends and loved ones.

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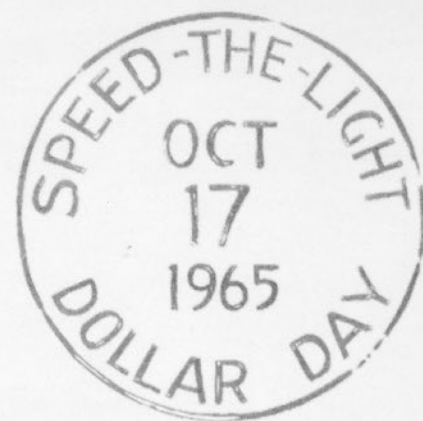
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Through WMC, the women in our assemblies continue to achieve great things for the kingdom of God. Through their ministries 3,287 souls were saved in the past two years. Evangelism and prayer have priority in the WMC program. Added to these activities is a wide program of benevolences. WMC's raised \$3,576,402 for the work of the Lord in the past biennium (over half of this amount in cash). This total includes new materials shipped to mission fields and contributions to the Department of Benevolences, district programs, local ministries, Bible schools, etc., as well as to foreign missions.

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WHAT

"I DON'T KNOW WHY the Lord leaves me here," 80-year-old Mrs. Knapp, crippled and bedfast, complained to her pastor.

"Probably," he said, "because God isn't ready to take you. He has some work for you to do yet. Perhaps He wants to hear you sing a bit."

Mrs. Knapp stared at him. "Work? There's nothing I can do. I can't iron clothes or mend. Sing? Not anymore. What good am I?"

Gently the minister helped her see that although she was shut in, she need not be dormant. Just as she had given loving service to the church in her active days, so now in old age she could still be useful, *her life a hymn of praise*.

Mrs. Knapp listened to her pastor's counsel and gradually her outlook changed from hopelessness to expectancy. She came to see that, as Noah of old, she was also shut in for a purpose (Genesis 7:16). She learned what Paul meant when he said, "Though our outward humanity is in decay, yet day by day we are inwardly renewed" (2 Corinthians 4:16, NEB).

Of course, there were days when Mrs. Knapp had too much pain to think about anything else, but there were other days when bedtime came before she had finished what she had planned to do. If you are a shut-in, perhaps you can try some of the things she and others have done.

DO SOMETHING FOR OTHERS

If you can write brief notes, you can brighten the day for a lot of people. Sunday school teachers, leaders in the church, the minister, young people, parents, the bereaved—all these will feel a lift when they receive a note of encouragement from you. The ministry of encouragement is always in need of workers.

Mrs. Broadman, an elderly woman, wrote a birthday note to a lively little girl in her church. "I remember when your parents brought you to church the first time. They were so proud of you. I pray that you will always make them proud."

The child kept this letter until she was grown up. "Every time I took it out and read it, I thought of how kind Mrs. Broadman was to think of me, and I wanted to be good."

You can write the editor of a magazine or newspaper that is waging a worthwhile crusade, or write to a radio or TV station commending some fine program. If you have access to a telephone, you can call in your appreciation. Make your call brief and pleasant.

Write an orphanage for the name of a child with whom you can correspond. A corresponding "grandmother" would brighten the life of any orphan child.

Such a simple thing as reading the Bible to others can be a blessing. Mrs. Peterson, confined to a home for the aged but blessed with fairly good eyesight, read the Bible to half a dozen other women every morning. This meant a great deal to those who were no longer able to read.

You can give special gifts from among your possessions so that relatives and friends can use and enjoy them while you are living.

DO SOMETHING FOR GOD

You can do something for the cause of Christ by checking the investment programs of your church. There are ways in which you can give the money and yet have the interest income while you are living. At your death the money will keep on working for the kingdom of God.

Are you a shut-in who has trouble sleeping? In his poem, "The Night," Henry Vaughan calls the sleepless

By CATHARINE BRANDT

GOOD AM I?

night "God's knocking time." Sincere response to God in the night hours can take you in spirit out of the sick room into His spaciousness. The hours you lie awake can be used to pray for others. Cultivate an awareness of the Holy Spirit so that He can impress you with definite needs for which intercession is needed.

You can let the song in your heart out, so that it lifts everyone who comes into your room. A verse of Scripture is a good way to begin. "This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24). "The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms" (Deuteronomy 33:27).

If you are not in the habit of memorizing Scripture, try it. You are not too old to learn. Mrs. Lipton was over 70 when she started. She memorized the entire Resurrection Story and now gives it as a reading for various groups.

DO SOMETHING FOR YOURSELF

Let the Bible have first place on your reading list. One modern authority on the problems of senior citizens says, "There are no capsule comments to compare with those of the Bible." Perhaps you have your favorite passages, but why not also read the less familiar portions? You'll discover new treasures.

Think of the places you wish you

had visited when you were perpendicular. New York City? Africa? The Holy Land? Ask to have books and articles on these places sent to you from the public library. A wealth of interesting information is available.

Subscribe to at least one good religious periodical in addition to your denominational paper.

For those who are unable to turn pages, there are mechanical page turners and ceiling projectors. For those whose eyesight is poor, there are large-type Bibles and Sunday school quarterlies, talking Bibles, and books on tape recorders. (Braille materials and gospel tapes are available. Write the National Home Missions Department, 1445 Boonville, Springfield, Mo. 65802, for information.)

If God has allowed you to live beyond the time of physical activity, be assured He yet has a work for you. Search your heart and open it to His grace. God will help you find ways and the ability to add to your day something for others, for Him, and for your own enrichment. You can "still bring forth fruit in old age."

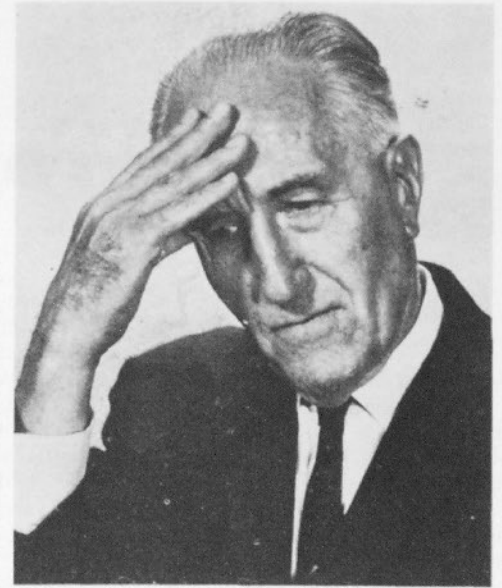
I CAUGHT A GLIMPSE OF HEAVEN

*I caught a glimpse of heaven
Beyond the valley deep;
I saw a meadow sweet with flowers,
A shepherd with his sheep.
I heard the angel voices;
I listened while they sang;
They beckoned to me one by one
To join their sweet refrain.*

*I longed to join their number,
To flee from toil and strife,
To cross the stream before me
And taste the fruit of life.
With joyful heart I took one step
Into the gentle stream,
I suddenly awakened—
And found it just a dream!*

*But if I trust in Jesus
Who took my place in death,
One day I'll cross the valley wide
And enter into rest.
For He's the resurrection—
He lives now to redeem!
One day I shall awaken
And find it not a dream.*

—Opal May Miller



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Homefront Highlights

TEEN CHALLENGE MINISTRY

San Francisco, California

Teen Challenge workers recently picketed a group of youthful picketers who are advocating the legalizing of marijuana.

God is blessing in the salvation of many teen-agers, especially boys. Each one is a miracle!

The building has been filled to capacity several times in recent months. Seven boys have been sent to the Training Center Farm in Rehersburg, Pa., which is sponsored by the New York Teen Challenge. Each boy sent to the Farm costs the Center \$100, and the Center must guarantee his return fare.

Los Angeles, California

Teen Challenge workers are planning for a Teen Challenge Center for girls and a Rehabilitation Ranch for boys. Such institutions will be a great asset to the Teen Challenge work on the West Coast.

Thirty dedicated summer staff members were busy day and night evangelizing troubled youth. (Bible school students assist at the Center during the summer.) Hundreds of youth responded. Narcotic addicts are throwing away their "works" and are earnestly studying God's Word at the Center. Gang members are quitting the gangs and joining the Teen Challenge staff in witnessing to their friends.

Teen Challenge evangelistic teams also speak to churches, youth groups, schools, and clubs.

Teen Challenge workers in San Francisco picket a group of youthful picketers who advocate legalizing marijuana.



They are aware of a spiritual awakening wherever they go.

The Center is feeding 40 young people and providing clothing and other help to those in need.

A new field of ministry opened recently when the State approved Teen Challenge as a referral agency to receive parolees from California's prisons and jails.

Teen Challenge has won wide approval among lay workers in its field. Social workers, probation officers, police, and others have visited to see what the secret is. They have gone away enthusiastic backers of the program.

Sonny Arguinzi, the first drug addict saved through the ministry of New York Teen Challenge, has been appointed field evangelist for the Los Angeles Center. Brother Arguinzi is a graduate of the Latin American Bible Institute, La Puente, Calif.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE MINISTRY

Miami, Florida

Gabriel Caride, pastor of the Evangelical Refugee Center Chapel in Miami, writes: "Last week two boats arrived from Cuba with a total of 92 refugees, some of whom have already visited the Center and received much-needed clothing. They report that life in Cuba becomes more difficult every day and that food and medicine are both difficult to obtain."

The Center is still much in need of used clothing in good condition, especially clothing for women and children.

The Center's choir director, who suffered a serious automobile accident, is much improved, though yet unable to continue on his job.

Los Angeles, California

Seventy-five Chinese attended a Sunday school picnic sponsored by the Chinese Mission of which Billy Wofford is the pastor.

Brother Wofford recently baptized four young ladies in water. All four have been saved under his ministry.

Three Chinese young people from this Mission attended one of the Southern California District youth camps at Pinecrest, and all three received the Holy Spirit.

AMERICAN INDIAN MINISTRY

Mobridge, South Dakota

Joyce Whitehead and Delores Skaggs, from Southwestern Bible College in Waxahachie, Tex., worked with the Leo Banksons this summer in the new Mobridge church. Thus it has been possible for the Banksons to have four Sunday school classes. Attendance has reached nearly 60.

Brother Bankson got a part-time job in order to send some young people to camp.

Skokomish, Washington

The Roy Nelsons of Cibecue, Ariz., are the new pastors of the Skokomish Indian assembly, following the resignation of the Everett McKinneys.

Stanfield, Arizona

A. M. Cranston, missionary at Stanfield, reports a wonderful move of God in their recent 10-day revival with Paul Z. Pettitt of Reedley, Calif. Several came to the altar for salvation and some for a closer walk with God. Attendance averaged 65 each night, with 87 attending one night.

Whiteriver, Arizona

During May, Red Cross nursing courses were conducted at the Whiteriver Indian Mission where the Ervin Hillards are pastors. Six of the eight Apache women who took the course completed their work and were given certificates at a ceremony in the church.

McNary, Arizona

The Bert Parkers baptized nine Indian people July 4. Attendance has increased to above 50 in Sunday school. The church has been granted one acre of land and has begun its building program.

Albuquerque, Arizona

The Walter Greasers are now pastors of the Albuquerque Indian Assembly.

Sanders, Arizona

Charles Kumley, missionary in the Burnt Water area, reports a successful two-week revival with the W. W. Harpers. Four converts were baptized during a service at Antelope Lake. On July 3, Brother Kumley took a group of his young people to Window Rock and they distributed 1,300 tracts at the rodeo.

Carol Turner, a young lady from Wellton, Ariz., assisted the Kumleys this summer.

Prewitt, Arizona

The Jerry Holders and their co-pastors, the Grant Croasmuns, are trusting God to help them erect a suitable building for worship before winter. There are at least 1,000 Indians in this area and the closest Assemblies of God church is 45 miles away. The Croasmuns also do outstation work among the Acoma-Laguna Indians.

Blanding, Utah

Due to ill health, Rowena Chaves found it necessary to leave the work she loved. Dorothy Bear and her co-worker, Alberta Anderson, will take charge of the Blanding work.

Bylas, Arizona

The William Garcias are now ministering at Bylas.

Espanola, New Mexico

Leonard Everly of Dulce, N. Mex., conducted a week's revival for Lester Statser, pastor of the Assembly there. The Spanish Assembly and the Foursquare Church cooperated. The Spirit of God moved in every service. Indian folk from both the Santa Clara and San Juan Pueblos attended. A medicine man and his wife were converted. Catholicism is strong in that area, and many of the Pueblos are not being reached by evangelical workers.

McDermitt, Nevada

Progress in the McDermitt Assembly has been heartwarming. Early in the summer First Church, Assemblies of God, Oakland, Calif., under the direction of Pastor and Mrs. Paul Shoch and Minister of Youth Robert D. Goree, came with 21 young people and did door-to-door visitation. Many residents were stirred.

In June another dedicated group from First Assembly of God



Missionary Olline Dingman is pictured with the painting she presented to the Casa Blanca Indian Mission where the J. O. Browns pastor. The mountains are similar to the Sacaton Mountains nearby. The stream signifies that even as a desert comes to life where water is available, so also does the dry, thirsty soul come to life when the Water of Life flows into it.

Orangevale, Calif., under the direction of Pastor and Mrs. M. L. Woods, sponsored a gospel rodeo which was successful. Attendance reached 70, and seven souls were saved.

The McDermitt congregation is currently worshipping in the Episcopal church. The congregation has five acres on which to build a church, but needs finances for construction and for drilling a well.

San Ysidro, New Mexico

The William Barbarys report that nearly 50 people packed out the room they use for a church in a recent service. They are much in need of an adequate building. There are about 2,500 people up and down the valley, over 1,600 of them Indians. But there is no full-gospel church building in the area.

Lower Brule, South Dakota

Missionary Albert Holland was in the hospital three weeks in June. The church is in a building program and needs funds. They are urgently in need of an adequate church building before winter.

Mentone, California

Several months ago Mrs. Elsie M. Watson was in a serious auto accident. Her head and face were badly cut; her left wrist and six ribs were broken; and her collarbone was broken on the right side. She was near death. The wrist has never been set, although she is beginning to be able to use her left hand some. Pray for her complete recovery.

Shiprock, New Mexico

Numerous Navaho tribal representatives and local officials attended the dedication services of the new church in Shiprock, N. Mex., June 22. The church was packed. It seats about 300 and is one of the finest Indian churches in the country. It has a sizable Sunday school annex.

R. L. Brandt, national home

missions secretary, was the guest speaker for the occasion. The entire service was in Navaho which was translated into English. Missionaries from numerous stations in New Mexico were present.

Remarkable testimonies of complete transformation from lives of drunkenness and other wickedness were given by several people of the church. Very deep appreciation was expressed to Brother and Sister Charles Lee, pastors, for their great concern and devotion which produced this fine Indian congregation and resulted in erection of the new church.

Flagstaff, Arizona

Upon the resignation of the Ralph Harrisons, Brother and Sister Fox of Bylas, Ariz., became the new pastors of the Flagstaff Indian Assembly.

The Harrisons have left the Indian field for the present. Brother Harrison plans to further his education.

ALASKA MINISTRY

Skagway

The Gil Meroneys write that the shell of their educational unit is almost complete. They were awaiting siding and roofing supplies on the next boat.

Nome

Brother and Sister Paul E. Bills and family have arrived in Nome to continue their missionary work. They are replacing Harriet Brown who has been pastor of the Nome work for some time. She will return to Canada and the Lower 48 for a much-needed rest.

Petersburg

Bernard Tewell returned from the hospital June 24 and was advised to spend the month of July in bed resting. He is now able to be up more. Eddie Riffey and Don Triglon, students at Northwest Bible College, helped with the services and VBS while Brother Tewell was ill.

Kenai

The log building in which the Kenai congregation worships was built by the Russians before Alaska was purchased by the U.S. The government is now taking an interest in this building, desiring to preserve it for its historical importance. If they do acquire the building, the Kenai congregation will build a new church which will be more adequate for their needs.

Stebbins

The Burtons write: "Getting our groceries in Alaska is not like driving to the local supermarket. We have to order a year's supply at one time, then haul them around from St. Michael in boats, which is a trip of about 20 miles one way. It took five boatloads to get all the supplies here. We praise the Lord that none of them was lost, for all the hauling was done in rough seas. On the last trip around from St. Michael, Joe Coffee, an Eskimo who helped with the hauling, called me over to his boat and said, 'Look, boat split.' His boat had split open on the

side from the rough seas just before he landed."

Brothers Burton and Covlasky (of St. Michael) caught 54 king salmon, many weighing over 40 pounds, on only one tide. Since they did not need this many to can for winter, they gave some to the Eskimos.

Nenana

Feeling the need for a youth center at Nenana, Missionary Richard Rutledge has already begun construction of the building. He expects it to cost \$8,000.

On July 31, in a joint service with the Anderson church, seven Eskimos were baptized. B. P. Wilson, superintendent of the Alaska work, attended and took part in the service. Recently the Nenana church set a record in Sunday school attendance with 36 present. The evening service averages in the 50's.

Kaktovik

For the month of July, the Mel Cooleys, pastors at Kaktovik, conducted the Protestant services at the local DEW Line site.

McGrath

Ken Andrus reported the largest Sunday school attendance since they have been at McGrath.

Brother Andrus also held an open-air service for the people at the Medfra fish camps.

A new high school has been provided in McGrath, so three of the Andrus boys did not have to go away to school this fall.

FOUR MORE WELCOMED INTO THE HOME MISSIONARY FAMILY

TWO RECENTLY APPOINTED home missionaries will be working in the Indian field, and a couple will be working in Alaska.

Alberta S. Anderson is already working in the Blanding, Utah, Indian Mission as Dorothy Beair's co-worker.

Miss Anderson is a graduate of Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo. She has pastored four churches and has engaged in evangelistic work for the past few years. She is ordained with the New York District.

Kenneth Milton Smith is now ministering to the Indian people at Mescalero, N. Mex. He attended Southwestern Assemblies of

God College, Waxahachie, Tex. Brother Smith is licensed with the New Mexico District.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy R. Price are presently serving in the Alaska field at Aniak.

While serving with the armed forces, Brother Price completed one year's college work. He is experienced in aviation, having been a commercial pilot. He holds ministerial license with the Oregon District.

Sister Price has had experience in aeronautical navigation. She also holds credentials with the Oregon District.

The Prices have a young daughter.



K. Smith



A. Anderson



Jimmy R. Price family

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

SHAFTER, CALIF.—The Assembly of God here experienced revival with Evangelists Johnny Barton and Mike Lasky. In the 3-week crusade there were 30 saved, 20 filled with the Holy Spirit, and many refilled and healed.

There were many visitors and crowds were large. Chairs were needed to accommodate them. A backslidden Pentecostal preacher was reclaimed and is now working for God. A Baptist couple (he was choir leader and she was a pianist in the Baptist church) were filled with the Holy Spirit.

Financial prosperity was emphasized and tithes and offerings were largest in several years. In the closing service, pledges were taken for a new Hammond organ.

The church is rejoicing over all that was accomplished in this revival. Many new families have been added to the church.

—A. B. Farmer, pastor

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FAIR PLAY, MO.—The Assembly of God here experienced a precious move of God recently. Several found Christ real to their hearts, and others received the Holy Spirit. James Bugg, Grand Rapids, Mich., began the first week of the revival. Forrest Arnold and family of Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo., continued for two more weeks.

The church experienced the greatest Sunday school attendance in 14 years. The record attendance of 79 was broken with 107 present on a rainy Fourth of July.

—J. L. Burnett, pastor



Mrs. Ruth Graves, Sunday school superintendent at the Assembly of God in Fair Play, Mo., breaks record over head of Pastor J. L. Burnett.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Calvary Temple, formerly Southside Assembly, here has been greatly blessed by the Lord the past several years. During the 12 years that Jack West was pastor, there was a continuous ingathering of souls, and the new building seating 1,600 was erected. Brother West is now engaged in an evangelistic ministry.

God has continued to bless un-

der the leadership of Pastor and Mrs. Everett Ewing. Twenty-five new families have been added to the church, and the finances have stabilized and increased. The Ewings have recently resigned to become pastors of the Assembly of God in Des Moines, Wash.

Stewart Robinson, Michigan City, Ind., has been elected as new pastor.

—Howard French, church secretary

SACRAMENTO, CALIF.—Over 40 were saved and more than 80 filled with the Spirit at Bethel Temple here in a four-week meeting with Evangelists Louis and Mari Neely. Some remarkable healings were witnessed.

—Clyde A. Henson, pastor

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—First Assembly here just closed a two-week revival with Evangelist Jim

EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Montgomery	First	Oct. 5-17	Quentin Edwards	James L. Hennesy
Ariz.	Tolleson	*A/G	Oct. 3-8	Christian Hild	J. W. Buchanan
Ark.	Beebe	First	Oct. 3-15	Billy & Nila McLean	James Morris
	Cabot	A/G	Sept. 19-Oct. 3	Sammy D. Dodd	Don Jones
	Delaware	A/G	Oct. 3-17	Royce & Mrs. Lowe	Larry Wilson
	El Dorado	Morning Star	Sept. 27-Oct. 3	J. C. & Mrs. Nichols	W. R. Benton
	El Dorado	N. Highland	Oct. 4-10	J. C. & Mrs. Nichols	Murphy Smith
	Fayetteville	Central	Sept. 26-Oct. 10	B. R. Minton	J. E. Cheshier
	Little Rock	Central	Oct. 3-17	J. Barton-M. Lasky	B. H. Campbell
	Morrilton	First	Sept. 27-Oct. 10	A. G. & Mrs. Calaway	L. C. Miller
Calif.	Anderson	A/G	Sept. 26-Oct. 3	Marvin Schmidt	E. Z. Lawrence
	Arvin	Meridian	Sept. 26-Oct. 10	E. J. Stufflebeem	Tom Melroy
	Corning	First	Oct. 5-17	Marvin Schmidt	Jim Logan
	Escalon	A/G	Oct. 5-10	Lee Paino	R. A. Wilson, Jr.
	Gilroy	First	Oct. 3-8	Charles Senechal	David Hood
	Gustine	*A/G	Sept. 26-Oct. 1	Charles Senechal	Berent Knutsen
	Homeland	A/G	Oct. 3-17	David Barnard	J. Smith
	Live Oak	A/G	Oct. 3—	Arvel & Diane Kilgore	Kenneth O. Bird
	Modesto	Central	Sept. 29-Oct. 10	Jerry Knibbe	Donald Bogue
	National City	First	Sept. 26-Oct. 10	O. E. Vaale	Harris Lidstrand
	Oakland	Calvary Temple	Oct. 3-Oct. 10	Neville & Beulah Carlson	J. F. Argue
	Salinas	Calvary	Oct. 3-8	L. & N. Kaupanger	Raymond Oliver
	San Jose	Bethel	Sept. 26-Oct. 3	Lee Paino	Leland Keyes
	San Luis Obispo	First	Sept. 28-Oct. 10	Paul R. Keeth	E. L. Kopper
	Visalia	First	Sept. 22-Oct. 3	Ed Hundley	C. C. Crace
	Weed	Glad Tidings	Sept. 28-Oct. 10	C. G. & Mrs. Roberts	Arden Ragsdale
	Wilmington	*Boulevard	Sept. 26-Oct. 1	Christian Hild	Leonard Nipper
Colo.	Lamar	A/G	Oct. 3—	Bob Wilson	Glen A. Colton
Conn.	Manchester	Calvary	Sept. 29-Oct. 10	Gene Burgess	Kenneth Gustafson
Fla.	Hialeah	Bethel	Oct. 3-17	John & Faith Stallings	Leonard P. Cutts
	Jacksonville	Evangel	Oct. 5-17	Ken Broadus	Cecil Wiggins
Ga.	Dexter	Glad Tidings	Oct. 3-8	Bradley Shaw	Lamar Taylor
	Union City	First	Oct. 3	Nettie Parham	W. A. Bing
Ill.	Bushnell	A/G	Sept. 19-26	Bob Watters	Robert Rutledge
	East Moline	* Full Gospel	Sept. 27-Oct. 3	Culpepper-Gourlas Evang. Tm.	Tim. Wilbur Mandigo
	Industry	*A/G	Sept. 26-Oct. 10	Mrs. Royce L. Lowe	L. C. Wade
	Industry	A/G	Sept. 26-Oct. 10	Royce L. Lowe	L. C. Wade
	Mattoon	First	Oct. 5-17	Frank J. DePolo	Truman Smith
	Odin	A/G	Oct. 3-17	Doug Johnson	R. L. Farquhar
	Pekin	First	Oct. 5-17	Harry V. Vibbert	C. E. Richeson
	Vandalia	First	Sept. 26-Oct. 10	Jerry Stegall	A. L. Matejka
Iowa	Cedar Rapids	First	Sept. 28-Oct. 10	Don & Dixie Cox	Fred R. Gottwald
Ind.	Fort Wayne	First	Oct. 3-14	E. T. Quanabush Team	D. Fred Leader
Kans.	Dresden	A/G	Oct. 3-22	Knott-Olson	Marie Waknitz
	Garden City	A/G	Sept. 26-Oct. 10	Gary Archer	J. J. Krimmer
	Topeka	Highland Park	Sept. 29-Oct. 10	Roland & Leanna Hastie	J. O. Rosenberg
	Valley Center	A/G	Oct. 3—	Floyd L. Dennis	Jerry Stroup
	Wichita	Parklane	Oct. 5-17	I. D. Rayborn	Russell Quackenbush
Ky.	Jeffersonville	A/G	Oct. 7-24	David & Mrs. Campbell	Fred Carrington
La.	Westlake	*First	Sept. 28-Oct. 3	C. E. Gilbert	L. A. Earl
Md.	Brunswick	A/G Tab.	Sept. 29—	Koonce & Blackwell Tm.	J. F. Short
	Deer Park	Full Gospel	Oct. 5—	V. M. & Mrs. Dullabaun	Gail Hixon
	Elkton	First	Sept. 28—	Daniel Summa	C. W. Trenum
Mich.	Battle Creek	Four-Fold Gospel	Oct. 5-10	Paul Hild	Herbert Eicher
	Bay City	Glad Tidings	Sept. 28-Oct. 10	Joel & Mrs. Palmer	C. A. Davenport
	Dearborn	Gospel Tab.	Oct. 3-17	Carl E. Gammel	Parvin Lee
	Grand Rapids	Woodmere Garden	Oct. 5-17	Ernest Welk	Daniel D. Roehl
	Rapid City	A/G	Oct. 3-10	Michael and Peggy Lord	Herman Maloney
	Royal Oak	Calvary Temple	Sept. 26-Oct. 10	K. E. Matschulat	A. F. Dimusto
Minn.	Fergus Falls	A/G	Oct. 5-17	R. S. Peterson	R. H. Dean
	Minneapolis	Evang. Aud.	Sept. 28-Oct. 10	Keetah Jones	Russel Olson
	Minneapolis	Gospel Tab.	Oct. 3—	Tanner Team	F. J. Lindquist
	Sherburn	A/G	Sept. 28-Oct. 10	Arthur & Anna Berg	Melvin Hanson

Welch. Two were reclaimed and two were healed. The pastor's son was healed of Bright's disease and a lady was healed of high blood pressure. The spiritual level of the church was lifted.

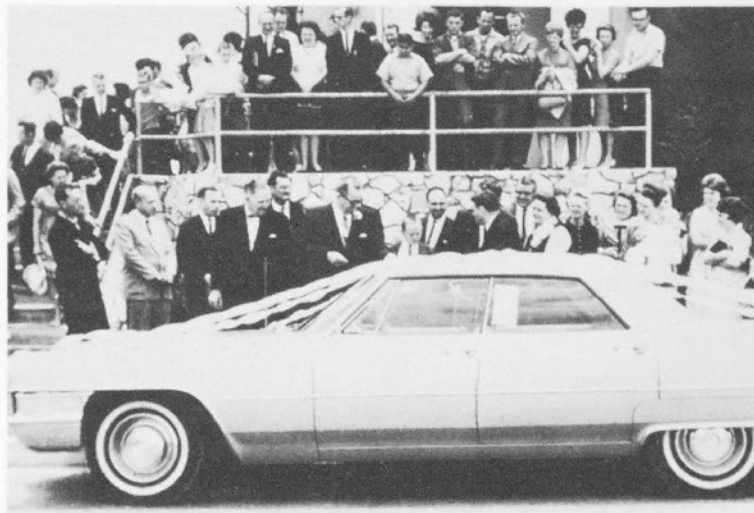
—Wiley Burks, pastor

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CLEVELAND, OHIO—Bethany Assembly here enjoyed a move of God during a three-week revival crusade with the Musical Vanns. About 65 were saved. All existing attendance records were broken with 220 in the morning worship service.

The closing night of the meeting was highlighted by the dedication of a newly installed baptistry and a baptismal service.

—E. C. Damiani, pastor



Congregation of First Assembly in Paramount, Calif., presented a new Cadillac to Pastor and Mrs. T. S. Singleton in appreciation of 15 years of service to the church.

PASTOR HONORED ON 15TH ANNIVERSARY

PARAMOUNT, CALIF.—Pastor and Mrs. T. S. Singleton were honored June 20 for their 15th anniversary as pastors of First Assembly here. The congregation presented them with a 1965 Cadillac in appreciation for their years of service.

Special ministering guests were Thomas Ming, George Branch, and Charles Monroe.

The church has grown to four times the size it was in 1950 when Brother Singleton accepted the pastorate here. The present building has been improved and landscaped, a new educational building added, and a three-bedroom parsonage built. Several pieces of property next to the church have been purchased for future expansion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

18TH ANNUAL CONVENTION of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America, Oct. 26-28, at Bethel Temple Assembly of God, Dayton, Ohio.

MINISTERS' INSTITUTE and 30TH ANNIVERSARY of Kentucky District Council—Oct. 19-21 at Evangel Tabernacle, Louisville, Ky. T. F. Zimmerman, guest speaker.—by E. C. Bredbenner, district secretary-treasurer.

10TH ANNIVERSARY AND HOMECOMING—Oct. 3 at Wise Mill Assembly of God, Elba, Ala. Former pastors speaking at morning service. Two quartets to sing in afternoon. Pastor completing 10th year with the church.—by Dallas Bryant, pastor.

HOMECOMING—Sept. 26 at Lighthouse Assembly of God, Ardmore, Okla. All former pastors and members invited. Dinner to be served.—H. H. Davis, pastor.

HOMECOMING and 35th Anniversary at the Gospel Tabernacle, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., Oct. 4. Brother and Sister Arthur F. Berg, founders and former pastors, will be guest speakers. Welcome to all who have made this their church home in years past! —by Andrew S. Teuber, pastor.

MT. HOLLY, N. J.—Robert Bartlett, director of Teen Challenge in Philadelphia, will conduct special services on October 2, 3 at the Assembly of God here. Former addicts will give their testimonies and sing.—by James Ochipinti, pastor.

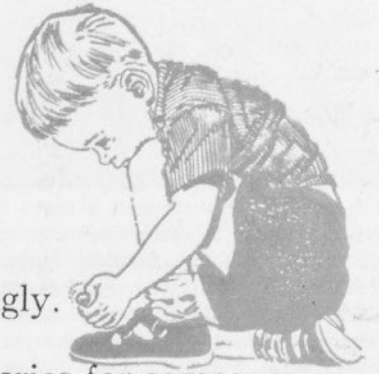
HOMECOMING—Bartons Chapel Assembly, near Murchison, Tex., announces annual homecoming on Oct. 3. All former pastors, members, families, and friends are invited.—by H. F. Wolf, pastor.

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Mo.	Edina	A/G	Sept. 28-Oct. 10	Loyd Middleton	E. E. Hembree
	De Soto	A/G	Sept. 26-Oct. 10	Tom, Dean, & Mitzi Heady	Arlie Roberts
	Fredericktown	First	Oct. 4-17	Robert & Mrs. Holland	Max Francis
	Liberty	First	Sept. 26-Oct. 10	Milo Harmon	H. R. Phillips
	Odessa	A/G	Oct. 3-10	Joe J. & Mrs. Williams	Robert Mallory
N. J.	Springfield	Central	Sept. 30-Oct. 3	Mel Jennings	E. Elsworth Krogstad
	St. Louis	Berea Temple	Oct. 6—	Jimmy Swaggart	Nelson Sachs
	Englewood	A/G	Sept. 28-Oct. 10	Dan Kricorian	Alton Richardson
	Hamburg	*A/G	Sept. 26—	David & Patricia Johnson	Ronald Piedmonte
N. Mex.	Hamburg	A/G	Oct. 6-17	Werner M. & Mrs. Johnson	Ronald Piedmonte
	Eunice	First	Sept. 27—	Charles Ogdon	D. G. Gunter
N.Y.	Portales	*First	Oct. 4-17	Billy & Kathy Long	Earl G. Vanzant
	Middletown	Trinity	Oct. 5-17	Dave & Mona Lewis	Peter Pignaloso
N.C.	Windsor	Elizabeth	Sept. 29—	Harvey D. Ferrell	G. B. Lawrence
N. Dak.	Kulm	A/G	Oct. 5-10	Lee & Bonnie J. Krupnick	Marlin Kallevig
	Tioga	A/G	Oct. 1—	Bob Ludwig	M. F. Bennett
Ohio	Cleveland	Glad Tidings	Sept. 26-Oct. 10	Don & Sharon Parker	W. L. Rhyand
	Conneaut	A/G	Sept. 28-Oct. 10	Dave & Jan Olsheski	Chadwick A. Weaver
	Tipp City	Bethel Tab.	Oct. 5-17	Arnold & Anita Segesman	Boyd McClellan
	W. Carrollton	A/G	Oct. 5-17	John Higginbotham	Richard J. Pasquale
Okla.	Granite	A/G	Oct. 3—	M. Willis-L. Morrison	H. L. Morrison
	Okmulgee	First	Oct. 3-17	Ray C. Eskelin	H. A. Brummett
	Sterling	A/G	Oct. 9-24	E. Mathers-T. Pharr	Chester Powell
	Spavinaw	Topsy	Sept. 27-Oct. 3	C. & B. Hudspeth	Curtis V. Brown
	Tulsa	Faith Tab.	Sept. 26-Oct. 3	G. Jeffries Williamson	Don Mallough
Oreg.	Yukon	A/G	Sept. 26-Oct. 10	Robert Bowden	Tom E. Hill
	Carlton	A/G	Sept. 28-Oct. 10	G.W. Minton	G. L. Cowart
Pa.	Independence	A/G	Sept. 29-Oct. 10	Sid White	C. W. Shaw
	Hamlin	First Pentecostal	Oct. 3-10	Paul Cain	Ralph Midgett
S. Dak.	Kanter	A/G	Sept. 22-Oct. 3	Andrew G. & Mrs. Basell	Charles E. Decker
	Pittsburgh	Wilkinsburg	Sept. 27-Oct. 3	David E. Dean	B. H. Conant
	Shippensburg	A/G	Oct. 5-10	Freddy Clark	Earl Ford
	Sioux Falls	Gospel Tab.	Oct. 4—	Arthur & Anna Berg	Andrew Teuber
	Sisseton	A/G	Oct. 5-17	Doyle H. Thompson	C. D. Edwards
	Memphis	Raleigh	Oct. 5-17	H. Syvelle Phillips	T. E. Scruggs
	Amarillo	Southlawn	Sept. 29-Oct. 10	A. C. Clauder	C. V. Davis
	Atlanta	First	Oct. 3-17	H. A. & Mrs. Strange	Terry Johnson
	Austin	Grace	Oct. 1-3	Tommy Wilson	J. T. Bayless
	Beaumont	A/G	Sept. 29-Oct. 10	Burnie Davis	LeRoy Fleck
Tenn.	El Paso	First	Oct. 6-17	Winferd Mack	Wm. F. Hageman
	Gainesville	Clement Street	Oct. 6-10	Tommy Wilson	M. M. Otwell
	Highlands	First	Oct. 3—	Gene Thompson	James W. Morris
	Snyder	First	Oct. 3—	Jimmy & Lenete Merritt	R. C. Dearman
	Stinnett	A/G	Sept. 26-Oct. 10	Hale-Turner Team	Alvin Askins
	Waxahachie	Kaufman Street	Sept. 26—	Al Davis	Ted Stephens
	Fairfax	A/G	Sept. 28-Oct. 10	Duane Wessman	W. Keller
	Front Royal	First	Sept. 28	Peiffer & Harden Team	T. B. Pierce, Sr.
	Richmond	Bethel	Sept. 28-Oct. 3	Dave & Mona Lewis	Harry C. Wiles
	Richmond	Evangel	Oct. 5-17	Irving & Mary L. Howard	S. Blair Hall
Wash.	Wilson Creek	A/G	Sept. 28-Oct. 3	Paul Clark Family	W. G. Strom
	Carolina	A/G	Oct. 6-17	"Little Joe" Peterson Team	Olan Knotts
W. Va.	Clarksburg	Full Gospel	Oct. 1-3	"Little Joe" Peterson Team	Russel W. Harvey
	Athens	Gospel Tab.	Sept. 28-Oct. 10	Berlie Lindsey	Elso Wilcox
Wis.	Whitehall	A/G	Sept. 28-Oct. 10	Darryl & Kathy Olson	Jacob C. Eytzen
	Vancouver	Bethany Tab.	Oct. 5-17	J. W. & Mrs. Beam	G. W. Allen
Canada	Bristol	A/G	Sept. 25-29	Watson Argue	
England	Honolulu	First	Sept. 29-Oct. 3	Lloyd Perera	Eldon Vincent
Hawaii	Honolulu	A/G	Sept. 26-Nov. 6	W. W. & Mrs. Martin	C. Darrell-Huckerby
Jamaica	Tokyo	Evangel. Ctr.	Oct. 5-10	Lloyd Perera	Earl A. Taylor
Japan	Newport	Bethel Temple	Oct. 3-6	Watson Argue	Eric Dando
S. Wales	Caracas	A/G	Sept. 27-30	Oren Paris	Abraham Hance
Venezuela	Caracas	A/G	Oct. 1-3	Oren Paris	W. Morris
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ALONENESS



Aloneness is a chilly word, pathetic, almost ugly. It cuts the throbbing heart from life; it crushes the spirit reaching for meaning; it cries for someone to fill the big empty hole in every waking hour; it tires of playthings as substitutes for people. Aloneness calls for a friend, someone to be near, a real person to be with.

True family spirit contradicts aloneness. The family wraps its love around each individual member to warm him, to offer understanding, to afford refuge, even to provide meaning. Outside is aloneness; inside is family.

God's love to man illustrates beautifully the relationship of a Christian father and mother to their children. To be a member of God's family through faith in Christ is to know the fullest meaning of family. In fact, to be a child of God fits one for a meaningful human experience. This dissolves aloneness.



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