

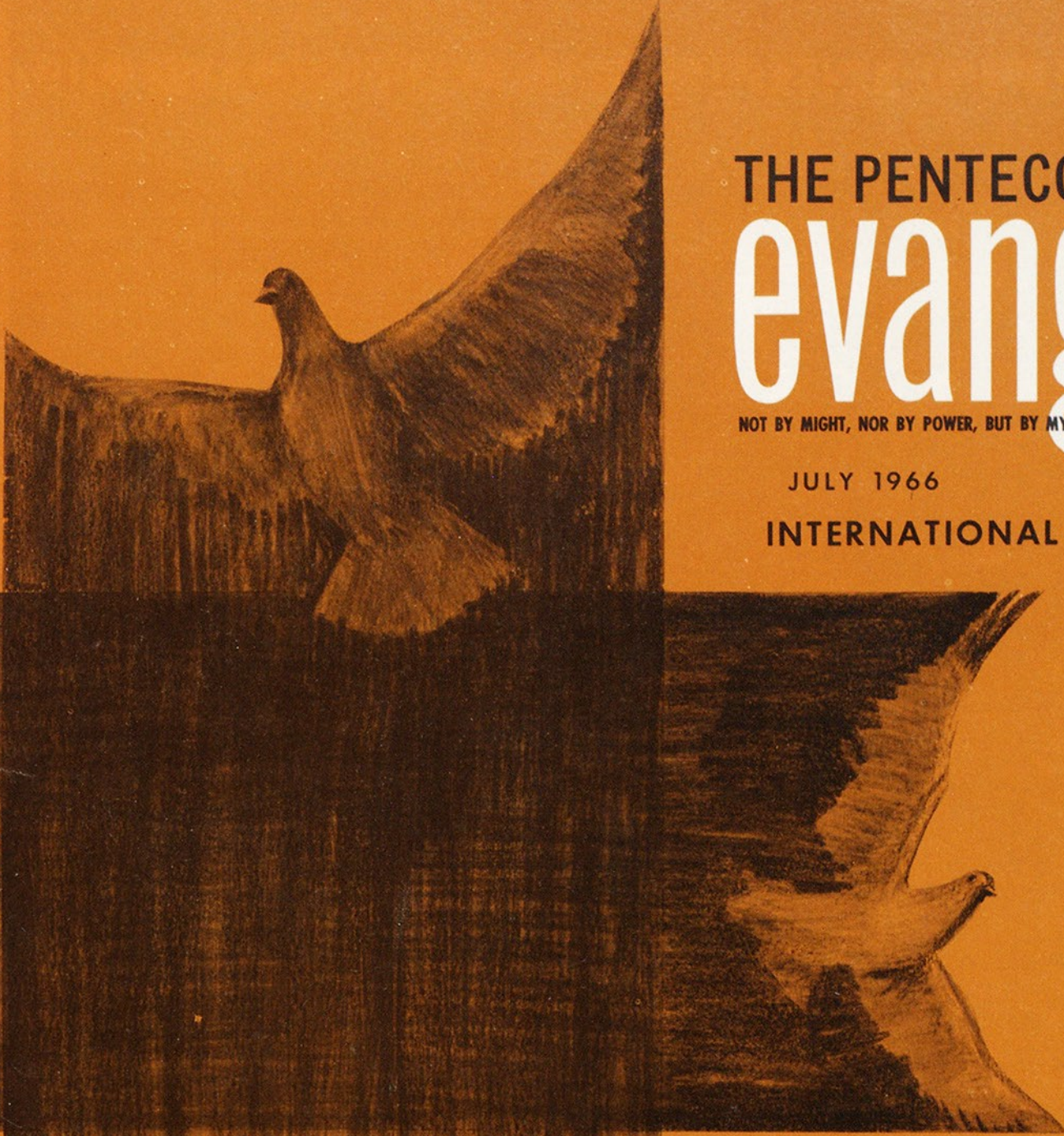
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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT SAITH THE LORD

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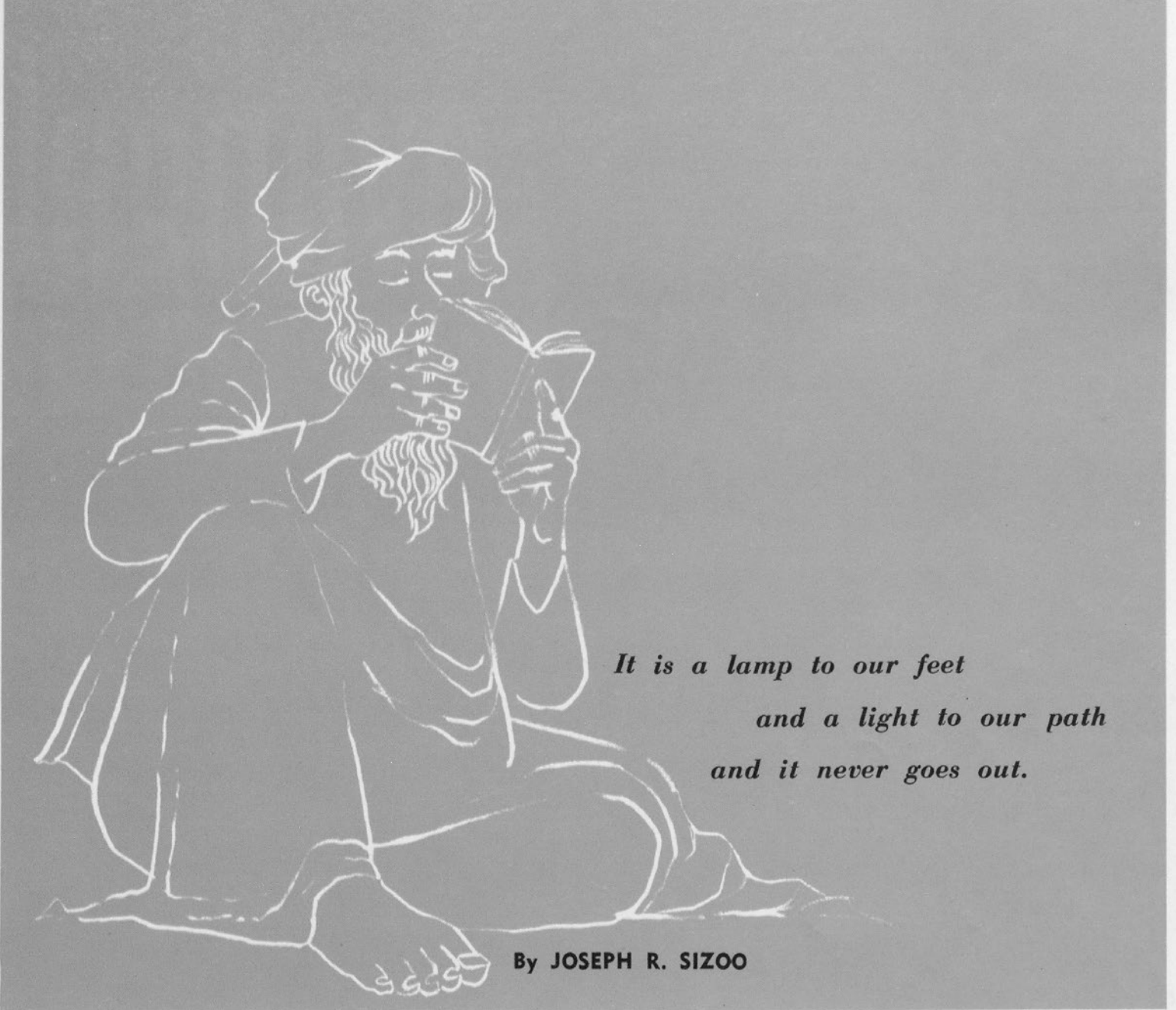


## HAIL TO THE SPIRIT!

Hail to the Spirit—the Spirit of might;  
Strength for the marching and strength for the fight;  
Power for witnessing, strength to endure;  
Might to be patient and noble and pure!  
Hail to the Spirit—the Spirit of peace,  
Peace that abides and will nevermore cease;  
Peace the world cannot give or take away,  
Peace for the ages and peace for the day!  
Hail to the Spirit—the Spirit of joy;  
Bliss that earth's troubles can never annoy;  
Happiness passing humanity's plan;  
Blessings exceeding the knowing of man!  
Hail to the Spirit—the Spirit of grace;  
Beauty of bearing and beauty of face;  
Loveliness lying on all that we do;  
Winsomeness filling us all through and through!  
Hail to the Spirit—the Spirit of God,  
Heaven's high majesty linked to the sod;  
Heaven's dear beauty reborn on the earth,  
All things renewed with an infinite birth!  
Hail to the Spirit—a Witness of Christ,  
Sacrifice perfect, unmeasured, unpriced;  
Love of the Father, the Spirit, the Son;  
Glory and praise to the Infinite One!

—by Amos R. Wells

# WHAT DARKNESS CANNOT DIM



*It is a lamp to our feet  
and a light to our path  
and it never goes out.*

By **JOSEPH R. SIZOO**

**T**HERE ARE TWO THINGS the Bible never takes into consideration. One is *geography*. It leaps across the barriers of the nations and disregards the frontiers of peoples. It is at home in every land and language. And it never takes *time* into consideration, either. Written thousands of years ago, it is as relevant today as when the words were first recorded. It is meant for all lands, all languages, and all times. It is the Book of the ages.

The Bible lights up the road to significance. Almost every page is aflame with the story of what man can do when he is willing to let God take possession of him. It is always saying, "Look what you can do with life when it is God-guided."

Moses might have thought himself inadequate for the responsibilities which confronted him, but when he placed his hands in the hands of God he became one of the greatest men of history.

Look at the stories in this Book. A supplanter becomes a prince of God; a plowman in Tekoa becomes a prophet of social justice; a man of unclean lips becomes a herald of the righteous Redeemer; a tax collector, never a popular man, becomes the writer of the First Gospel; a fallen girl by the public well becomes a city missionary.

A slave girl becomes the instrument through which a general is cleansed of leprosy; a boy's noonday lunch becomes a feast for thousands; an intolerant bigot becomes a preacher of the universal gospel of love.

Beneath the thin surface of the humblest are inestimable values. Deep in the human heart are talents which grace can transform and glorify. In spite of what any may say, man is made a little lower than the angels, capable of thinking God's thoughts after Him.

"What shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" If you ever doubt the worth of life, go to Calvary and

read the story of Christ dying for you. To an age overwhelmed with frustration and insignificance the Bible calls out, "Put yourself in the hands of God and leave yourself there." There are no iron or bamboo curtains to keep the power of God from lifting the humblest and weakest to places of influence and power.

When Evangeline Booth returned from a world tour for the Salvation Army, she told me of a little village in India where lived the members and families of the robber caste. The village was full of robbers, thieves and thugs. Every attempt by the government to stamp out the wrong failed. Then the government resolved to destroy the village entirely and scatter the people.

The Salvation Army asked if it could have a chance to do something to save the village before the decree was carried out; so a little band of Salvationists preached on the street corners and in the rice fields. The redeeming grace of Christ began to work in the village. The chief of the robber caste was converted, and the entire village population was baptized. Strangely enough, stealing stopped; not a complaint was made against them. The village had been made over.

The government police thought this was too good to last and, sure enough, robberies broke out in the next village. The police sent a secret agent to shadow the leader. They saw him late one evening, slinking down a narrow trail with a bundle under his arm wrapped in a newspaper. They were sure he was at it again. They followed him home, and they watched through the window as he entered his house, closed the door, gathered his family about him and unwrapped the bundle. They expected to see loot tumble out of the package. To their surprise they saw that the bundle was a Bible which he had borrowed from a neighbor in another village. The children gathered about him near the light, and through the open window they heard a clear voice reading: "Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool" (Isaiah 1:18). This is the Book which pierces the darkness of sin and offers redemption.

Some years ago, early in my ministry, I came to know and to befriend a man who was later convicted of murder. I stayed with him through his long trial and his imprisonment in Sing Sing. I visited him often in the death house. One day I asked the guard who was always with me when I talked with him if I could give the prisoner a copy of the New Testament. The guard looked the book over very carefully and handed it to this condemned man through the steel screen which separated us.

I remember well the last visit I had with him a week later. It was his last night on earth; the following morning he must pay the penalty. As I walked along the corridor with the guard, he heard me coming, and came to the door of his steel cage and said to me, "That man Luke wrote a great story." His face was lit up with a light and a peace I had never seen before. It *would* be Luke—the gospel of redemption for all who have lost their way; for sheep that are lost; for lilies that fade; and for prodigals who step across the pathway of indiscretion. "Be merry: for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found."

This is the Book which sheds a light which darkness cannot dim.

—Courtesy American Bible Society

# THE MAN WHO KNEW

By LON WOODRUM

THE WRITINGS OF PAUL often have "the bright ring of bugles." His personal testimonies sometimes break from his pen like rockets being fired. Not the least of these is the ringing expression, "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

In view of those words, "I know," it is interesting to observe some points of Paul's knowledge, a knowledge that contributed to his greatness.

To begin with, *he knew God.*

That man has attained to a high point of human knowledge who can say in truth, "I know that I know God." This, in fact, is the peak of man's knowing. Yet many an intellectual cannot claim it; while many a mind far from brilliant can.

However, when one speaks of "knowing God" there is ever the possibility he may be deceiving himself! Our familiarity with a thing does not prove our knowledge of it. We may *think* we know something which we don't. Because one is familiar with electric lights does not prove he knows electricity. Being familiar with a car does not mean we know its mechanism. One may see the face of the President or Prime Minister on television and in newspapers yet never know the man himself. We may become familiar with churches, sermons, hymns and liturgy until we imagine we know God, and yet be a stranger to Him.

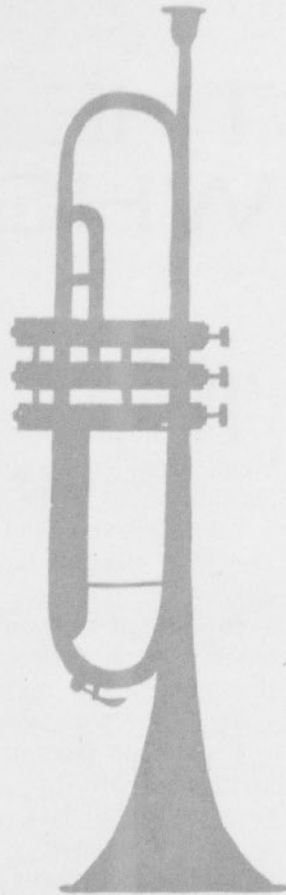
Paul himself had been so certain he knew God, before he actually knew Him, that he was out persecuting those who disagreed with his religion. It was through a vast spiritual ordeal that the apostle finally came to be able to cry, "I know whom I have believed."

We can *know* God. In fact, anything *short* of that knowledge is a dangerous faith. We can know Him through the inner witness of the Spirit, and by the living Word of truth. To know Him is to have life.

Again, *Paul knew man.*

To hold a workable theology we must know man along with a knowledge of God. By this we mean we must ascertain the relationship between God and man. We must arrive at the awareness that man, in himself and apart from God, is wrong, not right. "There is none righteous, no, not one" (Romans 3:10). "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:25). "When I would do good, evil is present with me" (Romans 7:21). Freud speaks of the "id"; Paul speaks of sin. Whatever name we give it, there is an age-old bent in man toward wrong, producing a problem man cannot manage on his own. This is the Pauline philosophy; it is also the experience of mankind in the human situation.

This fact of sin in man must be faced if we are



That impressive journal known as the Acts of the Apostles affords us a poignant drama. A man aboard a gale-blasted ship says, "Sirs, be of good cheer!" Such a statement might seem small if made under pleasant circumstances. But Paul made it when the stars were blacked out and an ocean had gone mad; when no day-star gleamed, and no beacon pierced the gloom. His was a naked faith in a storm-shattered night. He had contacted a world above his own and had gotten a promise of deliverance from the tempest. "Sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God!"

A further drama comes to us out of Christian tradition. Paul is in Rome, doomed to death for his faith. Soon he will be led out to execution. But the seed he has planted in Rome will bear eternal fruit. Already there were "saints in Caesar's household." Rome would crumble; but the gospel Paul had preached there would continue to the earth's ends. The cross would shine on a thousand hills. The apostle was *not alone* in his dungeon. Already he sensed the wonder of that better world which would be his future Home. "I have fought a good fight," he wrote to a young preacher friend; "I have finished my course; I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on that day" (2 Timothy 4:7).

Well has it been observed that Christianity has a two-fold genius: the power to live the life that is, and the hope to live in the life that is to be. The one-worldism of much modern theology has tended to thrust the hereafter into a dim background; but the New Testament speaks and sings and shouts about that kingdom beyond. To men who walk close to Christ, as did Paul, that realm is real.

One can with scant imagination hear Paul's cry rolling like a requiem down to a departed world in which he suffered for Christ: "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth!" The ages have vindicated the apostle's witness. To know God and man, to know our mission in life, to know a higher world—from such knowledge are made the minds of the noblest sons of God: for such wisdom is touched with immortality.

to have an adequate theology. The gospel faces it; for the gospel is a diagnosis as well as a remedy. And a diagnosis can be very unpleasant. A doctor examines a person and says, "What you have will kill you!" This is bad news. But the doctor adds: "Science has found a specific remedy; we can now cure you!" This is good news. Likewise, it is sad news that we are all sinners; but it is wonderful news that grace may cure us.

Further, *Paul knew his mission.*

Aware of his own relationship to God through grace, Paul knew that he was a witness to Christ's redemptive power to save others. He knew that saved man's chief business is to witness for Christ. Other tasks are important to a believer; but none quite so important as his taking the gospel to the world.

Actually, a redeemed man is under inner *compulsion* to take Christ to his fellowmen. What if a man had cancer—and found a physician who could actually cure him? Suppose the cured man has a neighbor who also has cancer. Does the man made whole refrain from telling his friend about his doctor—for fear of "pestering" him? We all know what he will do; he will rush to his friend and tell him he has found a restorative from the deadly curse. Sin is a spiritual illness, more dreadful, finally, than cancer. Freed from it by grace, how can we maintain a silence concerning our Physician?

Once more, *Paul knew another world.*

The apostle was a man who knew that Christ wasn't dead! He had died, but He had defeated death. And He had given to Paul a pledge that he also, through trusting in Him, should conquer death as well. Reading Paul's letters do we not often feel that the other world where Jesus dwelt was very real to him?

## Hear of the Bible



**GREAT CHAPTERS  
DAILY READING  
PROGRAM**

### GREAT CHAPTERS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 3-10

Sunday .....	Mark 7
Monday .....	Mark 8
Tuesday .....	Mark 9
Wednesday .....	Mark 10
Thursday .....	Mark 11
Friday .....	Mark 12
Saturday .....	Mark 13
Sunday .....	Mark 14

### PROMISE OF THE WEEK

"Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them" (Mark 11:24).

## Fairest Lord Jesus

OF ALL THE HYMNS of worship, none is more beautiful than "Fairest Lord Jesus." The words have come down to us from the 17th century, translated from the German, and the tune is a Silesian folk song. In the 19th century an American composer, Richard S. Willis, made the musical arrangement that is so well known to us today.

Millions of hearts, both old and young, have swelled with sincere adoration of the Lord Jesus Christ as they have sung these beautiful words. It is significant that Christian songs are beautiful songs. The Christ we worship is, as the fourth verse says, a "beautiful Saviour." He is radiant with the beauty of holiness. His words, His deeds, His entire being are glorious with the beauty of divine perfection. He is perfect in all His ways—perfect in love, perfect in wisdom, perfect in every aspect of His revealed self—and His perfection evokes our utmost adoration.

There was an hour when, for the sake of sinful humanity, He laid aside His beauty. His visage was marred more than any man, and His form more than the sons of men. On that day when He took our sins upon Himself and hung on the cross in our place He was as a root out of a dry ground, suffering with thirst. In His humiliation He was without form or comeliness; there was no physical beauty that we should desire Him. He was despised and rejected of men—but there was a beauty of spirit displayed on that Crucifixion Day that has inspired men ever since to give themselves for others—for He suffered vicariously. He was wounded for *our* transgressions, He was bruised for *our* iniquities; the chastisement of *our* peace was upon Him; and with His stripes *we* are healed.

No wonder we love Him and sing His praises: how could we help but love Him when He loved us so! As we adore Him and contemplate His beautiful grace, the qualities of His divine nature somehow penetrate our own beings and we become partakers of His nature. As we gaze upon His glory we are changed into the same glorious image, by the Spirit of the Lord—and the degree to which we are changed into His likeness depends to a large extent on the amount of time we are willing to spend in this holy pursuit.

How much time have you spent in the presence of Jesus this week? How real is His personal presence to you today?

Do you really know Him? C. H. Ashman wrote, in *The Brethren Missionary Herald*: "The greatest need in the life of the believer is to know Christ. Not simply to know things about Christ, such as what He gives and does, but to know Christ Himself. There is a vast difference between an attraction and an attachment. Many are attracted to Christ, but few are attached to Him. We can have union and communion. Many enjoy union with Christ in regeneration, but how many enjoy communion with Him in fellowship? Christ made a distinction between His servants and His friends (John 15:16). To become a friend of Christ instead of a mere servant requires the blending of heart and spirit in personal confidence and devotion. Do we know Christ in this intimate, personal relationship?"

We may, if we wish. Then the words of the hymn will be rich in meaning as we sing it to the Lover of our souls:

"Fairest Lord Jesus! Ruler of all nature!  
O Thou of God and man the Son!  
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,  
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown!"

—R.C.C.

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**H**ERBERT HALE WILLIAMS, a successful businessman in Toronto, Canada, had rearranged his schedule so he could attend the funeral of an old friend and associate.

In the days that followed the funeral he found himself deeply disturbed. Questions he had avoided for years began to demand an answer. What if this had been *his* funeral! He was getting older, no denying that. His wife had died, and many friends his age were already gone. He had been so busy making money and investing in this world that he had not given much thought to the world to come.

But a faithful, efficient Christian nurse and secretary had been in his employ for a number of years. Often Miss Jessie Monkman had witnessed to him of the goodness of the Lord. Her godly life, along with that of Miss Annie Bedlow, the cook in his home, had won his respect and confidence.

Unknown to him, God had laid a heavy burden of prayer upon the hearts of these two ladies for his salvation, and others had begun to pray for him as well. They saw no change, and sometimes they wondered if it was too late in life for this man of the world to turn, and for the habits of years to be broken. Still they kept praying, knowing that God is faithful and that "He is not willing that any should perish."

Mr. Williams always respected their deep interest in religion, but he had little time for it himself. He was chairman of the Board of Realtors in metropolitan Toronto, director of the Dominion Bank, director of Imperial Life, and member of the Board of Trustees for the Sick Children's Hospital.

*But that funeral!* It reminded him that all his money would not help him in the last grim hour. What would his eternal future be? His body would be laid to rest in grand style, and all the right things would be said, but his soul—would there be any rest for his soul?



THE WONDERFUL STORY OF HERBERT HALE WILLIAMS

A church member all his life, Mr. Williams suddenly realized there was no peace of heart to be gained from that alone. He needed help. He wanted to hear the words of eternal life from someone who believed as his old-fashioned Methodist mother had believed. Her faith had been good for her to live by, and it had been sufficient for her in death. He contrasted her funeral with that of his friend—no peaceful parting, no assurance, no victory, but only the cold reality of death, with its finality and grief.

Now he wanted to know the Lord as his mother had known Him. He had been a teen-ager when she died. Many years had passed, but her prayers for him were being answered at last.

A short time later Tom Johnstone, who is now general superintendent of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, was invited to visit Mr. Williams in his beautiful home on a Sunday afternoon. Plainly and simply he explained the way of salvation through the blood of Christ.

On Mr. Johnstone's second visit, Mr. Williams opened his heart and received the Saviour. In another room, the faithful nurse and the cook prayerfully awaited the outcome of the visit, and rejoiced when they heard the good news that God had answered their prayers.

Mr. Williams joined Stone Church where the late Hugh McAlister was pastor, and attended church regularly from that time to the end of his life. He was baptized in water in 1951, and he was filled with the Holy Spirit.

This man, whose life was so marvelously changed by the power of God, fully enjoyed his Pentecostal experience. There was a period when for some time he did not have freedom to worship the Lord by speaking in tongues. This troubled him. He unburdened his heart to one of the ministers, who then offered special prayer, with the result that God gave him a wonderful refreshing. Freely and fluently Mr. Williams spoke his praises to God in other tongues, and he continued to enjoy this liberty in the Spirit thereafter.

He went to be with the Lord at the age of 92, not fearfully but victoriously as a faithful child of God. That was 12 years ago, but Herbert Hale Williams' work is continuing, for in his will he designated a very substantial amount of money for the Stone Church to use in furthering the cause of Christ in various areas. Some \$142,000 of his estate has been used in foreign missions efforts, and about \$130,000 in home missions. A gift of \$15,000 was made to the H. H. Williams Memorial Hospital in Hay River, Northwest Territories, Canada.

What if those who worked in Mr. Williams' home had not cared enough or persisted in believing God for this man's salvation? He might have been lost, and many others as well who are being won as a result of his bequests to missions.

—The Pentecostal Testimony

By EUNICE MYRAH

# TROPHY OF DIVINE GRACE

I WAS NOT DREAMING. I did not have a vision. I was wide awake that day, when suddenly the room was filled with the sound of singing—voices and music blending in beautiful harmony. Where was it coming from? How? Why?

We were alone on a pioneer mission station at Masisi-Rutchuru in the Kivu District of the Congo. For many days my wife and our little daughter Agnes had been ill with the deadly malaria fever. After holding for several days at 104 degrees, Mrs. Berg's temperature rose to 105.2. In her weakness, her voice was but a faint whisper, and at times she seemed to be drifting into a semi-coma. I knew her condition was critical, so I called in a group of Congolese Christians to pray with me. They readily responded and prayed earnestly. I was touched by their faith and loyalty, yet the feeling of depression did not leave. *Oh, if I only had a fellow-missionary!*

After a while I stepped out of our humble thatched-roof home into the African night. It was one of those clear tropical moonlit nights with myriads of stars seemingly suspended from the heavens. They looked so near, as if one could just reach up and touch them.

I looked toward the northwest—our home in the United States, 10,000 miles away. "O God," I prayed. "Does anyone at home know our predicament? Does anyone care?"

Years later, after returning to America, I got the answer. A little lady in Minneapolis, a friend of our family, asked me, "Were you and Anna in special need at this certain time in the Congo?"

Then she continued, "I saw your face before me. I was seized with a tremendous burden. I went to God in prayer and prayed till peace and assurance of His answer filled my heart."

We compared dates and learned it was the exact time when I was out in the night, praying and crying to God from a breaking heart.

But on that dark night I knew nothing of this. I went back into the house where the African Christians were still faithfully praying. I exhorted them to continue while I sat down by our little folding pump organ and began to play. Opening a hymnbook I saw the song, "Was There Ever a Friend So True?" It was not a familiar song, but as I sang it the words seemed directed to me. One verse says:

*"He soothes me in sorrow with songs in the night,  
And inspires me with hope anew;  
He fills me with courage my battles to fight,  
Was there ever a friend so true?"*

I needed the Lord's assurance in that hour. I sang on and on, pouring out my soul to God in the words of the song.

Suddenly the room seemed filled with indescribable music. I was no longer alone! I was aware of a divine presence. A choir, the beauty of which I never heard before or since, was singing. They were singing of Christ, a Friend who was near. For a moment I was startled. I looked around. The Congolese Christians were still in prayer, and anyway I remembered that they could not sing in English. I turned back to the organ and joined with the invisible choir in singing glory and praise to God. My heart was lifted up and I knew the Lord was very near.



# I HEARD THE ANGELS SING

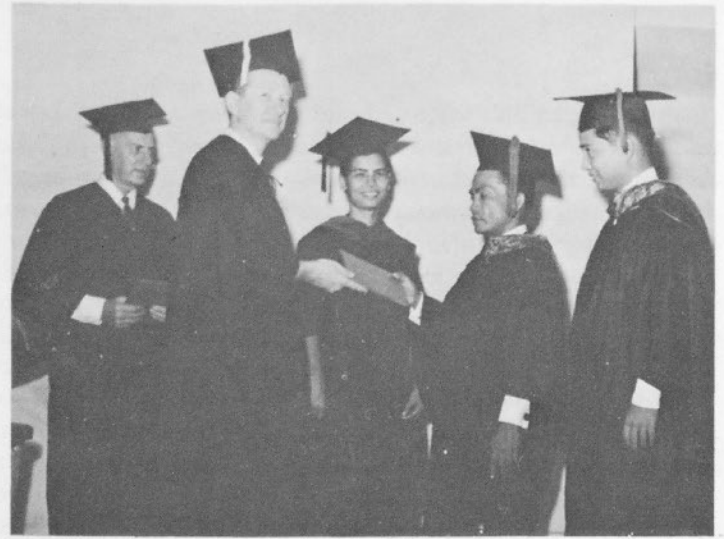
By Evangelist ARTHUR F. BERG

This rapturous moment was interrupted as a door was flung open and someone called excitedly, "Madamu, anakufa, Madamu, anakufa!" (Madam is dying! Madam is dying!) A houseboy who had been watching in the sickroom was standing before me, fear and grief mingled in his face.

Urging the Christians to continue in prayer, I went quickly to my wife. Instead of finding her dying, I saw and heard her praising God, speaking in tongues with a clear and steady voice. Her hands were lifted up in worship and adoration to our wonderful Lord. I knelt and joined with her in thanks to God. I then felt her forehead and found it wet with perspiration. The fever had broken. As we continued to praise God together her temperature continued to come down.

Later she said that in the midst of her suffering it had seemed that a ball of fire touched her head and went through her entire body. Its warmth was greater, but so different from the burning fever. The Lord's presence filled her heart, and praises to God naturally followed. God had touched and healed her, and from that moment she regained strength. At the same time our little daughter was also healed.

It had all taken place simultaneously. When I was out in the yard praying, when the African Christians were interceding, and when the little lady in Minnesota also prayed, the answer came. A choir of angels was sent to strengthen a weary missionary with their heavenly singing! My wife and daughter were restored to health. Truly we serve a blessed Lord, a true and wonderful Friend.



The Far East Advanced School of Theology (FEAST) in Manila is a new concept in ministerial training in the Orient. Above, Dean Derrick Hillary, President Harold Kohl, and Registrar Esperanza give Th.B. degrees to the first two graduates of the school.

# BIBLE SCHOOL BIAS

## A REPORT ON THE PLACE OF BIBLE SCHOOLS IN THE PHILIPPINES

By **HAROLD KOHL**  
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Assemblies of God in the Philippines

**B**IAS? I CERTAINLY AM where Bible schools are concerned! With all the emphasis on modern methods and 20th-century equipment, there is still no substitute for a Spirit-anointed, Bible-taught, love-immersed laborer with God.

What is a field without a plowboy and sower? What is a growing crop without a cultivator? Or a harvest without a reaper? It is a farce!

What is a mission field without pioneers and evangelists? What is a growing church without pastors and teachers? What is the spiritual harvest without soul-winning laborers? It is a tragedy!

Bible schools have given necessary stability and continuing thrust to the work of the church in the Philippines. Our Bible schools have been a resource in providing competent laborers for the great harvest of souls. Over 600 students have gone out from our Philippine Bible schools, and approxi-

mately 70 percent of our graduates are currently in the ministry.

Graduates serve God and their fellow Filipinos in the isolated coolness of the northern mountains; in the small, fetid towns of tropic coasts; in the remote islets of the Sulu Sea; and in the thriving centers of port cities. Our alumni serve among the industrious and thrifty Ilocanos; the sturdy, squat mountain tribes; the smiling, responsive Visayans; the suave and articulate Tagologs; the learned and the unlearned—the famers, fishermen, and headhunters; the college students, professionals, and businessmen.

Alumni labor in the cities, towns, villages, and *barrios* of the 7,000 emerald islands of the Philippine Republic. Bible schools are on the front line of Philippine evangelism.

Our Bible schools insure a scriptural, Pentecostal emphasis as they perpetuate sound Bible doctrine. They stand at the headwaters of our Pentecostal, evangelical faith and supply a steady stream of pure teaching that flows throughout the Assemblies of God fellowship via the ministry of Bible-trained workers.

Hugging the road near the foot of a majestic mountain range in northern Luzon, Pangasinan province, is *Luzon Bible Institute*. Its frame buildings

house an average of 50 students each year. The main language of instruction is Ilocano. Along with its president, Benito Acena—a Filipino patriarch in the faith—a faithful staff serves at LBI.

One night I slept there guarded by an ex-headhunter who is now a hunter of souls. The next morning my companion said, quite seriously, "I'm glad he didn't backslide during the night!"

On Cebu, neatly tucked into an earthen cup formed by low-lying hills and fringed with coconut palms and bamboo, is the well-kept campus of *Immanuel Bible Institute*, founded in 1951 to serve the Visayas. Its lovely chapel and modest buildings glisten in the sunlight. Lester J. Kenney serves as president. The language of instruction is English. Enrollment at IBI averages over 50 students each year.

In the province of Bulacan, southern Luzon, on a quiet, tree-shaded campus just 14 kilometers from Manila stand the simple buildings of *Bethel Bible Institute*. Founded 20 years ago, BBI is the oldest of the Philippine Bible schools. BBI students from all over the Philippines number over 70 each year. As BBI's current president, I am assisted by a talented faculty and staff.

Newest of the Philippine Bible



schools is AGBIM (Assemblies of God Bible Institute of Mindanao). AGBIM is located at the beautiful harbor of General Santos, Cotobato, far south in the island chain. Just a few years old, AGBIM is growing rapidly under the leadership of its president, Glenn Dunn, and his staff.

The school, which now consists of three block-construction buildings and two teachers' cottages, has 37 students who conduct an aggressive outreach program. Average weekly attendance in their 18 outstations is 518.

A new venture in faith is the Far East Advanced School of Theology (FEAST), which adjoins the BBI campus just outside Manila. The school's purpose is to help ministers who have completed regular Bible school training prepare for Christian leadership and Bible school teaching.

The first section of the FEAST administration building is complete and in use, and construction will begin soon on the next section. FEAST is an international school designed to serve the needs of the Assemblies of God in many countries throughout the Far East. It offers B.R.E. and Th.B degrees.



Bible school studies include a deepening of experience with God. After morning chapel, the students at Bethel Bible Institute prepare to attend the first class of the day.

On the beautiful tropic night of April 22, 1966, joint commencement exercises were held for BBI and FEAST. Fifteen BBI graduates received their diplomas, joining an alumni family of almost 350 in the Lord's service. Two FEAST graduates received their bachelor of theology degrees.

The curriculum of the Philippine Bible schools is Bible-based and follows the pattern of other Assemblies of God ministerial training schools. Also there are some courses especially designed to meet the needs of the

regional cultures. Daily schedules include chapel, private devotions, classes, study hours, recreation, and campus work.

Active Christian service departments engage students in practical ministry on weekends and in special evangelistic thrusts.

As is the case with most Bible schools, fees from students are not sufficient to meet the costs of operation. Pledged monthly support is needed to help train leaders for labor in the ripened harvest of the Philippine Islands.

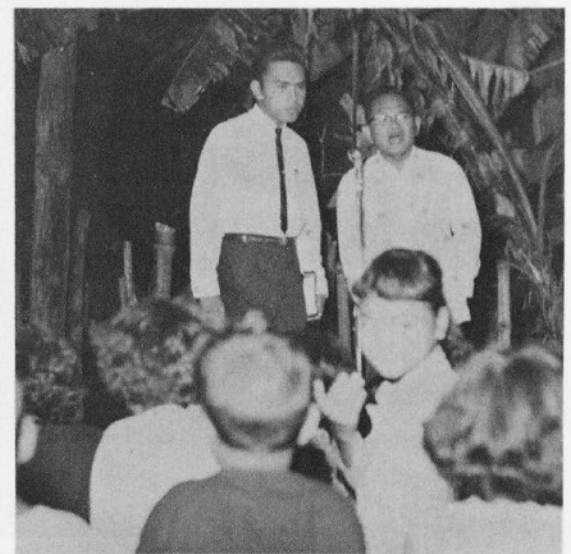


Above is the chapel at Immanuel Bible Institute. The photo at upper right shows a class in session at Bethel Bible Institute. At right Betty Jo Kenney is seen teaching students how to write gospel tracts. At the far right, students and teachers take part in open-air evangelism.

### ATTENTION, FAR EAST STUDENTS

The next school term for both BBI and FEAST begins July 13, 1966. For information write: P.O. Box 2483, Manila, Philippines.

FEAST is an international school under supervision of the Foreign Missions Department of the U. S. Assemblies of God. It has been approved by the Philippine government to accept foreign students.



# THIS PRESENT WORLD

## India's Christian Population Now 12 Million

Latest statistics published in New Delhi, India, show there are 12,000,000 Christians (church members) in that country. This is 2.66 percent of India's 450,000,000 people.

## Argentina Group Prints Scriptures

The Bible Societies in Argentina have recently completed their first printing program, according to the *Bulletin of the United Bible Societies*. One million Gospel portions and 50,000 New Testaments in Spanish have been printed. Some of these will be exported to neighboring countries.

## Israel Trains Workers for Developing Countries

Israel hosted 2,150 trainees from 80 countries in Africa, Asia, and Latin America during 1965, the International Cooperation Department of Israel's Ministry for Foreign Affairs recently announced. During the same period 832 Israeli experts went out to work in 62 developing countries.

## Israelis to Have Limited TV Viewing

Television has been introduced into Israel on a restricted basis. Educational television recently began in Tel Aviv, and will be used to teach 10 lessons weekly

in 32 schools attended mostly by immigrant children.

In the past the Israeli government has rejected TV for Israel because of concern about what it might do to the nation's cultural standards.

With no television station in Israel until now, owners of the 30,000 TV sets there have been viewing programs from Lebanon, Egypt, and Cyprus.

## Desalting Project Considered by U.S.—Israel

A board has been set up by the United States and Israeli governments to study the feasibility of erecting a nuclear-powered generating and water desalting plant for Israel.

One report indicates a 200-megawatt electric generating plant could produce 100 million gallons of desalted water daily. The investment involved would be about \$200,000,000.

Two sites in southern Israel are being considered for the plant.

## Belief in God Declines in U.S.

Belief in God has declined slightly in the U.S. in the past 14 years, according to a Gallup Poll report.

The survey shows that 97 percent of those interviewed indicated some belief in God, as compared with 99 percent in 1952. To many people, however, this is probably a belief in the existence of God, rather than a true, saving faith in Him.

**ALL-CHURCH PRESS FOUNDER HONORED**—Douglas Tomlinson (left), founder of the All-Church Press, is inducted into the Journalism Hall of Fame of Mary Hardin-Baylor College in Belton, Texas, by Arthur K. Tyson, president of the school. Mr. Tomlinson has a 54-year career in religious journalism. The All-Church Press publishes weekly newspapers for over 400 churches across the nation and also prints 15 state and regional denominational newspapers. Some 25 Assemblies of God churches are among the 400 having local editions.



RELIGIOUS NEWS SERVICE PHOTO

## Cigarette Smoking Neutralizes Vitamin C

Recent clinical and laboratory tests show that cigarette smoking does much more harm than help produce lung cancer. The toxic substances contained in smoke inhaled from one cigarette neutralize about 25 milligrams of vitamin C in the body, the amount in a medium-sized orange. "It will thus be seen how difficult it is to meet the bodily requirements of the pack-a-day smoker," commented Dr. W. J. McCormick, a Canadian vitamin C specialist. His report was verified by Dr. A. Borquin in an article in the *American Journal of Digestive Diseases*.

## Liquor Control Suggested for Canada

Government take-over of the liquor industry is the only solution to Canada's drinking problems, in the opinion of A. C. Forrest, editor of *United Church Observer*.

Alcoholism is increasing in Canada. In 1964 over \$1 billion was spent on alcoholic beverages.

Dr. Forrest, editor of the United Church of Canada publication, does not favor prohibition because he says it would be "un-Christian and would infringe on the freedom of other Canadians." He points out that the ecumenical movement has given many Protestants the feeling that moderate drinking is permissible, though many of these at one time advocated total abstinence.

If he means that ecumenicity waters down a person's convictions, he undoubtedly is correct!



Moved by the current controversy in the U.S. arising over the "Death of God" theory expounded by certain theologians, Berea Temple Assembly of God in St. Louis, Missouri, has been displaying this sign.

### Earth's Population Now 3.35 Billion

Earth's population is now approximately 3.35 billion. Last year alone there was a net increase of 65 million—as many people as now reside in Canada, Dominican Republic, Belgium, Egypt, and New Zealand combined, according to the nongovernmental Population Reference Bureau. The world population is expected to double within 34 years.

Now is the time for world evangelism. The task becomes more monumental as the population increases.

### Trinidad—a Nation of Teen-agers

The people of Trinidad are becoming "younger." At least that is the way it seems, for the average age soon will be 15. Trinidad has one of the highest birth rates in the world, according to Dr. Jerold Lowenstein, San Francisco Medical Center.

This trend to youthfulness is becoming prevalent everywhere. In 1965 some 40 percent of the U.S. population was under 20 years of age.

It is necessary then that the Church attune itself to the needs of today's young people. Up-to-date means of evangelism should be undertaken to best present Jesus Christ as Saviour.



**MOTHER OF THE YEAR NAMED**—Mrs. Bertha Marion Holt of Creswell, Oregon, was named the 1966 Mother of the Year at ceremonies in Washington, D. C. Mrs. Holt has six children of her own and eight foster children. She and her late husband, Henry Holt, were instrumental in getting legislature through Congress to bring Korean orphans to the U.S. As a result, she is called the "grandmother" of thousands of Korean children in the U. S. (Religious News Service photo)



# Your Questions

Answered by Ernest S. Williams

*Can a person receive the Holy Spirit who has not been baptized in water?*

Peter said, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you . . . and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost (Acts 2:38). The Scripture seems to indicate that baptism in water comes first. We find, however, that Cornelius and his household received the Holy Spirit before they were baptized in water (Acts 10:33-48).

*Should a person with a black past continue to live where everyone knows of that past, or should he move to a location where the past is not known?*

For a person to continue to live where he has been wicked and let his light shine there would be a wonderful testimony for the Lord. When Jesus delivered the man of Gadara who had been demon-possessed, He said to him, "Return to thine own house, and show how great things God hath done unto thee" (Luke 8:39).

*Is a good Christian ever subject to demon-possession?*

The believer's safety lies in his faith in our Lord Jesus. "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith" (1 John 5:4).

While every believer is safe, protected through seeing his place in Christ Jesus, he must be awake to the "wiles of the devil" (Ephesians 6:11) who seeks to ensnare. If Satan can lead us astray into false doctrine, it is possible for him to bring us under his power. See how carefully Paul warned the Corinthian believers against being led astray (2 Corinthians 11:1-4).

But no believer need fear demon-possession. Believing in Christ and His atonement, seeing our place in His redemption, and maintaining a humble heart will at all times assure us victory "over all the power of the enemy" (Luke 10:19).

*Why do we not baptize for the dead?*

Because the Bible in no place commands baptism for the dead. Baptism is only for those who "repent and believe the gospel." Dr. Adam Clarke's explanation of 1 Corinthians 15:29 is as good as any I found. He states that among the heathen there were baptisms, or initiations, on behalf of the dead. Since the Corinthians had been saved out of idolatry and knew this custom, Paul seized upon it in his teaching, emphasizing that baptism for the dead would be of no value if the dead are not raised. Possibly some in the Corinthian church had brought over with them from heathenism some rite performed in behalf of the dead. However that may be, there is no Biblical teaching which indicates that God has given instruction for baptizing for the dead.

*If you have a spiritual problem or any question about the Bible, you are invited to write to "Your Questions," The Pentecostal Evangel, 1445 Boonville, Springfield, Missouri 65802. Brother Williams will answer if you send a stamped self-addressed envelope.*

**T**HE BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH of Enoch recorded for us in Scripture is very brief. He might be termed the man of whom little is written, but of whom much is said in a few words. He was one of the very few persons of past generations who escaped death by being translated to heaven. The man of whom we read so little shared this glorious experience with a prophet of whom so much is written.

His father Jared lived a long time, longer in fact than Adam, and had several sons, but Enoch differed from the rest of the family in that he loved God and delighted to commune with the Almighty. (See Genesis 5:18-24; Hebrews 11:5; Jude 14.)

This spiritual son was himself a family man; he experienced the trials and problems of married life. He was obliged to provide adequately for his wife and children, and train his sons and daughters in right living. There would be occasions when he would need to chastise them, and his love for God would not keep him from administering the necessary discipline. On the contrary, the One who later caused Solomon to write, "Chasten thy son while there is hope," strengthened godly Enoch's arm to inflict the chastisement. God is pleased when young lives are well trained and learn early to do what is right.

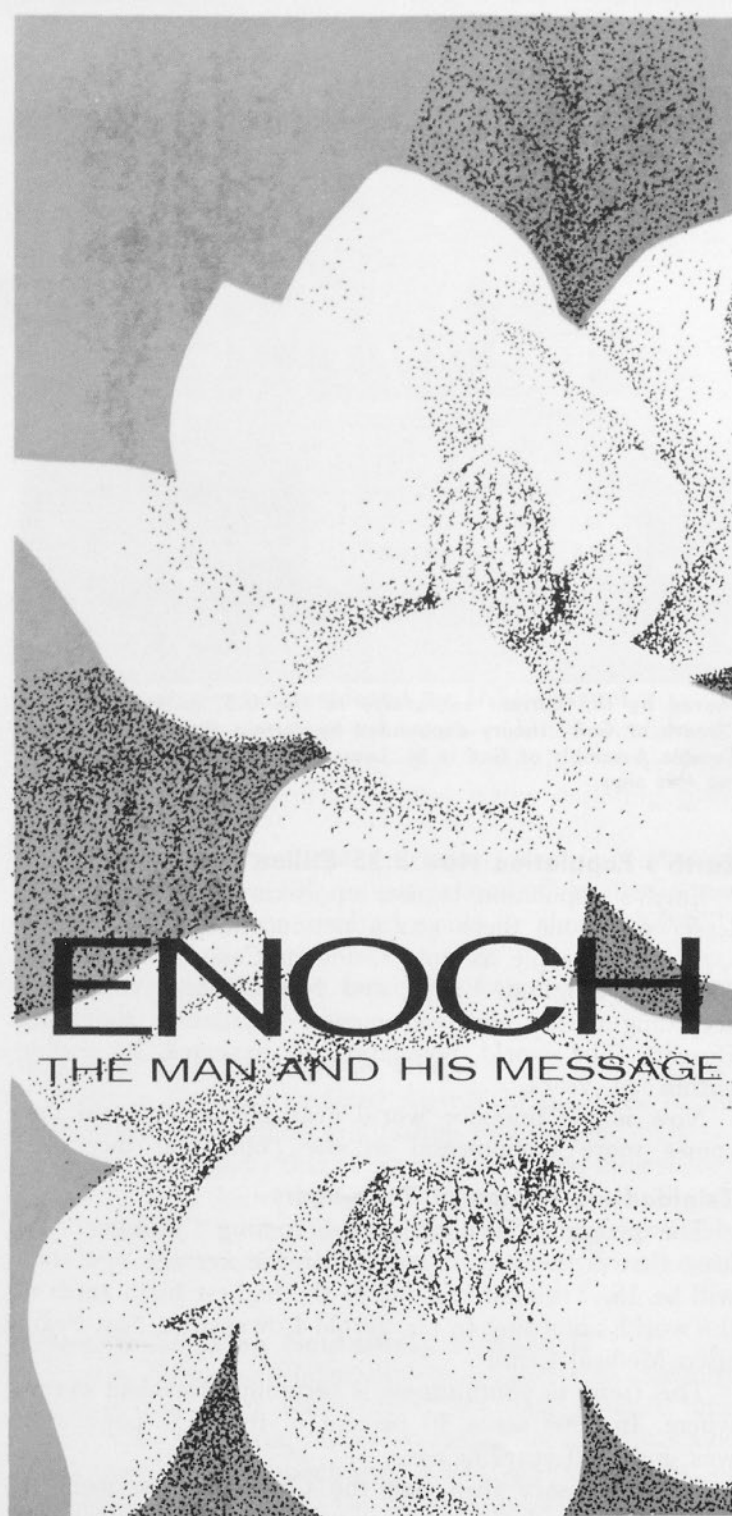
We are told nothing about the wife of Enoch. She may have been a sweet and lovely companion who inspired her husband to serve God wholeheartedly; or, on the other hand, she may have been of the nagging type whose bad temper developed holiness in her husband under most trying conditions. At least we know that marital life constituted no barrier to Enoch's communion with God.

This son of Jared walked with God. The Lord was his Companion, with whom he could share the problems of life and from whom he could seek guidance. In this he would differ from others living in his time. There would be those of his generation who walked with famous men, whose delight was to be companions of the wealthy. Some would consort with the politically minded or with the business fraternity. There would be those who loved to associate with entertainers, whose humorous conversation left them cheerful and lighthearted. Some would have dealings with the wicked and murderous, plotting as they walked together vile schemes for "easy money." But in Enoch we have one who found delight in being on intimate terms with the Almighty.

Enoch was a believer in things that were not visible to natural eyes. He walked with One whose form he could not behold, but whose presence and Spirit manifested to his engrossed soul the holiness of God, remodeling his life and sanctifying his heart. The wisdom, kindness and grace of God in this fellowship transformed Enoch, even as Moses was transfigured on Sinai's mount. Without being aware of the gracious revolution, he would be changed from one degree of glory to another, until the beauty of holiness radiated from word and action.

Enoch was a man of the "single eye" who lived the absorbed life. His ambition was to know God better and obey Him more fully. The life of ceaseless praying would satiate his soul, deepen his inner peace, and flood him with "joy unspeakable."

This devout man walked with God while others ran after wealth or toiled to become famous. While many schemed to be successful, Enoch prayed to be holy.



# ENOCH

## THE MAN AND HIS MESSAGE

By **HOWARD CARTER**  
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Men's natural talents are generally used for financial gain, or self-promotion, or in some cases for no higher purpose than the pleasure of being more competent than others. Some run in races for financial reward, and others for fame, while some just enjoy the race and are indifferent to wealth or fame. But we learn nothing of Enoch's interest in things financial. Without doubt he laid up treasure in heaven, as do all spiritual individuals. As far as we know, he built nothing on earth by which to be remembered. His soul had purity for its pursuit, obedience for its motive, and the love of God as its deepest passion.

How many years he walked with God is not recorded, but they ended gloriously. Since Enoch walked with God, then God walked with Enoch. Blessed companionship! How wonderful that the Creator should be so in-

terested in His creatures that He makes them His companions! No greater honor can be imagined, no greater privilege afforded, than divine companionship. What his fellow creatures thought of him mattered little to Enoch since God was interested in his dedicated life.

Such a life must have been to the Lord as the fragrance of a lovely flower, growing amid the corruptions of a sin-cursed earth; and the sweet-scented flower was finally plucked by God, to adorn His eternal Eden.

To a man like Enoch only eternal things mattered. The laughter of this world ends with a sob, and Enoch wanted something better than that. The joy God had implanted in his soul was a never-ceasing spring, and would flow all the fuller in His glorious presence.

He "was not," the Bible says, "for God took him." Those who had thought the least of him would not be grieved at his sudden departure; while those on high, who rejoice over sinners converted, would have unbounded joy at his coming. This world had lost a good man, but what value does the world place on goodness?

Enoch was a man of faith, and to him God evidently imparted faith of a supernatural quality so that the stupendous miracle of translation could take place. He leaped, as it were, from this world into the next, cheating the undertaker, and denying to weeping women and children their expression of sorrow. He entered heaven with a rapturous shout of praise!

What is the message of this saint's life to us today? His recorded words are few, but they reveal that Enoch was a prophet:

"The Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, to execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him" (Jude 14, 15). The Spirit rested upon this godly servant of the Lord, and made known to him the divine purpose for the end of time. So ought we to seek to know the Lord in a deeper way and covet the best gifts which give revelation of the divine will and purpose.

The lesson of his life is that walking with God is infinitely greater than all we can do for Him. To know God is greater than to serve Him, although those who do know God will be ready to serve as He directs. The sacred walk, the hallowed hours of communion, the separation from the world, the fruit borne to holiness are soul enriching in the extreme, bringing glory to God.

The translation of Enoch, which removed a godly soul from an ungodly generation, affords a preview of the future rapture of the Church. The world's unwanted men and women, whose presence serves to make men think of sin and righteousness and judgment, will be removed; and corruption will set in after the "salt" is taken away. The rapture means judgment for this world, but boundless joy for those who will be caught up at Christ's return. It will be the moment of triumph for the despised. It will bring blessed and eternal reunion of the redeemed with the Redeemer and with those who have gone on before.

From the world's standpoint, the Church will "not be," even as Enoch "was not"—but heaven will reecho with its greatest paeans of praise in honor of the Lamb whose sufferings and death on Calvary purchased for them eternal life and glory.



Planning session held in Rio de Janeiro for the Pentecostal World Conference.

## PENTECOSTAL WORLD CONFERENCE SPEAKERS NAMED FOR 1967

CHURCH OFFICIALS, pastors, and evangelists representing 11 different countries will be featured speakers during next year's Pentecostal World Conference to be held July 18-23, 1967, at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Guest preachers at the eighth triennial parley of Pentecostals from throughout the world will represent Australia, Brazil, Canada, England, Finland, Korea, Mexico, Norway, South Africa, Sweden, and the United States.

Delivering the keynote message on Tuesday evening (July 18) will be Thomas F. Zimmerman, Springfield, Missouri, general superintendent of the Assemblies of God. His subject will be, "The Holy Spirit Unifying the Church."

Succeeding messages delivered at worship services and evangelistic rallies will follow the convention theme, "The Holy Spirit Glorifying Christ."

On Wednesday (July 19) speakers will be Philip Duncan, Assemblies of God pastor from Australia, preaching on "Ministry of Prayer"; Jack Wooderson, a district superintendent from Durban, South Africa, on "Producing Spiritual Graces"; and Cho Yonggi, Assemblies of God pastor from Korea, on "Christ as Saviour."

Preaching on Thursday (July 20) will be Noel DeSouza, Church of God international evangelist from Mexico, on the subject, "Anointed Preaching"; Veiko Mannenin, pastor from Helsinki, Finland, on "Spiritual Gifts"; and José María Rico, Assemblies of God international evangelist in

Latin America, on "Regenerating the Sinner."

Speakers the next day will be N. M. Van Cleave, Foursquare Church pastor from Portland, Oregon, on "Through the Written Word"; A. P. Vasconcelos, Belem, Brazil, pastor, on "Revealing Christ as Healer"; and R. Leonard Carroll, assistant general overseer, Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee, "Empowering for Service."

Two Scandinavian pastors will be spotlighted Saturday (July 22)—Erling Strom, pastor of Filadelfia Church, Oslo, Norway, "The Lord's Supper"; and Willis Sawe, pastor of Filadelfia Church, Stockholm, Sweden, "World Evangelization."

Featured on the last day will be Robert Taitinger, pastor, Central Pentecostal Tabernacle, Edmonton, Canada, "The Victorious Life"; and Alexander Tee, Elim Church, Cheltenham, England, "Inspiring the Blessed Hope."

Headquarters for the world conference will be the Hotel Gloria in downtown Rio de Janeiro.

Official languages for the parley will be Portuguese, spoken by Brazil's 81 million population, and English. Convention speakers were selected from those suggested by representatives of various Pentecostal groups attending a planning meeting last September in New York City.

The first Pentecostal missionaries entering Brazil in 1910 were two young Scandinavians, Gunnar Vingren and Daniel Berg. Today there are approximately two million Pentecostals in the country.

Football stadium in Rio de Janeiro where a gospel rally will be held during the World Conference.





# JOSHUA CROSSES JORDAN

Sunday School Lesson for July 10, 1966

JOSHUA 3:5-8, 13-17

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

JOSHUA IS A BOOK OF CONQUEST—the story of Israel entering the land (chapters 1-5); overcoming the land (chapters 6-12); and occupying the land (chapters 13-24). It is full of lessons to help the Christian enter the realm of spiritual experience made possible through Christ.

Before Israel could begin to conquer Canaan, however, the Jordan River had to be crossed. This experience and its significance is the subject of our lesson.

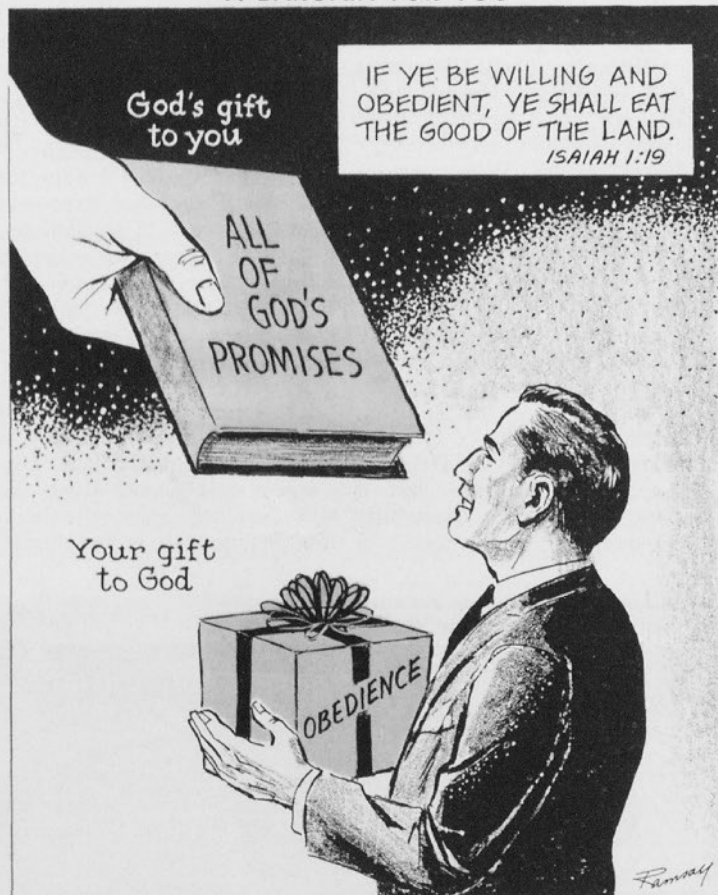
### THE CROSSING INVOLVED FAITH

Israel was at Jordan. Its waters were turbulent, at flood stage—overflowing the lowlands on each side. Across the river was Jericho. It looked so inviting. What should be done?

“As soon as the soles of the feet of the priests . . . shall rest in the waters . . . the waters of Jordan shall be cut off” (3:13). This was the Word of the Lord upon which Israel was to step out in faith.

There is always a Jordan between us and our Canaans. We cannot cope with it by our own power or wisdom,

### A BARGAIN FOR YOU



but as we step out in faith and obedience to God, supernatural intervention takes place!

### THE CROSSING WAS RELATED TO THE ARK

When the priests bearing the ark stepped into the river, the waters rolled back. The ark typified the presence of God, which means victory in any situation. In writing about this event years later the Psalmist exclaimed, “What ailed thee, O thou sea, that thou fleddest? thou Jordan, that thou wast driven back?” Then he answered his own question, “Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of the Lord” (Psalm 114:5, 7). There is no defeat to those who walk with God and take Him with them into all their trials, temptations, and adversities.

### THE CROSSING TYPIFIES DEATH WITH CHRIST

After safely crossing Jordan, Joshua placed 12 stones in the bed of the river where they were soon buried and lost to sight.

One of the basic factors in the New Testament teaching of deliverance from the power of sin and self is the intelligent understanding and clear realization of the truth that when Jesus died, the whole Church died with Him and was buried with Him. We are “buried with him by baptism into death.” We are to reckon ourselves “to be dead indeed unto sin,” knowing that “our old man is crucified with him.” (See Romans 6:1-7, 11.) As we believe this, the Holy Spirit makes it real in our experience.

### THE CROSSING SPEAKS OF RESURRECTION

Joshua had 12 other stones taken out of the river bed and carried to Gilgal, where they became a permanent memorial of what had taken place at Jordan.

Out of Jordan, then, came stones which memorialized a finished victory. Likewise, out of the death of Christ there came a finished victory—not only for Himself, but for all who will identify themselves with His victory over sin’s power and sin’s penalty! If we are to live victoriously, we must first recognize this is the normal Christian experience and is definitely for us! Thus Paul said, “Reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin” (the negative side) “but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord” (the positive side).

### THE CROSSING MARKED ENTRY INTO NEW TERRITORY

By passing through Jordan, Israel entered the land of Canaan. Similarly, as we believe God’s Word and identify ourselves with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection, we too enter a new spiritual realm and find “newness of life.” We experience victory over the enemy as Israel did—victory over the world, the flesh, the devil, and circumstances—as we believe God and obey Him.

### THE CROSSING REVEALED GOD’S POWER TO A NEW GENERATION

The group of Israelites led by Joshua had not witnessed the miracles of Egypt nor the Red Sea crossing. They had only the “say-so” of their fathers. But at Jordan they experienced God’s mighty power themselves.

Has the time not come when all of us need a fresh experience of God’s divine fullness and power? Should we be content to have doctrines of Pentecost without an up-to-date experience of Pentecost? Jesus Christ who is “the same yesterday, and today, and forever” surely longs to be gracious to those who seek Him and wait upon Him.

**L**ISTENING INTENTLY, C. T. Beem *Revivaltime* program director adjusted dials for proper balance between instrument and voice. The organ music was familiar, but the words filling *Revivaltime's* recording studio at Springfield, Missouri, seemed strange indeed.

Standing before the microphone in the empty radio auditorium was a man born in China. Now he is separated from his homeland not only by oceans but also by a vast "bamboo curtain."

Li Chung Chei lifted his strong voice to sing "The Old Rugged Cross" in his native Chinese. His song was being recorded for use by the Far East Broadcasting Company in the Orient.

Letters from China indicate many are secretly listening to the gospel broadcast station, 100,000 watts strong, which operates at Okuma, Okinawa, only 300 miles from the mainland of China.

One man testified he listened to radio with a stethoscope to keep the volume low enough to avoid detection.

Brother Chei, who has chosen the English name Andrew, was an instructor in voice at various mainland colleges, including the National Conservatory in Nanking. He fled with his family to Hong Kong in 1950.

After teaching in Hong Kong for 10 years, the quiet-mannered tenor came to the United States in 1960 to attend the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago, from which he received his master of music degree in 1963. In that same year he joined the faculty of Evangel College, Springfield, Missouri.

Riley Kaufman, director of Far East Broadcasting



C. T. BEEM, REVIVALTIME PROGRAM DIRECTOR, RECORDS . . .

# MUSIC FOR CHINA

Company's Hong Kong office, recently heard Brother Chei's record, "How Great Thou Art." Brother Kaufman wrote to Lee Shultz, national secretary of our Radio Department, and to Brother Chei, requesting tape recordings of gospel songs in Chinese.

Since the voice instructor was scheduled to leave June 1 for a concert tour of Europe, immediate recording arrangements were made. Mrs. June Kean, music instructor at Evangel College, served as accompanist.

Brother Chei recorded fourteen gospel songs during the session, including such favorites as "Softly and Tenderly," "Only Trust Him," "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder," and "Onward Christian Soldiers." The tapes are now being broadcast in the Orient.

*Revivaltime* is released on most of the 16 international broadcasting stations operated by Far East Broadcasting Company—covering the Philippine Islands, Vietnam, India, China, Japan, Russia, and Southeast Asia.

Of course, *Revivaltime* touches only those who understand English, so the Radio Department is happy to have assisted in taping these "sermons in song" for the Chinese.



Andrew Chei records gospel songs in Chinese for use by the Far East Broadcasting Company.



"JOE THE DRUNKARD" HAS TRAVELED BOTH ROADS. . . .

## FROM HELL TO HEAVEN

By THOMAS B. RICHARDS

CALL THE POLICE, CALL THE POLICE!" the women screamed as they watched a drunkard enter their church service. They looked with great suspicion at his ragged clothing, long hair, hardened features, and drunken stagger. Some of them began to leave the service, but the men stood by to see what the drunkard would do. "Joe" was well known to them as a very wicked man when sober; and under the influence of alcohol he was even meaner.

Pastor Norbeck, with Bible in hand, left the platform and approached Joe. "Friend," he said, "we are glad you have come to this church, for we love you. But there is One who loves you even more than we do. Did you ever talk to Him? Did you ever try to pray?"

"Well, yes, one time I did," was the muttered admission of the inebriate.

"Where was that?"

Joe fingered his dirty collar as he replied, "It was

in the Battle of the Bulge, I was bleeding to death on the battlefield. Dead men were lying on the ground all about me."

"You needed Jesus then," said the minister, "but you need Him even more now. You might have died then if the Lord had not helped you. But if you do not ask Him to save your soul, you will go to hell—nothing worse could happen to a man."

A faint glimmer of hope appeared in the man's blood-shot eyes. "It's hard to believe," he gasped, "that Jesus would love me. How do you know He wants to save me?"

"Friend, Christ gave His blood on the cross for you. He died and rose again because He wanted to save you. He is coming again someday to take you to heaven if you will accept Him."

By this time most of the people present were kneeling asking God to guide their pastor as he dealt with this sinner. Under the sobering influence of the gospel, Joe too soon sank to his knees, asking pardon from the One who died to save him. Right there in the aisle of the church, a man's destiny was changed from hell to heaven. Jesus had come into his heart, and he was a new creature in Christ Jesus.

A few days later Joe tried to get his job back at the factory. "What nerve!" exploded the personnel manager when Joe talked to him about coming back to work. "We fired you because we cannot use drunkards in our plant!"

That gave Joe a chance to give his testimony for the first time. "I'd like to prove to you what Christ can do for a man," he explained. "Since you saw me last I have become a Christian. I am in earnest about serving the Lord, keeping a job, and providing for my family." The personnel manager's temper cooled sufficiently to listen to the story of Joe's salvation, and he finally agreed to give the man another chance.

Joe had roamed the streets as a tramp for months. He had lived a hard life indeed; respectable people who knew him shunned his company, and those who did not know him were afraid to make his acquaintance. His family life had ended abruptly when he had cruelly beaten his wife and left home.

Now, with a job as evidence that his life had changed, he ventured back to his home. When his wife saw him open the front door, she made an effort to hide from the monster.

Joe called, "Betty, where are you?" Betty noticed the new tone of his voice, and hoped he was sincere. At any rate, she knew he was sober. Trembling, she came.

"Oh, Joe, my dear," she said as if she could hardly believe her eyes, "you are all cleaned up!" There was a happy reunion and the angels rejoiced in heaven, too. Not only had Joe become a Christian. His home had become Christian too.

Joe, like thousands of others, can testify how wonderful it is to change from the path of hell to the path of heaven. With Christ in the heart, life is worth living. There is no drudgery in serving Him. He is able to take a drunkard and make him a respectable person, worthy of his wife and family. On the other hand, there is no one so good that he does not need Jesus to save him. Jesus longs to pardon every guilty sinner. Have you accepted Him yet as your Saviour? If not, I hope you will do it today.