

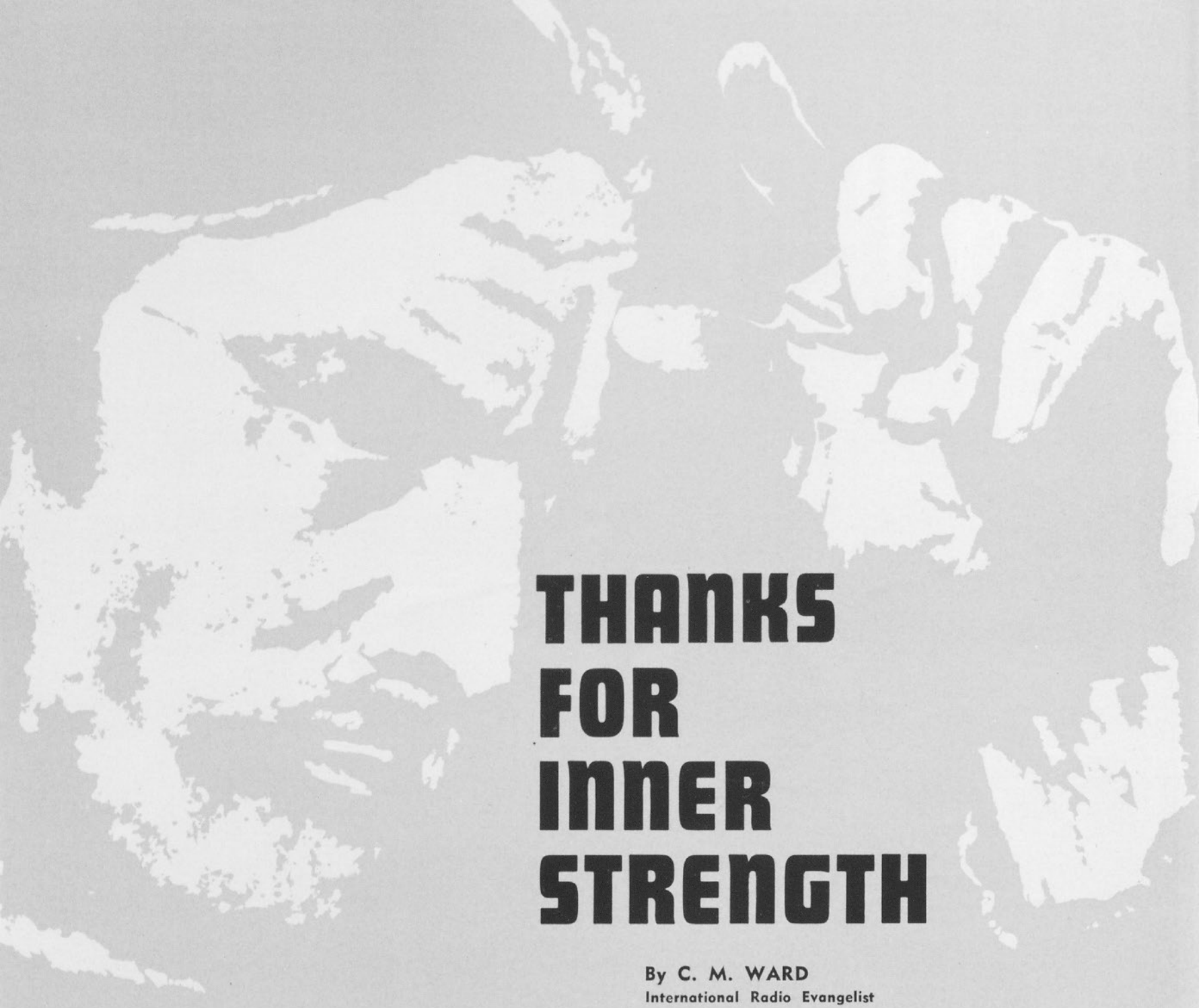
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# THANKS FOR INNER STRENGTH

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**T**HANKSGIVING IS THE HOLIDAY which suggests we count our blessings. Usually we think these blessings to be *certain outward favors*. Our bodies make such clamorous demands that we forget the spirit.

How has the inner man fared this year? Are we more thankful for the fruits of the earth than we are for the fruit of the Spirit? Upon what gifts do we place the emphasis? Do we thank God more often at the table than we do at the altar? I want to direct attention to a deeper form of thanksgiving.

#### THE BETTER GIFT

Had Paul confined his search to his body, he might not have found too many reasons for gratitude. Here is what he logged after busy months:

“But in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults in labors in watchings, in fastings; by pureness, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the

Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things” (2 Corinthians 6:4-10).

Here is another page from that same busy life: “In labors more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft. Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one. Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of rob-

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bers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren; in weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness. Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches" (2 Corinthians 11:23-28).

Then Paul asked: "Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not? If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities" (2 Corinthians 11:29, 30).

Finding disorder in his *body*, Paul moved into his own *soul*. There he found the grace of God. There he could give thanks.

Paul had a way of keeping things to himself. Fourteen years previously he had passed through an unusual experience. He said nothing about it. He did not feel he should divulge the details, and thus has kept Bible students curious ever since. Was it a physical deformity? Was it a case of weak eyes? Was it an impediment of speech? Was it a tendency toward epilepsy? Was he subject to nervous prostration? What was it?

All we know is that he was compelled to endure a grievous and bitter weakness. He prayed for deliverance "thrice" with earnestness. But Paul received a different answer from that of Elijah when he prayed repeatedly. Paul's problem did not disappear. It did not lose its sharpness. Were his prayers useless? No! Instead of changing Paul's "thorn," God changed Paul's spirit. What Paul wanted was not what God intended. The time came when Paul thanked God for the better gift—the *gift of grace*. God does not always remove our difficulties. He makes us equal to them.

#### MISPLACED EMPHASIS

We put the emphasis upon happiness, while God puts the emphasis upon character.

Undoubtedly the ideal of many men would be a world from which all evil and difficulty would be banished. But the ideal of God is a world in which men will be able to resist evil and overcome difficulty. We put stress upon things; God puts stress upon men. Paul's desire was to have the thorn subtracted. God's desire was to have the manhood added. We love to live in a *dream world* but God knows we have to live in a *practical world*.

The coal we need is buried beneath darkness, and we must burrow down to release it. The soil we need for food cannot be taken captive without a fight against weeds. The rivers we need for transportation and power must be harnessed and dammed. We might ask why coal is not more accessible? Why is the soil not more tractable? Why are rivers not more gentle? Why should the Creator attack us with difficulties:

It is just common sense to pray, "Remove these hindrances. They impede our work. Give us an easier course, and we will be grateful. The way is too hard."

God's answer has been, "I want men with industry, resources, inventive power. I want men who will get things done, who will grow with the job."

Have you ever compared mankind with climate? Where the climate is severe without being fierce and overpowering, there are found the most capable men. *The stronger men do not come from the softer climates.*

Many a youngster in the midst of schoolwork feels

like praying: "Dear God, it is such a long, hard way to go. Deliver me from these trying efforts. Work within me a mental miracle. Remove this thorn of homework. By a quick revelation equip me for life's work and pour an unmeasured amount of Thy infinite truth into my head."

The youngster could pray "thrice" for that! Our dawdling desire may call for a made-to-order brain crammed with knowledge, all labeled and ready to use. But God's method calls for a man with mental purposes, with plodding mind, with solid thoughts whose getting has required manhood. If God has furnished us *the grace* and *the spirit*, we have abundant reason for gratitude.

#### GOD'S METHOD

God will not change His method when it comes to our spiritual man.

Some of us might like a heart without doubts—an automatic morality, a machine-like holiness. God desires from us a voluntary, passionate striving. *That's the stuff of heroes!* The greater the obstacle, the greater the victory. Thus our greatest cause for thankfulness must always be, "My grace is sufficient for thee."

After the first harvest was gathered by the New England colonists in 1621, Governor Bradford called for a day of thanksgiving. His communication fell upon men and women and their families who had known hardship. Their loved ones had been stricken with disease. Their number had been decreased by death. They had fought rocky and unfriendly soil. Their safety had been threatened by Indians. It had been a year of constant struggle. Yet they set a precedent for us. Although God had not made them miraculous gardens, He had given them patient and skillful hands. Though He had not stilled the tempests, He had given them strength to build their homes. God had worked from within.

Had someone told you a year ago of the things you would face this year, you would not have believed you could have endured them. God has vast reserves of strength. We can expend and expand.

We have vast reserves of endurance. They are built in. All of us are amazed at times at what the body can stand. We like to testify later that we are thankful we have had to go through obstacles. We never know what we can stand until the necessity is upon us. Then God produces the miracle that makes us equal to the occasion.

This is the teaching of God's Word:

"Yea, he shall be holden up: for God is able to make him stand" (Romans 14:4).

"Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ" (Philippians 1:6).

"For the Lord loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off" (Psalm 37:28).

"Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand" (Ephesians 6:13).

It is a *great thing* if we can escape the dark den; if the lions are struck dead in answer to our cry. But it is a *greater thing* to go in among the roaring beasts and come forth unharmed—to walk amid the flames with the "form of the fourth" (Daniel 3:25) beside us—and to come forth without the smell of smoke upon our garments.

## A Religious Heritage

HARVEST FESTIVALS AND THANKSGIVING ceremonies are observed in many lands, but nowhere is there a Thanksgiving Day just like our American holiday. Probably the people who come nearest the spirit and purpose of this day are the Jews with their annual Feast of Tabernacles.

It was the editor's privilege to be in Israel last month when the Jews were observing this celebration. In many places we saw booths or shelters that had been erected near private houses and we were told these are used especially for meals and for temporary residence during the seven days of Sukkoth. These booths are just large enough for a table and several chairs. The walls are very flimsy, made of cloth or similar material, and the roofs are made of branches and leaves. It is a religious custom based on Leviticus 23:42, 43 where the Lord said: "Ye shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths: that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths when I brought them out of the land of Egypt." It is a holiday of remembrance to remind the Jews of the days when their forefathers suffered privations without permanent dwellings.

Thanksgiving in America is fundamentally a holiday of remembrance that takes us back to 1621 and the Pilgrims of Plymouth. Out of 101 settlers in the colony, 46 had died from cold, hunger, and the plague. Those who remained were half-frozen, fearful, threatened with starvation and surrounded by wild animals and hostile Indians. The prospect for the next year was anything but bright; yet those brave Pilgrims, believing they were doing God's will and knowing He was still with them, prepared a feast of thanksgiving. There were 145 Americans at the feast—55 Pilgrims and 90 Indians from a friendly neighboring tribe. In the presence of the savages the Pilgrims lifted their hearts in prayer, giving thanks to the Lord and giving testimony to the Indians of their faith in Him.

May this Thanksgiving holiday remind us of the simple, courageous faith of the Pilgrim Fathers and may it be a time when we shall give testimony to our personal faith. Our country needs a rekindling of the deep, impelling faith they had. They were people with convictions. Today they would be considered very narrow, but who does not admire their self-discipline and devotion to that which they considered their God-given duty?

In spite of all the Madalyn Murrays and "God Is Dead" theologians, this is still a religious nation blessed with an underlying faith in God which is deep and strong. Would that all who possess this faith would be more vocal and testify to it! As the U. S. Supreme Court declared, "The official documents of American history... affirm and reaffirm that this is a religious nation."

Tablets mark the pews occupied by George Washington in churches in Virginia and New York. "In God We Trust" is engraved on our coins. Our national Congress and our state legislatures open their sessions with prayer. This religious heritage is something very precious. As Theodore Roosevelt pointed out, "A churchless community, a community where men have abandoned and scoffed at or ignored their religious needs, is a community on the rapid downgrade." Let us treasure our heritage, protect it, proclaim it, and preserve it for our children. It has cost too much to be treated lightly.

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AS I LIFTED MY HEAD I SAW, NOT MORE THAN FIVE INCHES FROM MY FOREHEAD, THE MUZZLE OF AN ENEMY RIFLE.

AS I MOVED SLOWLY under the barbed wire, I thought of the reported 30,000 Communist guerrilla fighters in our area. Inch by inch I made my way, hoping that the dull metallic sounds of my rifle against the stones would not be heard by enemy ears. I tried not to breathe too loudly, lest the hollow Korean night carry the sounds to alert enemy soldiers.

Just a little farther and the wire would end. A few feet more and my body would be clear of the wire, and I could roll into the ditch I knew was at the edge of the last strands of fencing.

Suddenly I heard running feet, then the half whisper of an Oriental voice! At that moment two feet appeared just inches in front of me. As I lifted my head I saw, not more than five inches from my forehead, the muzzle of an enemy rifle. Although my own weapon lay beside me, I knew it was useless to try to bring it to a firing position. Instant death would be certain!

The Marine Corps had been good to me. I became a Leatherneck at 17 shortly after the close of World War II. Special naval cruises and amphibious operations had taken me to five continents, nine countries, and many islands of the seas.

With the Communist invasion of South Korea in 1950 came the end of the soft, sightseeing, peacetime corps.

During the early months of the war *Life* magazine had carried a feature article on the marines in Korea. A photograph covering an entire page showed a marine weeping for his buddy who had fallen in combat. I looked closer at the tear-drenched face of the young non-commissioned officer and saw it was a friend with whom I had done duty at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. I read the few lines of print under the picture and discovered that he too had been killed a few days after the picture was taken.

As I sat in the barracks at Quantico, Virginia, reading the account of the epic fighting withdrawal of the First Marine Division from the Chosin Reservoir, I felt the urge to volunteer for duty in Korea.

A few weeks after submitting my request for transfer to Korea, I was homeward bound on a 10-day leave.

The furlough days passed quickly. A cold January rain was falling as I left home.

As our bus sped through the cold, wet night, I looked out the window. There across the snow-sprinkled cornfield I could see the lights of the old railroad section house that had been home for so many years.

*Will I ever see that old house again?* I wondered.

A feeling of sadness enveloped me as I watched the twinkling lights of home disappear.

"You can expect no mercy or consideration of any kind from guerrillas, so don't surrender to them under any circumstances!" commanded the company gunnery sergeant in Korea.

"He has no time to be concerned with the rules of war," he warned. "Don't expect these people to give any quarter; you needn't ask for any!"

His remarks flashed to my mind now as I stared into the eyes of the one prepared to send a bullet smashing through my skull.

I am the fifth son of a large family. My four older

# GOD TOUCHED a TRIGGER FINGER

By JAMES L. SNYDER

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brothers had all served in combat in World War II. Often at supper table there would be a stack of mail. Mother would quietly read the letters. Then dad would lead us in prayer, thanking God for the food but always praying especially for his boys who had "gone to war."

I remembered that mother had stressed that she and dad would be praying for me. But how could a praying mother and father have any effect upon the mind and heart of this enemy soldier who coldly now began to tighten his hold upon the trigger of his rifle?

I braced myself for the blast from the muzzle of his weapon that gaped just inches from my face.

As my body tightened, I heard the rattle of a piece of waxed paper in my pocket.

I had a habit of carrying a candy bar or two and other small PX items that could be used in the field away from base camp. Slowly I moved my hand to my pocket and withdrew the colorfully wrapped package.

I lifted the package slowly toward the young guerrilla fighter as he crouched in front of me.

Unable to speak any Korea, I thought of *sayanara*, the Japanese word for "good-bye." It seems that everybody in the Far East knows some Japanese.

"*Sayanara!*" My voice quivered as I spoke. My adversary never moved; his rifle remained at ready.

"*Sayanara!*" I said the second time, raising my voice to be sure he heard. My remark was met with stony silence.

My body was now shaking with fear. With a trembling hand, I thrust the package up at him and pleadingly said, "*Sayanara!*"

Then it happened. Slowly his left hand loosened from the upper-hand grip of his rifle. He reached out and took the package from my trembling hand.

Softly he spoke, "*Sayanara! Sayanara! Sayanara!*" and backed away into the darkness.

My body went limp. I closed my eyes and sobbed a prayer of Thanksgiving. I knew God had saved my life.

He closed the mouths of lions for Daniel in ancient Babylon. That night in Korea, because Christians prayed, He loosened a trigger finger for me.



# God's Harvest Home



By JOHN WRIGHT FOLLETTE

**T**HE AUTUMN DAYS are upon us. Already we are conscious of a change of season and an atmosphere quite different from the mild and sunny summertime. There is a crispness in the air and a freshness really refreshing after the long summer.

To many, this season produces a sadness of heart and heaviness of spirit. One of our poets sighs his reaction in verse, "The melancholy days have come, the saddest of the year."

But after all, the mood is only a personal reaction to the season with its particular tone and atmosphere. All the phenomena of nature are only the external stimulus—the *feeling* is local, and peculiarly personal. The individual carries the joy or sadness within his own heart. We need only the display of nature in autumnal splendor and mood to arouse us and quicken into life the feelings within. That is why each of us reacts differently to autumn's season. It is not that any season in *itself* is sad, gay, or depressing. We carry our autumn mood within.

To many the season is inspiring, uplifting, and full of joy and *thankfulness*. It is now that we find the results of our labor. The time of reward and fruition is at hand. Now is the consummation of the springtime hope as it has passed through the summer of labor and time of patient growth. Spring gave us the buds of hope and promise; summer brought them to flower and a growth toward maturity.

And now autumn comes to crown the whole process with the fruit of all the labor and the harvest of the toil and endurance, patience, and growth.

Nature passes from one phase of manifestation to another. The green of summer gives place to the brilliant display of color. But after all, the bright leaves are the same leaves passing gracefully through the cycle of life. Finally the gusts of wind sweep the fields and orchards, and soon the summer coverings are gone. As I have said in one of my poems, "Through the misty, threadbare air, harvest showing everywhere."

Autumn is joyous; she hangs out her gayest color-

## THE TWILIGHT HOUR

*Unseen the little birds in branches dark  
Have found a resting place so cool and still;  
While from the dusky thicket in the glen  
There comes the lonesome call of whippoorwill.  
The heart is strangely moved by loneliness  
And sickens at the thought of finite things.  
It hungers for the infinite and life  
Which faith in immortality now brings.*

*The little world wherein I spent the day,  
Will-o'-the-wisp is proving now to be.  
What seemed so firm and strong 'neath noontide sun  
E'en while I look now melts and fades away.  
I do not find my heart grieved by the loss,  
To have it back my heart no cry would give.  
A secret joy is found in losing all—  
For this is not the world in which I live.*

—JOHN WRIGHT FOLLETTE

ings, clears up the sky, and gives us the harvest moon. She loves to display everywhere the victory and glory thus achieved. Her mellow voice is raised in anthems of praise and thanksgiving. It is the season of joy, praise, and gladness—the harvest is here! The spring plowing and planting, the summer growth and beauty were not ends in themselves. Everything in the scheme of nature moved gracefully along toward the desired objective, consummation, fruition, and harvest.

### SPIRITUAL TYPES

That we might more perfectly understand the things of the Spirit and His life and movements, God has given us types or pictures of things in nature and the life with which we are familiar. Knowing these natural pictures and symbols, we find an analogy or likeness to be spiritually discerned.

The present age is to close with God gathering unto Himself His harvest. He speaks of the individual as a field planted. So whether we view from the standpoint of the individual or group, the Church, He expects a harvest.

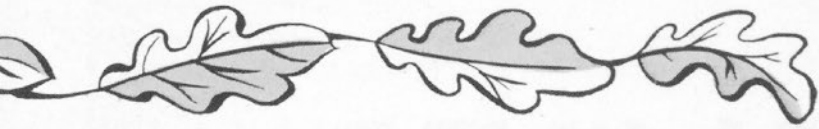
Let me bring to you one text from Deuteronomy 11: 13, 14: "And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto my commandments which I command you this day, to love the Lord your God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul, that I will give you the rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil."

Here God was telling Israel about the natural harvest and His promise concerning the rain and its purpose. This is only a natural picture but it has a deeper application in spiritual reality.

Look at James 5:7 in connection with this: "Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain."

Here again He is speaking of a harvest. He shows us the spiritual meaning and significance of the text in Deuteronomy. God is the Husbandman. Patience is the grace He has manifested for over 2,000 years (not waiting for the world to be converted, or civilization to set up the Millennium, but He does say He waits for a harvest).

During the time of waiting, the fruit has a visitation of God—the manifestation of the Spirit typified by rain. It has early rain to prepare the soil and give the seed



its identification in the earth and its early growth. Afterward the latter rain falls and, true to type, it comes to mature the harvest and get it ready for ingathering—the “latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil.”

Please note in verse 14 the words, “*in due season.*” The latter rain is never separated from the harvest season. The latter rain is still another sign of the period in which we are living.

### CORN, WINE, AND OIL

Let me quickly mention some truths suggested by the things gathered in. He gathers in corn, wine, and oil. In other words, when God gathers His harvest (His precious ones, saints who have been patiently coming into the fuller realization of purpose for life and being), there should be certain characteristic marks upon them. He will have corn Christians, wine Christians, and oil Christians; that is, the character marks stamped upon their immortal spirits or the tracings and etchings of the Holy Spirit upon their hearts will suggest these features.

You may ask, *What do you mean by a corn Christian?* I think he is one who not only has been planted and has taken root (saved, filled, and gifted—all initial and necessary experiences), but who has subjected himself to the process of growth. He has surrendered his will and heart to all God found necessary to bring him to maturity. He has submitted to the withering and drying up of the green shoots, the clashing swords of leaves, and so on. Patiently he has stood the criticism and misunderstanding of saints and sinners while God could grow in him the corn He so desired. God does not want now the tall stalks, though beautiful and impressive, nor clashing leaves. He pushes them aside and seeks for the ripened corn. Are you a corn Christian?

*What may a wine Christian be?* Let us remember wine comes from grapes. Yes, indeed, but no one holds up a luscious bunch of purple grapes with the delicate

film dusted over them and says, “See the sparkling wine.” The grapes must be crushed. The charm and beauty are surrendered to a death.

But remember the *other* side of any grave is a resurrection. Hallelujah! The grapes are not crushed merely to destroy them. No, the crushing is unto the sparkling, rich wine.

How refreshing the wine of some dear souls must be to God! This calls forth a love that is truly measured by the law of sacrifice. All beauty and identity as grapes must be sacrificed and crushed by Him into wine. Are you a wine Christian? Have you anything of the nature of grapes you may let Him toss into the winepress?

*What are oil Christians?* Here He refers to the olive oil so valuable and necessary to the Oriental. What does He say about oil, and where do we get it? In Deuteronomy 32:13, He says of Jacob, “He made him to suck oil out of the flinty rock.” How very suggestive! The picture is that of a barren rocky hillside. The rocks are there in hard, stiff resistance to any growth. But here, in what seems an impossible situation, the patient and enduring olive tree put down her roots of faith. Under pressure of storm and stress, and despite stern resistance of the rock, she persevered and overcame. Her roots went deep; they made the very rocks (the impossible situation) to *serve* her. She spread her roots all around them and grew and grew. She furnished the husbandman with olives—which in turn gave oil.

Are you on a flinty hillside? Does your life and situation seem hopeless, barren, and forsaken? Strike down your roots of faith, dear one; push them through. Make the rocks *serve* you. For out of the rocks He will cause you to suck oil. Hallelujah!

So God will have a *harvest home!* He will someday harvest us and we shall be truly gleaned. Oh, that we might rejoice the heart of our Husbandman! Has He not waited patiently? But latter rain is falling—and that indicates the time of harvest is near. Let us fully yield to Him in loving surrender *all* that life may hold for us. Let the blessed Holy Spirit work and deal and accomplish the objective He seeks in our lives. Let there be a glorious consummation, a rich harvest to rejoice the heart of our Lord.

## BROTHER FOLLETTE WITH CHRIST

JOHN WRIGHT FOLLETTE, 82, a minister and Bible teacher for more than half a century, went to be with Christ October 3. As it is written in Job 5:26, he came to his grave “in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in his season.”

Brother Follette was born of Huguenot ancestry October 30, 1883. He had a Methodist background, and took his college and theological studies at Taylor University and Drew Theological Seminary.

In 1911, after receiving the Holy Spirit baptism, he was ordained by the Council of Pentecostal Ministers at Elim Tabernacle, Rochester, N. Y.

He taught for many years at the Rochester Bible Training School and at Southern California Bible College. In 1935 he affiliated with the Assemblies of God. Workers educated in his classes now minister for Christ in various parts of the world. Men and women now prominent in the Pentecostal movement were among his students.

His pulpit ministry and writings were highly esteemed. He wrote a number of books and was a gifted poet. Many of his articles appeared in *The Pentecostal Evangel* and other magazines. He was a man of unusual sensitivity, spirituality,

and intellect and he left a deep influence upon his audiences at home and abroad. He had an extensive ministry as camp and conference speaker throughout the Assemblies of God.

Brother Follette's death was caused by several strokes of paralysis which followed ministry in California early in the past summer. To the end he talked about his love for Christ and the Church which was the theme of his life. In his paralyzed condition he wept as he told about his burden of intercession for God's work that was so intense he asked God to release him from it.

Enroute to the nursing home in New Paltz where he died, he stopped at the mortuary and gave his burial clothes to the

undertaker, selected his casket, and gave instructions for his burial. He desired only a committal service at the grave without sermon or eulogy. He requested the reading of the third chapter of Philippians and the singing of the hymn, “Majestic Sweetness Sits Enthroned.”

The burial service was held in New Paltz under a beautiful sky at the foot of the mountains he loved so much. Paul Berg sang, and a poem was read that Brother Follette had written for the occasion.

As the final prayer was offered, white doves flew overhead. We shall meet him in the resurrection.

Brother Follette never married. A few relatives remain.

# THE UNiVERSAL WoRD

By RALPH W. HARRIS

**W**E WERE SINGING, "Praise ye the Lord, Hallelujah!" It was late at night, and our tourist party was easing the strain of a bus ride from Naples to Rome by rehearsing some familiar choruses. Rudy, our Italian bus driver, did not know a word of English, but he soon learned where the "hallelujah" fitted in. Each time he sang it with as much gusto as any of us.

It is a happy circumstance that the word *hallelujah*, the very essence of praise, is found almost unchanged in nearly every language. Appearing hundreds of times throughout the Bible, it is one of the most-used words in the Scriptures. Its literal meaning is "praise ye the Lord."

By emphasizing in turn the important words of this phrase, we can learn some important principles of praise.

## **PRAISE Ye the Lord**

It is fitting for redeemed people to obey the often-repeated admonition of Psalm 107, "Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!" So often men use their tongues for other purposes. Unbelievers curse, blaspheme, and lie. Even Christians sometimes use their tongues for wrong purposes—to grumble, complain, criticize, or gossip. Instead of this, let us *praise* the Lord.

Praise is valuable; it brings victory. When the singers whom King Jehoshaphat appointed began to sing and to praise, then the Lord fought for His people and gave

them a great victory over their enemies (2 Chronicles 20).

Praise brings answers to prayer today. When the sinner seeking salvation begins to praise God by faith for saving him, the realization soon bursts upon him that he is really saved.

Praise is the key to receiving the baptism in the Holy Spirit. It helps the seeker draw near to Jesus, the great Baptizer, and the initial physical evidence of the Baptism comes as the Holy Spirit helps the seeker magnify the Son of God.

Praise brings physical healing. Faith is important here, and true faith contains the element of praise—thanking the Lord as though one had already received.

Praise brings the sense of the presence of God. According to Psalm 22:3, the Lord "inhabith the praises of Israel."

Praise drives away clouds of depression. Smith Wigglesworth, that Pentecostal stalwart, used to say, "If you wake up feeling it's a blue Monday, lie in bed a few moments praising the Lord."

We have many reasons for praising the Lord. One person said, "I complained because I had no shoes, until I met a man who had no feet." Another said, "I grumbled because I had to get up in the morning to go to work, until one morning I couldn't get up."

Praise the Lord for natural blessings. How fortunate we are! Even more, praise Him for your many spiritual

## **PRAYER CONFERENCE IN SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, DECEMBER 5, 6**

THIS IS THE HOME OF BETHEL CHURCH, 1670 Moorpark Avenue, San Jose, California, where an Area Prayer Conference will be held December 5, 6. Leland R. Keys is pastor.

Bethel Church is known as "The Church of the Fountains of Living Waters," from the fact that the fountains located at the foot of the towering cross are flowing constantly and are illuminated at night. Olive trees grow at each side of the church steps.

All ministers and laymen who can attend this prayer conference are urged to come and wait on God for an outpouring of His Holy Spirit. The first service will begin at 7:30 p.m. Monday, December 5, and there will be services all day Tuesday (at 9 a.m., 2, and 7:30 p.m.) The executive presbytery will be represented by T. F. Zimmerman, C. W. H. Scott, and T. E. Gannon.





blessings: salvation; the baptism in the Spirit; the many times of refreshing; the sense of the presence of God. That list is just a start. *Praise ye the Lord.*

#### **Praise YE the Lord**

Even though some people do not praise the Lord, *we* should. Some have never been quickened spiritually and think they have nothing for which to praise Him.

Others, Christian in name only, will not praise the Lord. They may once have had an experience, but now they are like the children of Israel who tried to keep the manna longer than one day. Don't try to live on yesterday's experience. You don't have to live on the memory of what happened 10 years ago. Better than "the good old days" are the good "now" days.

What a wonderful choir we join when we praise the Lord! After the children of Israel had crossed through the Red Sea, Moses led them in a song of praise, and Miriam with her timbrel led the women in an answering chorus. Later David brought the ark of God to Jerusalem with shouts of praise. The shepherds near Bethlehem heard the praises of the angelic host. When we praise the Lord, we are in very good company! And besides, we are rehearsing for heaven.

Praising the Lord helps us enter the movings of His Spirit. Sometimes when God grants to a congregation a special sense of His presence, and wave after wave of glory sweeps over the congregation, some people sit unmoved. If they would begin to praise, they too would receive a great blessing.

#### **Praise Ye THE LORD**

God is the only proper object of our praise. He said, "I will not give my glory unto another" (Isaiah 48:11).

Certainly we should not praise ourselves. If God blesses our service for Him—our message, testimony, solo—does the glory belong to us? Rather, does it not belong to the One who granted us the ability?

We should not direct our praise to others. Because of their position or ministry, some men deserve our respect, honor, and love. But the glory and praise do not belong to them. The great of the world receive adulation and the cheers of the multitudes, but the greatest tributes and the greatest praise belong to God.

Praise ye the Lord, for this will prepare you for the next world. Heaven will be full of praise. Don't you want to get ready now for that time?

Praise ye the Lord. In heaven "ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands" (Revelation 5:11) will unite in proclaiming His praise.

Those bothered in this life by what they call "excessive noise" in praising the Lord will have a difficult time getting adjusted to heaven. Over there the noise will be "as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings" (Revelation 19:6).

The last five Psalms begin and end with the words, *Praise ye the Lord—Hallelujah*. It would be good if our talking began and ended the same way. And the last Psalm, the 150th, ends with the words, "Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord." A fitting climax to the Book.

Hallelujah-living, the praising principle, will make all our lives a benediction and every experience a hymn of joy.

# I WAS THERE

ONE OF A SERIES OF EYE-WITNESS ACCOUNTS OF EARLY PENTECOSTAL REVIVAL DAYS, WRITTEN BY VARIOUS PIONEER PASTORS, EVANGELISTS, AND MISSIONARIES

## We Thought it Was an Earthquake

By MARIE E. BROWN

ON OCTOBER 18, 1906, I received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4. In January 1907 I came to New York City. Four months later Glad Tidings Mission (now Glad Tidings Tabernacle) was opened and became a place where hungry hearts could be filled with the Holy Spirit.

There were many wonderful experiences in those early days as we waited upon God and followed His leading. The crowds were not always large, but they were hungry for God; and He met with us.

One of the outstanding manifestations of God's presence was experienced in Glad Tidings Mission hall on West 42nd Street.

There were about 20 in the meeting that night. While 12 of them were at the altar in prayer, a mighty wind suddenly shook the place. Windows rattled; doors trembled. We thought an earthquake had taken place. Then, as suddenly, the power of God filled six who had been seeking, and they began speaking in other tongues. The other six began singing, all in different tongues.

The power of God swept mightily through that mission hall. Some of those seated were afraid and went out. The others stayed in their seats and shook as the power of God fell on them. Then all 12 at the altar sang together first in different tongues, and then in English, all the same words, exalting Jesus Christ in worship.

A brother sitting in the audience, moved deeply by this manifestation of the power of God, asked if they could sing this song again. I told him this was the Spirit's song of worship, and only He could repeat it.

What a privilege it was then, and what a privilege it still is today, to know and experience the power of the living God as He manifests Himself to those who wait for Him.

Marie E. Brown, now 86 years of age, continues to serve as pastor of Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 325 W. 33rd Street, New York City. Her nephew, R. Stanley Berg, is copastor.

**J**ED WILLIAMS? I know him. Can't say where he is now—like as not, in the poor house.

Here, sit in the swing. It's about to fall. I just hope it lasts a few more years till I don't need it.

Yes, this old swing has been hanging here on the porch ever since I was—well, ever since Jed Williams first came here. I was attaching the chain when he and his missus stopped their horse at the gate and asked for water.

Let me see—that was 50-odd years ago, I reckon. We were all young folks then. A lot of things have happened since—a mighty lot.

Jed was big and strong. And it's a good thing. Folks around here didn't take a liking to him and Mrs. Williams right off. You know how it is—when he said what he came for—to build a church—everybody just naturally figured he was going to make a nuisance of his religion, trying to change us all—and we didn't intend to be changed.

He didn't do that though. He just eased into the community and bought that ground where the church is. It looked like a jungle then, and I wondered how he'd make out. Being a preacher and all, I figured he'd have to send for help. But he didn't. I watched him saw trees and pull them to the sawmill with his team. Many was the night I sat right here on the porch and heard him over there hammering. Course he didn't build a mansion—anywhere near it. You can see for yourself that he didn't know much about building. But he did the best he could, I guess, and it was a place out of the weather.

I vowed I'd never set foot inside his church, and all the other boys around here did, too. Boys—we're in our 80's and still call ourselves boys. Anyway, we gave poor Jed a hard time. I never knew how he stayed with it such a long time. Why, I guess it took him 10 years to get more than a handful of folks in his church.

No, he never seemed too discouraged. For himself, I

But I told him many a time—right here in this swing—“Jed, why don't you get yourself a job? You've done a mighty good work here, and we admire you for it. But you're just giving yourself to these folks, and they aren't going to be able to give back when you need it. Get a job and make some money for your old age.”

Well, he'd just smile patiently and say that the good Lord would take care of him when that day came. I hope He did—I sure hope He did.

Jed's been gone from here for nigh onto 10 years now. Last I heard his wife was just about gone. She just wore herself out here and wasn't well for years before they left. That's the only reason they left when they did, I guess. She just had to have doctoring.

The old church hasn't been used since Jed moved away. For one thing, I don't think any young preacher wanted to take on this community. Another thing, the folks all go into town to a fancy building. A lot of Jed's work is right in that building, but I don't guess the preacher there realizes it. You mark my word—if Jed hadn't worked out here, that church wouldn't be there in town now. You can take almost any member and trace back to somewhere Jed had something to do with that person's decision. Maybe somebody converted here had a good influence on somebody that member knew—almost all of that congregation goes right back to Jed in one way or another.

You have to go so soon? Well, I hope you find Jed Williams, and find him well. Like I said, though, you'll probably find him in the poor house. . . .

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After a minister has served for 20 to 50 years, sacrificing personal gain to see an Assemblies of God church established in a town, should the closing of the doors of his pastorate shut him off from further remuneration for his years of sacrificial service?

Maybe you have never considered the problem of the



## Are They the GOOD OLD DAYS?

mean. I've seen him cry many a time over somebody else—but never *for* himself. I guess he never had much time to think about it.

Jed and his wife were mighty good people—always right there when there was trouble. I guess they had had a taste of just about every kind of trouble, and they always wanted to know if you could use them. Why, Jed and his wife were here at my house no matter whether it was one of the kids sick or the horse. They just never seemed to get out of patience with us. If it'd been me, I'd have gone to town and got a job—been a lot less work and would have paid money. I told Jed so, too.

Year after year I told Jed. I watched him get old and I knew he was going to be in trouble someday. Long as he was young and had strength he could make out.

aged minister. But in dealing with the cases presented to the Department of Benevolences, we have come to see that there are very real and ever-present problems which must be faced by every minister of the Assemblies of God and by the entire membership.

Some stronghearted individuals have declined to apply for Aged Ministers Assistance, preferring instead to depend wholly on small incomes from other sources and thus release funds for more needy cases. However, apart from the actual poverty of an aged minister, is there no reason for his friends and former associates to minister to his material needs? State welfare departments cannot provide the love and affection that accompanies the small allowance from the Department of Benevolences. An impersonal government check cannot possibly bring the encouragement a check from Chris-

tian friends brings. An Assemblies of God Benevolence check says, "You belong to us, and we have not forgotten you and your years of ministry."

Thanksgiving Sunday is the second of the two annual appeals for contributions to Aged Ministers Assistance. *The time is important since this precedes renewal applications for the following year.* The success of today's

## WHEN CHRIST GAVE THANKS

THE DAY FOR GIVING GOD THANKS is not one day in the year but every day. We should give thanks not only for temporal but primarily for spiritual gifts.

It is not sinful to hold a feast and sing for joy. Our abundance is all from God's bounty, and our breadbasket is filled by His sunshine and showers on the fruitful earth; even the earth is the Lord's. But pumpkin pie and turkey with stuffing, second helpings and merry-making, loud laughter with intemperance or gluttony do not constitute a Christian festival.

Joseph Addison's great hymn of thanksgiving beginning, "When all Thy mercies, O my God," continues:

*Ten thousand thousand precious gifts  
My daily thanks employ,  
Nor is the least a cheerful heart  
That tastes these gifts with joy."*

The heart has a deeper appetite than the body and a far more delicate sense of taste. When we study the Epistles of Paul or the Psalms of David, we find how great is the number and how various the reasons for their giving thanks. The words *thank* and *thanksgiving* occur 40 times in the Psalms.

Paul uses those words even more frequently in his Epistles. He thanks God for food and raiment (Acts 27:35), for deliverance and friendship (Acts 28:15), for every remembrance of his Christian friends (Philippians 1:3); in everything (1 Thessalonians 5:18), always (2 Thessalonians 2:13), and without ceasing (Ephesians 1:16). Above all he gives thanks to God for His unspeakable gift, the Son of His love (2 Corinthians 9:15). He said "Amen" when he heard others give thanks (1 Corinthians 14:16). He thanked God for every spiritual gift and every victory, including triumph over death (1 Corinthians 15:57).


*Highest of all, however, is the record of the four occasions on which we read that our blessed Saviour gave public thanks.*

First, when He took the loaves and fishes (Matthew 15:36). He gave thanks for creative power and its manifestation through Him. The prayer came before the miracle.

Again we read that our Lord broke into a flood of thanksgiving when He thought of the ageless and age-long mystery of God's love in redemption (Matthew 11:25; Luke 10:21).

The third occasion was at the grave of Lazarus (John 11:41) when they took away the stone: "Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. . . . And when he had thus spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth."

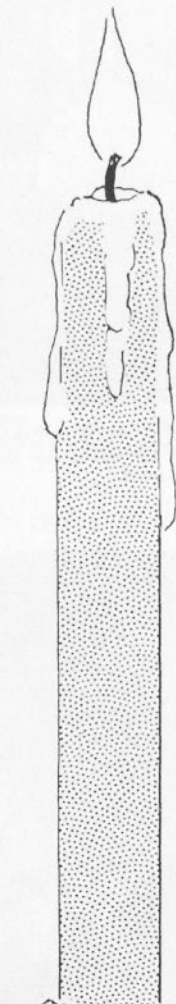
appeal could well enable the fund to include additional ministers and missionaries.

Please help. Make the old days good days. On Thanksgiving Sunday, express your own thankfulness by sending an offering designated, "Aged Ministers Assistance," to: Department of Benevolences, 1445 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, Missouri 65802. 

It was thanksgiving for victory over death, a thanksgiving for the resurrection in which all believers will have a part. Did you ever taste the sweet comfort of *that* chapter and *that* prayer when you went to visit the graves of loved ones?

The last occasion was at the supper when Jesus took the cup and gave thanks (Matthew 26:27). What a thanksgiving gathering that was with the 12! "The cup of blessing"—so Paul named it. But it was a cup of agony and suffering and death for Jesus. "The Blood shed for you and for many." How many? Only the disciple who leaned on Jesus' bosom and saw heaven opened on lonely Patmos can answer: "A great multitude, which no man could number, . . . saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honor, and power and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen." *This is the Thanksgiving Day of eternity.*

—SAMUEL M. ZWEMER



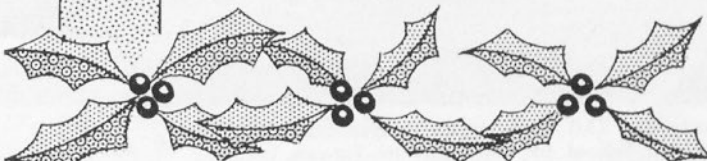
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## DEAF MINISTRY ADVANCES IN ARIZONA

By L. M. HEATH

Arizona District Director of Deaf Ministries



Arizona ministers to the deaf discuss the needs of the deaf in that state. Left to right are Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Heath, Margaret Bullock, Madge Peeples, and James Carroll.



There are 250 deaf young people attending the Arizona School for the Deaf in Tucson.


THROUGH CONTACT with the Home Missions Department we heard of the need for a minister to the deaf at a church in Arizona. So in the fall of 1965 we moved from Michigan to Arizona and there worked with the deaf at First Assembly in Phoenix.

From our home in Phoenix we reached out to explore the need for deaf work in surrounding areas. Learning there were 250 deaf young people at the Arizona School for the Deaf in Tucson, we asked Pastor Jack Brock of Tucson's Central Assembly if we might have services for the deaf in his church. Permission was given and soon a strong work was underway.

The Tucson ministry grew rapidly as students of the school were drawn by our concern for their souls. In 1966 James Carroll came to the city to become full-time minister to the deaf.

During the early part of 1966 Pastor Olin W. Killingsworth of First Assembly in Yuma discussed with me the need for a deaf ministry there. I visited the city for a special Sunday evening deaf service and found an enthusiastic desire for regular deaf services.

A short time later Margaret Bullock, graduate of the Northern Arizona University School of Nursing and a former student of Central Bible College in Springfield, Mo., also visited First Assembly to hold deaf services. Pastor Killingsworth, his congregation, and the deaf of the Yuma area urged her to start a deaf work in their city. Miss Bullock accepted this challenge and moved to Yuma.

The ministry to the deaf in Arizona began in 1954 as a result of the burden on the hearts of Joe and Madge Peoples. Today a similar burden leads this work on. With God's help we shall go forth from Phoenix, from Tucson, and from Yuma, and we shall make new advances in the Arizona deaf ministry. 

MARY ANN FRUSTINO of the Bronx, N. Y., recently moved to New Britain, Conn., to help a pioneer Assemblies of God church in that town. She assists with music, education, child evangelism, and youth guidance programs as a "vocational volunteer."

Workers serving under this Assemblies of God program offer specialized training and talents to pioneer churches or small, struggling churches without pay.

A graduate of Northeast Bible Institute in Green Lane, Pa., Miss Frustino is now assisting First Assembly in New Britain under the direction of the pastor, Wilbur Schuessler.

While at NBI she gained much experience through participating in weekend ministry at nearby churches. She also was elected curator of the NBI Missionary Society by her fellow-students. Before moving to New Britain, Miss Frustino worked with another NBI coed in conducting vacation Bible schools in Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

Formerly employed at the Bankers Trust Company in New York City, Miss Frustino now is a teller at Burritt Mutual Savings Bank in New Britain.

This young lady's willingness to volunteer her services to the church without pay and support herself was deemed worthy of a news story by the *New Britain Herald*.

Miss Frustino is one of a number of young people who have participated in the vocational volunteer program. But this program is not limited to the young. Many adults are also responding to the urgent needs in our pioneer and Special Ministry churches.

Special Ministry fields in which volunteers have helped are Jewish, American Indian, Alaska, Deaf, and Blind. Quite a few American Indian and Alaska churches have benefited greatly from their unselfish and dedicated help.

For instance, schoolteachers have greatly helped the Assemblies churches in some areas. In a number of our Alaska churches, the congregations are constantly changing, due to military reassignments and lack of work. Although schoolteachers are limited in what they are allowed to do in religious pursuits, yet they are able to give considerable assistance to the struggling church.

One missionary in Alaska recently wrote: "We are still badly in need of Sunday school teachers and workers, so continue to pray for this need. This is a need for Alaska as a whole. Our neighboring village is without a pastor and has been for some time."

One small village in Alaska did not have school last year, since no teacher was available. It is the same on

# A VOCATIONAL VOLUNTEER




Mary Ann Frustino

American Indian reservations. Teachers are always needed.

Many of our churches in the Eastern United States are pleading, "Come and help us." Catholicism is strong in New England, and building an Assembly is difficult. In Southern New England there are only 80 Assemblies of God churches—one assembly for each 106,800 people! The national average is one Assemblies of God church for each 21,000 people, and the national goal is a church for every 10,000 people. So we have a great challenge before us.

Perhaps God is speaking to your heart to do something to help spread the gospel before Jesus comes. If you do not know of a need near you, write your district home missions director or the national Home Missions Department for guidance. We will welcome the opportunity to help you find a place of fruitful service.

Information on the teaching situation in Alaska and on American Indian reservations is available from the Home Missions Department upon request. Salaries offered are attractive for qualified schoolteachers. 

## Your Frontier Is Next Door

WITHIN THE CONFINES of our 50 states a frontier still awaits us: building branch Sunday schools in the next town or in the next community.

Jesus revealed the true motto of a dedicated Christian when He said, "Let us go into the next towns, that I may preach there also" (Mark 1:38).

In the light of the present trend in America toward spiritual illiteracy, the nation is fast becoming one of the greatest mission fields on the face of the earth. Every Christian must be enlisted as a worker in the whitened harvest that lies near his own doorstep. Every church must be mobilized to its full potential to reach the next community.

In this day of space probes and jet pilots, there is a challenge for a layman, a college graduate, a craftsman, a Sunday school teacher, and a pastor in the frontier of branch Sunday school building. The alarm is sounded. Your city borders this frontier of spiritual need.

—WILLIAM E. KIRSCHKE  
National Secretary, Sunday School Department

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# LETTER EDGED IN BLACK

By N. LAWRENCE OLSON  
Missionary to Brazil

## THE STORY OF A TRAGEDY IN A BRAZILIAN FAMILY SERVING AS MISSIONARIES TO PERU

I KNOW JESUS as my Saviour. He is my great Friend," said 12-year-old Luiz Carlos Fontes to his father as the Brazilian boy was being removed from the operating room. Doctors and nurses had worked over him for eight hours in a desperate effort to save his life after the accident.

The father, also named Luiz Fontes, then began a 40-hour vigil at his son's bedside. At 5 a.m. on Wednesday, May 11, little Luiz went forever into the presence of Jesus whom he loved.

Earlier that week, Luiz and his older brother, Ebenezer, were returning to school on an overcrowded bus in Arequipa, Peru. A lady was to get out at the next stop, and Luiz moved aside to make way. At the same moment someone shoved him, causing him to fall out the open door. The rear wheel went over him, crushing bones and rupturing his body.

Just after the funeral the father wrote me this letter edged in black: "I was with Luiz the whole time in the hospital. We talked freely, and I have full assurance of his salvation. He knew that Jesus was his great Friend. This makes me happy."

The father also told that his boy had been facing up to the Roman Catholic priest in religious instruction classes at school and was preparing a list of Bible references with which to meet his arguments.

Luiz Carlos was an enthusiast for missions. He would willingly distribute literature at the open-air services

and in many ways helped his father in the work. How enthusiastically he would sing in his newly acquired Spanish: "Peru shall belong to Christ if only united for Him we work!"

The story of this Brazilian couple, Luiz and Sylvia Fontes—graduates of the Pentecostal Bible Institute in Rio de Janeiro in 1964—demonstrates the missionary vision coming to our Assemblies of God national churches in Brazil. Their responsibility to neighboring South American countries, some of which have never had a real Pentecostal breakthrough, has been one of the main topics of discussion at recent national conventions. We believe the Holy Spirit Himself is prompting this urge to witness in other lands.

Several national pastors, supported from the Brazilian churches, are already working in Bolivia, Argentina, and Uruguay. One brother has gone to Angola, Africa, where Portuguese is spoken. The challenge of missions is given great emphasis in our Bible institutes.

Brother Luiz, upon graduation, felt called of God to go to Peru. He quit a lucrative position in Rio de Janeiro and at his own expense made a preparatory trip by bus and train across Brazil and Bolivia, and over the high Andes to Peru. After various contacts with our brethren there, he decided on Arequipa, Peru's second largest city, as the place where God wanted him. There he would work with Missionary Henry Mock.

Returning to Rio de Janeiro to get his wife and five boys, he suffered a near-fatal accident when the bus he was on rolled over an Andean embankment. He suffered a broken collar bone and other injuries. When sufficiently recovered, he returned to Rio de Janeiro and said to his family: "Now we're going to Peru!"

In spite of a prophetic message in his home church warning him that he would lose a son, he brought his family back over that same long route to Peru. They were just getting settled when tragedy struck.

Their first service was in their home that Wednesday evening as the body of their boy lay in state (customary in Latin America). Many heard the message of Jesus for the first time as they came to express their condolence to the family. No doubt a number in eternity will testify that the death of Luiz Carlos brought them face to face with the Saviour.

In Psalm 126:6 we read: "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." Many missionaries have literally sown their own children as "seed" on foreign soil. The life of little Luiz Carlos is another precious seed.

Please pray for Luiz and Sylvia Fontes and their four boys who are still devoted to the task, faithful to Christ's command.

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# A MISSIONARY'S Thankfulness

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ALWAYS BE THANKFUL no matter what happens, for that is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus," says 1 Thessalonians 5:18 (*Paraphrased Epistles*).

To a missionary this admonition strikes a vital nerve. Unexpected, unusual, disconcerting things are always happening on the mission field; but no matter what happens, we should always be thankful.

Missionaries in the tropics get acquainted with the great variety of creeping things common to their countries. It wasn't any time at all after we arrived on the field that we got to know about the driver ants. It was interesting to watch them march in well-organized armies down the dirt roads.

One night while we were sleeping, the ants began to invade our house. At 2 a.m. my husband and I awoke at the same instant from feeling something dropping on our faces! We reached for our nearby flashlights (electricity was only on from 6 till 10 p.m.) and found that the driver ants were dropping through the cracks between the ceiling boards!

We brushed the ants away, hoping the armies above us would go on their way across the attic and down the other side of the house; but they kept falling faster and more plentiful than before. The invaders were wandering all over the house.

We had no intention of staying around the place to be bitten, so we went trudging down to our neighbors' house. How *thankful* we were for understanding and hospitable fellow-missionaries who took us in after the industrious ants had forced us from our home.

One day I had taken some "jerry" tins four miles into town to replenish our supply of diesel fuel for the light generator. At the filling station I opened the trunk of the car, set the tins on the ground, and asked the attendant to fill them. He started to do so, then handed the hose to a teenage boy who was helping him.

Unknown to me, the boy had only begun to work there that morning and had not yet learned how to turn off the pump. When the tins were full, he panicked and turned the hose toward the trunk of the car. When he realized that was not the thing to do, he aimed it straight up into the air, sending a shower of fuel all over me and others who were stand-

ing nearby! The manager heard our shouts and finally ran over to take care of the situation.

I drove back home soaked with diesel fuel, but arrived very *thankful* that no one had been careless enough to flip a lighted match in my direction.

When our country was about to receive its independence from the ruling colonial power, we were somewhat concerned over what might take place. To complicate the situation, two of our three children were 500 miles away at school. As we went to prayer about the matter, we began to realize that even if we were near them, there would be little we could do to help. How much better to commit them into the able, loving hands of our God. He could keep them safe and secure no matter what happened. In that moment of realization and commitment, the Lord dropped into our hearts "a peace that the world never gave."

In a world of conflict, upheaval, and danger, it makes us feel *thankful* to know we can place ourselves and our loved ones in the care of Him who holds the whole world in His hands.

Our youngest child was born in Nigeria and had no health problems until we were preparing to come home. We had left our mission station and were on our way out of the country, stopping at the boarding school where our two older children were studying.

A day after we arrived at the school, our five-year-old girl came down with fever and upset stomach. We asked the other missionaries there to help us pray, but her fever kept rising. When I held her to try to put her robe on her, I saw with alarm that her arms were limp! I tried to rouse

her, but there was no response!

We took her to the Sudan Interior Mission hospital nearby, where the Christian doctor said she was in a semicoma from cerebral malaria, and that he would have to give her an antimalarial injection in a "shock dose."

He said kindly, "We're Christians and we believe in the power of prayer. I'll do what I can medically, but I feel I should tell you that her chances are small. You can expect that by morning she will either be herself again or she will have passed on. If she does get well, there is a possibility of brain damage."

My husband and I sat silently near the hospital bed and sensed a glorious Presence in the room. There was a surge of hope as I thought, "The Lord is here. No matter what happens, it will be all right because He is here." I found myself being *thankful* in the midst of a crushing experience.

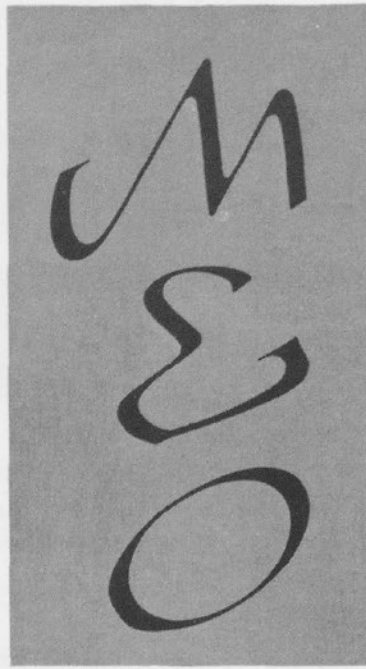
Several hours later, we saw our little girl stir. Recognition dawned in her eyes, and she smiled—the sweetest smile a worried mother and dad ever saw! The crisis was over, and our hearts overflowed with *thankfulness* for God's goodness.

Today, a grade card covered with A's is convincing testimony that there was no brain damage.

It is possible to "always be thankful no matter what happens," for we know deep in our hearts that it "is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus." Belonging to Him, sheltered in His love, we know that nothing crosses our pathway except He permits it—and for this we are *thankful*.



Warren Flattery, missionary to Jordan, and interpreter (left) lead the singing.



# Middle East Outreach



Visitors to the Center of Evangelism listen attentively during the service.

Tanios Zachary (left) interprets for Missionary Bob Hoskins during the opening of the Center of Evangelism.



WE AWOKE TO THE SOUNDS of pounding rain and howling wind. It couldn't be! Not today! It hadn't rained in Beirut for over five months; and now we heard that in certain sections of the city the streets were flooded and traffic snarled. This was Sunday, September 11—the long-awaited day for opening the Center of Evangelism.

It seemed the devil, who had fought us so tenaciously since our arrival in Beirut, was trying to turn the opening day to disaster. In the gray dawn our thoughts went back to the television contract we had secured over a year before. With high hopes we had speeded up our itinerary and come to Beirut for the first telecast, only to find the contract revoked. Months of negotiation followed, but this door did not reopen.

We believed that God would have us proceed with the opening of the Center of Evangelism ahead of sched-

The song service is a favorite part of any gospel





By **BOB HOSKINS**  
Missionary to Lebanon


number who had been reached during our 1965 crusade in Beirut. Several U. S. pastors and their wives on tour of the Bible lands joined us.

Jordan Missionary Warren Flattery and Tanios Zachary, our interpreter, led the congregation in an enthusiastic song service in English and Arabic; then the people listened attentively and with keen interest as I preached. At the conclusion, a number of hands were raised as indication of spiritual hunger.

The Arab world has heretofore shown little interest in the gospel. A recent survey (*A Glimpse of World Missions*, by Dr. Clyde Taylor) revealed that of the nearly 100,000,000 who inhabit this area, less than 62,000 are professing Protestant church members. Even in Lebanon where there is freedom for the gospel, 150 years of Protestant missionary activity has reaped less than one percent of the country's population. In some other countries missionaries are forbidden entrance and it is illegal for a person to embrace the Christian faith.

The key to the Arab world must be in reaching Lebanon's bustling capital, Beirut—the commercial and educational heart of this vast area. Its normal population of 750,000 is swelled with the influx of Arabs from other countries transacting business and with thousands of students seeking knowledge in the city's universities.

Pray with us that the Center of Evangelism will affect not Beirut alone, but also the entire Middle East.

The other day as we mingled among a seemingly sophisticated crowd, we saw an old man staggering with a heavy burden on his back. It reminded us of the load of sin in the unregenerate heart. We must give the message of life and hope to the Middle East. 

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ule. After weeks of searching for an appropriate building in a city of exorbitant rents, we secured a lovely auditorium in a strategic location. Then followed days of preparation with the accompanying frustrations and delays. Finally, everything was in readiness... and now this rain!

But, thanks be to God, as we prayed, the clouds lifted! A glorious sun rose over Mount Lebanon, and a rainbow arched in the sky. We were assured that God was still on His throne.

The attendance at this inaugural service surpassed our highest hopes. By 4 p.m., the scheduled time of service, a near-capacity crowd had gathered. We recognized the Greek Orthodox barber, the Maronite man who had made the drapes for the church, a Muslim restaurant owner, and others—most of whom had never attended an evangelical church in their lives. There were those we had met in the course of our TV negotiations, and a

ospel meeting.



Hazel Hoskins plays the organ for the congregational singing.



## CALL TO ACTION

**J. PHILIP HOGAN**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

### MISSIONARY CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS

REQUIREMENTS for foreign missions service are being upgraded constantly by the Foreign Missions Board. Currently candidates for regular missionary ministry must have succeeded in their former ministry to the point where they are recognized by a given district and ordained. The only exception to this is for specialists such as printing or radio technicians, nurses, or teachers—for whom proven ministry is not a requirement.

In all cases a more thorough referencing program is being carried out, and extensive health, personality, and language aptitude tests are required.

Foreign missionary ministry is becoming more and more complex. It requires a type of maturity and ability to adjust that missionary work has never required before.

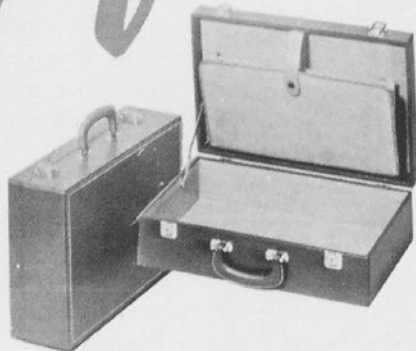
Here in the Foreign Missions Department we seek to be absolutely honest with the constituency and with missionary donors when we tell them that missionary ministry is very expensive. It will cost the General Council upwards of \$25,000 to get a missionary family ready for the mission field, take them to their field of service, and keep them there for their first term.

While it is difficult to put a dollar sign on spiritual factors, yet missionary money is a sacred trust. Every possible effort is made to protect the church's investment.

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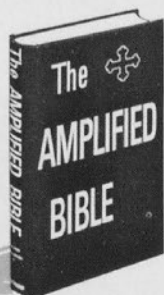
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# ASSEMBLIES OF GOD RADIO EVANGELISM

## RADIO IS HAVING UNPRECEDENTED OUTREACH



By CHRISTINE CARMICHAEL

Transistor radios are a common sight in many parts of the world.



QUEEN VICTORIA was once asked how long it would take to get a message to every man, woman, and child in her empire. She thought for a moment and then replied, "By using my diplomatic corps, my businessmen, my army and navy, I could get a message to every person in 30 days." That was before the day of radio—the miracle medium of communication available today.

The late Donald Gee, well-known minister of the British Assemblies of God, said of radio, "Our vision should welcome this wonderful method that modern science has put into our hands to 'give the winds a mighty voice.'"

The gospel message by radio is today having unprecedented outreach and impact. Never before has such a wonderful tool been available to communicate Christ to the nations. Radio extends the missionary's voice; it penetrates national and religious boundaries.

Few overseas radio stations were being used by our missionaries before 1950. Today, in almost every country where it is possible to secure radio time, Assemblies of God missionaries and national preachers are reaching millions of people, many hearing the message of Christ for the very first time.

Space permits mention of only a few of our Assemblies of God radio ministries around the world.

Missionary radio started in Latin America, and broadcasting there is more extensive than in any other world area. Paul Finkenbinder, widely known as *Hermano Pablo*, has developed a network of radio broadcasts. *La Iglesia del Aire* (Church of the Air) is released 70 times daily in 12 countries of Latin America. *Hermano Pablo* is heard in homes, marketplaces, isolated villages, and even in monasteries. One Roman Catholic priest said, "We at the monastery never miss *Hermano Pablo's* program. We gather around and listen to it daily."

A missionary of another denomination said to Mr. Finkenbinder, "You have done more to break down prejudice against evangelical churches than we have done in 70 years."

Radio evangelism has also been effective in Portuguese-speaking Brazil. On January 2, 1955, the *Voice of the Assemblies of God* went on the air from Radio Tamoio. Lawrence Olson had conceived the idea of this radio program based on the format of the Assemblies of God international radio program, *Revivaltime*.

Brother Olson's radio ministry now reaches over 80,-  
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000,000 Portuguese-speaking people. Since last December the *Voice of the Assemblies of God* has been broadcast over the 100,000-watt Radio TUPY, Brazil's strongest station.

Bernhard Johnson Jr. produces a weekly program, *Words of Life*, that reaches all of Brazil. More than 100 local gospel programs also are on the air throughout the republic.

With the development of inexpensive transistor radios, an effective door for gospel witness has opened in many countries. Rex Jackson laid the foundation for an all-African radio program which has a potential listening audience of 57 million in Nigeria. The radio speaker is Matthew Ezeigbo, superintendent of the Nigerian Assemblies of God.

*Vim Kweega* (The Living Word), the new Moré-language broadcast for the Mossi of Upper Volta, is heard three times weekly—Thursdays and Saturdays over Radio ELWA of Monrovia, Liberia, and Sundays on Radio Ouagadougou of Upper Volta. Curtis Dean is program director. Lebende Miningou, superintendent of the Upper Volta Assemblies of God, is speaker. The programs are beamed to two million Mossi in Upper Volta, as well as thousands who have migrated to neigh-

boring countries. "If a man listened to that program very much, he would have to give up his sins!" was the reaction of one Mossi.

Half the world's population is in Asia. Most are beyond our personal witness, but through an estimated 35 million radio receivers multiplied millions of people can be reached with the story of salvation.

Currently the Assemblies of God of Taiwan produces radio programs in four languages—Taiwanese, Mandarin, Hakka, and Shanghai dialect. Programs in the last three languages are beamed daily toward the mainland of China on two 650,000-watt government propaganda stations.

Cho Yonggi, superintendent of the Korean Assemblies, will be speaker for the nationwide radio program to be produced at the new radio studio of Seoul Revival Center in Korea. Louis Richards has a daily broadcast in Pusan (a city of one million) and conducts an aggressive follow-up program of evangelistic rallies.

A Japanese program is released in Hawaii over stations KBBC in Hilo and KOHO in Honolulu. This program also is aired in Japan and in Latin American countries where there are large groups of Japanese immigrants. Eva Bloom is the program director; Koichi Kitani, the radio evangelist.

From FEBC in Manila the gospel is broadcast in 40 major languages and dialects. Assemblies of God missionaries and national workers in various parts of Asia prepare tape-recorded programs for release over FEBC. Riley Kaufman prepares Chinese programs in Hong Kong; Paul Schoonmaker prepares Hindi programs in Lucknow; and Paul Demetrus prepares Russian programs in San Francisco, where he is assisted by a Russian choir. Alex Shevchuk is Assemblies of God representative for Russian broadcasts on FEBC in Manila.

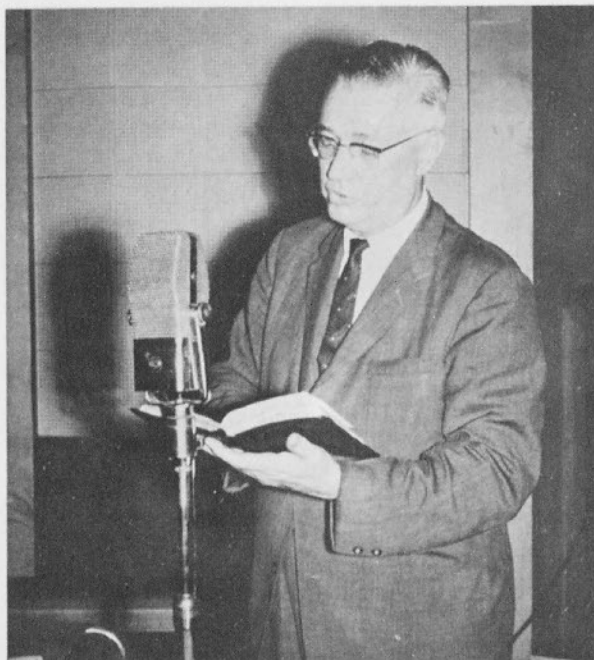
Missionary Paul Pipkin pioneered the P. M. Club in the Philippines. These P.M.'s—Portable Missionaries—are transistorized receivers pretuned to the frequencies of FEBC. More than 1,000 such clubs operating in the islands give daily witness to the gospel.

*Revivaltime*, the international broadcast of the Assemblies of God, is released over more than 60 foreign stations including a key 50,000-watt release directly into Vietnam. National churches are emerging in Guyana (formerly British Guiana) and Surinam as a result of *Revivaltime* and other radio ministries. There have been thrilling results also from the *Revivaltime* broadcasts in Nigeria, Trinidad, and other English-speaking countries.

The Assemblies of God Radio Department at Springfield, Missouri, makes its recording facilities available to missionaries for preparing foreign releases.

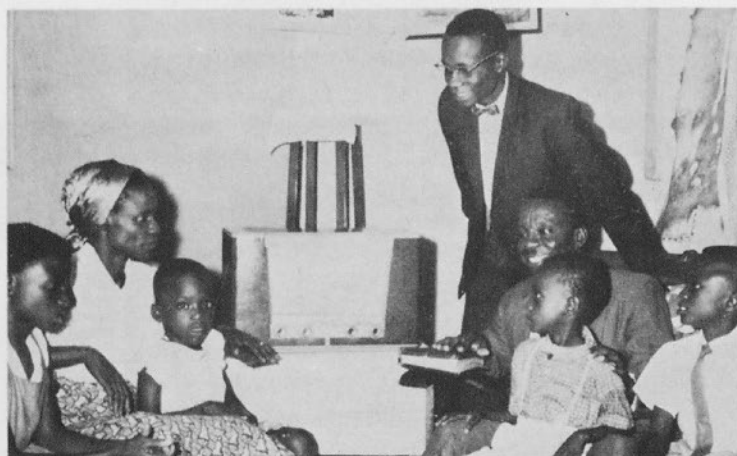
An integral part of radio ministry everywhere is effective follow-up through literature, usually in the form of correspondence courses.

The Church today faces a monumental task. Earth's population is approximately 3.35 billion. Where traditional missionary methods are limited, radio profoundly affects our world witness. There are an estimated 400 million radio receivers in the world—more than one set for every eight persons on the earth. Radio is an increasingly effective means of evangelism. Men are redeemed and their lives transformed throughout this burgeoning world as missionaries and national pastors present the claims of Christ by radio.



Lawrence Olson (above) speaks on Brazilian "Voice of the Assemblies of God."

In the photo below, an African family listens to a gospel program in their home.



# THE KING AND THE WEDDING

Sunday School Lesson for November 27, 1966

MATTHEW 22:1-14

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

"THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son." This illustration was familiar to the Orientals to whom Christ was speaking, for a wedding feast was an occasion of great joy and happy fellowship. Jesus wanted the Jewish leaders, for whose benefit the parable was spoken, to see that God's plan of salvation provides joy and blessing for all who accept it.

God is the king of the parable, and Jesus is the king's son. In the Bible Christ is spoken of as the Bridegroom (John 3:29); the Church, composed of those who have accepted Christ's invitation to salvation, is referred to as the bride of Christ. Our relationship to Jesus now is that of engagement (2 Corinthians 11:2). The event to which all men in this age are invited is the marriage supper of Christ, the Lamb. (See Revelation 19:6-9.) Are we preparing for this great event?

1. *The Gracious Invitation.* "And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding" (v. 3). The servants represent: (1) the Old Testament prophets who for centuries had been announcing to Israel the coming of God's Kingdom; (2) John the Baptist, Jesus, and the first New Testament preachers who declared that the Kingdom was at hand and that its doors were open to all who would repent and believe in the One who long had been promised.

2. *The Ungracious Refusal.* "And they would not come" (v. 3). To refuse an invitation to a marriage feast—and especially one extended by the king—was a gross insult! It pictures the stubborn refusal of the Jewish religious leaders to accept God's appointed way of salvation.

"Again, he sent forth other servants." Here is revealed the amazing patience and longsuffering of God toward those who reject Him. He wants all to come to repentance.

3. *The Amazing Indifference.* "But they made light of it" (v. 5). The invited ones did not value properly the invitation to the royal feast.

"And went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise" (v. 5). They were too busy, too taken up with their possessions and their desire for gain. They had no time for the marriage feast. What a picture of present conditions. Pleasure-mad, wealth-seeking, luxury loving, feverishly active America! Much thought for the body but none for the soul! How Christians need to watch lest the spirit of this present age invade their lives. "Take heed to yourselves in case your hearts get overpowered by dissipation . . . and worldly anxieties, and so that day catch you suddenly like a trap" (Luke 21:34, Moffatt).

4. *The Unpardonable Rejection* (vv. 6,7). Here we have the Jews' final rejection of God's prophets and God's Son, and a prophetic picture of the destruction of Jerusalem by the Roman armies in A.D. 70.

5. *The Renewed Invitation.* "The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy. Go ye

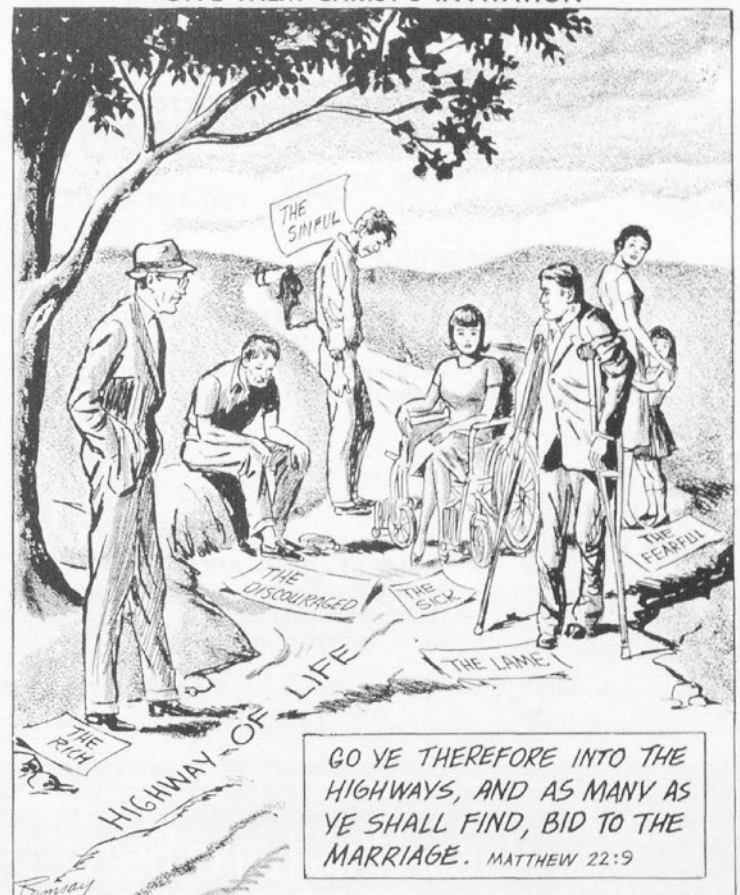
therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage (vv. 8,9). When the Jews rejected Christ, God turned to the Gentiles. (See Matthew 8:11,12; Acts 13:46-48.) God's plan cannot fail! If we fail, someone else will take our place. When Christ comes, He will find a victorious bride prepared for His coming.

"So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found" (v. 10). This certainly has a special application for our day.

6. *The Fatal Mistake* (vv. 11-14). Because the Oriental host provided wedding garments for his guests, the man who did not wear one was without excuse. He represents the Pharisees and religious leaders who ignored God's appointed way of salvation as proclaimed by John and Jesus and sought to enter the Kingdom by their own merits.

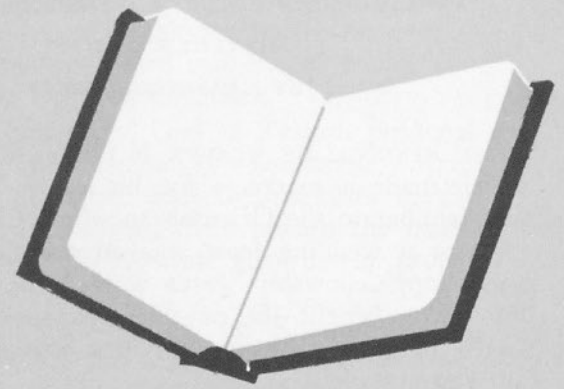
How many make the same mistake today! No man can enter the Kingdom of God unless he has been born into it (John 3:3). He must be clothed by God with the garment of salvation and the robe of Christ's righteousness (Isaiah 61:10; Romans 10:3,4). This man was unprepared because he despised God's grace. Paul said, "I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain" (Galatians 2:21). This applies not only to sinners seeking salvation but also to saints who would grow in grace. We need God's grace to be saved and we need it just as much to live a victorious, Spirit-filled life. Salvation is all of *grace*. Let us ever be aware of our need of it!

## GIVE THEM CHRIST'S INVITATION

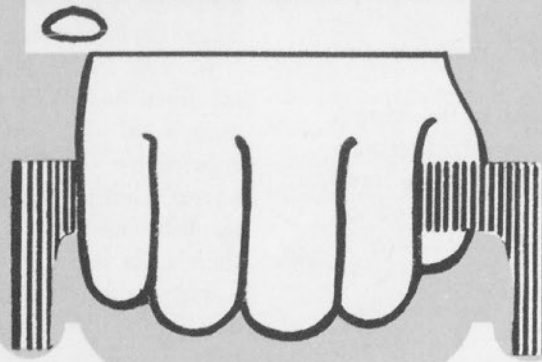


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"Six years ago, on a Sunday afternoon, I had stopped at a roadside park just north of Columbia, Missouri, and had my truck radio tuned to KFAL, Fulton. When I heard the first few notes of 'All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name,' I decided to listen to the rest of the music program.


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"My growth in faith and God's redeeming love has seemed slow at times, but in the past year God has made it possible for me to give my testimony in several churches as well as to individuals. I never fail to mention the important role *Revivaltime* and you, *the choir*, have had in my life. Certainly God's mighty hand is guiding all of you.

"I am fortunate to be in this part of Missouri, for I can hear *Revivaltime* at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday on KWTO then again at 1:30 p.m. on KFAL.

"May God continue to bless and use all of you connected with the *Revivaltime* broadcast.

*In Christian love,*  
KEN HALL

"P.S. We have all the *Revivaltime* choir records and enjoy them daily in our home. Seems like every record gets a little better." 



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THE 40-VOICE *Revivaltime* choir will visit five churches in Iowa and Missouri during their annual fall tour, November 22-27. Presenting songs typical of those heard each week on *Revivaltime*, each service will include a special sermon in song, "Christ Is the Answer."

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cal scrapbook entitled, "Songs We All Love."

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**'THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S'** 1 SAMUEL 17:47

# PREACHER IN A BEAUTY SHOP

By ADA NICHOLSON BROWNELL



Mrs. Marge Weekley gives gospel literature to her customers in the beauty shop.



mottoes are pasted conspicuously on the edges of the mirrors.

"I get more at your beauty shop than a hairdo," one lady told her.

Others, after being out of town, tell her how much they missed the wholesome atmosphere of her salon.

After her conversion 25 years ago, Mrs. Weekley began witnessing at once. Some appreciated it, but some did not. "It's one thing to be a Christian," one person griped, "it's another to try to win everybody in town!"

Customers at the shop noticed a change in Marge. For one thing, she didn't smoke anymore, and they wanted to know her secret. Joyously she told of her deliverance. Most of the customers responded in amazement at the

**W**HY DOESN'T GOD leave me alone?" Tears rolled down the cheeks of the speaker as she confessed, "I know He sent me here to have you talk to me."

Mrs. Marge Weekley smiled in agreement as she leaned over the shampoo board and rinsed the suds out of the woman's hair. She talked about the love of God and urged the woman to give herself in full surrender to Him.

It wasn't the first time God had sent someone into her beauty shop in Grand Junction, Colorado. She has witnessed in her place of business ever since her conversion in 1941.

Those who know her well realize that a great deal of Mrs. Weekley's strength for personal witnessing comes from her prayer time alone in her kitchen before her work day begins. She has a gentle spirit, along with a great sense of humor, both of which are assets in her witnessing.

"Matt and Marge's Beauty Shop," owned and operated by Mrs. Weekley and her husband Matt for 30 years, has a very good business, even though they have probably lost some customers because of their Christian witness. Others actually go to Mrs. Weekley because of the spiritual uplift they receive; many are not church people.

A new customer entering the salon notices almost immediately that Mrs. Weekley is a Christian. In addition to her Christian countenance, the customer observes *The Pentecostal Evangel* and other Christian literature among the magazines available. Scripture texts and religious

story of her encounter with God. Many accepted her invitation to attend her church, First Assembly of God in Grand Junction.

A music teacher became interested in Mrs. Weekley's testimony but was afraid of the manifestation of the Spirit she saw when she visited church with her. Still she never forgot Mrs. Weekley's testimony, and 10 years later she went back to her beautician's church. This time she had a marvelous experience with the Lord and was filled with the Holy Ghost.

Then she took her friends to Mrs. Weekley so they could also hear her testimony. The music teacher remembered the testimony in such detail, even after 10 years, that if Mrs. Weekley left anything out, the teacher would remind her, "You forgot to tell . . ."

Often the beautician follows up her personal witness with a gift subscription to *The Pentecostal Evangel*.

One of her customers gave her husband the *Evangel* to read while he waited for her in the car when she had her hair done. The magazine was the only spiritual contact he had. Mrs. Weekley discovered the man's spiritual need and asked her pastor, Kenneth R. Schmidt, to visit him. It was the first time in his life a minister had visited the man's home or shown an interest in his soul.

Two ladies, now members of First Assembly, say it was Mrs. Weekley's faithfulness in sending them *Evangel*s that caused them to go to church. They now are winning others by the same method—giving *Evangel*s.

Through the years the Scriptures and mottoes Mrs.



Weekley keeps on the mirrors have had their effect. A Catholic customer remarked while Mrs. Weekley was dressing her hair, "I have the Scripture on the mirror memorized now."

A very sinful girl appeared unmoved by Mrs. Weekley's attempts to witness to her. But when she was ready to leave Grand Junction, the young lady asked for the poem on the mirror, "Lord, Keep Me from Sin Today."

Quite frequently customers make such a request, and Mrs. Weekley gladly gives the items and replaces them with more. She cuts the pieces from Christian publications and keeps a supply in reserve.

Although she uses a few tracts, she observes that *The Pentecostal Evangel* and books by *Revivaltime* Evangelist C. M. Ward are the likely choice of women sitting under the dryer.

Mrs. Weekley was reared in a Christian home. "But it was like having a vaccination that didn't take," she says. "The cup of sin that looked so good at the beginning had bitter dregs at the bottom. Then I came in contact with the power of God. My life was changed in an instant."

For five years after her conversion her husband Matt did not share her spiritual joy. But God answered her prayers, and now her husband endorses her testimony with his. They have two married sons, both Christians. Captain Robert Weekley is now with the U. S. Army in Vietnam. Richard attends the University of Utah, where he also witnesses for Christ.

When asked why she witnesses so diligently, Mrs. Weekley was surprised. "Why?" she echoed. "How can I keep from it? God has done something wonderful for me.

"It's like the four lepers in the Bible who found the deserted camp of the enemy full of food and ran back to tell the other starving Israelites. I feel I must share the precious truth of God's mercy."

She hasn't won as many souls to Christ as she had hoped she would when she first began telling about God's mercy. But she isn't discouraged. She gives God the glory for what He has done and reminds herself that often several Christians are involved in prayer and witnessing before a sinner comes to Christ. One plants, another waters, and God gives the harvest.

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## THANKSGIVING MEDITATION

### PROCLAMATION LOST AND FOUND

By JOHN M. DRESCHER

THE FIRST OFFICIAL THANKSGIVING Proclamation of the U.S., issued October 3, 1789, written by William Jackson and signed in George Washington's boldest handwriting, was lost for some 132 years.

In 1921 the document showed up mysteriously, and it was pronounced authentic by Dr. J. C. Fitzpatrick, at that time the assistant chief of the manuscripts division of the Library of Congress. The owner was paid \$300.

Soon after our new republic was formed, a resolution came up calling upon the President to "recommend to the people of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer." A number of congressmen opposed the resolution, but it passed with a strong vote.

However, there was no other national Thanksgiving Day until President Lincoln's proclamation in 1863. Since then it has been a national holiday, and the date is now fixed by law as the fourth Thursday of November.

What did the first Thanksgiving Day proclamation by George Washington say? Here it is:

"Whereas it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly implore His protection, aid, and favors:

"Now, therefore, I do recommend to assign Thursday, the 26th day of November next, to be devoted by the people of these states to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the Beneficent Author of all the good that was, is, or that will be; that we may then all unite in rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this country, and for all the great and various factors which He has been pleased to confer upon us."

Never in the history of our nation has there been more reason for giving thanks to God than today. But many are bowing to the god of material things rather than to the God who is the Author of every good thing.

The first Thanksgiving of the Pilgrims and the proclamation by President Washington recognized God as the Giver of all good. All of us need a revival of that truth today. No, we have not lost the concept, but neither is America a grateful people. Unthankfulness is one of the first steps to heathendom.

Thankfulness does not flow from filled barns or easy lives; it flows from hearts filled with proper recognition of God as God, and from lives lived in gratitude each day.

### FATHER, FORGIVE ME

I PRAYED for a larger church attendance. And when the answer came I said, "Well, either our community is growing, or our minister is really getting the people out to church." Not, "Thank You, God, for answering my prayer." Father, forgive me.

I prayed for God's presence in my daily life. But when blessings came my way, I said, "Boy, how lucky can a

guy get?" I forgot to say, "Thank You, God." Father, forgive me.

I prayed for a sick child, and that child got well. And I said, "Miracle drugs can do anything these days." Not, "Thank You, God, for sparing this child." Father, forgive me.

I prayed for a good season for the farm, and the crops were very good. I said, "Nature must be on our side this year." I didn't say, "Thank You, God." I forgot. Father, forgive me.

God is so good to me. He answers my prayers and gives blessings abundantly. But often I forget to thank Him. Father, forgive me.

—Beverly Ann Hoffeditz

## THANKSGIVING

*Once in every year we throng  
Upon a day apart  
To praise the Lord with feast and song  
In thankfulness of heart.*

—ARTHUR GUITERMAN

## COL. COOPER'S PRAYER

ON MAY 16, 1963, Col. Gordon Cooper offered the first prayer recorded in space during his first space flight in *Faith 7*. He prayed:

"Father, thank You, especially for letting me fly this flight. Thank You for the privilege of being able to be in this position; to be up in this wondrous place, seeing all these many startling, wonderful things that You have created.

"Help guide and direct all of us that we may shape our lives to be much better Christians, trying to help one

another, and to work with one another rather than fighting and bickering.

"Help us to complete this mission successfully.

"Help us in our future space endeavors that we may show the world that a democracy really can compete, and (its people) still are able to do things in a big way, and are able to do research, development, and can conduct many scientific and very technical programs.

"Be with our families. Give them guidance and encouragement, and let them know that everything will be OK.

"We ask in Thy name. Amen."

## HARVEST SONG

*Look yonder at that field of wheat,  
Each golden head is bowed;  
The world asks grace before its meat:  
"Amen"—we say aloud.*

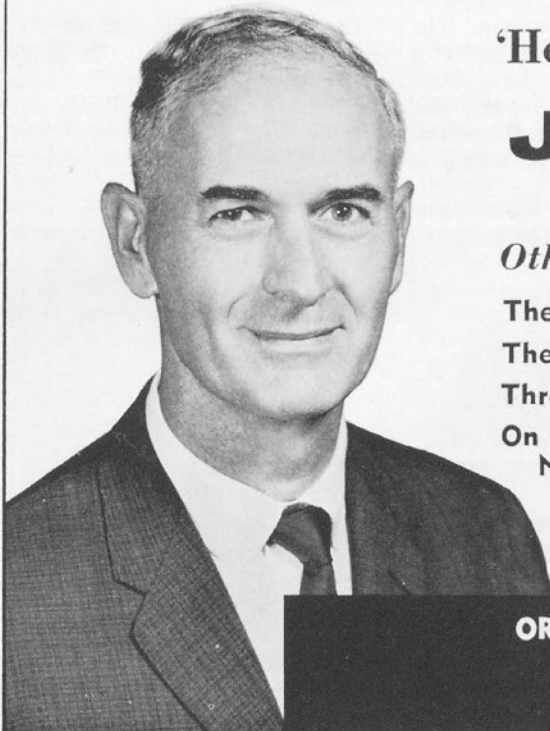
*The corn is reaped, the sheaves are shocked,  
They wait the harvest home;  
And never is God's garner locked  
When hungry children come.*

*O Father, give us more than bread,  
Come, and with us abide;  
So feasting shall our souls be fed,  
And we be satisfied.*

*Our song of praise is old, yet new,  
The glad song of the grain;  
Thou sendest both the sun and dew:  
Corn dies to live again.*

—HOWARD T. N. USSHER, in *The Christian*

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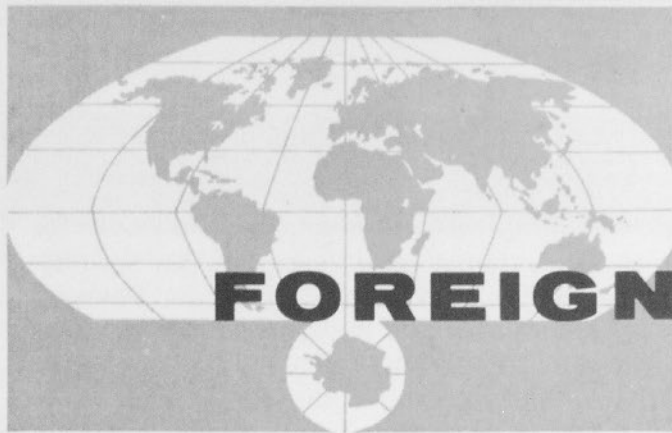
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## DIRECT REPORTS FROM MANY LANDS **FOREIGN NEWS DIGEST**



Group of young people at the first C. A. conference ever held in Iran (at Filadelfia Assemblies of God church).

### IRAN

#### Youth Conference a First

During June 19-26 we had the first Christ's Ambassadors conference ever held by the Filadelfia Assemblies of God in Iran. Youth came from Isfahan, Hamadan, Kermanshah, and Tehran (where the conference was held).

Only born-again people were invited to attend; thus for the first time we had about 40 born-again, mostly Spirit-filled, young men and women attending a conference.

The morning was spent in devotions and two teaching sessions with speakers David Matweiyw, field chairman of the Assemblies of God in the Middle East, and Mark Bliss, missionary to Iran.

The evening was given to ministry among unreached people. This service was conducted by the youth themselves. Attendance grew from day to day as teams of young people went out into the streets and brought in people they met. Many tracts and free correspondence course applications were distributed. The Holy Spirit dealt with many sinners through the earnest witnessing of the youth.

One of the Christian boys from Isfahan was filled with the Holy Spirit.  
—David Thomas

### SPAIN

#### Transformed "Bodega"

A few days after we arrived in Rota our contractor told us he

had an empty building which might serve temporarily for meetings while the new church is being constructed. This building had once been a *bodega* (wine cellar) and was later used as a dormitory for working men.

We rented the building, although it was very dilapidated. This provisional place of worship has been dedicated to the Lord, and this small group of evangelicals is the current topic of the day in Rota.

### NIGERIA

#### New Building for Bible School

About two years ago, we challenged our supporters with the need of a Bible school for Western Nigeria. We want you to rejoice with us at the completion of the first building.

Our first meeting in the hall was June 3. Attendance has been good. Many people peek in at the door to see just what a Protestant church looks like, while others stay for the whole service.

A good number of adults as well as children have sought the Lord for salvation, and one Christian lady received the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

—Ruth B. Weitkamp

### GUATEMALA

#### International C. A. Convention

On December 1-4, 1966, we will be having the International Christ's Ambassadors Convention here in Guatemala.

The meeting primarily is for the Caribbean area, which includes the five Central America republics, plus Mexico, Venezuela, Colombia, and the United States. We are planning for 5,000 to 6,000 young people.

During the convention the following will be featured:

1. A 100-voice choir from Guatemala.
2. An Indian group of musicians, dressed in native attire, from the famous town of San Juan Comalapa.
3. Nicky Cruz, the converted dope addict from Teen Challenge.

4. A Mexican trio, "The Three Alvarados."

5. A 50-voice choir from the evangelistic center in San Salvador.  
—Quentin Shortes

### EL SALVADOR

#### Sixty-Six Students Enrolled

We have 66 students this term, 52 of whom are men. All the men have their own churches or outstations where they minister on the weekends. Last week their reports showed that 32 people had accepted Christ in their services.

Pray with us that finances will come in to buy beans, corn, and rice for the table. We were deeply in debt when we started the school year, and will have to ask God to supply the need for every day. The cost of food, laundry, and maintenance runs about \$27 daily. The training of these men is one of the greatest investments we can make on the mission field.  
—Sterling Stewart

### VENEZUELA

#### Pentecost in Falcon

Pentecostal fires are burning in Falcon. It all started the week before our national convention in Cabimas during August. Most of our churches had a week of special prayer for the convention—

This building contains two large classrooms, a library, an office, a bookshop, a workroom for mimeographing, and a storeroom. The building is located on 18 acres of land halfway between Lagos, capital of Nigeria, and Ibadan, the largest all-Negro city in the world. There are seven cities within a

radius of 45 miles which have populations of from 25,000 to 1,000,000.

This is a new area for the Assemblies of God, and the Bible school program is fast becoming the hub of a great witness for Christ.

—Glenn Reeves

This is the first completed building for Western Nigeria Bible Institute.



many with early morning prayer meetings. God blessed the convention through the anointed preaching of Melvin L. Hodges, our field secretary, and Enrique Cruz from Dallas, Tex.

Many were filled with the Holy Spirit and returned to their home churches with the spark of revival. People spontaneously praised the Lord and sought the baptism in the Holy Spirit in their regular church services.

There is a real hunger in the hearts of the believers. Some of them gather at the church as early as 3 a.m. to pray.

—Bryan Mock

### EAST PAKISTAN

#### Sermon at Sea

An unexpected opportunity to minister God's Word came as we traveled on the *SS Rotterdam* en route to New York.

Calvin was asked to give the sermon Sunday morning on the large passenger liner. The service, held in the beautiful and spacious theater, was well attended.

It was a God-given opportunity to give a salvation message to hundreds traveling. This opened the way to witness to many who came to talk with us, and we gave tracts to follow up the personal witness.

—Marian Olson

### FIJI

#### Annual Conference Held

At the close of our Bible school we held our annual Assemblies of God seven-day conference, and it was a glorious one. Night after night we had overflow crowds. At each service many were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit.

We had the privilege of having Maynard L. Ketcham, our field secretary, minister during the conference. To welcome him, the Bible school students sang in seven languages.

Brother Ketcham was thrilled as he saw the expansion of the work in Fiji; for in 1959 when he organized the Fiji Assemblies of God, there were only about a dozen workers. Now the ordained and licensed ministers number more than 70, and there are that many more Christian workers active in outstation work.

—Orville Carlson

### MALAWI

#### Double Trial

The Assemblies of God guest-house in Limbe was destroyed by fire the night of July 18. The Billy Wheelers had recently moved in and were engaged in language study. While they were up north visiting their future station, thieves broke in, stole many of their valuables, and set the place on fire.

The Andersons, who live nearby, did all in their power to control the fire, but to no avail.



Francis Beardsley family



David Vespa family



Gail Winters and Lillian Hogan

## MISSIONARY NEWS NOTES



Herman Engelgau family



Kenneth Weigel family

Due to an illness in the family, Josephine Spina (East Pakistan) has come home for an early furlough.

Going to their various mission fields are the J. Philip Cochranes (Congo), Lillian Hogan and Gail Winters (Congo), and the Kenneth Weigels (South India).

Mary Ballenger (Senegal) and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Engelgau (Upper Volta), all newly appointed, are going to Switzerland for language study before going to their respective fields.

Newly appointed missionaries going to their fields of service are Betty J. Wright (El Salvador), the Francis Beardsleys (American Samoa), and Mr. and Mrs. David Vespa (Ghana).



J. Philip Cochrane family



Betty J. Wright



Mary Ballenger

The loss to the mission in furnishings alone was over \$1,500. The dual tragedy of theft and arson is one of the worst in the history of Assemblies of God work in Malawi.

—Paul Wright

### GREECE

#### News Flashes from Greece

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Rain, snow, or sunshine, Sunday school literature must get off on time. This includes translation, printing, and delivery. These past three years we have been working with the primary quarterly. Soon after completion of this quarterly, we will start on the junior books.

**CRETE:** The believers at the church in Canea, Crete, now have their own pump organ to assist in their worship.

**NEAPOLIS:** Near Philippi is the city of Neapolis, the first stop of the apostle Paul in Europe. Steps have been taken for a church permit, and the case is now being studied. Please pray with us. When the permit is granted, the Assemblies of God will be the first Protestant church there.

—George Goomas

### KOREA

#### Chung-Ju Revival

What a miracle-working God we serve! Rain was predicted for the entire week at Chung-Ju, but we looked to God in prayer and received assurance to go ahead and make all preparations. It rained until about 3 p.m. the first day, but God gave us sunshine all the rest of the week.

We witnessed a mighty move of the Holy Spirit. Many were baptized in the Spirit, and a total of 62 people indicated decisions for Christ. Several people testified they had been healed, including one woman who had been blind for 10 months.

Brothers Chung Duk Whan and So Kyo Min cooperated in the revival.

—Louis Richards

The Ministry of Social Affairs granted permission to use this large area in the center of Chung Ju, Korea, for a week of revival.



# NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

PUEBLO, COLO.—Two services were held daily at the Park Hill Assembly here during a Deeper Life crusade with Evangelist and Mrs. M. W. Roll of Englewood, Colo. Three people were saved, one baptized in the Holy Spirit, and many refilled with the Spirit. Some testified to being healed by the Lord.

Park Hill Assembly was established in 1956 by Pastor Kenneth Crouse. A record attendance of 170 was reached this year. The congregation plans to move to new quarters soon.

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FAIR GROVE, MO.—God has been pouring out His Spirit in a wonderful way at Peace Chapel here recently. Since February, 20 people have been saved, 20 baptized in water, 15 filled with the Spirit, and several healed.

One young man entering the U. S. Navy accepted Christ as his Saviour during a service with Norman Wenig, Iowa District C. A. president, as special speaker.

A hunger for revival grew during the following weeks. In April three young people were baptized in the Holy Spirit. Two persons were saved in May.

On May 29 an elderly member, "Grandma" Cheek, was honored. Her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and friends were present for the occasion. The at-

tendance went from 66 to 99 that Sunday.

That same evening special services were begun with Evangelist George Smith of Bolivar, Mo. The meeting, scheduled for two weeks, lasted three, during which time 14 were saved, nine filled with the Spirit, and two reclaimed and refilled.

Eighteen people were baptized in water on June 19. Two others have been baptized in water since.

A burden for visitation and personal evangelism has developed in the church. Members anticipate the moving of the Lord in each service.

—Leonard M. Bailey, pastor

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WEST MONROE, LA.—The Luna Assembly here praises God for the moving of the Holy Spirit in the services during the last few months.

God has blessed the Sunday school and the Sunday evening services in a great way. The church has experienced several outstanding healings also.

A four-bedroom parsonage valued at \$18,000 (with an indebtedness of only \$9,000) was recently dedicated by Louisiana District Superintendent Lowell C. Ashbrook. A new church building will be erected in the near future.

—Leonard Sapp, pastor

## RECORD NUMBER REGISTERED AT INDIANA COUNCIL

SOUTH BEND, IND.—The 22nd annual Indiana District Council was recently held here at the new Calvary Temple where Roy Wead is pastor.

Reelected for two-year terms were William Van Winkle, district superintendent, and Gordon H. Matheny, district secretary. Re-elected for one-year terms were Marshall Calloway, assistant superintendent, and Leonard R. Nowell, district treasurer.

The district council selected Roy H. Wead at its nominee for non-resident executive presbyter.

Also named were Gordon H. Matheny, Sunday School director; E. E. Marrone, Men's Fellowship director; and Lonnie Calloway, district missionary secretary.

Thirteen young men were ordained to the ministry in the final service.



The Indiana District officials are (left to right): William Van Winkle, superintendent; Marshall L. Calloway, assistant superintendent; Gordon H. Matheny, secretary; and Leonard R. Nowell, treasurer.

New records were set in the number registered. Jesse E. Smith of Jackson, Miss., was guest speaker and the spiritual tone of the council was very high.



Canvas cathedral at the George's Creek Camp Meeting at Lonaconing, Md. The First Assembly and parsonage are in the background at right.

LONACONING, MD.—Approximately 30 people came forward to accept Christ as Saviour during the seventh annual George's Creek Camp Meeting sponsored by First Assembly here.

Lowell Lundstrom and the Message for America team were the evangelists. Large crowds attended the meetings nightly in the 1,000-seat canvas cathedral.

People from various denominations attended the meeting. One lay minister from another denomination testified that although he accepted Christ as Saviour, he had never before received Him as Lord and Master of his life.

A man from another church gave his heart to God and was healed of a serious kidney infection.

—Charles E. Fussell, camp pastor

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BARNESBORO, PA. — The North End Assembly here wit-

nessed a great spiritual move recently. The ministry of Evangelists Arnold and Anita Segesman was a blessing to the church.

At least eight people were saved, one reclaimed, and two baptized in the Holy Spirit. Attendance was very good with 107 visitors present during the two-week crusade.

A revival atmosphere still prevails, and other people are being saved.

—James W. Swank, pastor

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ARTESIA, N. MEX. — Several were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit, while others were spiritually refreshed during services at First Assembly here with Evangelist and Mrs. J. Randall Stewart of Lubbock, Tex. Their ministry was a great blessing to the church.

—M. F. Hankins, pastor



The Sunday school at Peace Chapel (Fair Grove, Mo.) increased the day "Grandma" Cheek (first row in photo at left) was honored. She is shown with her family who attended church that day. The lower photo shows the Sunday school on the last day of the Loyalty Campaign.



GUSTINE, CALIF.—As the people fasted and prayed, God's Spirit moved in a wonderful way at the Assembly of God here during special services with Leonard Miller of Watsonville, Calif., as the evangelist.

Seven were saved, and over 12 received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. A spirit of revival prevails in the church.

A new auditorium will be

erected with the Lord's help. This will double the present facilities.

—Harold F. Steward, pastor

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BUENA VISTA, COLO.—First Assembly here recently concluded a tent meeting with Evangelist R. I. Stewart of Houston, Tex. Good crowds attended nightly to hear the Pentecostal preaching and special music.

Twelve were saved, and 39 were

baptized in the Holy Spirit. Some testified of healing.

—O. C. Kitchens, pastor

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ONTARIO, CALIF.—Central Assembly here recently conducted special services with Evangelists Carl and Edna Goodwin.

Four teen-agers were filled with the Holy Spirit and many others were refilled. Several were healed.

—P. C. Walcher, pastor

**WITH CHRIST**

WILLIAM HOMER SLOAN, 75, of Miami, W. Va., went to be forever with the One he served



on September 30, 1966. Ordained to the ministry in 1918, he was a member of the Appalachian District. Brother Sloan pastored in Miami for many years.

For some time he was a sectional presbyter. He is survived by his wife Mary, seven children, 16 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren.

BETTIE MAE McCORMICK, 61, of Noel, Mo., went to her eternal reward September 28, 1966, at Tulsa, Okla. A licensed minister



affiliated with the Southern Missouri District, Sister McCormick preached for many years in Oklahoma, Arkansas, Illinois, and Missouri. She was pastor of the Noel

Assembly of God before going to work in the Salvation Army in Tulsa. Funeral services were held in the Noel Assembly. She is survived by her husband John, one son, three daughters, and seven grandchildren.



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	Tucson	First	Nov. 27—	J. B. Wooluz	L. G. Gilmore
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	Madera	Grace	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	Marvin Schmidt	A. B. Goossen
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	Torrance	Walteria	Nov. 27-Dec. 4	Garfield J. Unruh	Edward L. Hughes
	Aurora	Faith	Nov. 21-Dec. 4	Charles Ogdon	Charles Chambers
Fla.	Ft. Myers	Faith Tab.	Nov. 22-Dec. 4	Freddy Clark	Dirk Hoffer
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Ga.	Tampa	Bethel Temple	Nov. 23-Dec. 4	Arnold & Anita Segesman	Percy T. King
	Tampa	Northside	Nov. 27—	David Fernandez	M. L. Halbrook
	Stockbridge	First	Nov. 27—	Nettie Parham	Clyde Cothran
Ill.	Centralia	First	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	Glenna Byard	M. Dale Barton
	Effingham	First	Nov. 27-Dec. 4	Harry Vibbert	Marvin E. Tuggle
	Attica	A/G	Nov. 8-20	Bob & Maxine Wilkes	Raymond Foraker
Ind.	Auburn	A/G	Nov. 29-Dec. 11	J. E. Friend	Dean Waddell
	Plainfield	Faith	Nov. 29-Dec. 11	Lee Paino	Evan Paul
	Ankeny	First	Nov. 29-Dec. 11	Milo Harmon	Robert W. Wenig
Iowa	Osawatomie	A/G	Nov. 22-Dec. 4	The Singing Lunsfords	Larry Allbaugh
	Parsons	First	Nov. 29-Dec. 4	Dave Tonn	Gordon H. Nelson
	WaKeeney	**A/G	Nov. 27-Dec. 4	M. Larson-L. Stiver	Byron Luckey
Kans.	Wichita	Evangel	Nov. 30-Dec. 11	I. D. Rayborn	C. E. Dewitt
	Baltimore	Eastern	Nov. 8-20	John Hamercheck	George Raduano
	Fitchburg	**A/G	Nov. 27-Dec. 4	Victor Etienne	E. R. Neuhaus
Mass.	Reading	A/G	Nov. 29-Dec. 11	Ralph E. Leslie	George Speir
	Wyandotte	A/G	Nov. 22-Dec. 4	Stan & Marilyn Morris	Warren B. Tyler
	Elmore	A/G	Nov. 22-Dec. 4	Don D. Miller	Frederick Santos
Minn.	Fairmont	First	Nov. 15-20	Walter Hatchner	Robert Schooley
	Fergus Falls	A/G	Nov. 24—	The Tanner Team	R. H. Dean
	Louisville	Vernon	Nov. 27—	Grover and Carolyn Dunn	R. H. Broadhead
Miss.	Canalou	A/G	Nov. 28-Dec. 18	Knott-Olson Team	Jesse Duncan
	Marceline	A/G Lighthouse	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	Ivan & Mrs. Kimmel	L. V. Brown
	Moberly	Glad Tidings	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	Doyle Jones	Everett L. Ward
Mo.	Sikeston	First	Nov. 27-Dec. 4	Bob Larson	T. A. McDonough
	Winona	A/G	Nov. 20—	Jerry Haynes	D. E. Roderman
	Lakehurst	A/G	Nov. 25-Dec. 4	George DeTellis	Jerry Bricker
N. J.	Point Pleasant	First	Nov. 29-Dec. 11	Arthur & Anna Berg	Richard Banach
	Vineland	Chestnut	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	Dave & Jan Olshevski	Harry Snook
	Jal	First	Nov. 23-Dec. 4	D. A. Watson Family	C. R. Love
N. Mex.	Rome	*First	Nov. 20-25	Victor Etienne	Ernest Darling
N. Y.	Minot	A/G	Nov. 27—	Jerry & Mrs. Fischer	B. C. Heinze
	Bryan	A/G	Nov. 29-Dec. 4	Geo. & Nadine VanRiper	Gary M. Lentz Sr.
	Harrison	A/G	Nov. 27-Dec. 4	J. Howard Thompson	Johnny R. Garrison
Ohio	Kent	A/G	Nov. 22-27	James & Beulah Pepper	E. D. Speich
	Salem	First	Nov. 29-Dec. 4	James & Beulah Pepper	Paul C. Taylor
	Haskell	First	Nov. 23-Dec. 4	B. P. Carroll	W. F. McCleskey
Oreg.	Eugene	First	Nov. 27—	Arne Vick	Murray McLees
	Garibaldi	A/G	Nov. 29-Dec. 11	D. L. Nultemeier	Don R. Jacobson
	Scranton	Pentecostal	Nov. 22-Dec. 4	John Hamercheck	Parker Hayes
Pa.	Camden	A/G	Nov. 27—	J. Colen & Carol Lassiter	Guy E. Howell Jr.
	Greenwood	First	Nov. 30-Dec. 11	B. R. Minton	Robert M. Couch
	Trimble	First	Nov. 27-Dec. 4	Paul J. McKeel	Robert M. Couch
Tenn.	Athens	First	Nov. 20-Dec. 2	Lindell & Mrs. Ballenger	Gaylon Echols
	Corsicana	First	Nov. 27-Dec. 4	A. G. & Mrs. Calaway	J. W. Thomison
	Crowell	First	Nov. 9-20	D. A. Watson Family	T. F. Donald
Tex.	Hawkins	First	Nov. 27—	Terry D. Johnson	A. L. Stanley
	Levelland	Park View	Nov. 28-Dec. 11	Mangram Evangelistic Tm.	S. J. Underhill
	Orange	First	Nov. 30-Dec. 11	Charles & Mrs. McKnight	Don Murray
Utah	Sherman	Calvary First	Nov. 30—	Jimmy & Lenete Merritt	L. A. Buck
	Whitehouse	First	Nov. 14—	Melvin McKnight	Melvin R. James
	Tooele	First	Nov. 25-27	Richard Ellison Family	B. J. Manley
Wash.	Enumclaw	A/G	Nov. 29-Dec. 11	Duane & Violet Parrish	J. E. Mayfield
	Fairview	Jakes Run	Nov. 29-Dec. 11	Curtis Sample	Wm. E. K. Drury
W. Va.					Earl Sims

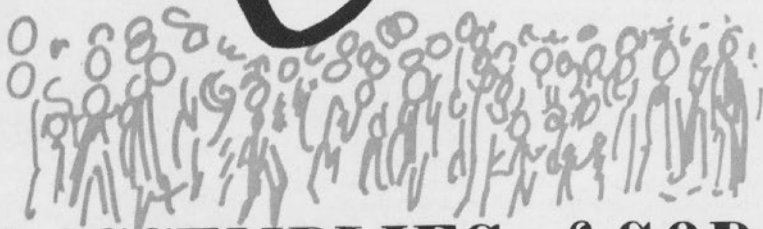
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