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THY TESTIMONIES ALSO ARE MY DELIGHT AND MY COUNSELLORS



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## "Watchman, What of the Night?"

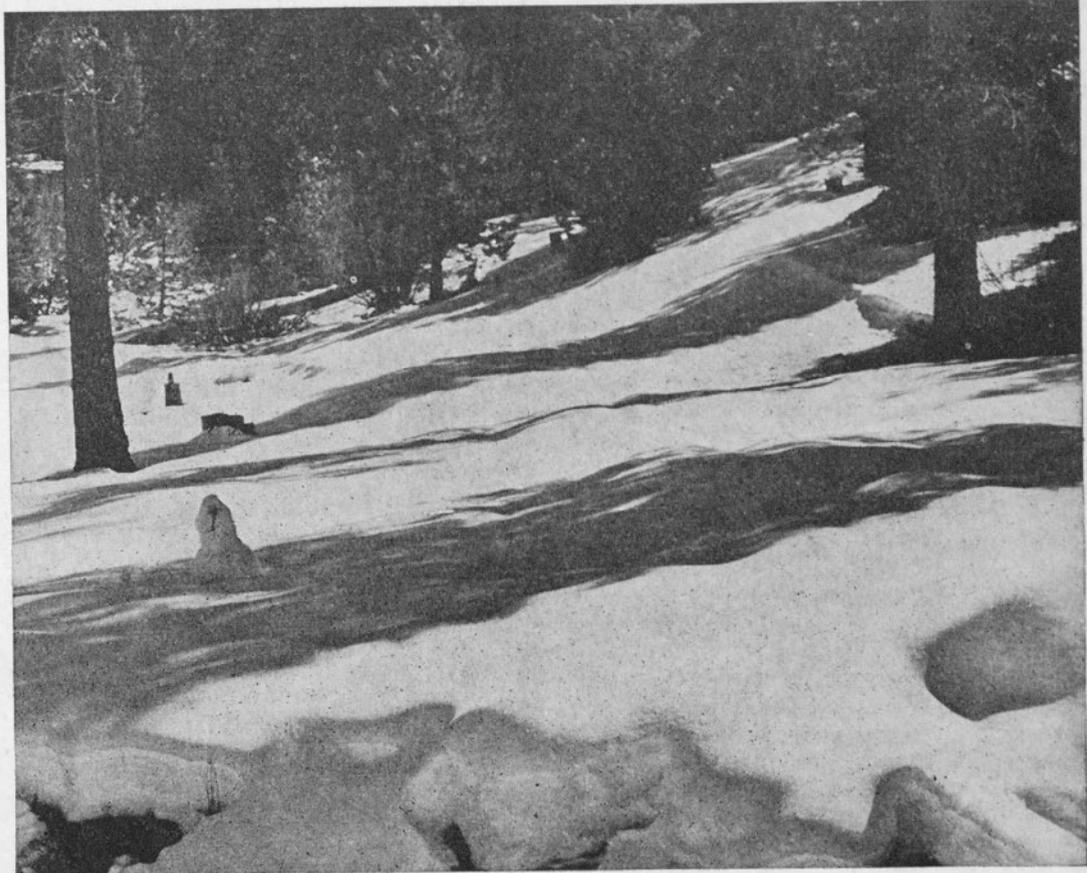
NOEL PERKIN AT THE  
CENTRAL ASSEMBLY, SPRINGFIELD, MO.

**T**HE burden of Dumah. He calleth to me out of Seir, Watchman, what of the night? The watchman said, The morning cometh, and also the night. Isaiah 21:11, 12.

This challenge, "Watchman, what of the night?" was made by the inhabitants of Idumea, and was made rather scornfully to the persecuted Jews. It seems that often, when we go through times of trial and darkness, there are people to taunt and mock us and say, "Where is thy God?"

"Watchman, what of the night?" It is a dark time, when the light does not seem to be shining. And we sometimes hear the question, "Why does not a God of infinite love reveal Himself in such an hour as this?" God's people are suffering extreme persecution, and it is also true that they have suffered throughout the centuries. Many are beating their breasts and with tears in their eyes are crying, "How long, O Lord, how long?" while those around who know not our God may be mocking and saying, "Well, what of the night? Where is your God? Where is the light? Where is thy help?"

I am glad that, as Christians, God has given us the promise that we do not walk in darkness as others. God has given us light and understanding, so that in spite of what may happen in this world, there is a light that guides us just as that star, shining in the skies 1900 years ago, guided the Wise Men to the place where Christ lay. Though there is darkness and turmoil and confusion around, there is no need for us to be in perplexity and confusion ourselves. Oh, it is true, we do pass through hours of darkness, when it seems that we hardly know which



way to turn. But as Christians we have a light shining for us even in such an hour as that, because it is written: "Who is among you that feareth the Lord, that obeyeth the voice of His servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the name of the Lord, and stay upon his God." Isa. 50:10. Let us grip a little more tightly the unseen yet very real hand of God, of the One who said, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end." So though there is darkness, we grip the hand of God, and can say, "It is all right. God is still on the throne," and by faith realize that "the morning cometh," as well as the night.

As we look out upon the world today, there are many characteristics of night. I am thinking particularly of our missionary responsibility and interest. It looks as if no missionaries will be able to cross the seas, going either east or west, until there is a definite change for the better in the war situation. It would seem to be almost folly for anyone to set sail for any country outside of South and Central America these days. The whole world is ablaze and no nation's flag can insure protection against attack. It does not matter what the line may be over which transportation might be sought, no missionary would be safe in

crossing the ocean at this hour. Thus with mingled feelings we look across the sea to the lands where our missionaries have been laboring these many years. We thank God for what has been accomplished, for the multitude of churches that have been established, where people are gathering together who at one time were falling down before gods of wood and stone, but now are in darkness no longer. Although their nations may be engulfed in war, thousands are gathered together as we are this morning, worshiping the same God—our Father and their Father, our Christ and their Christ. Together, we are one family in Him.

Many missionaries have had to leave their fields of labor. One solitary missionary of the Assemblies of God, Miss Jessie Wengler, remains in Japan, and what her fate will be we do not know. We contacted a Japanese delegation of outstanding Christians who had come to this country a short time ago, representing the Christian Church of Japan—and when I speak of the Christian Church I mean Christians of all denominations. They came to this country to try to develop a better understanding among the Christian people in America concerning the church in Japan, and to try to help everyone to realize that Christian people regardless of

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# Evangelizing

## at Our Army Camps

RAYMOND T. RICHEY AT THE SPRINGFIELD CENTRAL ASSEMBLY



*Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.* Prov. 14:34.

**A**MERICANS can sing, "God Bless America," and they are singing it, but it will take more than singing to get God's blessing on America. America needs to repent and get low enough before God to realize she is on sinking sand. Our nation has drifted from God. We talk about being a Christian nation but in reality it is not true. America has departed from the Source of all her blessings.

I travel constantly, visiting camp meetings, conventions, and churches. I believe that Jesus is going to return soon because in all my travels I have never seen such a falling away from the faith as there is in America at the present time. The people are cold. It is hard to get the saints on their faces in prayer.

It was different a few years ago. I was converted on a Friday night, and on Sunday do you think they would let go? They hung on to me like a bulldog and made me promise I would come on Sunday afternoon for prayer.

A. P. Collins, that old Pentecostal pioneer, was holding services in Fort Worth, Texas. My sister wrote to me about what God was doing in the services there, and so I went to Fort Worth. I attended the services, and I said, "God, if you will heal me, I will go out and preach," and God healed me. It is one thing to make such a promise, and another thing to keep it. Haven't you found it so? But it pays to obey God and pay our vows to Him.

The meetings that Sunday were being held in a temporary tabernacle with a tin roof. It was over 100 degrees in that building on Sunday afternoon, but the saints met there for a tarrying service and got me and others down to wait on God for the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. After a while I got up to leave, and they fairly pulled me down on my knees again. I felt ashamed of myself. I was like a dry stick. So after a while I got up again, but they pleaded with me to kneel down again. Later I got off my knees but they got me praying once more. They simply wouldn't let me leave.

At five o'clock I was bound to leave, but they said, "Don't go. If you will stay just a little while longer, the Lord will fill you with His Spirit." So I stayed, and at 5:45 the Holy Spirit came in to abide in this temple of clay. That was the kind of workers there were in those days. They stayed from two o'clock until five forty-five, determined to pray through. The people who will do that today are scarce. Where you do find such people, however, you find a revival on.

A lot of folk will come on Sunday morning and shout and testify to the glorious experience they had with God years ago, but the pastor never sees them in prayer meeting. They will put up their hands as being ready to meet the Lord, but many of them never are seen in prayer meeting from one year's end to another.

Friends, if the Full Gospel people don't have the vision, America is doomed. If the Spirit-baptized people won't get down and pray, there is no hope for our land. The greatest need today is for Spirit-filled people to step out on God's promises, holding on to Jer. 33:3 like a bulldog, "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not," and Jer. 32:27 too, "Behold, I am the Lord, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me?" until God sends a mighty revival.

A lot of people are going around saying the days of great revivals are past. Where I have found people willing to pray with me, I have seen a revival as great and healing services as powerful as I have seen anywhere in all the past twenty years. God still answers prayer. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and to day, and forever, as Heb. 13:8 says.

Many are listening to the radio these days to get the war news. Let me warn you. If you aren't careful, you will get down in the dumps. No one will be able to tell you are a Christian. That happened during the depression. A lot of people said they were looking for the coming of the Lord, but they acted like people without God and without hope. They stood around on street corners and in hotel lobbies talking about the depression and looking as if they were going to starve, and yet they said their trust was in the Lord. Some Pentecostal folk are afraid right now that a bomb might fall on them, and they refuse to go to church because they might be bombed!

Let me tell you this about the time I was converted. When I arrived at Fort Worth, I saw my sister for the first time in three years. I got to her home just an hour and a half before church. Do you think she would stay home from church just because her brother was visiting her? No, sir! Before I was there very long they began

talking about going to church. I said, "You aren't going to church when I am here, after we have been apart for so long, are you?" She smiled at me, and said, "I made a promise to God and to the pastor that I would be at church every night during this revival campaign. If you would like to come with us, you are welcome. If not, just make yourself at home. There is your bedroom. We won't be gone very long." She didn't try to argue me into going to church, but I went with her anyway. A lot of folk will stay home from church any time visitors are in the home. They only go to church when it is convenient. My sister went because it was her duty and her privilege, and that is the way to have a revival.

Often you have to take yourself by the nape of the neck and say to yourself, "You must go to church," or, "You must pray." If you ask some people how much they pray, they say, "Oh, I pray all the time." I don't believe it. It isn't natural to be praying all the time. People come up to me and say, "Brother Richey, I am praying for you all the time." I feel like telling them what I think. Some say, "I pray as I go." Well, perhaps they do, but Jesus went to the mountain and prayed, and we had better get alone and spend time on our knees too.

The Lord today is looking for intercessors. I am sounding an SOS call for intercessors. The task is before us. It is our duty as Christians to pray for those who have authority over us, that God might give them wisdom for this critical hour. We are no longer in a defense program. We are at war. We Christians ought to look up and rejoice, for our redemption draws nigh. Our trust should be in the Lord. Jesus said, "Ye are the salt of the earth." If the Christians don't intercede for our land, it is doomed. Do you love the Stars and Stripes? We will never keep the Stars and Stripes above us unless we keep true to God, and the Bible, and the church, and our prayer life. This is about the only nation where one flag can go above the national flag, and that one flag is the Christian flag. Thank God it is thus. Let us keep it that way.

Some take the attitude that as Christians we can't do anything about the national situation. They feel we are so few in comparison to the population of this great

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord; and the people whom He hath chosen for His own inheritance." Psalm 33:12.



nation that we have very little influence. They say we must just be careful that we are true to the Lord ourselves, and keep ready for His coming. Better watch out! If you take that attitude, you will backslide. Our influence does count. Jesus said so. We are the salt of the earth. *If we will pray things will happen.*

The great need is for God's people to pray and to be in one accord. We talk a lot about Acts 2:4. We need to talk about Acts 2:1. It says "they were all with one accord." One hundred and twenty of God's people got in accord, and we are still talking about it. What would happen if a hundred and twenty thousand would get in one accord praying for an outpouring of the Holy Ghost?

During World War I, I was a camp pastor, doing chaplain work part of the time, and God wonderfully blessed because we tried to put Him first. I didn't compromise, and yet there wasn't a service I held during that war in which God did not give me souls. I praise Him for that. Some time ago we saw things shaping up for another World War, and I took a trip across the country and got 120,000 people to promise they would pray at least thirty minutes a day. They signed a petition and I took the petition to the Capital asking that a National Day of Prayer be proclaimed. It was not proclaimed at once, but on Sept. 8, 1940 it came. Someone said to me, "Why ask the people to pray thirty minutes a day—why not just get them to sign the petition?" I said, "I could take the telephone directories to Washington just as well as that. If the people will pray, God will do something." And I praise Him for the measure of revival that there is in this country today.

When this war broke out two years ago, I fasted and prayed for God's guidance. One of the things He made clear to me was a great circus tent, and it turned into red, white, and blue stripes—a patriotic tent. I said, "All right, Lord." It was hard to find a place to get that tent made, for the Government was utilizing all the canvas for defence needs, but the Lord seemed to direct. I put in an order for the tent, and never asked anyone for the money with which to pay for it. I merely prayed for God to supply the money and I told people I was praying that way. Not long after I had given the order, however, someone stood up in a meeting and said, "Have you taken any offering for that tent yet?" I said, "No, I want the people to get under the burden and pray for it first." They took up an offering there and then. Three thousand dollars came in for that tent. I don't know all the contributors. The money came from friends all over the country.

The first place we pitched the tent was at Camp Blanding in Florida. It was a fine-looking tent, 80 feet wide and 150 feet long, made of broad red, white, and blue stripes. Thousands who prayed for it and hundreds who helped pay for it will never see it, but in eternity they will know what it has meant.

We felt very happy over having the tent pitched, but a patriotic tent could not bring a revival. It had to be prayed down. It was put up in a little town called Stark, Florida. The normal population there is about 2,000 but it had increased to 5,000 or 6,000 after the army camp was built

near by. There were 50,000 soldiers in that camp but there wasn't a Full Gospel church closer than thirty miles away.

We had no one to help us. The citizens of the towns were all too busy making money. You know, people soon forget God. When times are hard they will run to the church and ask for prayer and help and food, but when they are making fifteen or twenty dollars a day they have no time for God. It is harder to raise money today for the Lord's work in places where the big airplane factories are located and the people are making twenty dollars a day, than it was during the depression. People drove in from places a hundred and two hundred miles distant to help us. They got under the burden with us. We fasted and prayed, and finally God broke through. The soldier boys began coming. There were all kinds of attractions for them in that town. Every other door, nearly, was turned into a taproom, and there were dances and shows.



### *Battle Hymn of the Republic*

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord:

He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;

He hath loosed the fateful lighting of His terrible swift sword:

His truth is marching on.

I have seen Him in the watch-fires of a hundred circling camps;

They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps;

I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps;

His day is marching on.

I have read a fiery gospel, writ in burnished rows of steel;

"As ye deal with My contempters, so with you My grace shall deal:

Let the Hero, born of woman, crush the serpent with His heel,

Since God is marching on."

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;

He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment-seat:

Oh! be swift, my soul, to answer Him! be jubilant, my feet!

Our God is marching on.

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,

With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me:

As He died to make men holy, let us die to make men free,

While God is marching on.

—Julia Ward Howe

Across from our tent they were building a big Roman Catholic recreational building which was costing \$75,000. My heart cried out, "When others are going to such trouble and expense to get the favor of the soldiers, why can't our Full Gospel people get a vision and do something around these army camps?" We have the message the hearts of the men are crying for. Denominational churches and sectarian groups are giving them entertainment, but when they face death they need Jesus.

In the first World War I was with many boys just before they departed for France. Later I got letters from a lot of them saying, "We are going over the top tomorrow. We want you to know we remember that meeting you had with us before we sailed." I believe God will give us the same testimonies in these days.

You may not be able to go out into the army camps personally, but God has given some of us a wonderful open door. Through friends in Washington, and through the record of our work in the last war, God has wonderfully opened doors. Where they said no one but chaplains can get in, we are getting in. We give God the glory for all we are doing. As we go from place to place, we give out a great amount of literature.

We asked the Lord for some outstanding testimonies. One of the first things, a chaplain came over from the military hospital where he was in charge and said, "I read the book of your life story, how you were healed of tuberculosis and how God blessed you in the camps. We have a peculiar case in the hospital. The doctors have given him up. They have already made arrangements to ship his body back home. I thought that perhaps if you would pray for him God would help him." This man had been a chaplain in the other war, a gray-haired Baptist preacher.

So I went out to see this patient. There were curtains around his bed. I prayed for him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord, and instantly the fever left. The next morning he was feeling fine and asked for food. Some of the doctors said, "He can't get well; he has got to die," but that man is still living, healed by the power of God.

The news of that healing seeped out all over the camp. Boys began asking for prayer. We didn't know how to get the healing message in, but God did it. You pray that God will give us wisdom. We thank Him for the open doors. He can open doors that we can't open. Sometimes we criticize others because they don't work just as we think they should, but I believe God wants us to enter the door that He opens and trust Him to lead us step by step.

There was another case. It was an Associated Press story and pictures of it went all over the country. At about two o'clock a soldier boy went out on the watch to relieve another, and the one threw a gun to the other. He caught the gun wrong, and the bayonet went into him and cut his heart. He fell, and they thought he was dead. The chaplain at once phoned to me. I said, "I'll come right out and pray." He said, "There's no time to come out. Pray right now." So I did. He said, "I will call you in the morning." The phone rang the next morning, and the chaplain

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# Keeping Tranquil in a World of Turmoil

**T**HE Lord gave a cup to Jeremiah and told him to go to all the nations and make them drink it. What would be the result of their drinking? Madness. The prophet was instructed to say to them: "Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; Drink ye, and be drunken, and spue, and fall, and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you... For I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth... Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth. And the slain of the Lord shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth; they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground." Jeremiah 25:27-33.

Just as in the days of Jeremiah, so today we see the nations intoxicated, mad, insane.

In the 4th chapter of Daniel we are taken behind the scenes of earth. God has heavenly watchers, holy ones who minister according to the will of the Most High. And He Himself watches from His holy throne on high. "His eyes behold, His eyelids try, the children of men."

The proud boasting of King Nebuchadnezzar entered into His ears. While the bragging words of the king, "Is not this great Babylon that I have built," were yet in his mouth, there fell a voice from heaven saying, "O King Nebuchadnezzar... the kingdom is departed from thee."

After this, the king became insane. He did not act like a man, but like a wild beast. But when "seven times" had passed, the Lord restored his reason. When once restored to his right mind, Nebuchadnezzar declared, "I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honor the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and His ways judgment; and those that walk in pride He is able to abase."

Nebuchadnezzar's insanity did not last forever. Nor will that of the nations. There will be a day of the restoration of all things. The Word has gone forth, and he that hath ears to hear should hear it: "Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that there may come times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord; and He shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you: whom the heavens must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began." Acts 3:19-21. R. V.

Daniel, foretelling Nebuchadnezzar's downfall—and surely this prophecy goes further than that, to the downfall of the nations—said (we quote from the Septuagint version): "His heart shall be changed from that of a man, and the heart of a wild beast shall be given to him; and seven times shall pass over him. The matter is by the decree of the watchers, and the demand is the word of the Holy One; that the living may know that the Lord is most high over the kingdom of men, and He will give it to whomsoever He shall please, and will set over it that which is set at naught of men." Dan. 4:16, 17. Thank God, the day will

come when He who was set at naught by Pilate and the world rulers of his day, will be set over all the kingdoms of this world. The Lord God shall give to Him the throne of His father David, and of His kingdom (a kingdom that shall reach to the uttermost parts of the earth) there shall be no end. Luke 1:32, 33.

When Jesus came to the insane man of Gadara, that man who wandered naked through the tombs, He cast out the evil spirits—a legion of them—from him. These evil spirits whined, "Art Thou come hither to torment us before the time?" They knew that a time was coming when they would be consigned to the pit. The tenure of the insane spirit which controlled Nebuchadnezzar was limited. Thank God, the tenure of the powers of evil is limited.

The Master cast out the legion of spirits from that poor demented man, and when the Gadarenes came on the scene, they found him clothed, and in his right mind, sitting at the feet of Jesus. In the case of the man of Gadara, the spirits were allowed to go into the swine, and the swine immediately rushed into the water, where they perished. But in days to come the evil spirits that have caused the world's insanity will be cast into the pit, and the serpent who heads them up will be chained for a thousand years and later cast into the lake of fire.

At that time, when the meek and lowly One is given His rightful place, He will cause His meek and lowly ones, who give Him the rightful place in their hearts now, to inherit the earth with Him. His word today to them is, "Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass... yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it shall not be. But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace." Psalm 37:7, 10, 11. His word to us today is: "Seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger." Zeph. 2:3.

The world in its madness thought that Jesus was insane, and declared, "He is beside Himself." They accuse His followers who give warning to the world of impending destruction, of being mad. Paul was accused of being beside himself, but he declared, "I am not mad, most noble Festus; but speak forth the words of truth and soberness." Acts 26:25.

All the troubles are only temporal. The Master who set the Gadarene free from his demons of insanity, had been appointed to preach good tidings to the meek, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that were bound. And today He anoints His disciples to have a like ministry.

He came to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, but the day will come when He will usher in the day of vengeance of our God. Isaiah 61:2. And after that day of vengeance will come glad days of restoration. Our coming Lord will comfort all that mourn in Zion, and there shall be given to them beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. And they shall build the old wastes, and shall renew the desert cities, even those that had been desolate for many generations. Isa. 61:3, 4 (Sept.)

And He gives the glad promise: "For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are down in it to spring forth; so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations." Isaiah 61:11. —S. H. F.

## Unselfish Devotion

Noticeable it is that the supreme elegy of the Old Testament is on the man who had a heart of unselfish devotion, Jonathan; and that the one elegy of the New Testament pronounced by Christ is likewise on the man who had a heart of unselfish devotion, John the Baptist. The greatest possession any one can have is a loving heart—a heart that generously recognizes worth in another and tries to make place for that worth; a heart that guards another's interests, even though such guarding costs intercession; a heart that gladly surrenders its own advantage that another may advance to the place which might be its own. —James K. McClure.

## Travail

Paul when he wishes to express the poignancy of his yearning intercession for the souls of men, does not hesitate to lay hold on the pangs of labor to give it adequate interpretation. "Ye remember, brethren, our travail." "My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you." It was the echo of a stronger word, "He shall see the travail of His soul, and shall be satisfied." Are we in the succession?—Jowett in the *Passion for Souls*.

He is no fool who parts with what he cannot keep, to get what he shall not lose.

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# The Sadhu

A TRUE STORY BY MARY WARBURTON BOOTH

HE WAS one of those wanderers, called "Holy Men" or "Sadhus," who roam over India, seeking, seeking for something or someone to meet their heart's desire, and salvation is their quest. There are thousands of them on life's low way, dressed in various garb, mostly in saffron-colored garments, having neither shoes nor scrip. They carry only a bowl of brass or one made of a big Indian dried-up vegetable as they go from city to village and village to city, begging their way or demanding what they want from any Hindu in the land.

This is the story of this Sadhu. Tired of his wanderings, footsore in his pilgrimage, he sat down in the shadow of a mud house at the end of a village. Suddenly, a song fills the air:

"Jesus Christ, saves my soul—  
Jesus Christ is my Saviour."

The words are repeated, slowly and deliberately, and then a volume of sound—for inside that mud house is a school, where the children are learning to sing:

"To those sinners who will come to Jesus,  
Jesus will give salvation.  
Ho, everyone that thirsteth, Come."

The Sadhu sat up and listened—riveted. He sat for a time wondering what next, but something in the song had reached the depth of his longing. Never in all his wanderings had he heard such a thing as this.

Salvation had been his quest for many weary years. He had toiled and suffered, fasted and wept, and he hoped that in some way or other he would get some merit towards it. What were the words they sang?

"Jesus will give salvation."

He had never heard of Him.

He got up and went to look through the open door, where a teacher was bending over the children. They were unconscious of his presence. Who could it be? Who are the children? He questioned in his mind, and he walked into the village. But something within him had awakened. He felt that he must go back to the schoolhouse, so he went and sat down and as he waited, the hour for the meal of the day passed unnoticed.

He sat where he could see the coming and going of the children. They were ordinary village folk. Their clothing was very meager, and some of them seemed so poor. They were not all of one class or caste either. What had drawn these little people together? They were girls, too, that was the surprise. He watched them, amazed at his own interest; and then another song was sung. That, too, was about salvation.

"Salvation. What is salvation?  
Salvation is very precious.  
I have got salvation."

It was a bit staggering to this weary wanderer, but he wanted to see what next.

The song slowed down and died away. Then he heard a voice entreating for some-

thing. A soft hush, and the children ran out and ran round the little house, but not one rushed past the Sadhu. Every one paused to salaam. Their glee after school was tempered by fear, for who could know what evil this man might not bring upon them? They went to their houses to ask, "Had he been there? What had he demanded?" So the Sadhu turned from the village to the highway, to think thoughts new to him.

He looked back to see the teacher, a woman, locking the door and talking with another woman. They seemed deep in conversation, so he stood to watch, and then, seeing some houses near, he began to chant one of his own *mantras*, one eye on the houses, the other on the woman teacher. He wanted to know where she was going. Who was she, and he was very curious to know about the song they sang.

The teacher hurried down the road, and seeing the Sadhu, stopped for a moment to put a booklet into his hand. Not a word passed between them. She went on to where a conveyance waited to take her and others to their distant homes.

The Sadhu put the booklet into the folds of his saffron robe, and walked through the village singing his chant, and getting spoil for his next meal. Then he wandered on until he came to a turning to the forest, and sat down. Another pilgrim joined him. They lit their fire, cooked their food, and in his eagerness to read the Sadhu forgot to tell his companion of the happenings of the morning. He opened the book and began: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." Slowly and with increasing awe he read on, while his companion held his breath as he listened to the unfolding mystery. "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit: ye must be born again."

They looked at each other in amazement. It was too dark to see to read more, and

## Your Remembrance Is Appreciated

During the holiday season many beautiful expressions of thoughtfulness and love have been received by the brethren serving you at Headquarters. As these have been received we have wished that we might personally tell each one of our appreciation. This has not been possible so we take this opportunity of thanking all through the Pentecostal Evangel.

We wish for all who have remembered us, and for all others of the great Council Family, the richest blessing of God as we enter the new year.

With appreciation  
The Executive Officers at  
Headquarters.

silence was profound. They moved a little way to where there was a forest temple, and the priest in charge welcomed them. After greetings and meetings they lay down under the stars to meditate and to sleep; but the words of the book and the songs of the day haunted the Sadhu, and he slept a restless sleep, to awake at dawn to the sound of the temple bell.

He arose and went to the well to wash. His heart was awake to the song of yesterday—and salvation seemed nearer than he ever had dreamed it would be.

"I have got salvation," were the words they sang. Then how? was the question, and with a determination that when he had finished his worship and broken his fast he would go on to find a quiet place where he could sit down and read again the wonderful words of last night. Hope sprang up within him. That booklet suddenly became very precious to him. He touched it with his right hand, and pressed it to his heart, and the Sadhu became an earnest seeker for the true God. He could never tell you how or why; he only knows that there and then something within him broke, and he turned to the book and read again: "Ye must be born again."

The village school was like a magnet drawing him whichever way he turned, and so often he was sitting in the shade protected from the blazing sun, where he could hear again those wonderful words of life.

The teacher noticed him, and came out to give him a book with the words of the song they were singing, and his joy was great, for they explained themselves as the children sang:

"The boat is old, the river is wide,  
But Jesus Christ will take me across,  
Those who come to Him  
He will save. He has saved my soul."

He was always ready to hear it again, while the longing increased to know who this Giver of salvation is, and where He dwells. One day, he stopped to talk with the woman. He had read through the booklet several times; he could repeat every song in the hymn sheet. He was alive to something from which he could not escape, and undaunted in his pursuit—in the way unheard of in the custom of his native land—he asked a woman, and it was a woman who told him where he would find the Saviour—how he could be born again.

The Sadhu went on his way to think and to pray, and then he arrived at our house.

I introduced him to a friend who had had a brilliant career in England, and because it was time to retire he came to India, instead of settling in a comfy house in the homeland, to spend the rest of his days telling those who have never heard of the Saviour he had found.

The Sadhu poured out his heart and his longings to him: the eyes of the blind were opened; light came and entered his soul. He saw how he was to be born again, and the miracle happened. He became a new man in Christ Jesus and a follower of the Lamb, and some months after he was in church waiting to be baptized.

The padre told him to be there at three o'clock, but he was there at nine in the morning, and sat patiently on the steps until the doors were opened in the afternoon.

The solemn questions were put to him: "Dost thou renounce the devil and all his  
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# Loyalty to Government and to God

## in the Present World Crisis

E. ELSWORTH KROGSTAD AT THE GENERAL COUNCIL, MINNEAPOLIS



"Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." Mark 12:17.

**A**CAREFUL study of the life of our Lord Jesus Christ shows that while He lived in this world He was absolutely loyal to the powers then governing. There was nothing about His ministry or speech that savored of disloyalty. When they wanted to make Him king, He humbly withdrew Himself. When questioned about paying taxes to the Roman government His reply was, "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's." When confronted with that mob in Gethsemane He could have prayed the Father and presently He would have had more than twelve legions of angels to deliver Him; but there and in Pilate's hall of judgment, He chose to be as a sheep, dumb before its shearers while ungodly rebels passed sentence upon Him, the King of glory. In submissiveness He let them beat Him at the whipping post and crucify Him on Calvary's cross carrying out the sentence passed upon Him by a government to which He had never been anything but loyal.

A comparison of Caesar's government with ours in America will impress upon us the fact that as Jesus Christ was loyal to the former, we have every reason to be loyal to the latter. The former was altogether heathen and pagan, whereas ours was founded upon godly principles. While aware of the fact that it is very human and has imperfections, nevertheless, we thank God for the privilege of living in America.

When I behold our flag on this platform, it reminds me of the times I have been out of this country, and how, as I have crossed the boundary upon my return my heart has thrilled at the sight of "Old Glory" waving from the Immigration Office, signaling the fact that I was coming back to the "land of the free and the home of the brave."

I had a step-sister aboard the ill-fated *S. S. Zamzam* which was sunk April 17, 1941, by a German raider in the South Atlantic. During that time of great stress, I contacted the State Department in Washington and was deeply appreciative of the attention they gave to even minute details of the case. Upon her return to America, my step-sister, Sylvia Oiness told of the time they were released in France. As those of less fortunate nationalities were sent to concentration camps she said: "That day we were happy to be Americans. With gladness we claimed the American flag of our country."

As for those who disagree with our form of government and do not chose to love our country and be loyal to it, I wish it were in my power to buy each of them a one-way ticket to the land of their choice! We should never miss them. We ought to pray earnestly for our government. The Apostle Paul said, "I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and

giving of thanks be made for all men; for kings and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty." 2 Tim. 2:1-2. More can be accomplished by prayer than by any other means. We have learned that righteousness cannot be legislated into the hearts of men.

We thank God for America because it has provided the greatest liberty in the world; freedom of speech, press, assembly and worship. America has given opportunities for preaching the gospel unknown in other lands. It has permitted foreign missionary work. It has been given prosperity envied by all other peoples the world around. Here the poor have, and still can, become great. A man may succeed by personal initiative, and the lowly of birth still may become President.

We turn back the pages of history and watch a little craft as it lands on the shores of New England in 1620. Why was it those staunch men and women left their homeland and faced such dangers? I think that Felicia Hemans has beautifully expressed it in her poem, *The Landing of the Pilgrims*.

What sought they thus afar?  
Bright jewels of the mine?  
The wealth of seas, the spoils of war?  
They sought a faith's pure shrine.

Ay, call it holy ground,—  
The soil where first they trod!  
They have left unstained what there they found—  
Freedom to worship God!

Tracing the glorious history of our country from its birth and through the Revolutionary and Civil wars, one cannot but be impressed with the thought that every privilege we possess has been purchased at the cost of human sacrifice, even as our spiritual heritage of freedom from sin is the result of our blessed Saviour's sacrifice on Calvary. Therefore, we owe loyalty to our government because of the price our forefathers paid for it, and because it is our lot to safeguard the heritage they have entrusted to our jealous guardianship.

Ours is the unique distinction of being citizens of this country and a heavenly country as well. We find in Phil. 3:20 (margin) that "our citizenship is in heaven," and so we owe allegiance to God as well as to our country. In the question of the supremacy of the State, we must answer in the words of Peter, "We ought to obey God rather than men." Acts 5:29.

In recent months we have often heard of "Fifth columnists." The term came into being when as the Fascists were nearing Madrid in 1936, General Mola said, "We have four columns of soldiers and the fifth column will rise up from within Madrid to help us." Today we apply the term to anyone who does the enemy's service through non-cooperation, sabotage or any form of

treason. "Fifth Columnists" are not confined entirely to the realm of politics. Some are to be found within the church.

He who never does anything for God but criticizes others who do is a saboteur, throwing the wrench of criticism in the machinery of the church. Any old fellow can sit back and criticize but it takes a man with initiative and courage to go ahead and get things done for God. Anyone can ride along when the gospel chariot is rolling forward on a paved street, but when the way is rough we need men to get out and push with their efforts and prayers!

Then we have the non-cooperative person. He will never join forces with God's army, get down to business and affiliate with any church. Never will show loyalty to a pastor, but just drifts around, a religious vagabond from one church to another. (If all were like them, there would be no churches for them to attend.) Many of them have eaten their spiritual meal at one after another of God's restaurants never thinking of paying their bill. They are out to get something for nothing. These never contribute to the strength of the army of the Lord.

Then we have the "slow-down striker." He also is helping the enemy. Among these are those who will not pay their tithes. When someone says, "If you would talk less about giving I would come to your church," I know there is something wrong. What should we do with him if he came? He would be only a liability. We need members who will contribute a substantial generous character and a godly consecration to the church.

We also have the person who lacks missionary vision, and sees no farther than the wall of his own church. We were thrilled at this Council Meeting when our General Treasurer reported over one and a quarter million dollars has been contributed to World Missions by our Assemblies of God during the past two years. But do you know how much that amounts to? Just five cents per week on the average for every member! If we all gave just ten cents per week, the price of a street car fare, a shoe shine, two ice cream cones, two packages of gum, and lots of other things which we could get along without, when we meet in Denver two years from now, if Jesus carries, the report would show over two and a half million dollars for Missions! Let us learn to do a little sacrificing. Five cents a week is only \$2.60 a year. I pay more than that for electric lights every month. God give us vision! Experience has taught that the best kind of missionary giving is not necessarily huge amounts, but everybody giving something and giving it regularly.

Who can forget that blessed communion service we shared here Sunday morning. Surely if Jesus was ever in a meeting He was here in the Auditorium during that service. Such a solemn hush fell upon the audience as we remembered our Lord's death. After three thousand had been served, Brother Vogler asked, "Has anyone been missed?" And I seemed to hear the echo of a billion voices from South America, Africa, Asia and the islands of the sea, saying, "Yes, we have been missed. We have never heard of your Jesus. We have never had a missionary. *We have been missed!*" *What are we going to do about it, friends?* Just shout and sing and enjoy God's blessing in a selfish way? Faith without works is dead! May we go to our homes and put into practice a definite program of missionary giving that will make it possible for the gospel to go out to those perishing multitudes. It has been wisely said, "A religion that isn't worth exporting isn't worth keeping at home."

When speaking of loyalty to God we cannot possibly evade the fact that God determines our loyalty to Him *by our loyalty to our God-appointed leaders.* I hope no one is sitting here and shouting, "Amen," who is going home to cause trouble for his pastor. When the children of Israel murmured against Moses, God reckoned they had murmured against Him.

In the twenty-second chapter of Ezekiel we have a striking instance of disloyalty to God. God reminded the Israelites while in captivity of the reasons for the judgments which had befallen them. Go through that category of sins and you will find first of all, the sins of the prophets. Then the sins of the princes, and then the sins of the people last of all. That is the way national deterioration commences. When a nation drifts from God it indicates that its spiritual leaders have departed from holy standards. When prophets, priests and princes go down, you find apostasy spreading throughout the whole nation.

"And I sought for a man among them, that should stand in the gap before me for the land," said God (verse 30), and my heart would almost break as I read His verdict, "But I found none." One man could have saved that country from judgment. O, that God would give us such a man today! Like Esther of old, methinks we have been brought to the kingdom for such a time as this. It is a challenging time, when the people who are strong and do know their God can do exploits of faith and prayer. May the Lord help us to stand in the gap, and raise our voices against sin in the church, out of the church, in high places, and wherever it is found.

I once visited in the home of a railway engineer who had spent many years on the road. He told of the time when he had the run over the Continental Divide, or "The Hump" as they call it. They were taking a freight train over the mountains, and his was the middle engine with another at either end of the train. As they rolled over the Divide, the train began to gain tremendous momentum. Faster it continued, until the veteran fireman, who realized what was happening, shouted, his eyes glaring madly, "She's running away, man, she's running away! Jump for your life!" "I grabbed him by the collar," said the engineer, "and held him in the cab. What distressed me most was the thought that

a horseshoe curve was just ahead, and I wondered how we would make it. A station agent heard a rumble he thought was a mountain slide, and looked out his depot in time to see forty box cars and three engines whizz past and go on down the mountain. A train had once jumped the track on that curve and plunged two hundred feet down the gulch, and I feared ours would have the same fate. However, miraculously, we kept the track around that curve, and finally got the train under control." I asked him what it was that caused the runaway, and he stated, "Up in the cab of the front engine was a young engineer, inexperienced with mountain work, and instead of setting the breaks as we went over the hump, he waited until the train had gathered momentum, and then it was too late." Brethren, may we set the breaks against sin, worldliness, compromise, lest we experience a wild runaway down the mountain of apostasy!

On September 8, 1860, the *Lady Elgin* was wrecked on Lake Michigan. Ed Spencer, a university student, saw men, women and children perishing, and swam to their rescue. One after another was laid safely on shore, as the swimmer again and again plunged into the water to rescue another. After battling with the elements for more than six hours, his heroic labors had shattered his resistance, and he collapsed. Partially recovering from his first collapse, he feared he might have failed to perform his full duty, and anxiously enquired, "*Did I do my best?*" "Why Ed," said his pals, "you saved seventeen lives." "*But did I do my best?*" was all he could say.

In memory of his heroic deed, a beautiful song has been written. In conclusion I leave with you the searching message of its words:

Dark the storm is raging, and loud the breakers  
roar;

See, a ship is sinking!—help cometh from the  
shore.

A swimmer strong and dauntless defies each  
foaming crest,

This his only question, "O, have I done my  
best?"

Many souls are shipwrecked upon life's stormy  
main;

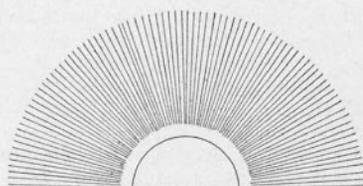
Let us do our utmost some soul for Christ to  
gain;

Be true and brave and fearless, for they are  
sore distressed;

While the lost are dying, let each one do  
his best.

Swiftly time is flying, the day will soon be o'er,  
Night will gather 'round us, 'tis NOW or  
NEVERMORE.

Then faithful to our duty, obeying love's behest,  
Soon we'll hear His "Welcome, for ye have  
done your best."



But unto you that fear  
my name shall the Sun of  
righteousness arise with  
**HEALING** in his wings.

PSALM 42

When the Master calls us, shall we stand the  
test?

For the love of Jesus, oh, have we done our best  
To rescue dying seamen and bring them into rest?

Can we say at even, "Yes, I have done my best"?

## The Sadhu

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works?" and he answered: "I've done that  
some time ago."

"Are you willing to be baptized into this  
faith?" His whole body bent forward with  
the words: "That is what I came here for."

The service was God's own benediction.  
His hand rested on the Sadhu, as he came  
out to face the world. It meant persecution.  
The Hindus stoned his house and stoned  
him. It meant isolation. They refused to  
let him have water from the well. He had  
to walk over a mile to get a drop to drink.  
It meant persecution. They refused to let  
him have food, and then they tried to take  
his little house from him. True it was only  
mud, but it made sanctuary and was all he  
had, and they desired to spoil it. The powers  
that be heard of it, and went to the rescue  
one evening, or he would have been killed.

It meant separation, for all his old friends  
left him and would have nothing to do with  
him; while the nominal Christians were  
afraid to be friends with him lest they be  
involved in giving what they were not pre-  
pared to give. So the Sadhu began his  
solitary way. He sat in his little garden by  
the river and sang his songs from the book  
he received from the teacher. "I sing loud  
enough for all the villages round to hear  
me," he said to me, and because he had  
never had any training whatsoever in work  
of any kind, he was very stranded. We  
opened a little school for boys, and his teach-  
ing was so true and definite that all the boys  
were taken away, and the parents told me  
that if they left them there they would all  
become Christians, and what could be worse?  
they asked. And I held my breath in awe,  
as I thought of what the Word of God  
can do, and what a true witness is, and I  
thanked God and took courage.

The Sadhu thought out a way for him-  
self. He would still be a Sadhu, but there  
must be the sign of the Cross to show that  
he is a Christian. So he evolved what he  
thought suitable apparel, made a musical in-  
strument for himself, and spent his days  
going about singing the songs of salvation  
and preaching the message of the Cross,  
and though he has suffered so much, he goes  
on his way rejoicing, for he knows whom he  
has believed.

He belongs to the pilgrim band who live  
the simple life, those people we sing about in  
church as if we knew all about it, although  
we have never even tried it, and I wonder  
how many if us really have—yes, really  
have—the sign of the Cross upon us; that  
invisible something that marks us out as  
His very own, under all circumstances, in  
all places.

O mark me, Lord: O brand me, Lord—

Thy Cross shall be my sign:  
To live, to die—all—all for Thee,  
For Thou, O Lord, art mine,  
And I am Thine, Lord of my life,  
Burn in my life Thy sign.

If we cannot stand the "sultry plains" of  
prosperity, the Lord in mercy may send  
the swarms upon us—loss of health, friends,  
money. Even the pointed dagger of be-  
reavement may strike a careless soul.

# Latin America --- Our Immediate Opportunity

## South America

### OPEN DOORS IN BRAZIL

"They will enter fields where the doors are open and no one is working," write Virgil and Ramona Smith from Joinville, Brazil, concerning two workers whom they are trusting the Lord to support so that these brethren can give full time service in the field there. "Some funds for this have already come in and although there is not yet enough, we are stepping forward in faith believing that our God will supply every need. . . . Reports of the brethren from the different points in our state are very encouraging. Plans have been made for a real advancement in many places and ways and means devised for overcoming some difficulties.

#### Revival

"We praise the Lord for a blessed week of revival here in Joinville. Since it is an industrial city and most of the Christians make their living in the factories, it was feared that attendance at the day meetings would be small, but it was not so. Our hall was about half full in both the morning and afternoon meetings. Altogether we were in the building about seven hours each day and the presence of the Lord was very real to us both in the prayer hours and in the messages we heard from God's Word.

"Twenty-six souls sought salvation in the Lord Jesus Christ. Although we cannot tell how many were truly saved, we could see that not a few of them were really touched by the power of God and His gospel.

"Certainly the greatest results of the week's work are yet to be seen. There were Christians here from many of our outstations and churches. They have gone back to their homes and fields of work with a new vision, a new faith, and a new determination. We expect to hear of revivals started through them. Several of our workers were here and testified that they found just what they needed for a more effective ministry.

#### Need a Larger Building

"It became clearer than ever before that we must have a larger building for our meetings in Joinville. Our hall was more than packed. The

attendance steadily grew. Our efforts for the construction of a new building are being blessed. We have reached the first goal at which we had aimed and the people are encouraged to go on. The Christians are very poor and even with great sacrifice it will take some time to erect a good substantial building. We are thinking of building a temporary tabernacle to be used until such time as we shall be able to construct something more permanent.

"We were permitted recently to make a very interesting journey. Our first stop was in the city of Blumenau, often called 'Little Germany' because so many Germans live there. All of its buildings are very much European in their architecture and the majority of its inhabitants are either German immigrants or children of immigrants. They have maintained to a large extent the customs and language of the old country. The German language is heard as much if not more than the national language and there are many who were born in Brazil but speak only German.

"From Blumenau we went with about eighty other Christians on a special coach to the fellowship meeting in Rio do Sul. We enjoyed beautiful scenery as we wound our way up the mountain. On the following Sunday twenty or more were baptized in the river just behind the church. The enthusiastic singing and preaching were most impressive. Among those baptized in Rio do Sul were eight from our own field of work. We were pleased to see these eight Germans from Jaragua take the step of baptism for it seems that a revival has begun among the German people of that city."

#### "BUT GOD CHOSE HIM"

##### Mr. and Mrs. Alva I. Walker, Chimbote, Peru

Julio Gonzales is a poor, untrained brother, about two years old in the Christian way. His right ear testifies to the kind of life he used to live. In a drunken brawl one of his "friends" bit a big chunk out of it. His salvation was a lesson to us. We had gone time and again to Santa Clara with seemingly no results.

However, Julio had listened half-drunk as he was, and resolved to seek salvation. On returning from furlough we found him one of the most faithful members of the Chimbote church. He and his wife have both received the Baptism and God blesses them wonderfully in personal work.

#### We Did Not Send Him

Julio has made two evangelistic trips recently. We did not send him. We should have chosen someone else. But God chose him. Thank God, He still uses the weak things to confound the mighty. While gone, the Lord laid on his heart the need of one of the towns which he visited, Macate. There used to be a Pentecostal work there many, many years ago. So he and his wife sold their few guinea-pigs (a delicacy down here) and chickens and whatever else they could, for the expense of the trip and moved there to begin a gospel work in that region. Please pray that the Lord will bless them and their three children as they take this step of faith. They have no promise of support from any church or individual, but they know that He who has called them will also make a way.

#### Out of Work but Busy for the Lord

Herminio Corzo, the treasurer of the church here, was without work for a few days so he made a trip with another brother to a new little work in the mountains. There the Lord

blessed them wonderfully and ten new souls were saved. They baptized six believers in water while there. It has been a very few months since the first soul was saved there, but they already have the lot for a church and plan to help in the construction.

Two of our boys are in Bible School this year and so in one way or another the Lord is thrusting forth laborers into His harvest. Please pray that the Lord will keep them and use them for His glory. Pray also that the Lord will send out more workers from here and raise up others to take their place. One of our brethren, Bertildo Capa, has recently started a Sunday School out in the country about four miles from here and reports about twenty-five in attendance. Pray that the blessing of the Lord may so abound that many may be drawn irresistibly to Him despite all warnings to stay away from our services.

## Central America

### NEWS FROM EL SALVADOR

Ralph Williams

We have wanted to write for some time, but the many needs of the work have kept us from it. Now we are at a point between two projects of missionary work and are allowing ourselves a day or so in which to get caught up, if possible, on many things we have had to let go behind. Mrs. Williams and the small boys are with me on this trip to El Salvador though it has meant leaving the conveniences of home and also carrying on their education while we move around. However, the people were encouraged from the part Mrs. Williams was able to take in the services in general and by the effort she made to help them get started in a program for Christmas here in the local assembly, Templo Betel, at Santa Ana.

#### The Bible School

Recently we closed the Bible School term for this year, graduating nine good Christian workers and giving an invitation to the first year students to return next year to complete their studies. We had an enrollment of 37 students; four from Guatemala, seven from Nicaragua and the rest from El Salvador.

This school is a great factor in the evangelization of these countries and the trained workers are filling a greater place in the work each year. Several young men who were with us last year for the first time, from Guatemala and Honduras, found it impossible to leave the ministry the Lord had given them, as it had developed so precious. We trust that next year there will be other workers to take their places so that they may be able to return to complete their studies. Just what the future of the school will be is difficult to estimate, but we feel sure it will keep on growing. Construction has already begun to facilitate enlargement of the whole plant, including the local assembly hall.

#### From the Uttermost to the Uttermost

We wish you could be here to know some of these men, and to learn just what a great work has been done in their hearts to bring them to the place where they now are in the Lord. Concho Alfaro, a man about thirty-five, comes from the large town of San Miguel in the east of the country. He had spent a good many years in revolutionary warfare in the rugged mountains and forests of Honduras and has had some



Perusing the tracts handed them by the missionaries. Mr. and Mrs. Walker contacted these boys along the road.

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terrible experiences. The ugly scars all over his body give mute evidence of the many narrow escapes he has had.

Another young man, Bernardo Moran, who came to us from the hot costal lagoon of Guatemala, was first contacted while the brethren were making a missionary trip through those waters in the motor launch the Lord recently provided for that work.

Some are from the coffee-growing section of El Salvador where some of the world's finest coffee is grown, while others are from the high Segovias of Nicaragua, which is the mountain range that gave shelter to the famed bandit, Sandino, who gave the American Marines so much trouble some years ago.

Though all these men are from very different spheres of life and all had widely divergent motives and ambitions, they have met here under one roof and have lived in precious spiritual harmony for the school term while preparing themselves to carry out a purpose that God, through the Holy Spirit, has put into their hearts: that of preaching the glorious gospel of salvation to their fellow countrymen.

#### As Our Borders Reach Out

Now as the work develops still further and our borders reach out over new territories, we feel the need for spiritual support more keenly than ever. We are striving to reach more people, to establish the work on an entirely native basis, to better our methods, to learn from our failures, and above all to give God a greater place in our hearts and lives. We ask you to keep us on your heart in prayer that God's will may ever be wrought in us for His glory and for the salvation of the lost.

## West Indies

### "IN CUBA FOR CHRIST"

Mr. and Mrs. Louie W. Stokes

From our land of labor we send greetings and wish you a blessed and happy New Year. The present world is indeed in a terrible condition, but how much worse it would have been if Christ had not come; but thank God! He came, and we are trying to make known the good news that He brought.

To be sure, Christmas is celebrated differently here. The Christmas dinner consists of a barbecued pig, with boniatos, beans, rice, and other Cuban foods, and the feast often lasts until late at night. The children do not receive their gifts until January 6, which day is called 'The Day of the Three Kings.'

#### Bringing a Little Sweetness

All of our Sunday Schools endeavored to have a small program during the Christmas days, and the missionaries pooled their resources and bought candy for the children hoping to bring a little sweetness into their lives, as well as joy. We have hopes for these children that they will become our future workers having been trained in the Word of God.

Quite a number have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit in the past several months, one outstanding baptism under Brother Einar Peterson's ministry was that of an old blind man on the day before his 76th birthday. What an appropriate birthday present, the gift of the Holy Ghost! And many others are experiencing the sweetness of salvation. Others are returning to Him after once knowing Him and then falling away.

#### What a Song Can Do

While praying with a man at the altar in our Havana church one Sunday night, I was pleased to see tears of true repentance coursing down his cheeks. Later he told me he spoke English and had lived in the States several years and had been a member of a Pentecostal Church

there, but never dreamed there were such assemblies here.

I learned the story of how he found the address of the Assembly of God. One of our workers who is employed in a tile factory was singing one of our joyful choruses and this man heard him. Inquiring where he had learned it the man came to church and back to God. Let us sing the story and the prisoners of sin (Acts 16) will hear and believe!

#### An Open Door to the Neglected

Hilda Reffke and Amy Ausherman are now located at Bauta, a promising town southwest of Havana, but from there to the western tip of Cuba (150 miles) there is no Pentecostal church. Cuba, despite its size (as large as Pennsylvania) and its population of nearly five million, and its nearness to the United States (90 miles from Key West, Florida) has been sadly neglected in the past, but thank God, it now offers an open door to the full gospel message! We are so glad for the new workers sent out this past year who have come to labor among these people who do not know Christ as we know Him.

As Cuba has become something of a haven for the war refugees of the Old World, we hear from their lips the horrors through which they have passed, and we tell them of a Hope far more secure than anything on earth. Remember them in prayer and also the work here as a whole, for in the forty years of Protestantism in Cuba, there has not yet been a real revival. But we are believing God for a Pentecostal moving!

Pray also for our missionaries who are here studying the Spanish language preparatory to going to other Spanish-speaking countries, that God will help them speedily to learn the language so as to be able to minister effectively, and that God will give them and us strength to labor for Him in this land where the climate so saps one's energy.

#### The Poorest of the Poor

Between our home and the city is a group of shacks built from accumulated rubbish, where live the poorest of the poor. It is called 'las vaguas' because the roofs are of palm branches. After united prayer, we canvassed the village, distributing tracts and witnessing of God's saving grace. Many friends assure us of their prayers for the work here, and we desire to have you join us for these unfortunates, that from among them God will save many. Their need of being lifted is so evident.

#### "If You Only Climb Higher"

And may we also ask you to pray that our vision will be constantly renewed and kept fresh. Our dear Lord is so patient with us and faithful to teach us valuable lessons. For example: I had been searching for the office of a friend and had not been able to locate it, although I was acquainted with the street and the building itself. One day I determined to 'search until I found it.' I took the elevator to the top floor and started walking down and to my joy and shame I discovered that previously I always failed to go high enough. I needed to go only one story higher. The Lord gently reproved me, saying, "The things you desire and need can always be received if you only climb higher."

#### HOME FROM CHINA

We are happy to announce the safe arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Harold P. Taylor in the United States after a voyage of five weeks. They reached California November 29, just a week before fighting broke out on the Pacific. We are grateful for the protection of the Lord during their journey.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor hope to come to Springfield shortly after the first of the year, when we shall learn more of their plans for the future. Mail will reach them addressed in care of the Missions Department, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.

#### THINGS YOU WANT TO KNOW

In this column John Hall is answering from week to week questions which are asked him concerning life in Mossiland, French West Africa, where he and his wife have spent several years in missionary work.



John Hall as he appeared at his desk in Africa laboring over the translation of Scripture passages with the assistance of his faithful Mossi helper.

#### THE GOSPEL OF JOHN IN STILL ANOTHER LANGUAGE

The Gospel of John has been translated into the Moba language in northern Togo where Brother and Sister Paul Weidman were located. They took with them, on their way down country, the completed manuscripts for mailing to the Scripture Gift Mission of London, England. With so many boats being sunk, it was a real serious matter of prayer that these would arrive safely and that the Scripture Gift Mission would not be bombed out or the shipment of printed matter go to the bottom of the Atlantic.

#### What a joy

It was weeks later, on our way through Gold Coast to learn from W. L. Shirer that the first consignment of these Moba Gospels had arrived and that when Nizemba, our Mossi missionary to the Moba people, saw this, the first printed material in that language, he danced for joy. To add to the attractiveness of this little Gospel, there were sixteen tri-color pictures from Palestine which are a great source of delight to the African.

#### Pray

for the faithful Scripture distribution societies who continue to function in England, not knowing when they will be blown to pieces and literature destroyed. To show how God guards the delivery of His Word, we received in Ouahigouya, forty-one packages of Scriptural leaflets and Testaments in French and Mossi at a time when no other mail was being permitted to come through. A recent letter from the office of the Scripture Gift Mission expresses their joy at the safe arrival of the shipment and they are continuing to forward the Moba Gospels of John to Brother Shirer in Gold Coast at the rate of one hundred a month till a thousand shall have been delivered.

#### A GOOD MISSIONARY CONVENTION

The Redford Pentecostal Assembly of God in Detroit, Michigan reports an inspiring missionary convention the latter part of November, and even though the missionaries have gone from them there remains a beautiful missionary spirit in the hearts of the people.

Missionaries present were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Davis with their little daughter from South India, Mary Martin from Liberia, Ruth Couchman from Peru, and Pansy Blossom from Manchuria. The congregation was greatly interested in their messages as well as their native costumes and curios.

# THE DYING WORLD AND THE LIVING WORD

## CHINA AND CHRISTIANITY

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, addressing the students of a Christian university in China recently, said: "We have plenty of man power for the army without you. We need you to remain in school to complete your training for Christian leadership in the new China that will emerge from the war."

## ANTI-SEMITIC STUPIDITY

One of the many stupid statements from anti-Semitic sources is that made over the Italian radio that King Haakon, of Norway, is really King "Ha-cohen," a descendant of the Jewish priestly line. A more recent statement made over the Italian radio was that the Japanese are yellow Aryans!

## THE GREATEST WAR YET

The present war became a World War indeed in December. According to *Time*, there are 37 nations at war. This figure is 50 per cent larger than the war of 1914-18, when there were only 25 nations involved. The words of Jesus take on greater significance: "Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom . . . all these are the beginning of sorrows." Matt. 24:7, 8.

## GLEANNING AGAIN POPULAR

Owing to the shortage of corn, gleaning has again become popular in Great Britain. According to *Christian Herald* (London), the rule is that gleaning may not commence in a field until it is cleared, which means that the last stook has been carried in. Farmers who wish to give the privilege of gleaning on their land to specified people often leave one stook standing, as an indication that public gleaning is not permitted. Many are benefited thereby, such as small poultry feeders. The news reminds us of Ruth's gleaning. The Old Testament has many references to the practice, for God hates wastefulness.

## THE GOSPEL IN EUROPE

The American Bible Society has received an appeal from the World Council of Churches for more Bibles for prisoners and refugees in Europe. If this need can be met, the Bible work will go on with at least the same intensity as in times of peace. The American Bible Society, in spite of the fact that its Emergency Fund is already overdrawn, intends to respond to this appeal.

In making the appeal, the World Council states: "It is very clear, from all the reports which we receive by letter and by word of mouth, that there is in many countries, and particularly in the countries which suffer most, a real revival of Christian life. One notices again and again that there is more real evangelistic work done in the countries where the church is under pressure, than in the countries where it is not."

## PRAY FOR THE JAPANESE!

Before the Japanese attack on America, Roy L. Smith wrote in the *Christian Advocate*: "The Japanese people are, perhaps, the most courteous and kindly in all the world. Travelers in Japan are fascinated by the exquisite manners and gracious hospitality with which they are greeted on every hand. The individual plain citizen of Japan makes every possible effort to be agreeable, hospitable, and friendly. He simply does not understand why his kindness is not met by similar kindness on the part of other people. He does not seem to sense the fact that he has been betrayed by his own government." Now that we are at war with Japan, let us remember this. The average Japanese is averse to this war.

As Christians we have prayed for the Japanese for many years. In spite of the fact that their government has made war on us, let us continue to pray for them.

## PRAY FOR OUR SOLDIERS

In the third chapter of Daniel we have the story of the courageous stand made by Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. They positively refused to bow down to the idol of gold that Nebuchadnezzar had erected. It might be asked, "Where was Daniel when these young men made their grand refusal?" Daniel 6:10 gives us light on this. The prophet would not let anything interfere with his prayer time. Even the decree of Darius did not cause him to change his appointed prayer schedule. "He kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime." Upheld by Daniel's prayers, his three companions could take their stand against the idolatry of their day. In these days, many Christian boys are being taken from sheltered homes and thrust into camp life with its many temptations. Pray for them, that they may courageously stand for the Lord as did these three Hebrew children.

## WATCH PALESTINE

If you would learn God's purpose in the present World War, watch Palestine. For it is quite possible, though far from certain, that the present war might lead to that final conflict of this age which we call The Battle of Armageddon, and it is clear that The Battle of Armageddon will be fought in Palestine.

Recent developments are ominous. With the entry of Japan, it is calculated by *United States News* that the Axis may have planned a vast pincers strategy. One end of the pincers starts at Japan, and pushes southward to Singapore, thence westward toward India. The other end of the pincers may start at Turkey, pushing southward to Suez and the Red Sea, thence eastward toward India. If this be so, the path of the German armies undoubtedly lies across Palestine. A glance at the map will make it plain how such moves would constitute a pincers, the greatest pincers of the war.

America is reportedly planning to meet such a German thrust, should it materialize. It is turning the small African colony of Eritrea at the southern tip of the Red Sea, into a new "Arsenal of Democracy," where American armaments will be unloaded and assembled by thousands of American workmen, reports *Time*. The purpose of the Allies clearly is to keep the Nazis from ever reaching the Red Sea. And so, if they should open a drive southward toward Suez, the fighting would be in Turkey, Syria, and Palestine.

Some are asking, "What about Russia?" The view of many Bible students has constantly been that Germany ("Gomer") would come under the domination of Russia ("Gog, the Prince of Rosh," R. V.), according to Ezekiel 38, and that they together will invade Palestine from the north. The routing of the German armies in Russia this winter brings that combination into the realm of possibility.

Others are wondering what to think about Rev. 16:12, which tells that the water of the great river Euphrates will be "dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared." Since Dec. 7 there can be little doubt as to which Oriental nation aspires to be "kings of the east." Whether that nation actually will be able to push westward beyond Singapore we cannot say. However, the Scriptures clearly indicate that great Oriental armies will invade Palestine from the east, and the entry of Japan into the war seems to be a step in that direction.

Of course, no human interpretation of Bible prophecy can be infallible, and we would be wise to wait until events transpire before insisting that they are necessary to the proper fulfillment of prophecy. But as history is being made these days, how assuring it is to watch it fit so beautifully into God's prophetic plan, and to know that He has had it all planned from the beginning!

## HITLER'S SPEECH

Dr. Lillian B. Yeomans sends the clipping of Adolf Hitler's latest speech, in which he said: "The world must have been relieved to see at last a State rise up to tell Roosevelt to mind his own business and he cannot very well complain this was not called for. That Japan took this step and decided to defend her freedom must fill all decent people with profound satisfaction. We know, of course, that *the eternal Jew is behind all this.*" Dr. Yeomans comments: "Hitler's right for once. 'The Eternal Jew' is behind all this. Has Hitler been reading the Bible—the eleventh of Romans, for instance?"

## FAMINE IN GREECE

Jesus said that previous to His coming "there shall be famines," and today there are many. *Alliance Weekly* tells of two American nurses, just returned from Greece, who not long ago reported in a public meeting that people are dying on the streets of Athens from hunger. The land has been denuded of its foodstuffs, and suffering is rapidly spreading. The same is becoming true of other parts of the continent. Such news cannot help but move us to pity. Many would like to help relieve the situation, but war has blocked all channels. All we can do is pray. God is able to sustain His own children; even "in the days of famine they shall be satisfied." Psalm 37:19. Perhaps the coming of Christ will suddenly bring their suffering to a welcome end one day soon.

## UNDER THE STARS AND STRIPES

When the Americans first occupied Manila they found many persons in prison for what were called "political offenses." One of the crimes for which men were imprisoned was that of reading the Bible. Soon after the Stars and Stripes were raised over that land, these prison doors were opened and men were set free. One day a man came to an American missionary and asked to see him in strict privacy. When they were alone he asked in a whisper if it were true that he could now read his Bible without fear of imprisonment. The missionary took him to a window and pointed to the American flag floating from a nearby building, and said to him, "As long as you see that flag floating over your country, you can sit on the ridgepole of your house, if you want to, and read your Bible, and no one can molest you." —J. Clyde Turner.

## THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT IT!

Have you heard what many friends say about the help they receive from *Our Sunday School Counsellor*? Here is what Pastor A. R. Horst of East Akron, Ohio, has to say in regard to the publication:

"Our teachers are receiving much good from the 'Counsellor.' In order for our School to make use of the many helpful suggestions contained in the magazine, we have a teachers' meeting each month after the paper is received at which time we read and discuss the various points included therein."

Undoubtedly this is a splendid thing to do. Much can be accomplished in such meetings. Then, too, we've heard of superintendents who quote from the *Counsellor* during the opening sessions of the School.

If you are interested in winning more friends to Christ, you will surely wish to have your officers and teachers receive this paper each month. If each of them sends 60c, the paper will be sent direct to their home address. Again, you may wish to order the papers in a bundle roll—six or more to one address, only 50c each year. In this way the papers would need to be distributed each month to the officers and teachers in your School. The first plan costs a dime more, but it may be worth it.

The January number, one of the best issues thus far, is now off press. Send your subscription at once. Have this helpful monthly magazine come to you and your workers throughout 1942. —The Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Missouri.

# THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

## Ezra Teaches Separation

Lesson for January 18. Lesson Text:  
Ezra 7, 8, 9 and 10.

The message of the book of Ezra may be summed up in four words—Return, Rebuild, Restore, Revive. In the year 536 B. C., under the leadership of Zerubbabel, the Jews returned to their land and began to rebuild their temple. Fifty-seven years after the completion of the temple, God raised up another leader, Ezra, who also returned to Jerusalem and under God's hand, restored and beautified the temple, and revived the nation spiritually by promoting a holiness movement having as its slogan—"No national salvation without national separation." Observe—

1. *Ezra's Purpose.* Ezra 7:1-9. Ezra was a priest by inheritance and a scribe by profession, that is, an official copyist and teacher of the law of Moses. Though undoubtedly comfortable and well-fixed in Babylon, his heart was burdened for his own people so much so that he asked the king for permission to return to Jerusalem to beautify the temple and teach God's people. Blessed are those who in this day and age will turn their backs on easy, comfortable, conventional living and identify themselves with God's yearning interest in a sin-cursed and dying world!

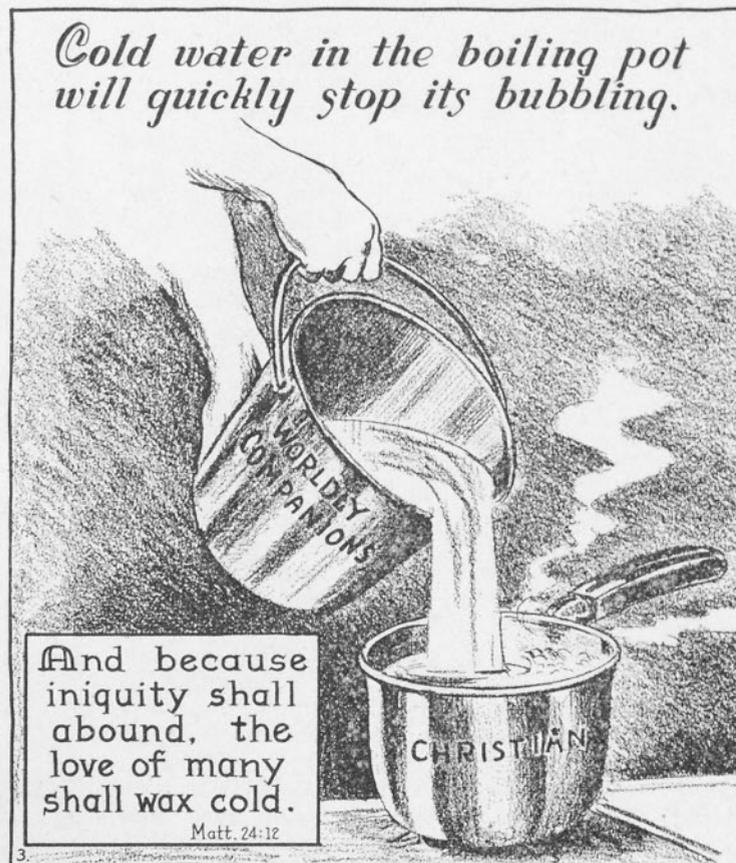
2. *Ezra's Preparation.* "Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the Lord and to do it, and to teach in Israel statutes and judgments." The heart must be right with God before the life can be of service to Him. And Ezra had made that preparation! Ezra wanted to teach Israel God's law. That was well and good. But something else was also needful and Ezra took care of that—he had "prepared his heart" not only "to teach the law but TO DO IT"! Christ would have His disciples today not only to teach and preach the truth, but most important of all to live it.

3. *Ezra's Provision.* Ezra 7:11-24. King Artaxerxes recognized Ezra as a man of God and graciously granted his request. He made a decree allowing Ezra, and any other Jews who wished to follow him, to return to the land of Israel. He commanded that financial aid be given, that his treasurers in Israel allow Ezra money for all he wished to undertake, and decreed that all who would not co-operate with Ezra in his plans were to be executed. Notice that Ezra was allowed money up to the amount of a hundred talents of silver which would amount to about a hundred thousand dollars in our money. Quite a provision, you say? Maybe so, but just a drop in the bucket as compared to the provisions made by God for those who undertake His service. The measure of their supply is "according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus"—an immeasurable supply!

4. *Ezra's Commission.* 7:25. "And thou, Ezra, after the wisdom of God, that is in thine hand... teach ye them that know not the laws of thy God." How this commission of a heathen king does put many professing Christians and religious teachers to shame! If God is to save those who are held captive by Satan, surely His Word must be plainly taught to them by those who have experienced in their own lives its life and power.

5. *Ezra's Consistency.* 8:15-32. Ezra had no intention of undertaking God's work in his own strength. Consequently, before setting out on the journey, he proclaimed a time of fasting and prayer for the purpose of seeking God's definite guidance, provision, protection, and power. Read

carefully verses 21 to 23. What a splendid way to go about any work for the Lord. Let us learn from Ezra. How consistent he was! He had boldly told the king about the all-sufficiency of his God. Now, he was jealous of God's reputation and did not wish to do anything which would give the lie to what he had professed. He says he was ashamed to ask the king to send along with them an escort of soldiers for protection—though the king would undoubtedly have done so gladly. He would not rely upon the arm of flesh for help and protection. Therefore he proclaimed the time of fasting and prayer. And did God prove sufficient? Says Ezra, "So we fasted and besought our God for this: and he was intreated of us... Then we departed... and the hand of our God was upon us, and He delivered us from the hand of the enemy... and we came to Jerusalem"



(Vv. 23, 31, 32). Are we as consistent in our profession and living? Do we preach "faith in God" and at the same time cater to the favor and help of the world? Or are we, as becomes true Christians, adorning the gospel by "casting all care upon Him"?

6. *Ezra's Concern.* Read chapter 9. When Ezra arrived in Jerusalem he found the people in a deplorable spiritual condition. Many of the Jews had broken God's law of separation (Ex. 34:15, 16; Deut. 7:3) and had intermarried with the heathen peoples around them. Violation of the law forbidding intermarriage had always led to idolatry. 1 Kings 11:4. Ezra knew this and realized that the very existence of his people as a nation depended upon their keeping separate from other nations.

*Notice Ezra's conduct.* He was tremendously burdened over the state of affairs which he found. "When I heard this thing, I rent my garments and my mantle, and plucked off the hair of my head (Quite a painful thing to do!) and of my beard, and sat down astonished." Here, again we do well to follow Ezra. How concerned are we about conditions in the world today? about the tragedy of war famine, pestilence, hatred? about the appalling loss of the lives of millions of men? about the apostasy of the professing church? about

the comparative indifference in our own churches? In Ezekiel 9:1-4, we see a prophetic picture in which an angel of the Lord sets a mark "upon the forehead of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done." This is the mark of the intercessor! Do we have such a mark?

*Notice Ezra's prayer.* Vv. 5-15. How fervent! How deeply in earnest he is! And how he identifies himself with the sins of his people! Observe that he says, "our iniquities," "our trespasses," etc. So deeply was he burdened that he felt the sins of the nation to be his very own. This is the true spirit of intercession, the very Spirit of Another who, five hundred years later, identified Himself with the sins of the whole human race, and died an atoning death to save that race from its sins! We need that same Spirit today to enable us to identify ourselves with the needs of others and then to prevail in prayer for them until the answer comes.

7. *Ezra's Victory.* Read chapter 10. Ezra's prayers were effectual! By the time he was through weeping and confessing, a great multitude of people were brought under tremendous conviction, gathered themselves together, and began themselves to weep and pray for forgiveness! Thus we see the power of one man's prayers.

As we face the conditions of the world today, we may be tempted to feel that our individual prayers surely cannot amount to much. It is not so! Here we see one man who prayed revival down upon a nation. Consider Moses, Elijah, Daniel—men whose prayers brought victory to entire armies, opened and shut the heavens, and stopped the mouths of lions. Their God is our God today. Consider John Knox whose prayers brought revival to Scotland, whose prayers were so mighty that the Queen of that land said she feared him more than any army. Consider the power of the prayers of David Brainerd who prayed down a revival upon early American Indians in the East and whose life story has mightily influenced thousands of lives for God. Think of Praying Hyde who asked God for ten souls a day and got them, who prayed down a revival in India which resulted in the conversion of thousands. God "is able to do exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think according to the power that worketh in us," as we give ourselves to prayer!

As a result of Ezra's praying, a holiness revival swept over the land. Proclamation was made throughout all Israel that within three days all Israel should gather together to Jerusalem. At that time Ezra stood up and pointed out the absolute necessity of separation. All who had married heathen wives put them away and once again the nation was completely separated from evil alliances. Separation is still a vital necessity to all spiritual life, development, and service. This separation is more than external; it is internal. It is not only a matter of the body, but of the spirit. The separation that is essential to spiritual life and power is an inward detachment from all that is unholy, questionable, worldly, and contrary to the will of God, and an inner attachment and passionate personal devotion to the altogether lovely One—Jesus, the Son of God.—J. Bashford Bishop.

The heads of all major Protestant denominations were questioned by *Time* regarding their attitude toward America's war with the Axis. Every one, including those who previously had been ardent pacifists, stated unofficially that his church stood solidly behind our Government. However, not one of them directly answered *Time's* question as to whether they feel America is fighting for the cause of righteousness—that is, whether they were likely to preach a holy war. Preachers did that in 1917-18 and later wished they had not.

## At Our Army Camps

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said, "He is still living." I said, "I'm coming right out." We laid our hands on that boy, with the chaplain. He lingered on. The doctor said he would never get well, for his heart was cut and they had never known such a case to get well. But that boy's mother was at an Assembly of God church in St. Charles, La., and she got the saints to pray. I went on having meetings in the tent and every day I visited that boy in the hospital. I would get him to read the New Testament, and I told him how Jesus healed me. He began to believe God, and got down to business. "He can't live," the doctors said, but he did live.

When I walked out of that hospital the last time he was sitting up, dressed, eating a meal fit for any man in the best of health. He said, "Brother Richey, they tell me I will never be a soldier again. I want to be a soldier of the Cross. Where is a good place to go to Bible School?" I met his father last month. He is a Pentecostal preacher who was a Methodist preacher before he received the Baptism.

We were praying for God to break through at a certain army camp, and on Mother's Day the altar was crowded. When they stood up one of the soldiers had tears in his eyes. He was quite short, and I am somewhat partial to little fellows since I am one of them, so I went over to him and clasped his hand. I said, "What has happened?" He said, "My mother has been dead for two years, and when I read about your meeting I decided I would come to the tent on Mother's Day, and I came, to honor my mother. And I am saved now." And he added, "Will you do something for me? My father is a Baptist preacher. He has prayed for me for a long time. I want to send him a telegram saying he doesn't need to pray for me any more, for I got saved on Mother's Day in the red-white-and-blue tent." Four days ago I received a letter from that boy. He is still going on with Jesus, testifying in camp, and now he has a Bible class going there.

We had been praying for God to break through in that camp and to open up right at the top of the camp so that we could get in. God answered our prayer. Do you know where that boy was working? He was in the office and in the home of the Commander of that whole army camp! That is getting right to headquarters, isn't it? We had some big advertising cards telling about the meeting and the patriotic tent, and this boy got one. I said, "What are you going to do with that?" He said, "I am going to take it to the Commander." The next night he brought word that the Commander wanted me to come out and see him. I went out, and what do you think I saw? My picture was hanging in the Commander's home! The Commander had said to the boy, "Is that the preacher in the tent where you were saved? Cut out his picture, then, and put it on the wall. Maybe he will do me some good, too."

That Commander opened the whole army camp for us to carry on our gospel work. He is interested. He wants literature for all his soldiers to read. Later he said to the boy, "Have you heard from that Richey lately? Write and ask him when he is coming back." A week from today I expect to be in that army camp. I want you to pray that many soldiers will be saved.

We had our tent pitched in California near San Luis Obispo and Camp Roberts, and in the closing service we had a sing-song and got the soldiers to stand in the front together. We were broadcasting, so we got the soldiers who were saved to walk past the microphone and give a word of testimony. They knew that in those two camps there were 60,000 or 70,000 men and half that many radios. They knew their words were going to officers and men all over those camps, and to many others outside, as well as to those in the tent, but they testified one by one, taking up all the time I had on the radio, but we are still hearing from that broadcast. We do thank God for the way He has been moving in these camps.

I will just tell you this that you might pray, not just for us, but for all those around the army camps. Many are wanting to help but they don't know what to do. God will open the way. Most of you will have to stay at home by the "stuff," but you can pray definitely that God will work in the camps. I believe these camps present the greatest opportunity for home missionary work that ever has been. Boys are gathered there from all parts of the country and from all walks of life, and they are writing back home continually. If you want to do great missionary work, pray for these boys. Each of them is some mother's son.

Don't forget some mother's girl, too. The girls need prayer just as much as the boys. The Government will be calling for women. We have a lot in the camps already. But the worst problem the Government has, and a problem that baffles them, is just outside the army camps. It will damn this nation if it is not stopped. We need to pray that God will save some mother's girl. That is why I like to pitch our patriotic tent just outside an army camp. There we can get civilians as well as soldiers, and the soldiers like to go where the civilians are.

In the first two and a half weeks in which our tent was pitched, 1,612 knelt at the altar.

If we can have the jazz and dance halls and movies to attract attention, why can't we have something at these army camps to attract the men to Christ? It is a challenge to us. The Gospel Publishing House is publishing a splendid new little red-white-and-blue paper called "Reveille." Everywhere I have used that paper, the boys grab it like hot cakes. I want to see tens of thousands of those papers given to the soldiers. I want to see tens of thousands of red-white-and-blue tracts distributed, too. I have been offered lots of literature by several groups. The Moody Bible Institute Colportage Association have said, "We have been checking up on your work, and we want to help you. We will ship you all the literature you want—a whole freight car load, if you want it, free of charge." But I am praying that God will send money into the Gospel Publishing House so that the presses will have to run day and night turning out gospel literature for our service men.

*"Watchman, What of the Night?"*

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race are a brotherhood that wars and national ambitions cannot break or destroy.

We wrote this delegation, as most of the missionary societies did, wishing them God's blessing upon their endeavors and expressing the hope that they might be successful in

their purposes. They have returned to Japan. Our hope is that in some way we can contact those brethren and tell them of our missionary who is left there alone. We cannot help her any more with money, but we can always help her by prayer. Thank God, that avenue of communication is always open. The Department of State may not be able to contact some parts of the world, but there is a higher Department of State that is ruled by the King of kings and Lord of lords, and we have access into His holy presence not by mail but by our own personal contact with Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think.

What a shame it is that we do not avail ourselves more frequently of our privilege of going before Him and telling Him about our problems. Let us tell Him, "There is Sister Wengler, Lord; she needs help."

We are hoping, from the human side, that this delegation of brethren that have gone back will remember the purpose for which they came to America, and as far as they are able show charity toward American missionaries over there. Miss Wengler was sick, and unable to take the last boat that was available. And so she remained in Japan. Thank God, the angels of the Lord are over there, and so she has more help than we could ever render. But do not let us forget her before the throne of grace.

Then we have 35 missionaries in China, many of them in Japanese-occupied China. We do not know what they may be passing through at this time, but probably they have been taken into custody by the Japanese authorities. We cannot contact them directly at this time. There is a committee representing all denominations, including our own work, that is seeking in every way possible to find out some means whereby we can contact our missionaries in China and continue to help them if possible. But for the time being, it is as though night had settled down, and a barrier has come between us and our missionary workers in that section. A cable message was sent just after the outbreak of the war advising our missionaries in China, the Philippines, Hong Kong and Singapore that we were deeply concerned about them, and that we wanted to help them in every way that we could, asking if it were possible we would be glad for them to cable us any instructions that might guide us in sending help to them. No word has come back thus far. So darkness still prevails.

We look in another direction, to our friends in French Africa, and we wonder what will happen to them if France should come increasingly under the power and domination of Germany. Will our missionaries there be permitted to carry on? A cable has been sent to them with the suggestion that they move into British territory.

Reverting to China for a moment, let us think of Brother and Sister Hansen with a family of small children. Some of us who are grown feel we could stand almost anything, but to have these little ones, who are dependent on us, suffering, is far greater grief to the average parent. It may be a dark hour for them just now.

We can still contact our missionaries in Africa and India, and our remittances are getting to them. But there is a party of missionaries we would like to send back to India, and it is highly improbable that they will leave. Some of the missionaries in

India have been over there for eight or nine years and we wish they could come home. They are weary and some are sick. They have no assurance as to when they can come home. I tell you, friends, to be cut off like that from the homeland means more than most of us can appreciate.

In many instances mail is coming through only at irregular intervals. They may not know what is happening to their friends and loved ones in this country. There must be a feeling of isolation and loneliness. And now it is to be intensified. Our boys in camps here at home become desperately homesick, but it is worse for missionaries who have been out there for years and years, and now their contact with the homeland is so uncertain. It is a time of darkness.

And then for those of us here at home, as we see our boys lining up to go to the battlefields, perhaps to distant lands. It is not so much the dread of their being killed. At least, that is not the thing that we fear most for our boys, if they should be called. The thing that we dread and I think the thing that tens of thousands of other Christian parents dread is to see their boys—who very often are clean, consecrated boys—taken into environments that might drag them down, through demoralizing influences, and perhaps wreck them for eternity.

It is a time of darkness, as we look out upon what may be ahead, what our young people are going through. We sometimes think of Germany, Japan, and Italy as nations where people are hardhearted and cruel, but, friends, the majority of the population of these countries are just like you and me. Eighty Japanese mothers lay down on the track in front of the troop train at Kobe when their sons and husbands were to be sent to war. They tried to stop it with their own bodies. It is an hour of darkness for those Japanese mothers.

#### *The Brighter Side*

But happily there is another side to the picture. As the night is coming on, some people may be saying, "Let us stop our activities. What is the good of doing any more? Is not missionary work at a standstill?" No, thank God, we are still going on and have between 200 and 300 missionaries still over there. Are we going to let our supply lines be cut? Are we going to abandon our soldiers? Would we leave those hundreds of native ministers, whom we have been helping, in the tremendous conflict? Our Commander-in-Chief is carrying on a World Campaign.

We thank God for America and all that it means to us, but there is another flag that may fly over the flag of the U. S., and only one; that is the flag of Christ. Our loyalty must be to Him first, and I am glad that we can even make such a statement on a public platform. That comes from living in a free country. Our loyalty must be to Him first. In many other countries of the earth you could not make that statement, but you can make it here. May it ever be that we shall have that privilege.

The night cometh, yet the morning cometh too; that is what encourages the Christian. Yes, it is dark, but no night so dark that there will not be a morning. For the Christians the morning is coming. For the unbelievers and for those who are rebellious against God, it is night, and the tragedy of it is they are going out into an eternal night. But for us the darkness is only for a moment. "The morning cometh."

Although we see ourselves shut off from many lands, as far as advance moves are concerned, we are not shut off from working there, because the majority of them we are still able to contact, and though our missionaries will have to carry on for longer periods of time without a furlough, they will be working there, and we must keep the supply lines going.

Even for some lands "the morning cometh." We turn to look to the south of us, to the "neglected continent." For that land the morning of gospel light is dawning. I believe that this is the time of opportunity. There are 1,000,000 Evangelical Christians in Latin America. There are 120,000,000 people in South and Central America and the West Indies islands.

In our country we consider we have about 35,000,000 Evangelical Christians. So the need down there is many times greater than it is up here. Out of every four people in the United States there is one who is supposed to be a baptized member of a Protestant church. You go down to Honduras and El Salvador, where Ralph Williams is working, and there is one out of 790. I think that the light is going to shine over these darkened lands as we now by force of circumstances turn our eyes toward the South.

We have looked East and we have looked West; we have sent our ambassadors for Christ out to these lands. Now the "neglected continent" is going to have its opportunity. It is indeed a land of opportunity. Brazil alone is larger than the United States in territory. South America is twice as big as Europe. It is a land of resources in a material way. Ninety per cent of the emeralds of the world come from Colombia; 90 per cent of the iodine comes from Chile; one of the largest petroleum fields in the world is in Venezuela; most of the canned beef we have comes from Argentina; something like 250 million oranges are exported from Paraguay. In many respects it is not a backward continent.

You go down to Argentina and out of the three leading newspapers that they have, there are something like 35 columns devoted to foreign news, whereas in our leading papers you find but 25 columns of foreign news.

In the bookstores of Argentina you will find the most up-to-date publications from all nations of the world. In the city of Buenos Aires, with a population of 2,000,000, there is one Assembly of God with a membership of 300. We do not feel that we are oversupplied with churches here in Springfield. There are lots of people here who do not know God, and we feel we want to intensify our efforts for God. But think of 2,000,000 in one city, and so limited a full gospel witness.

We are sending more missionaries to this land. We have 68 down there now. We have only about one couple in each republic of Central America. There is a Bible School in El Salvador with 40 students, and they are saying they are crowded out—young men and women seeking an opening to go out to preach to their own people. It is a time of opportunity.

I believe the morning is going to dawn in some other lands also. In China, out of ten leading statesmen six are Christians. May it not be that that portends the dawning of a new morning in China?

Look at Africa. A contrast comes before me. I think of Paul standing before

the Roman court, and king Agrippa, dragged out of a dungeon of pitch darkness and nith. Probably his beard has grown; he may be covered with lice. He is a pitiful figure as he stands there in contrast to all the glory of the Roman court, with chains on his hands and feet. Listen to his testimony, "I would to God, that not only thou, but also all that hear me this day, were both almost, and altogether such as I am, except these bonds." There was light in his heart and a looking forward to the morning; all outward suffering was as nothing.

In the heart of the Congo a missionary writes of one of the officials coming over to visit a village and inspect it. He comes to a hut, but he draws back because of the stench. He asks, "What have you there?" "A dying man." He looks inside. A man stirs on his pile of rags, looks up, sees that it is a white official. The officer starts to turn away, but the man calls, "I am going to die, they tell me, but I am happy. My heart has been made white in the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, and I am going to see Him. I would that you might know Him also." Soon he passes on. It is morning for him and thousands of others in dark Africa. And morning I believe is going to dawn in even greater brightness for even this land.

Someone will say, "But, Brother Perkin, don't you think we are getting near the end? May it not be that we are there? Is it possible that they have had their day?" It is possible; and if that is so, then I say, let us stand our ground and enter every door that is still open, and keep every supply line going so that we can keep sending forth the gospel message—until the rallying cry comes from Glory, and God calls His people, when we shall be lifted up in the twinkling of an eye.

That morning is coming. We look forward to that. I think they did too, at the beginning of this nation, when they landed on that bleak, inhospitable coast and for months struggled against adverse circumstances. Out of 102, 51 died, and finally the little *Mayflower* set sail, leaving 26 men, with the women and children. Their last contact with the homeland was broken, but they had come to a land, thank God, where they could worship Him, and their faces were set towards the dawning of a new day.

I believe that God wants us to stand fast in our purposes. We have the command that we should preach the gospel in all the world, for a witness unto all nations, and then shall the end come. Until the end comes we must preach to everyone everywhere there is a need—until the day dawns and the shadows flee forever away.

#### *Life's Supreme Purpose*

What is the supreme purpose of our life? They were all "of one heart to make David king." Is this our purpose, to prepare the Bride, to prepare the world; to prepare the way? Does it dwarf and dim all other ambitions, all other cares? Does it fill and satisfy every capacity, every power, every desire? Does it absorb every moment, every energy, every resource? Does it give direction and tone to every plan and work of life? Does it decide for us the education of our children, the investment of our means, the friendships and associations of life, the whole activity, interest and outlook of our being? Are we in it, spirit, soul and body, all we are, all we do, all we hope for—"of one heart to make Jesus King"?—A. B. Simpson.

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The sufferings of the Jews are a clarion warning as to the certainty of God's judgment upon all who disobey His Word. According to *Time Magazine*:

In Poland the lot of Jewry has been worst of all. Jewish deaths since September, 1939, have been five times the normal rate—300,000 in two years. The ghettos into which the Nazis have herded the Polish Jews are places of unspeakable suffering.

In Rumania all Jewish males from 18 to 50 years of age have been drafted for forced labor. Their daily food ration is one-eighth of that provided for a Rumanian soldier.

In Germany there are no more Jewish lawyers, craftsmen, actors, musicians, businessmen. With

the exception of the manual labor which they perform upon a virtually slave basis, the Jews have been completely eliminated from the economic life of greater Germany.

Another report given in *The Advent Herald* states that, although male Jews of military age in Rumania are barred by law from serving in the army, they will have to pay a military tax! Furthermore, the official Rumanian newspaper announces that all Rumanian insurance companies must cancel without compensation all insurance policies held by Jews. It is estimated that this order will bring three million lei to the government treasury.

Such news is an eloquent commentary on Deut. 28:29. God warned the Jews through Moses that if they failed to obey His commandments they

should be punished. "Thou shalt be only oppressed and spoiled evermore, and no man shall save thee." The Jews have suffered, and will suffer. So will all who disobey God, both individuals and nations.

Thou may'st know the Spirit  
Working in thy will;  
Dare to trust His leadings;  
Knowing God, be still.  
Follow where He goeth,  
Asking not the way,  
Seeing Him before thee,  
Trust Him, and obey!

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## REPORTS FROM THE REAPERS

ALPENA PASS, ARK.—December 7 we closed a 3-weeks revival, Charles Fiant of Clifty, being the evangelist. Four were saved, and 4 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. The church was greatly edified by the uncompromising messages of Brother Fiant.—Bill Hickman, Pastor.

FORDYCE, ARK.—November 30 we closed our fall revival, with James Villani of Route 1, Subiaco, Ark., as our evangelist. Brother Villani is a fine evangelist and his wife is a good worker with children. Our church was blessed. A number were saved and filled, and some affiliated with the church.—Louie Shultz, Pastor.

LAS VEGAS, N. MEX.—We are praising the Lord for a 3-weeks revival with Evangelist and Mrs. O. E. Eldridge. Six were baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 2 Spanish people claimed salvation. Brother Eldridge did some hard gospel preaching, fearing no man. Our work here is growing and the blessing of God is upon it. We had 42 in Sunday School last Sunday.—Louise Henry, Pastor, 925 Second St.

WINTERHAVEN, CALIF.—We have enjoyed the best revival in the history of the church, with Brother and Sister Dodson, Evangelists. Four were saved or reclaimed, and 5 received the blessed Holy Ghost Baptism. All the saints were wonderfully uplifted, and every department of the church was helped. God is blessing Brother Dodson's ministry.—Truman W. Carlton, Pastor.

OLIVE BRANCH, ILL.—We have enjoyed a 2½-weeks revival with Evangelist Dorothy Snow doing the preaching. Sixty were saved or reclaimed, and 54 received the Holy Ghost Baptism according to Acts 2:4. Last Sunday we had a baptismal service and despite the cold weather 30 were baptized in water. At our business meeting, 25 united with the church.—C. E. and Lavina E. Friend, Pastors.

ALTON, ILL.—We recently conducted a series of revival meetings with Sanders Brothers, Jefferson City, Mo., in charge. The solid, spiritual teaching of the Word of God brought strong conviction, and we are glad to report definite and permanent fruit as a result of their ministry. The young people of this church were especially helped and stirred, and new life has come into their services.—T. Kermit Jeffrey, Pastor.

ARANSAS PASS, TEXAS—A few weeks ago, Charles Robinson of Dallas was with us for a week, and preached each night on the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. For the past two weeks, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Jones, father and mother of our pastor, conducted an old-time Pentecostal meeting. People were slain under the power. Methodists and Baptists received the Holy Ghost Baptism and are coming into the church, doing missionary work and bringing in many more. Our pastor is baptizing Methodist people in water, and more are waiting to be baptized. Truly we have had a reproduction of the day of Pentecost.—Mrs. C. Dickens, Secretary-Treasurer, Ingleside, Texas.

MIDLAND, TEXAS—God is graciously blessing us here. We have just closed one of the most successful 2-weeks revivals we have ever had, with Evangelist J. D. Mahaffey of Ada, Okla. God's presence was with us from beginning to end. Twelve persons were wonderfully saved, 2 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, and 11 united with the church. The church is in a fine spiritual condition. The evangelist's ministry proved a great blessing to all who heard him.—J. B. Wharton, Pastor.

OTTAWA, KANSAS—We are praising God for a definite move forward in every department of the church. Recently Evangelist Wesley Goodwin of Chandler, Okla., was with us in a 3-weeks campaign. Some were saved, and 10 were baptized in the Holy Spirit. The Sunday School attendance showed a marked increase. The revival spirit continues in our midst, with people being filled, and sinners convicted of their need of God.—Russell Rexroat, Pastor.

CENTRAL VALLEY, CALIF.—We have just closed a 3-weeks revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Robert Perryman of Sacramento. God's blessing rested upon us during the entire meeting. A number of souls were saved, believers were baptized with the Holy Ghost, and others were delivered from the fetters of sin. Brother and Sister Perryman are thoroughly Pentecostal, and the Lord confirmed the word with signs following. Our church as a whole enjoyed the ministry of these good folk in our midst.—Gertrude V. Jones, Pastor.

LONG BEACH, CALIF.—Evangelist Irl J. Walker of Portland, Ore., just closed a very precious revival here. A goodly number confessed Christ as their personal Saviour, and a number received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4. Especially did the young people and children benefit from the meetings. One young man who previous to his experience with God was playing and singing in beer parlors, is now singing and playing for his Lord who saved him by His grace. The revival is going on and souls are being saved in the regular services.—E. W. Mincey, Pastor.

KALISPELL, MONT.—For sometime God has been moving in our midst in a precious way, especially among the young people. A number of them had not received the Pentecostal experience and as God moved, a hunger gripped their hearts. Tarrying services began to last longer, and soon some were filled with the Spirit. During the course of three weeks, 7 were filled just in the regular services. The church was then able to secure the services of Alice Podrouchny as its evangelist, and in this 2-weeks meeting at least 12 souls were brought to God for salvation or to be reclaimed, several more received the Baptism in the Spirit, many more were refilled, and the healing power of God was manifested. The church building has recently been remodeled somewhat, new Sunday School rooms provided and a new oil-burning furnace put in.—H. R. Carlblom, Pastor.

ALTUS, OKLA.—The Fellowship Meeting for the Southwest Section of Oklahoma was held here December 9, with 23 ministers present. C. J. Brown, Presbyter, brought the morning message, using for the lesson the 6th chapter of Isaiah. The afternoon service was given to the Woman's Missionary Council of the section under the direction of Sister Newby, Sectional Director, of Lawton, Okla. This was a very precious service. Messages in tongues and interpretations were given, which seemed to draw the entire audience nearer to the Lord. Sister Brown brought the closing message, using as her subject "Vision." The next Sectional Fellowship Meeting will be at Lone Wolf, Okla., Jan. 13.—Reporter.

NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—We are praising the Lord for the wonderful way He blessed in the revival held at the First Assembly of God, 22nd and Franklin Sts. Evangelist and Mrs. Arthur S. Arnold of Oklahoma City, Okla., came to us for a 3-weeks revival, but it was decided to continue another week, and the power of God was on the meeting from beginning to end. Twenty-four were saved, 23 were filled with the Spirit, several testified to definite healings, and the church was greatly stirred. It was one of the best revivals we have been privileged to enjoy. Brother Arnold is a very forceful speaker, and his messages are clear and to the point.—T. J. Gotcher, Pastor.

JOHNSON CITY, TENN.—The ministry of Evangelist Charles M. Shaffer of York, Pa., in a 3-weeks campaign at Berea Assembly, was greatly blessed of the Lord. He did a splendid work among the children and young people, a special service for them being held each evening before the regular meeting. The attendance was unusually good, and everyone enjoyed the messages delivered by Brother Shaffer. Surely heaven was made to rejoice as sinners surrendered their hearts to the Lord, and God's children were strengthened by the mighty work of the Holy Ghost in their hearts.

May God's blessing rest upon all the evangelists and pastors of our great fellowship as we labor together for the salvation of souls and patiently wait for our Master's return.—L. A. Jollay, Pastor.

COLUMBUS, GA.—We just closed a very successful revival with Evangelists Horace A. and Florence E. Booker of Lakeland, Fla. Brother and Sister Booker have been for many years outstanding evangelists and musicians in the Nazarene Church, but now have the Pentecostal experience and are well versed in the Pentecostal doctrines. Brother Booker has been blind from birth but is a graduate from a school for the blind and from the well-known Asbury College of Wilmore, Ky. Brother and Sister Booker are not only good preachers but are outstanding musicians, playing some ten different instruments. We were glad to welcome them into the membership of the East Highland Assembly of God. Mail will reach them at 2111 12th Ave., Columbus, Ga.—Jimmie Mayo, Pastor.

GILLETTE, WYO.—We have just concluded the best 4-weeks revival in the history of our assembly, with the Moore-Nollsch Evangelistic Party, Rapid City, S. Dak. There were 11 definite conversions (more were at the altar), and 4 baptisms. Five or 6 were reclaimed, and the church was wonderfully built up. Our Sunday

School broke the high record of 73, reaching an attendance of 143, and is still holding up considerably over all previous records. One precious mother was saved in her home the week after the meeting. Another young mother received her Baptism and was delivered from the cigarette habit at the same time. The anointing of God was mightily upon this Party, especially upon Marries Moore, the 19-year-old Sioux Indian Evangelist. A Women's Missionary Council was organized with 14 charter members.—M. Stanley Files, Pastor.

LODI, CALIF.—We have just closed a very successful "Young People's Victory Conference" here at Glad Tidings Temple, conducted by Paul Pipkin of Watsonville. Preceding the conference we had special cottage prayer meetings asking God to send an old-fashioned revival. Surely we felt the effect of these prayer meetings in the conference. Brother Pipkin is a young man, an unusual speaker with a passion for souls, and a man of prayer. Several souls were saved and the church was revived in general. One young man received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost and was later seen by the evangelist and pastor seated on a bench in a park witnessing to a man about the good things of Christ. The conference closed with great victory in the camp, the prayer room being filled to capacity, the children of God mingling with sinners seeking the showers of refreshing from the presence of the Lord.—Stanley P. McPherson, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—November 9 we moved into our new location, 1833 Irving Park Road, using the name Chicago Bible Tabernacle. We began with a 2-weeks evangelistic campaign under the ministry of my brother, Dr. Fred E. Stemme, of Denver, Colo. The Lord is definitely blessing and it looks as though, very shortly, we shall have to move to larger quarters. November 30 we began a prayer revival which is to continue every night through the holiday season. The mighty volume of intercession ascending day and night promises a precious break through in the power of the Holy Ghost. Within six blocks of the tabernacle are about 35 factories, some of them employing hundreds of people. The personal workers who are making a systematic distribution of tracts in this area are delighted with the amazing possibilities of reaching souls for Christ. If there are any prayer warriors in this section of Chicago who are not associated with any particular church, we shall greatly appreciate it if they will join us in praying this pioneer work through for God.—Harry A. Stemme.

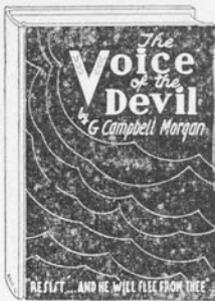
Bar the Lord out of the small events of your life if you would miss Him out of the deeper and broader experiences that come to you.

The same event happening to two persons does not make the same experience to each. In the manner of its reception lies its meaning for good or evil.

Some neglect the gift that is in them because they are so busy in looking after the gift that is in somebody else.—C. H. Spurgeon.

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## COMING MEETINGS

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SAYRE, OKLA.—Jan. 12-25; Wesley Goodwin, Evangelist.—Arthur Price, Pastor.

AUSTIN, TEXAS—503 W. 37th; Jan. 4, for 2 weeks or longer; W. B. Shows, Evangelist.—V. E. Wilson, Pastor.

CHANUTE, KANSAS—Jan. 11—; Evangelist and Mrs. Curtis W. Ringness, Tampa, Fla.—Avi Gaddis, Pastor.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—First Assembly of God, Jan. 4—; Evangelist and Mrs. Loren Wooten.—J. E. Wilson, Pastor.

KINGSTON, WASH.—Jan. 4, for 3 weeks or longer; Dave Carlson of Seattle, Evangelist.—John M. Tappero, Pastor.

TORONTO, ONT.—76 Dundas St. E., Jan. 4—; Genevieve Booth-Clibborn, Evangelist.—H. E. W. Burn, Pastor.

WESTERNPORT, MD.—Assembly of God, Jan. 1-24; Evangelist and Mrs. J. Vernon Cardiff.—Oliver P. Brann, Pastor.

RACELAND, KY.—Jan. 4, for 3 weeks or longer; R. L. Wilkerson, Knoxville, Tenn., Evangelist.—John E. Rogers, Pastor.

CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS—First Assembly of God, Jan. 4-18; George Hayes, Evangelist.—Leonard L. Norville, Pastor.

NEWVILLE, PA.—Dec. 28—; Chas. Shaffer of York, Evangelist.—Jas. Gorman, Pastor.

BUCYRUS, OHIO—Mansfield C. A. Rally, Assembly of God, Jan. 12, 7:45 p. m.—H. W. Reeser, Chairman.

WHITE CLOUD, MICH.—Jan. 4—; Bertha Veneberg, Evangelist.—B. Terrek and E. McClary, Pastors.

DEL NORTE, COLO.—Jan. 4, for 4 weeks or longer; Anna Pearl Jones of Denver, Evangelist.—Peter Pilot, Pastor.

PINE BLUFF, ARK.—Jan. 4, for 3 weeks; Arthur S. Arnold, Oklahoma City, Okla., Evangelist.—Carl W. Barnes, Pastor.

TULARE, CALIF.—Jan. 18—; Evangelist and Mrs. R. B. Yunker, Newark, N. J.—S. J. Clarke, Pastor.

LONG BEACH, CALIF.—439 W. Anaheim St., Jan. 4—; Smith and Rogers, Evangelists.—E. W. Mincey, Pastor.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—9th and Phillips Assembly, Jan. 11-18; W. S. Bragg, District Secretary, Speaker.—Earl F. Davis, Pastor.

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—Park Ave. and Village St., Moxham; Jan. 1, for 4 weeks or longer; W. F. Duncan, Evangelist.—Chas. C. Eyer, Pastor.

ENID, OKLA.—Gospel Tabernacle; Jan. 8, for 3 weeks or longer; Louise Nankivell, Chicago, Ill., Evangelist.—B. L. Greene, Pastor.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—1250 Bellevue Ave; Jan. 4, for whole month or longer; Arne Vick, Evangelist.—Louis F. Turnbull, Pastor.

ALTON, ILL.—Bible Convention, 512 Spring St.; Dec. 31, for 2 weeks or longer; Ralph M. Jeffrey, Hagerstown, Md., Special Speaker.—T. Kermit Jeffrey, Pastor.

WAYNESBORO, PA.—Preaching Mission, special emphasis on Personal Work, Jan. 4-25; Virgil R. Jackson, Mt. Vernon, Mo., Speaker.—George E. Dych, Pastor.

DURANT, FLA.—Dec. 28—; Mayme E. Williams, Evangelist, assisted by Frances

Williams. Prayer meetings daily through National Prayer Week.—By Evangelist.

ENDICOTT, N. Y.—Calvary Tabernacle; Jan. 4, for 2 weeks or longer; "Deeper Life" meetings; Amelia Joseph, Speaker.—Waldo E. Risner, Pastor.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO.—1202 S. Sprigg St., Jan. 13-Feb. 1; Philip A. Megna, Evangelist.—R. M. Crenshaw, Pastor.

LONG BEACH, CALIF.—First Assembly of God; Jan. 4, for 2 weeks or longer; Fox Evangelistic Party.—E. B. and Emma Taylor, Pastors.

OCEAN BEACH, CALIF.—Cape May and Eber Sts., Jan. 4-25; Carl and Edna Goodwin of Los Angeles, Evangelists.—Eldon Vincent, Pastor.

TAMPA, FLA.—In Red, White and Blue Tent, near McGill and Drew Field; Service—Men's Revival, Jan. 14—; Raymo d T. Richey, Evangelist.—By Evangelist.

OAKLAND, CALIF.—Mid-Winter Prayer and Evangelistic Conference, 25th Ave. at E. 14th St., Dec. 28—; Leonard H. and Medora Combs Rogers, Evangelists.—R. H. Moon, Pastor.

MARYSVILLE, OHIO—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Jan. 4-18; Mr. and Mrs. J. Earl Douglass, Fallen Timber, Pa., Evangelists. Neighboring churches and pastors cordially asked to support these meetings.—Wesley C. Wibley, Pastor.

DAYTON, OHIO—State Ministers' Institute, Bethel Temple 108 Buckeye St., Jan. 12-14. R. E. McAlister, Toronto, Ontario, Night Speaker. Lodging and breakfast provided for all ministers and their companions. For complete program write T. E. Hartshorn, Secretary, 455 N. Lyman St., Wadsworth, Ohio.

S. CUMBERLAND, MD.—Workers Meeting, Jan. 4-10. Three meetings daily. Speakers: Flem Van Meter, Superintendent Eastern District; H. Strickland, Superintendent Potomac District, and Arthur H. Graves, Secretary Potomac District. All pastors and workers encouraged to attend. Rooms will be provided. Write Pastor Coley H. Jacobs, 23 Elder St., S. Cumberland, Md.

BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO—3 Bridge St. W., corner Coleman; Jan. 18, for 3 or 4 weeks; Evelyn M. Olsen, Tacoma, Wash., Evangelist. There are 4 Royal Canadian Air Force training stations within 25 miles of our Assembly, with many boys from U. S. A. If parents or friends of such will notify me, I will endeavor to contact them.—E. N. O. Kulbeck, Pastor.

AMARILLO, TEXAS—Mid-Winter Prayer Conference, Jan. 19-22. Monday night, Fellowship Meeting. Five-district meeting—Texas, West Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and New Mexico. Three full days of prayer, consecration, and spiritual refreshing. For further information write Pastor E. R. Foster, 900 N. Pierce St., Amarillo, Texas. H. Paul Holdridge, Secretary-Treasurer, West Texas District.

DYER, TENN.—Annual Mid-Winter Bible Convention, Tennessee District, Jan. 27-29. R. M. Riggs, Superintendent Southern Missouri District, Main Speaker. Three services daily, with round-table discussion each morning for ministers and their wives. Rooms and meals furnished by local assembly. For further information write Pastor L. T. Drumright, Route 2, Dyer, Tenn., or G. G. Preslar, Sectional Presbyterian, 519 Fremont St., Dyer, Tenn.—H. E. Waddle, District Superintendent.

EASTERN DISTRICT PRAYER CONFERENCE

HARRISBURG, PA.—Eastern District Prayer Conference, Pentecostal Assembly of God, 2540 Jefferson St., Feb. 3-5. An

opportunity and a privilege extended to all to come apart for awhile for Prayer, Fellowship, and Spiritual Help in an hour of grave crisis and peril. Speakers: Flem Van Meter, District Superintendent; W. A. Brown, District Secretary; Frederick D. Drake, Prayer League Leader, and Ministers of the District. Services 9:00, 2:30, and 7:30. Meals on freewill offering plan. Accommodations free as far as possible. Write Pastor A. Vigna, 2423 Reel St., Harrisburg, Pa.—Frederick D. Drake, Prayer League Leader.

### FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS, S. S. AND C. A. RALLIES

ST. LOUIS, MO.—C. A. Rally, St. Louis Section, 1746 Mississippi St., Jan. 11, 2:30 p. m. F. E. Heady is pastor.—Lester Shockley, President; by E. J. Boettcher, Secretary.

LONGVIEW, TEXAS—Sunday School Conference, Jan. 11-18, directed by Margaret Miller, S. S. Superintendent of Louisiana.—Lester P. Summers, Pastor.

DEXTER, MO.—Fellowship Meeting, Cape Girardeau Section, Jan. 19; E. L. Hance, Morning Speaker.—L. C. Ramsey, Presbyter.

DYERSBURG, TENN.—Sunday School Convention, Jan. 8-9; Speakers: Fred Vogler, Assistant General Superintendent; H. E. Waddle, District Superintendent; and Wm. E. Pickthorn.—C. N. Rice, Pastor.

LONE WOLF, OKLA.—Fellowship Meeting, Southwest Section, Jan. 13. First service 10:00 a. m. A. H. Monroe is pastor.—C. J. Brown, Presbyter.

MOUNT VERNON, MO.—Fellowship Meeting, Joplin Section, Jan. 12. Tolbert S. Farris of Joplin, Morning Speaker. Services 12:30, 2:30, and 7:30. Dinner served at 12:30.—S. K. Biffle.

LA PORTE, IND.—Northern Indiana Fellowship Meeting, Jan. 12. Services 2:30 and 7:30. Roy Davidson is pastor. James Menzie, Chairman.—C. C. Burnett, Secretary.

CHILLICOTHE, MO.—Sectional Fellowship Meeting, Jan. 19. Services 10:00, 2:00, 6:30, and 7:30. Basket dinner at noon. Glen McClure is presbyter.—Walter H. Solmes, Pastor.

RACELAND, KY.—Fellowship Meeting, North Kentucky Section, Jan. 19. Services, 10:00, 2:00, and 7:00. District Superintendent J. J. Humphries in charge. All neighboring assemblies invited to attend.—John E. Rogers, Pastor.

MUNFORD, TENN.—Sectional Sunday School Convention, Southwest Section, Jan. 6-7. District Superintendent H. E. Waddle and Pastor W. E. Pickthorn in charge.

**MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS**

In view of extra rush over Christmas holidays list of the missionary receipts will be printed next week.

All pastors and Sunday School workers urged to attend. E. E. King is pastor.—Nolan B. Rayburn, Presbyter.

SILOAM SPRINGS, ARK.—Ozark Section Bible and C. A. Conference, beginning Jan. 5 and continuing throughout the week. First service 10:00 a. m. District Superintendent David Burris and C. A. President Agnes Stokes in charge. All our ministers, C. A. and Sunday School workers urged to attend. David B. Jagers is pastor.—Omer Jarrell, Presbyter.

### MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—5002 Denison Ave., Suite 5, Cleveland, Ohio. "I am now pastor of West Side Pentecostal Church, 3123 W. 43rd St.—Kenneth E. Steger.

NEW ADDRESS—Irvington, Ala. "I have accepted the pastorate here. Council brethren passing this way are welcome to stop over with us. Midweek service Thursday nights, service every Sunday."—D. G. Hutto.

WANTED—Bibles, Testaments, Gospels of John, old Evangelists, etc., for free distribution in needy field.—J. C. Awtry, c/o Awtry Hotel, Miller, Ga.

WANTED—Large charts on dispensational truth or revelation for use in the Lord's service. Will defray cost of sending them. Write Pastor Ralph R. Fick, 7134 S. Parnell Ave., Chicago, Ill.

BROADCAST

Radio Program, every Sunday, 7:45-8:15 a. m., Station KBWD, 1380 kilos.—E. C. Tobey, Pastor, Brownwood, Texas.

BROADCAST

"Ambassadors for Christ," 9:00-9:30 a. m., Sundays, Station WNAB, Bridgeport, Conn., 1470 kilos. Robert Gouge is pastor.—J. A. Lindvall, Director.

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"Gospel Messengers," Station KG CX, 1480 kilos., Wolf Point, Mont., Monday through Friday 5:45-6:00 p. m., Sunday 5:30-6:15 p. m. Occasionally broadcast Sunday evening service from Tabernacle 8:00-9:15 p. m.—Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Barfoot.

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# Our General Superintendent Speaks



I was waiting for a train in a station at Toledo, Ohio. While there I took from a distribution box a copy of "The Sunday Visitor." There I read that eighty-five per cent of the children in the United States are without any church training whatsoever. What a pity in a Christian land! And what an

opportunity this brings to all of us for evangelism! If American institutions are to be preserved, American youth must be reached by the truths of the Word.

I was invited to sit in the office of a pastor during the time of Sunday School. In an adjoining room, easily heard by me, was a teacher and a group of boys. Lack of ability on the part of that teacher astonished me.

In many places there are teachers who are in great need of help if they are to succeed in their work. And they can succeed if they will take advantage of their opportunities and apply themselves.

What are we to do with the youth who once were in the Sunday School who have slipped away from us? How can we apply the teachings of the Scriptures to the unmaturing mind? Do we know anything about the different stages of development through which a life passes between infancy and maturity? Are we able to adapt ourselves and our message to those over whom we have been appointed? These are serious questions. We know of nothing that re-

quires greater skill than holding and molding a human life. Yet that is the true calling of parenthood, and to a large degree, of a Sunday School worker also.

Every parent and every teacher needs all the help that can be provided. To help us to meet the need a vast amount of thought, study, and work is being put into the "Sunday School Counsellor" a monthly periodical put out by the Gospel Publishing House for this purpose. All would profit by reading this paper monthly. Those who labor with children and youth would find it of great worth to them in their work. The Counsellor gives hints to the pastor.

A minister at Springfield, Mo. who has a fine radio audience as well as at the church, devotes the first few minutes of the church service each Sunday morning to a short sermonette to the children. It is a most attractive part of the Sunday morning service. Every pastor should prepare himself well to meet the needs of the children and youth.

The Counsellor is devoted to instruction that will help all workers in the Sunday School in dealing with their problems, solving perplexities, and furnishing much other material purposed to assist in building the Sunday School, holding the pupils, and establishing the young in the things of God. While published primarily for Sunday School workers it would be a boon to all who wish to do effective service for our Lord Jesus. Subscription for the full year is only sixty cents. Subscribe for it now, and let us have the greatest year yet of successful labors.

## TRUTH IS STRONGER THAN FICTION

One of the most amazing editorials in the secular press appeared in *Liberty* magazine of Nov. 1, 1941. It said:

"From the Bureau of Census in Washington, D. C., comes an astonishing report. Within two years the production of fiction stories in the United States dropped 50%. During the same period the sale of the Holy Bible increased to 2,500,000 copies. The trend revealed by the Census Bureau reflects a hunger for nourishment of the human spirit; a revolt both from the illusion of sugary romance and from the disillusion of 'realistic' skeptics; a flight back to pure truth.

"Perhaps Hitler may have had much to do with this, as he has had to do with so much else in the world! Hitler, scourge of Europe, threat to human dignity and freedom everywhere, is the ultimate triumph of that cult of sheer reason which for more than fifty years we have been calling materialism.

"Hitler is materialism incarnate.

"If materialism is right, then Hitler must also be right.

"No materialist has ever seen a soul. A materialist can look the universe in the face and not see God. The materialist is forced to argue that man has no moral responsibility, unless he invent for himself a system of ethical culture. And now we see that such a system cannot restrain the lawless from doing their worst. With no moral responsibility, man is free to attempt any deed which he thinks he can get away with. Might becomes right. Such is the law of the jungle, and such is the law of Hitler. We see that law carried by fire and sword from the Mediterranean to the North Sea, materialism in full cry, atheism at last with its prophet made flesh. . . .

"So we are not reading so many frivolous novels and we are buying more Holy Bibles. Has Hitler brought this about? God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform!"



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