



The Latter Rain Evangel

The days of Heaven on the Earth

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Scenes from the Seat of War in China

Rescued by Guns and Marines



OUR mail is bringing us news from the war-zone in China. Our readers who have been praying for the missionaries and the Chinese Christians will read with interest these extracts from missionaries who are returning from the scene of war:

Miss Nettie Moomaw, *en route* to America on the Empress of Canada, writes:

"After the Nanking tragedy when seven foreigners (one missionary) were killed, ten missionary homes burned, and all mission buildings much demolished except the Nanking Girls' College, missionaries were recalled from all parts of China. There are over a hundred on this boat, and three hundred sailing on a later steamer.

"It is a sad fact that some of the theological students directed the soldiers in looting the missions, and it is said that twelve of them became officers in the Southern army. On the other hand when mobs were hunting the missionaries who were in hiding, some of whom were almost stripped of clothing, beaten and dragged through the street, the University students pleaded for the lives of the missionaries, and did much in getting them to the gun-boats. Nanking was one of the centers of education and modernism.

"The recent civil war in Shanghai broke out on our street at our front gate. Soldiers came into our chapel and living rooms to get a good position of firing at their enemy in a large building only a half block away. The Lord kept us in wonderful peace and rest through it all, and guarded us as we escaped through crowds of soldiers and anti-Christian union men.

"Our chapel, up to the time of our leaving, had been unmolested, only a few officials coming at times for consultation. They occupied it the first Sunday after their victory, but not since. Only prayer has kept out the different regiments who said they were coming.

"Many feel that God is using this means to purge out all things that offend and hinder His work in China, and that a great revival will follow. May the Lord give a spirit of prayer for the native pastors and workers, that they may be cleansed and filled with the Holy Spirit to enable them to go through the fiery trials and persecution now on; also for all Christians in China that they may be steadfast."

This Anti-foreign uprising among the students and educated Chinese is like a boomerang. The denominations sent out Modernistic teachers to educate the Chinese and teach them higher ideals, but without a Christ that saves; unregenerated men taught a bloodless religion, and this is the result. They have sowed the wind, and are reaping the whirlwind. Let us hope, as Miss Moomaw writes, that this scourging will purify the Chinese Christian church and that there will be a marked cleavage between those who are Christians only in name, and those who have been born again. There is no neutral ground. Between the teaching of the Modernist, educating the heathen without regeneration, and the Gospel of salvation through the blood of Jesus, there is a great gulf. One class lines up with the Anti-foreign element; the other, the born-again Christians, will constitute the church that will go through the fires of persecution, who "love not their lives unto the death."

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Miss Mae Mayo, also returning home on the *S. S. Canada*, writes on April 14th of her perilous escape: "We have been having a little of Paul's experience (II Cor. 2:26) 'In perils of water, in perils of robbers, in perils by the heathen'. But through it all God has kept us. The day before Christmas many Northern soldiers occupied our town. One hundred were quartered next door to the mission, but they did not harm us. One day they set fire to a donkey shed in the yard and nearly burned our place, but God delivered. Thousands of soldiers passed our door on the way to battle; after a rainy day some soldiers spent the night in the town and looted, but they did not molest us when I told them we were an American Gospel mission. The Consul advised us to leave our station (Giangsu), and Nanking friends wrote us to come in. The work was going on well in spite of the trouble and we did not want to leave. In March an urgent letter came, and we went to Nanking the next day. We had no trouble; an English business man was very kind and saw us over the river and into a carriage.

"On Monday we could hear the cannons roar outside the South Gate. At supper time a note came saying, 'Be ready to leave; take two days' food supplies, a suit case and a blanket.' On Tuesday morning another note saying, 'Go at

once to Dr. Bowen's.' We reached there safely and found many missionaries with a queer assortment of baggage, waiting by the roadside. Some had their clothes in pillow cases, others had them done up in a sheet. We were taken in autos to the river where U. S. Marines met us, took our baggage and put us on a launch to go to the gunboats in the river. There were about 150 women and children.

"We stayed in the gunboats all night. Wednesday about five p. m. we heard shots on the bund. Thursday morning soldiers began to fire at the gunboats, and we were ordered to stay below. There was an English gunboat near us. A sailor was killed during the day. About three p. m. they brought us cotton to put in our ears, and said we should close the port-holes as they were going to fire. I never again want to pass through such an experience. After a time a marine came in and told us they had saved the American consul and forty-five Americans with him. The gunboats shelled a hill where they had taken refuge. At the sound of the big guns the Chinese soldiers fled and the party reached the gunboats in safety. Only a few Chinese were killed.

"The party that was rescued told us a sad story of an awful day in Nanking; seven foreigners killed, ten foreign homes burned, and all foreign homes looted; in many cases, doors and windows carried off. There were still about 150 Americans in Nanking, among them many women and children who did not come when we were ordered out.

"We were put aboard an English steamer at ten p. m. and brought to Shanghai. Three times we were fired on, on the way down, but were not struck. When we reached Shanghai we learned that the rest of the foreigners had been gotten out and were on their way to Shanghai. One lady had been shot twice, several men had been beaten and dragged through the streets half naked, and very few had anything but the clothes they wore. Some were stripped to their underwear, and Chinese friends brought Chinese clothes to cover them.

"The University students and some of the servants stood by the foreigners and gathered up the missionaries who were in hiding, and had taken them to one of the University buildings where they stayed until they were taken to the gunboats on Friday. They went to the Southern officers and said, 'The foreigners must be protected and given an escort to the boats.' A Woman's Bible School that is a spiritual place was looted and the students badly treated. Some had

to leave Nanking, also some pastors.

"Shanghai is an armed camp. Fifteen miles of barbed wire surround it, and sand bags and machine guns are at important points. It is crowded and expensive, and the nervous strain is terrific, so we took third-class passage home. There is no hope of doing missionary work for sometime to come. We, like many others, have no trunks. All we saved were suit-cases and some bedding. We hope the Chinese will be allowed to carry on the work, but the very element is Antichristian, and if they gain control will hinder all they can. In spite of trouble and persecution God is working in many places."

Mission work in a Crisis

Bro. J. R. Spence, who has come on the same boat, gives an added picture of conditions in China:

"There are two strong parties in China today, the Moderates and the Reds or Bolsheviks, and the whole question of our continuing the work in South China hinges on which party gains control. If the Moderates gain the ascendancy, in one year we ought to be able to go back and work in peace, the treaty matters, etc., will be settled peaceably. But if the Reds gain control, there will be no end of trouble and a war may start that will be the beginning of the end. To show you this is not beyond possibility, in Shanghai there are 36,000 troops, British, American, French, etc., thirty-six large battle-ships, aeroplanes by the dozen and the British are acquiring buildings, gutting them and making them into military hospitals. *They are not doing this for fun.*

"The Red program is world revolution, and they are doing all in their power to make a start in China. However, there is a large moderate party, but you can readily see that there has to be a clash sooner or later between these two factions.

"The work in South China is admittedly passing through a crisis, and all that can be shaken is, but we are trusting that out of all this there shall arise a Church builded on the Rock that cannot be moved. The work of the Modernists is being swept away; their churches are closing, their schools and colleges are Bolshevik and have been supplying the Reds with brains and officers. I read recently that the Bible Union of China at a meeting in Shanghai have publicly charged the Modernists with Bolshevism and with aiding this revolution, surely a commentary on Modernism."

Trouble Threatening Yunnan

Our missionaries in Yunnan Province have al-

ways enjoyed a feeling of isolation in regard to the present war in China. The Governor always put down any anti-foreign demonstration, and maintained a favorable attitude toward the missionaries. But our workers in Yunnan, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson, write of ominous signs appearing above the horizon:

"The most outstanding development recently has been the formation of a new government in Yunnan after the order of the Nationalists in the South. Former Governor Tang has been ousted, and at present the Province is ruled by a committee of nine, with ex-Governor Tang as president. This brings Yunnan virtually under the 'Red' flag. The Southerners have had their rep-

resentatives up here in conference with the Yunnan officials, but whether or not this new order of things is entirely satisfactory to the South is still a question, and there may be bloodshed yet.

"There has been some anti-foreign feeling manifested, especially against the British and the Imperialists, but nothing of a serious nature has developed, such as is so common in these days in other parts of China. Shanghai is the storm center now, and we all feel that whatever the outcome is there in the present crisis, will largely determine the attitude of the people to us as foreigners and missionaries. We are praying that nothing will develop which would close Yunnan to the Gospel."

Signs of the Approaching End of the Age

An Interpretation of the Times in which We Are Living

Evangelist A. E. Stuernagel in The Stone Church, March 3, 1927



am announced to speak to you tonight on "The Signs of the Approaching End of the Age." The text best suited as a basis for what I will have to say is found in Matthew 24:3, "Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of Thy coming and of the end of the age?" No intelligent Christian will set a date for the coming again of the Lord Jesus. Every date suggested is bound to prove a mistake, for the Lord who knew all about Daniel and the other Old Testament prophecies plainly stated, "Of that day and hour knoweth no one, not even the angels of heaven, neither the Son, but the Father only." I warn you against wasting precious time reviewing long and wearisome discussions of Old Testament data supposed to prove the exact time of our Lord's return. Old Testament prophecies all overleap the church age which is an indefinite period of time and therefore can never prove the exact time of Christ's coming again. But while the Bible does not pretend to furnish the exact time of our Lord's coming again, it does point to unmistakable signs of that approaching event. That we should have an intelligent knowledge of the signs that herald His reappearing we learn from Paul in I Thes. 5:1-4. "But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that ought be written unto you. For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief."

Coming to the subject itself we will first notice the

INTELLECTUAL SIGNS

Turn to Daniel 12:4, "But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." The increase in knowledge in our day is one of the most striking signs of the times. There has been greater progress in literature, science, agriculture, horticulture, invention and discovery within the last seventy-five years than in all the centuries preceding. Practically all the inventions of any real value have been discovered during that period. Among them are the railway and steamship, the telegraph and the telephone, electricity, radium, radio, the submarine, the airship and the wireless. Who would have believed fifty years ago that one would be able to speak half way around the world, talk to fifteen million people in the United States thru the same telephone, fly thru the air in a ship like a bird at the rate of 266 miles an hour, and live and labor in a towering building nearly a thousand feet high?

Think of the development of educational institutions! Less than 200 years ago Benjamin Franklin wanted to start a newspaper in Philadelphia, but there was a general protest on the ground that there was already a weekly paper in Baltimore. Now we have the kindergarten, graded schools, colleges, universities, and then we send our young people abroad to finish up. There are libraries without number. Wife and I visited the British Museum in London some years ago which contains no less than 4,000,000 volumes.

It took us hours to merely glance at the forty-six miles of book shelves. There never was such progress in knowledge.

But I am inclined to think that the "knowledge" here spoken of refers particularly to the knowledge of God's Word, tho it no doubt includes all knowledge. Just think how the Bible has been multiplied and scattered in every nation under heaven! They are turning out the Bible at every tick of the clock, night and day. It has been translated and is being distributed in 650 different languages and dialects thruout the world. We certainly have made great progress in recent years in the understanding of God's wonderful Book. In almost every important city of the world you will find Bible Institutes where they study nothing but God's holy Book. This is a notable sign of the times. It is not many years since it was difficult to find a minister who would undertake an explanation of the book of Daniel or that of The Revelation. But now many can give a comparatively correct interpretation of these books. For many centuries they were sealed but now they are open books. Now what does the Word say? "But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, seal the book, even to the time of the end." Now that the book is unsealed and its mysteries unfolded to the world, it surely must be "the time of the end."

Now let us turn to Nahum, 2:3, 4," The chariots flash with steel in the day of His preparation. . . The chariots rage in the streets; they rush too and fro in the broadways: the appearance of them is like torches; they run like the lightnings." Students of prophecy believe that the prophet is here describing the automobile of our day. There have been chariots for millenniums past, but they only belonged to the men of wealth or the royalty. These were chariots of wood, but those herein described are of "steel." Then they were to "rage in the streets." If you do not believe that they "rage" today just get in front of one and you will see. There are no less than 15,000,000 of these raging vehicles in our street today and they "rage" so as to destroy 30,000 lives a year and wound tens of thousands more. Then "they rush to and fro in the broadways." They tell us that there are no "broad ways" in oriental countries. Nearly all the roadways are very narrow but now every city has its broad thorofares sometimes wide enough for four vehicles to travel abreast. Then, too, the prophet described the vehicles as having torches. No vehicle thru all the centuries car-

ried torches. The automobile is the first vehicle that carries a headlight, or a torch. Then they were to run like the lightning." Carriages in olden times certainly could not travel at a very high speed, but today they go like the lightning.

"But," you say, "what has the appearance of the auto got to do with the coming of Christ"? Just this. It was to take place in "the day of His preparation." When this state of rapid transit by auto has been reached the Lord is preparing to descend from heaven. The many modern inventions such as the radio, the automobile and the airship are indications that man has reached the limit of his possibility. God is about to say, "It is enough!" and show to the world that He has something beyond and that is the rapture.

COMMERCIAL SIGNS

Next, let us consider the commercial signs. Turn to James 5: 1-8: "Ye have laid up your treasure in the last days." James describes the last days of this age as being characterized by immense wealth. When I was a young man the United States was worth but \$33,000,000,000. At the opening of the war she was worth \$250,000,000,000, but today the amount has grown to \$353,000,000,000. You see what a rapid advancement has been made in recent years in the accumulation of wealth. I remember the time when you could count all the millionaires in these United States on your two hands, now there are 11,000 millionaires and possibly three billionaires. This fabulous hoarding up of wealth is a striking sign that the age is drawing to a close.

"Behold, the hire of the laborers who mowed your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth out." Here is the grinding, oppression of the laboring classes, and their cry that has come to the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth. As a result we have everywhere labor organized into unions in order to defend themselves against the oppression of the capitalists. On the other hand, the capitalists have combined into syndicates and trusts. These are ever enlarging to serve their own interests and gain advantage over the laboring classes. Hostility between capital and labor is becoming more and more intense. The clash is bound to come before long. When Gompers died a few years ago they showed him the highest honors because he tried to heal the breach. Did he do it? No, that breach can never be healed, and for that reason there is coming a time of blood-shed. It says here, "Ye have lived

luxuriously on the earth and taken your pleasure; ye have nourished your hearts in a day of slaughter." Men with unlimited money will spend it on themselves, living in wanton pleasure and luxury, and selfish gratification not realizing what is awaiting them. You have seen cattle standing in the slaughter-house chewing their cud lazily, not knowing that the axe is about to come down upon their heads. So the rich are living in the grossest self-indulgence, and self-satisfaction, not realizing that a time of slaughter is at hand. I have good reasons to believe that the time is coming when certain elements among the laboring classes will rise up and try to kill every capitalist in the world. I tell you we are facing a serious situation.

What then shall we do in this crisis time? James says, "Be patient, therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord." Why "unto the coming of the Lord?" Because when these conditions prevail the coming of the Lord is at hand. Surely we can endure a few years, if the Lord tarries, for He is just at the door, ready to step in and take control of things. The coming of Christ is the only solution of all the commercial ills in the world today. When you get into a tight place and great persecution arises over this labor problem, do not lose your head. "Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient over it, until it receive the early and the latter rain." We are in the time of the latter rain, let us be patient and establish our hearts "for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh."

In Revelation 13 we learn something more about the commercial signs. The Antichrist will not only be an eloquent, boasting orator, and a mighty conquering warrior but a great commercial king. He will organize a world confederacy in order to effect a universal boycott. Only those who are willing to receive a brand on their right hand or forehead will be allowed to buy or sell. This demand will be enforced under penalty of death. It is significant that federations and combines are enlarging and becoming more inclusive all the time. And the way prices are dictated and business interests are controlled makes it easy to see how ultimately a universal combine might be effected.

Furthermore, in Revelation 18 we have a description of the downfall of the commercial world. The merchants of the earth are described as weeping and mourning over their loss as they see the fires of God's wrath fall from heaven in awful judgment. All the towering structures

that are being built to foster man's pride and gratify his selfish desires will ultimately be consumed. "Oh," you say, "will there be a real fire?" I believe there will be, for we read of the "smoke going up." The world is becoming one of great cities. By and by the great city of Babylon may be restored. But in a larger sense all the cities of earth are "commercial Babylon." All these will suffer utter ruin. When Jesus comes the earth will be shaken like a fig tree, and ten thousand earthquakes will swallow up cities and set this old world on fire. In this great conflagration which will introduce the millennium all the works of men will be burned up.

POLITICAL SIGNS

Now let us note the political signs. These are many and we can only deal with them briefly. In the great image of Daniel the metal deteriorated down to the feet. It marked the rejection of kingly authority and the tendency to democratic rule. It found its fulfilment in the uncrowning of the kings of Europe. But democracy, which began with the French Revolution, has been fast running to seed. In response to the reaction, dictators are fast coming upon the scene. There are virtually fifteen dictators in the world today. The most significant of these is Mussolini. He foreshadows in many ways the coming Antichrist who will be a world dictator. Like Caesar and Napoleon, Mussolini covets a place of absolute authority over the whole world. Thus the way is fast preparing for the manifestation of the coming Antichrist.

The Soviet government in Russia is also a marked sign of the times. They reject the Bible, ridicule the Christ and defy God threatening to enter heaven itself and drag Him from His throne. Here is a plain manifestation of the true spirit of Antichrist. They are developing a spirit of antagonism against the whole world and are fast preparing for the great battle of Armageddon when the destiny of the world is to be decided. She has already formed an alliance with Germany and is courting friendship with China and Japan who will no doubt be her allies as she marches down upon the Holy Land to meet her fearful doom.

THE ISRAELITISH SIGN

The restoration of Israel to the Promised Land is a sign which every intelligent Bible student recognizes. Jesus said in Matt. 24:32-33, "Now from the fig tree learn her parable: when her branch is now become tender, and putteth forth its leaves, ye know that the summer is nigh: even

so ye also, when ye see all these things, know ye that He is nigh, even at the doors." The budding of the fig tree is a type of the revival of the Jewish nation. And when that takes place the Lord says He will be so near as to be at the very door ready to step in. If you had asked a Jew fifty years ago if he wished to return to the fatherland he would shake his head and say, "America good enough for me." But today there are over thirty Jewish organizations which have accumulated many millions of dollars in order to reestablish themselves as a nation in the Holy Land. Colonization work is being pushed forward, educational institutions are being built, the city of Jerusalem is being transformed into a modern metropolis, the land is being reclaimed and made to blossom as the rose, the River Jordan is being used for irrigation purposes, and railroads are being built everywhere. Israel, scattered and persecuted, and humiliated, is fulfilling Ezekiel's prophecy and is coming out of her grave and will soon be converted and exalted to a place of supremacy among the nations of earth. All this foretokens that the Lord is at hand.

ECCLESIASTICAL SIGNS

The social sins found in the church of the last days are described in II. Tim. 3:1-5: "But know this, that in the last days grievous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, haughty, railers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, having a form of godliness, but having denied the power thereof: from these also turn away." We can only point to a few of these striking characteristics of our times. We have all witnessed the "disobedience to parents." A child of ten will often rule the house. I have seen them sit at the table and command the father and mother, I have known them to stamp their feet in a wild rage at their parents. How many parents in these days are "without natural affection," adopting all sorts of unlawful means to destroy their unborn offspring? It is not fashionable now to have large families. Many of them refuse to have families at all. Pre-natal murder is one of the worst crimes in Christendom. It is nearly as criminal as the casting of children into the river by the Chinese. And who will deny that we are living in the time when the churches have "a form of godliness but deny the power thereof?" Do you know why a genuine, wide awake, work of God is so persecuted these days? Because it is so rare. People do not know

what to make of it. If the manifestation of God's power and presence were more common people would be more ready to believe in it.

In I. Tim. 4:1 we read that, "in latter times some shall fall away from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of demons." The reference here is to the doctrine of spiritism, which is fast increasing in the world in our time. I found nearly half of the church announcements in some cities belonged to this class. The rapid advance in Spiritualism, when genuine, is purely the work of demons and marks the end of the age. The activity of demons is preparing the way for the manifestation of the Antichrist who will be the incarnation of Satan himself.

From the Letters of Jesus to the seven churches in Revelation 2-3 we can readily trace the history of the Christian church right down to our own time. The church of today bears all the marks of the Laodicean period there described. She is luke-warm, enriched, self-deceived and Christ on the outside knocking for admission not to the church but to the individual heart. I remember the time when the denominations all together could give five million dollars to foreign missions. Now a single denomination will raise hundreds of millions in a single drive. The churches are all building expensive edifices. In one of our Eastern cities a cathedral was recently dedicated costing fifteen million dollars. A Modernistic church in New York City is to cost four and a half millions. Christ looking down the centuries characterized the church of the last days as wealthy. And we have certainly reached that time. Indifference, wealth and worldliness, carnal pleasures and selfish gratification have shut the Saviour out. He promises to "sup" with those who admit Him. It is "supper time," the evening of the dispensation.

SPIRITUAL SIGNS

Thank God, side by side with the developing apostasy in the nominal church there is also developing a spiritual body of believers who will yet demonstrate a heroism, and devotion and power unparalleled in the history of the Christian church. They are needed as a protest and witness against the apostasy in the church and the unbelief and rebellion in the world. Their life and testimony will bring the guilty under condemnation and ripen them for the coming judgment. To exemplify God's power and blessing in the highest degree in these last days God has poured out His Holy Spirit in an unusual meas-

ure in recent years. This we believe is the "latter rain" which according to Joel was to precede the "day of the Lord." We believe it is the promised "latter rain" because it has marked a revival that is not limited to any locality or country as former revivals, but is world-wide. Moreover, since the "latter rain" is the fulness of Pentecost it should bear many of the same characteristics. And this is exactly what we find. For a hundred thousand voices are belting the globe to day and singing His praises and in supernatural languages as on Pentecost. Some close their eyes to the glorious revival now in progress all over the world and would try to make us believe that the "latter rain" is confined

to the Jews and will not take place till the Lord returns. But in this they are sadly mistaken. Pentecost came first to the Jews and then to the Gentiles. It is only logical to believe that the latter rain will perfect that which Pentecost began; that is, mature the church for the rapture and then be continued to the Jews. At all events, the world-wide revival is here, and since it is world-wide, we believe it is the last. All the reasonings and opposition of men cannot stop it, but it is destined to go on till Jesus comes. And blessed are they that fall in line with God's plan for these last days, get their share of the blessings and assist in holding the fort till Jesus comes.

A New Step towards Russia's Evangelization Great Opportunities for Pentecostal Work



A most inspiring meeting was held in Sunnyside Chapel, on Sunday evening, April 24th, at which time was dedicated the Russian and Eastern European Mission. Pastor S. A. Jamieson opened the service, and after the Scripture reading by Bro. Moody of Zion, Bro. Jamieson introduced Bro. C. W. Swanson, the former president of the Russian Missionary Society, who gave in detail the very pressing reasons for forming this new organization.

There are a number of Pentecostal workers on the field and the missionaries now at home and other brethren deeply interested in the Pentecostal truths, have felt more effective work could be done by an organization which stood for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in its fullness. In this end time God's children must be equipped with the baptism of the Holy Spirit to take the Gospel to the perishing. Nothing else will satisfy.

It is doubtful if any mission field presents the opportunities that Russia offers today, and our missionaries who have been over there and have seen the deep hunger for God, have been on their faces crying to God that the American and English Christians would awake to their opportunities and send the Bread of Life to the starving millions.

Bro. Paul Peterson has recently returned from Russia, where he was secretary for the Russian Missionary Society. Bro. and Sis. Schmidt, in the United States on behalf of their work in Poland, have been held here under a heavy burden of prayer, and the outcome has been the birth

of this new society for the spread of the Gospel in the Slavic lands.

Bro. C. W. Swanson is the president and treasurer, and Paul Peterson is general secretary of this new society. There are nine trustees, among them Pastors S. A. Jamieson of Chicago, W. E. Moody, Zion, Ill., and H. A. Ulrich, Milwaukee, Wis. The headquarters of the work will be Room 319, 3325 Lincoln Avenue, Chicago. The General Council of the Assemblies of God are in full sympathy with the organization and give it their hearty support.

The Gospel Call of Russia which Bro. Schmidt has been publishing for the last six months will become the official paper of *The Russian and Eastern European Mission*, and will be increased from four to eight pages. The price will be fifty cents a year, and it will contain news items from Russia and the adjacent countries.

Bro. Swanson has himself visited the Russia mission field and has seen the crying need. His heart was wrung as he saw the awful suffering, and while he is a business man he feels that much of his time should be devoted to sending the Gospel to Russia's millions. When he was praying about the advisability of starting a new organization, he put up a test to the Lord. He sent out a copy of *The Gospel Call* to a friend, and when he went to his office and opened his mail a few days later he found a check for \$100 from that friend, for *The Russian and Eastern European Mission*.

The President spoke of the immediate need of \$2,000 to send Bro. Harris and his family from Philadelphia to Russia; also five others who are

ready to go. There are about twenty who will be put into the work just as quickly as the funds are forthcoming.

Heart talks were given by Bro. and Sis. Schmidt, and also by Bro. Peterson, which are given herewith in part:

Encouraging Outlook for Poland

G. A. Schmidt

IT is about twenty years since I left Russia. I was a boy sixteen years old, full of the world but since then many things have taken place. Six months after I arrived here, the Lord was able to get me on my knees. I cried out for pardon and He met me. A little later I came in contact with some very "strange" people; they were the Pentecostal people. It was then a wonderful thing happened to me. Although I loved the Lord before, the Holy Spirit took possession of me and a new relationship sprang up in my heart with the Lord.

I prepared for the ministry and then the Lord began to speak to me about the country of Russia which I despised. I was very angry to be called a Russian, so the Lord had quite a time with me. I finally said "Yes" to God in 1917, and in 1919 I found myself on the way to Russia. There was very little prospect of getting into Russia, but praise the Lord His ways are wonderful. My first convert on this missionary trip was my wife, whom I met on the steamer, and this was a success. Since 1920 she and I have been working in Poland. It is impossible for American citizens to get into Russia, but in Poland we have millions of people who were Russians and in the Greek Catholic Church. During the war and afterwards they were prepared for the great Gospel harvest, so that when we came into the villages the people were ready to receive Christ. God Himself had prepared the ground. There we were in the midst of a wonderful awakening, but great disorganization. Here in America when a revival is on there are many people who can step in and reap the harvest. Over there, there are millions of people who would be wonderful children of God if someone would come and bring them the Gospel. The work of one man in that land is as a drop in a bucket; nothing at all when compared to the great need, and our heart cried out to God that this people might be evangelized. We knew that thousands of missionaries could not be sent from America, but felt some way should be opened that we might utilize the forces that were there. There

are hundreds and *even thousands* who are ready to step out and work for God if they get a little help and Bible training.

Briefly, I want to summarize some of the things we have done. There must be a beginning and in some cases the beginning is small, but thank God when there is a beginning there can be an accomplishment of the aim which one pursues. When the Lord opened up to us the necessity not only of spending our lives in this work, but of paving the way for others, He laid upon us the training of a young man with whom we were well acquainted, and who had a burning desire to work for Him. It was Arthur Bercholz, who has spent two years in a Bible School in London, and has wonderfully developed. He is a very bright young man and is now in evangelistic work in England, and after practical work there will return to Poland.

We had another young man whom God wonderfully baptized in our assembly, and whose support the Lord gave us faith to pledge. He too has stepped out into the ministry. We had a girl in our home for two years. She was on the verge of suicide, an utter wreck when the Lord picked her up. She developed and in August, 1925, before we left Poland we sent her to a Christian institution to prepare for the ministry. In October, 1925, we sent a young man, Max Rapp, to Germany. He is now in Liepsic engaged in work temporarily until the Lord opens the way for further training. Last year we sent another young man, Otto Wagner, to London. Paul Stehlik, another one of our young men, is in a Bible School in Los Angeles.

In November we undertook the support of another member of our Assembly. As we took this step of faith a brother in Kansas City who had ruined his health and squandered his money, had just been saved. He had a good position and said he believed the Lord wanted him to take the support of this young man, which he did. As we were relieved of this we felt we must support some workers in Russia, so we sent \$25 to Bro. Varonaeff and asked him to pick out a worker. He replied saying that he took on two workers. He also wrote: "During the five years of our work in Russia, more than 300 assemblies and groups have been formed. In these assemblies we have about 10,000 souls who have received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. They are from different denominations: Greek Catholics, Roman Catholics, Lutherans, also seven Jews, have been baptized in the Holy Spirit. We formed a General Council of the Assemblies of God, and

have thirty-five especially good workers and preachers. Our assembly in Odessa has about 400 members and many visitors. We have a choir of fifty members." This has been a great encouragement to us.

More and more I get the vision of wonderful possibilities for Russia. A special hour of grace has come to her. There is no limit to the possibilities. Millions of souls are ready to receive Jesus Christ if someone will offer Him to them. The organization of this Society is to me an indication of God's love for Russia.

A Children's Home for Poland

Mrs. A. G. Schmidt

TONIGHT is a holy moment in my life. You all know that I love Russia with all my soul. When I was a little girl I heard my father preach about Russia and lamented how the Czar treated the people. One day he said to me, "Carrie, what will you do when you grow up?" "Oh," I said, "I will be a missionary to Russia." He said, "God grant it," but as I grew up it didn't look as though I would be a missionary. My interest and ambitions all lay in the other direction, but through God's love, my mother's prayer and through my husband I am a missionary to Russia.

In these seven years that we have labored in Poland I can say we worked faithfully before God. We have clothed 11,000 poor people. I have cried with them, I have laughed with them. I have been hungered with them and suffered with them from the cold. Once my husband and I were out in a big wood, where we used to go to be alone with Jesus, and as we were praying there, burdened for the work, our beloved Bro. Swanson came before me, and I said, "Lord, why couldn't Brother Swanson help us?" God has answered that prayer in the forming of this Society tonight. I am so glad I am to have a Children's Home. I spoke to Brother Swanson about it, and he said, "You will get your Children's Home." I love little children and old people, and prayed many times that God would give me a Home for the children.

A Forecast of World Events

Paul Peterson

THIS afternoon a verse of Scripture came to me from I. Chron. 12:32, "And the children of Issachar, . . . were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do." Not only in those days, but today there

are people in the world who have understanding of the times. I am indebted to Ralph C. Norton for the statements I am about to make. Some two years ago, Mr. Norton and Mr. Philip Howard were sitting at the table in the London Headquarters of the China Inland Mission with Mr. Entwistle, who had spent forty years in China. The missionary said, "The outlook in China is very discouraging. I believe that before ten years all the foreign missionaries will be driven from that land." Mr. Norton said he felt that was pretty strong, but now indications point that way. A little later he was discussing world conditions with Miss Christabel Pankhurst, and she said, "I believe that China will very soon be closed to the Gospel. I likewise believe that England will lose India, and that we are rapidly approaching the day when it will be almost impossible for missionaries any longer to go to the ends of the earth so bitter will be the opposition of the heathen to the Word of God."

There are two great menaces in the world today, and we have them both in Europe; they are Bolshevism in the North and Fascism in the South. I have seen Bolshevism myself in Riga. It rather makes one fear to see them marching more than a mile long with red badges on their coats, and on the breasts of women, and great, red banners held aloft. It is not an inspiring sight but one that makes one tremble when one thinks of the days ahead. Bolshevism and Fascism are as different as night from day, and yet they are both God-defying; they are both blaspheming and have no regard for anything that is reverent. We have Bolshevism on the North and Fascism on the South, and it is very striking that these are located in the very places where the Bible records the two great powers shall come from, to meet in the end time at the battle of Armageddon.

Mussolini has said he is going to restore Rome to where she was in the Golden Age. He has also said that if God were to call him His friend he would shake his fist in His face, and that if he could make an alliance with the devil or with Antichrist himself in order to bring tranquility to Italy, he would do so. These are statements that he has actually made. He defies God, and Bolshevism also defies God. They do not allow Christian teaching to children under eighteen years of age. So we have these two great powers developing in Europe today. "It is said on the authority of competent Swiss witnesses that the Soviet government has 1,270,000 men armed to the teeth; that it has 20,000 aeroplanes and 20,000

aviators, and that it has 300,000 German munition makers, working day and night preparing munitions for final conflict." There are men and women who will work day and night to prepare for war, but very few Christians will work day and night to win souls for Christ.

In connection with Christianity, let us see how God has set and is setting the stage. Prior to the great war there were only 250,000 real believers in Russia. It was very difficult to do Christian work. But the great war came and thru it many of the Russian Army fell into the hands of the Germans and Austrians and were taken to their prison camps, and thru Christian effort they received Bibles and Christian literature. Many were converted to God.

What was the second act in this great setting? It was the revolution of 1917, when religious liberty was granted.

The third act was the peace treaties of Versailles with the breaking up of Russia, and into these countries that have been separated from Soviet Russia have gone missionaries from England, America, and Germany, and many thousands have believed on Christ. Altho Americans cannot go inside of Soviet Russia, God has raised up Russians who are carrying the Gospel to their fellowmen.

The fourth act is the missionaries who have gone forth. One of the first was our dear Bro. Schmidt; also Bro. Varonaeff. Then there is Brother Harris, a man who has done what none of us have. He lived in Camden, N. J., where he worked until he had saved quite a little money. Then leaving some with his wife and children, he said to her, "Good bye, I must preach to the Russian people." He went there and preached and when his money was all gone he came back to America. Then he worked awhile (he is a brick-layer), and then he took a second trip to Russia. He is now back the second time, and is wanting to take his family back with him. He has been able to form from fifty to one hundred groups of Christians in Poland alone. Then Bro. Rieske, from Milwaukee, is in Poland, and Bro. Ewald is in charge of Bro. Schmidt's work.

We do not know how long this door will be open. If we are able to labor for Christ ten years on the Russian Mission field, I will be surprised. If we are able to labor only five years, I will not be astonished. Things are heading up, and terrible events will transpire in Europe. Personally I believe these two powers that are menacing

Europe will increase in power, and finally meet in the battle of Armageddon.

How many people in America who have not heard the Gospel once? There are very few, but on the Russian Mission field there are millions of people, perhaps a hundred million *who have not had one opportunity to hear the Gospel*. Let us give them one chance to hear the Gospel. Our first need is laborers; not so much from America, but laborers who can be started right there on the field, who have a knowledge of God and His Word. The second need is prayer conquerors, people who will stand back of the workers over there. When the enemy attacks them, the prayers of the people at home will give victory on the mission field. Then the third need is ammunition makers, lavish givers. Not just a nickel or a dime, but larger sums as God prospers you. We are not in this work because we want a job, but because we want to see souls saved ere the night cometh when no man can work.

Spurgeon's Advice to his Students

"Look upon troubles as the shadows of coming mercies." * * *

"Don't covet high positions for wealth is fleeting. Riches and honors soon pass away, but wrestle hard with sin and sinners."

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"If when you get into a pastorate you take matters as easy as an old shoe, the devil will soon make a slipper of you. An idle minister is a detestable object."

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"Christ said, 'Feed my sheep . . . Feed my lambs.' Some preachers, however, put the food so high that neither lambs nor sheep can reach it. They seem to have read the text, 'Feed my giraffes'."

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"Be determined to succeed. If you have great difficulties, cut your way with the diamond of faith."

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"Seek to develop your whole character. A student who grows lopsided will never make an all-around minister."

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"The common places of the Bible are the green pastures of truth. Do not be afraid to lead your people into them."

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"Paul hung up his selfishness by the neck. Mind that you do the same."

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Notes

"Hitherto"

WHEN our soul is much discouraged
By the roughness of the way,
And the cross we have to carry
Seemeth heavier every day,
When some cloud that overshadows,
Hides our Father's face from view;
Oh! it's well then to remember
He has blest us *hitherto*.

Looking back the long years over
What a varied path! And yet,
All the way His hand *hath* led us,
Placed each hindrance we have met:
Given to us the "pleasant places;"
Cheered us all the journey thru,
Passing thru the deepest waters,
He has blessed us *hitherto*.

Surely, then, our souls should trust Him,
Tho the clouds be dark o'erhead:
We've a Friend that draweth closer,
When all other friends have fled.
When our pilgrimage is over,
And the gates we're sweeping thru,
We shall see with clearer vision
How He's blessed us *hitherto*.

L. Oakley.

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SOME of our missionaries in China are experiencing the loss of all things, fleeing with a few belongings tied in a bundle. If the "Reds" gain control, it will be only a question of time when all our missionaries will be driven out; but if the Moderates are in power there will doubtless still be opportunity to preach the Gospel in that warring land.

Should the doors close temporarily to our missionaries in China, other doors will open elsewhere for our gifts and offerings. At present

there are vast opportunities in Russia and Eastern Europe, where there is a great hunger for the Word of God. Those who have worked in these countries cannot put into words the deep heart-cries that go up from these stricken lands. Their afflictions have driven them to God, and they are reaching out their hands to us to send them portions from our abundance.

In this issue we give an interesting account of the forming of a new society for the purpose of spreading the Gospel in these lands. The men who are launching it have tasted of the sorrows of those distressed countries, and are asking the Pentecostal people to have a share in the great ingathering that awaits the Gospel reapers.

Two Months' Report

(March & April)

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Miss Olga Jean Aston (furlough).....	24.00
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G. F. Bender, So. America.....	5.00
S. Bjorness, Jerusalem.....	10.00
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"Don't grumble at your church officers. Believe that God gave you these tools to work with, and if they are not exactly to your mind, prove your greatness by doing great work with poor tools."

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"It is a great mercy to be a minister. Preaching has often driven me to my knees and chained me to my Bible."

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"Christ crucified will be the library which triumphant souls will study to all eternity."

Great Pentecostal Outpouring in North and South Africa A Deluge of "Latter Rain" Floods an Orphanage



WHILE mighty upheavals are transpiring in the political world and Satanic forces warring among the nations, God is not silent concerning the interests of His Kingdom, but is bringing about mighty upheavals in individual lives and in communities. Looking out over the world He sees the "little flock" here and there crying out for a deep-seated revival, a cloud-burst of "latter rain" upon the parched ground that they are tilling for the Master, and He is answering their cry with abundant showers. Missionaries who have prayed for years are seeing the great fountains of the deep broken up, and their joy knows no bounds.

It is to encourage other missionaries and Christian workers who have toiled and wept and prayed for a mighty outpouring, that we send forth these blessed accounts of God working in Egypt and South Africa. May the power of God spread like a prairie fire thruout that vast continent until sin and superstition are burned out and tens and hundreds of thousands won to the Lord.

Miss Lillian Trasher, who has charge of the Assiout Orphanage (Egypt) which houses over four hundred orphans, and a large band of teachers and helpers, writes enthusiastically:

"I have such wonderful news to tell you. God is giving us one of the most wonderful revivals I have ever seen in my life. The power of God is just sweeping the Orphanage like a mighty flood, like a great and terrific fire, or like I imagine it will be at the great judgment day. Hundreds of the children are on their faces screaming out to God for mercy, some shouting for joy and rejoicing in the marvelous, new-found blessing, others talking in tongues, others standing on top of the tables, preaching, still others seeking the baptism. Words cannot describe it. They seem never to tire. We try to close the meetings but cannot do so. After the meetings lasted about three hours yesterday (April 8th) the only way we got the children out of the chapel, was to take them out and have some of the men stand at the doors and not let them come back in; but that did no good for they at once started a meeting out in the yard. We decided there would be no meeting that night, but that was of no avail, as they turned their bed-rooms into prayer-rooms; they prayed on the house-top, and everywhere they could get down on their faces. Last night they continued praying until 3:30 a. m., and all day today; they don't want to eat and nothing can stop them from seeking God. I have not been able to find out how many

have received the baptism; I continually hear of new ones. The cook, the assistant cook, the house-keeper, some of the washer-women, the pastor's wife, and any amount of the children have already received. In the yard, in the fields, on the house-tops and under the beds you will find the children crying or praying, or shouting. Some have seen visions; little girls are preaching to the big girls, all just drenched with tears. Scores and scores are seeking the baptism and prostrated under the power of God. Just now a little Mohammedan girl is down stairs preaching to a little cripple girl; no one is tired though they have prayed and prayed for hours.

"You would like to know how it started? I do not know. We decided to have a Convention, so we started. The power of God fell from the very first meeting, and very little preaching has been done. No one can take the glory, because it is God and not man who is doing it all. God's work is beyond words to explain. I could never have imagined anything so mighty."

Our missionary in Cairo, Miss Mable Dean, writes of showers there:

'Last Sunday night (April 5th) when we knelt to pray, it seemed like a cloudburst. Everyone got wet but two. The people wept and shouted; even the children were crying with a loud voice. Some were under the power, both men and women. A special meeting was called for the next night and four came through into the baptism. My two girls, fourteen and eight years old, both came through in a beautiful way. They are real fire brands for Jesus. Little Selma said while anointed, 'All you people rejoice; the Bridegroom is coming!' Her father and brother stood and looked on; they were so happy to see the power of God upon her. Yesterday she brought in another child and prayed with her; several have come to the meetings through her. Praise God He is pouring out His Spirit again upon us! I suppose 150 have received the baptism in different parts of Egypt; five women here in Cairo within the last two weeks.

From the Transvaal, South Africa, comes the equally glad sound of abundance of rain. Bro. Edgar Pettinger writes from their station at Springs:

We are in the midst of one of the most precious out-pourings of the Holy Spirit that I have witnessed since laboring on the Rand.

"Last Sunday we had baptismal service when four obeyed their Lord's command. There were to be many more but some had to work on that day while others desired to wait for another time. I spoke from Phil. 3:14. The service was most impressive and the Lord's presence very real. The attendance was unusually large, some coming from our Benoni church. Our hearts rejoiced

again to bury by water baptism those who had been saved and who were now walking by faith with the Lord. For many months the spiritual tide has been rising. Many sinners have found their way to the foot of the cross and been saved. For all this we praised the Lord, but we have hoped, oh, so much, for a breaking through and a real downpour of Pentecostal power. For seventeen months we have prayed for this. Thank God for answered prayer today.

"Sunday evening while we were having supper, there was a knock at the door. Here were three native men from the nearby compound. By their excitement I knew something was the matter. They desired me to come immediately to the compound and see what the trouble was. They said that some power had come upon the people and they did not understand it. The place was only a short distance away and we almost ran there. What a scene greeted me as I entered the room where our people had gathered! Some were standing with uplifted arms praising God. Others were on their faces on the floor crying out in soul agony. Still others were sitting and praying. There were also the spectators and some who were afraid, as much as saying, "What meaneth this?" I immediately called every one to prayer and soon realized that God was visiting His people. What a prayer meeting that was! Then came the story!

"God had spoken to the people at the morning baptismal service and had created a deeper hunger in their hearts for Himself. Then they gathered in the compound at 5:00 p. m. for their usual Sunday evening service. One of the Christian men read the Word and as he began to speak the power of God fell upon him. It soon spread like wildfire until many were the slain of the Lord. These had never seen the power of God manifested in like manner but they knew it was the Lord. Others doubted and did not understand. Then under the power of the Spirit one said that they should send for the *umfundisi* (meaning myself) to come and see what it was.

By this time the meeting had been in progress for two hours. Truly God was answering the cries in our hearts. It is impossible to say how many received an infilling of the Holy Spirit. One man went around the room praising the Lord and repeating in pure English over and over again, 'Glory to Jesus Christ!' As far as I have been able to ascertain he has never studied English and I, myself, have known him for several years.

"That was not all. They desired another service the following night, this time at the church. In the meantime word was sent to the various other compounds and so a good crowd gathered. I had prepared a short message but could not preach. As I began the power fell. One man was slain right off his seat. Another rose and walked back and forth and prophesied. Without urging, everybody flocked to the altar and God surely worked. He just let me look on and praise Him for His faithfulness.

"The previous night at the compound one man had a vision. In this vision he saw that God was completing His Church. It had taken a long time, but He was coming soon to take it away. As best as he could he had drawn it out on the blackboard so that the people could understand. He prophesied that I should be faithful in telling the heathen that they should turn to God and be ready for Christ's soon appearance, and also write to our friends in America about this vision and warn them to be ready when Christ comes.

"These things are marvelous and we rejoice that God is visiting our Shangaans on the East Rand, for this blessing will be carried into many parts of that vast territory for Portuguese East Africa, where it is so hard for white missionaries to build up an established work. For this we give Him all the glory for He is worthy. Praise His Name! So please continue to hold us up before the throne that abundant grace may be given as we continue on here in His Name and that many more might come through to sweeping blood-bought victory before He comes."

From our Missionaries in the Front of the Battle



OD is still working in heathen lands in spite of wars and rumors of wars. "See that ye be not troubled," Jesus said to His disciples, and He is saying the same today to every weary, burdened missionary who is holding up the blood-stained banner in the midst of heathen darkness and opposition from Satan's hosts.

Miss Marie Juergensen, Tokyo, Japan, gives us just a little glimpse of the struggles of the native Christians as they step out for Jesus:

"As we look over the flock of precious souls saved from the depths of heathenism, our hearts rejoice. It is for precious souls we are here, and

it is these precious ones that make it worth while pressing on in spite of difficulties and problems. Our joy is in watching them grow as a mother watches her child; its first word, its first step, etc. So we rejoice to hear their first prayer, their first testimony, their first effort to witness on the street, etc.

"Often our hearts ache for these new Christians, bound by the custom of their people, living in cold, dark, heathen homes, with no encouragement whatever from those around. They are laughed at when they pray, and often hindered in coming to the meetings by their own family. Some find the Christian life too hard and give up.

Unable to stand against it all, not having had a chance to become rooted and grounded in His word, they drop by the wayside. So we anxiously watch our little flock and daily hold them up before Him who alone is able to keep them.

"It was Sunday night, April 3rd. The first to come was *Otaka San*, who was saved over a year ago and during this time has been earnestly following the Lord, witnessing to his people in the country who had never before heard of Jesus. He has always been ready to do his part in the services, and it has been a joy to see him grow. But as he came in, his usual joyful greeting was missing and he seemed troubled. Quick to notice that something must be wrong, our native worker, Bro. Tani, who himself went through the fire during his three years of Christian life being finally thrown out of his home and disowned when he told them he would be a preacher of the Gospel, stepped up to his side and spoke to him. In answer, *Otaka San* burst into tears. My heart still aches as I think of him and others who have much to go through for the Lord. He said, "I can never come again; they told me so, but I gave them one of my Bibles and told them to read it. I may not be able to come so often, but I shall never give up and after awhile I may be able to slip away sometimes."

After the street meeting the hall filled up with Christians and sinners, some hearing perhaps for the first time. Two of our Christian girls who are sisters and have lately been quite persecuted at home, came, one of them quite late. The oldest girl is the one who came to us one afternoon when this little missionary was very busy, but this precious soul was won to the Lord that afternoon, and faithfully brought her sister to the Lord some months later. After the altar call this dear one took my hand and said, "*Sensei*, pray for us!" And then the story was told again as we have heard it, with feelings too hard to explain. "They are all against us; as we went out of the door they hindered us, but she (pointing to the younger one, slipped out, saying she would go anyway. They say because we are women we cannot go again. What shall we do? So it always is when their families feel they are getting too earnest in this 'foreign religion' and will not follow their old customs; they become alarmed and do all in their power to make them give it up.

"Our Bro. Tani said in comforting them, 'Oh yes, and so my people treated me too. They locked the door and then the gate, so that I had

to climb over the front gate to get in when I came home from the meeting. They said, 'You are always reading your Bible.' They may even tell you as they told me, 'If you want to be a Christian you cannot live in this house,' but stand true. He will never fail you." This is just a glimpse."

As soon as the frost is out of the ground, the Juergensons are expecting to break ground for their new chapel. They have prayed long for this building, and still need \$3,000. They are now going ahead, trusting and praying that by the time they need this final amount, it will be at hand. Pray with them to this end.

Building a Chapel

Miss Ruth Erickson writes from her station in Liberia: "We are ever so busy getting ready to build a little frame church. It will have cement floor and iron roof, and will cost somewhere about \$500. Some of the money has already come in, and I have had sawyers engaged for over two months; have ordered the iron and am getting the cement up from the beach. The town people are helping us get it up for half pay, the boys and mission people doing the rest, but it is hard work to carry six barrels full. We have it put up in fifty and sixty pound loads and it takes them two days to come from Garraway.

"I am so glad the Lord is enabling me to build this little church before I go home, for it has been on my heart a long time. Our mud chapel has almost fallen down since we had a severe wind storm a few months ago, and we do believe the Lord will meet our need. Our hearts cry to the Lord for a sweeping revival for this land. Oh for a mighty outpouring that will break the powers of darkness and set men and women free!"

We had a blessed service on Sunday. The presence of the Lord was so wonderful, sinners cried to God, while one of our oldest mission men and one of our little boys received the baptism of the Spirit. A message in tongues and interpretation came forth! Oh it was so sweet to hear the Lord exhorting His children to open their hearts and get ready for His soon coming!"

Twenty-seven natives Baptized

Mrs. Vernon Morrison writes from Liberia: "Seventeen of the missionaries in this work met at Newaka Station (Mr. and Mrs. Perkins' Station) for a week of convention and conference. It was a real treat to see so many white faces again. There were also about three hundred natives present and the Lord blessed us together.

On Christmas afternoon twenty-seven natives were baptized in water. They have many temptations to meet after stepping out for the Lord, and need your prayers.

"After New Year we came back here to the Pahn Tribe with Miss Bingeman and are to remain here indefinitely. We are about six days' journey in the Interior from Cape Palmas. From Newaka we traveled three and a half days. The journey was long and hard, going through much high bush. While crossing many streams we were carried on the natives' backs or up on their shoulders. We visited Miss Erickson's station *en route* and Mr. Morrison baptized five of the converts there. On our last day we had some very hard traveling on narrow paths. Our hands and arms were scratched from sharp grass and thorns which crowded us on both sides.

"We are living in a new plank house which is only about two-thirds finished. In a week or two Mr. Morrison will be leaving for an extensive trip, at which time he will preach and look over new territory for mission sites. He may be gone three or four weeks. We are glad for your prayers at all times. We need the covering of the precious blood of Jesus. There is filth and disease on every hand, but God is abundantly able to keep what we commit into His hands.

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"Last year," writes Bro. Sorenson, of Bolivar, "has been our best in the Argentine. During the last six months we were living in moving waters. A large number were saved and twenty-seven baptized in water. We regret that none, so far, have been baptized in the Holy Spirit, although we firmly believe the time is nearing for this as we see the Lord working upon hearts, bringing them into closer contact with Him. Many have received a healing touch from the Lord, and naturally this inspires more faith in their hearts."

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Bro. Stoddart, Poona, has been having a ministry in South India. He writes he has been having an uplift in his own spirit while helping others. He baptized nine in water and six were baptized in the Holy Spirit. One English lady had a wonderful baptism and gave a glorious message in the power of the Spirit; another received the baptism at a Tamil meeting on the Coffee Estates. A Norwegian baron became converted and was baptized in water. It was a great encouragement to see how readily the people listened and accepted the Gospel. Their hearts were open to receive salvation and teaching on healing.

Bro. Schoeneich, writes that war is still on in Nicaragua, and that the troops are nearing Matagalpa. He says, "We have our house filled with women and children seeking protection under our beloved U. S. flag. It is sad to see them come with their little bundles, often all they possess. We sometimes feel that we are pressed beyond measure, but God gives grace and courage to go through.

Constrained for the Love of Souls

Mrs. George Kelley writes March 28th: "We are back in Sai Nam again after being in Hong Kong for six weeks. Of course the situation is far graver now than it has been heretofore, and one doesn't know what an hour will bring forth, but the love for Christ and the desire to help these hungry, dying souls, overmastered us. And the Lord has kept us, garrisoning our hearts with His peace. We are having splendid opportunities, and everything seems so quiet and peaceful here one can hardly imagine such cruelty and bloodshed is going on in the Yangtse valley. Even the heathen express their gladness to have us back again. But we realize that perhaps there isn't a handbreadth between us and death. The things of earth seem so small, while the will of God looms up before us as the biggest and grandest thing on earth.

"We have an evangelistic band out now, of five men, who have left all to follow Jesus. They are men whom God has forgiven much, and they in turn love Him much and are willing to hazard their lives for Christ. They have gone thirty miles up the West River, pushing forward into districts where no one has gone. How we rejoice that night after night the sun sets on less houses, less hearts and less ears of those who have never heard of Jesus and His love. Our hearts burn within us to reach out and on to the lengths and breadths of this needy land. Pray that sufficient funds may come in to keep these workers. Five dollars will evangelize a village. These are perilous times, and what will they reveal? God's faithfulness? Oh yes! We can count on God's faithfulness, but can God count on us? Will we be faithful even unto death? Will self-sacrifice be greater? Will love for one another be deeper?

"There is such a shortage in mission giving, and some complain nowadays of the 'many demands upon our sympathies and purses'. Just think of it. Too strong a pull on the life line; too much evidence that hungry men and women in dark China are reaching out for the life line,

and heroic men and women are going ahead, battling against the great billows of sin, sorrow and despair, bringing Jesus Christ to the souls He died to save! By the withdrawal of gifts and failure to meet existing circumstances, the length of the life line is shortened."

Delivered of an Evil Spirit

Miss Y. G. Malick, writing from Shweifat, Syria, tells of a great victory they won thru prayer, in the case of one of the big girls in the school. "She was possessed of an evil and obstinate spirit and was a great trial to the teachers and other helpers in the work. Sometimes I could see the demons flashing from her eyes. I dealt with her for a long time and much prayer went up to God in her behalf. During our watch-night service, all of a sudden she surrendered, poured out her heart before the Lord in prayer, and confessed her sin. She was then completely delivered and her soul was saved. Her brother, a young man, also got saved at the same time, and since then they are bringing their father with them to meetings.

"We have 109 in the Institution, five of whom are teachers, the rest children. Most of them

come from homes of misery and poverty. I trust the Lord for every need. We go thru very hard times occasionally, but the Lord always comes to our help, often thru unexpected channels. He never fails, glory to His Name! And when I see precious souls saved by Christ it is worth all the trials and testings I go thru in the work.

"We had a very desperate case recently in which God was glorified. A poor sinner had a shock and lost the use of his right limb. He was taken to the hospital and after two weeks sent home as incurable. One of our Christian workers went to see him and found him very bitter and even blasphemous against God; could not understand why he should be laid aside helpless. He refused to listen to God's Word, but our dear worker would not be repulsed. She continued her visits and endured his rebuffs until finally he could stand it no longer; he confessed his sins to the Lord and wept bitterly over his lost condition. He confessed Jesus as His Savior and Healer. After being anointed he got out of bed and walked the floor of his room. Now he is walking around his house rejoicing and praising God for such a wonderful salvation."

In Memory of Daniel Warren Kerr "Father"



LIKE as a Father pitieth his children"

Father—Everybody's Father!

What a word and how it seems to come from the depths of our soul as we whisper it. To those who know the "Son," what sweeter word falls from our lips than that given us by the Spirit of Adoption, who enables us to say, "Abba, Father." And as we have thot back over our own dear Father's life—of his love and devotion not only to his own children of flesh and blood but to the many of God's own children,—to the ones who often did not know a real father's love—surely his life as a 'father' to the many has been a fitting and beautiful symbol of our Heavenly Father's love.

When we think of "our Father, Who art in Heaven" we think of a God Who "so loved the world, that He gave"—He gave His best, His ALL. They who have followed the life of our dear departed one know that always he was giving,— giving of himself—his time—his strength. Ever giving and looking for nothing in return.

To the missionaries, he was "Father." His home (when he had one, for while he walked in

this world his life was much like that of Abraham—'no certain dwelling place,' but he looked for a 'city whose builder and maker is God')—his home was always open to every missionary that passed thru the town. How it hurt his heart one year when, due to lack of strength and other pressures during a missionary Convention he was not able to offer the missionaries the usual hospitality of his home, but have them eat at a restaurant! He said, "The missionaries should have the very best we can give them." This was expressive of his attitude toward them. In counsel and advice, he was their 'father'—their interests were his interests. Even in the last hours of delirium he talked of the fields, especially those that are presenting such a crying need today, Russia and Poland. "But," he said, as we leaned closer to hear the whispered words, "the people haven't the vision and we must tell them; we must give it to them." Yes, to the missionaries, he was a 'Father.'

So to the students in the various Bible Schools where Brother Kerr taught: he was a true 'father.' As Brother S. R. Fostekew said in his few words of tribute, at the funeral service in Cleve-

land, "Since first I met Father Kerr, he has always been a father to me; yes, even more than my own father. Discouraged and sick, just entertaining Bible School, I went to him as a father, and to dear Mother Kerr as a mother and their arms were opened—their home was my home. In school, he was more than a teacher; he was our 'Father.' As Paul said, 'For tho ye have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet have ye not many fathers.'—he was 'our father' to counsel, to encourage, always with an answer from the Word—and to discipline when necessary."

How he loved his children! How devoted to his students! On his last Sunday night on earth, a group of students from the Central Bible Institute gathered in the room where he lay, too weak to speak and already seeing the "land of far distances"; he seemed unable to discern much of the earth which was beginning to recede. Leaning close, we called, "Daddy, dear, here are some of your students to see you." With an effort he roused himself and smiled—who can forget that smile,—and then big tears filled his eyes. He must have known. He wanted so to finish the school year, and could he have spoken, perhaps he would have said, "I'm sorry not to finish here with you, but I'm going on a little ahead to a more wonderful College of Learning,—for here we know in part, but there we shall know even as we are known. Follow on, Students, to know the Lord, and we'll resume our class in the Morning by the side of the River of Life where we'll spend all Eternity in learning the mysteries that have been hidden from the Ages."

How he loved to delve into the deep things of God! He was truly a "man of One Book." We recall how he used to say he liked to dig out the "little Greek roots" and chew them up. Things which to others might have seemed dry, to father were full of "juice" and freshness.

Father—yes, even over there we'll know him as 'Father' with the patriarchs of old, Father Abraham, Father Isaac, and Father Jacob.

Not only was that Divine attribute of love symbolized, but as "whom the Father loveth He chasteneth," so too, the necessary accompaniment of discipline was an outstanding characteristic in our dear Father Kerr. How distressed he was over the modern lack of subordination and proper respect for parental and pastoral authority. Present religious conditions were a source of great grief to him. As one brother put it, "He was a champion of the Word of God," and the lack of reverence,—the lack of appreciation—the tendency

to place anything before God's written Word,—whether experience, blessing, or manifestation, grieved his heart and called forth the sternest rebuke.

The following excerpt from one of his letters will show his deep feeling in this regard: "Call the attention of the Saints to the voice of the Holy Spirit speaking by the mouth of the Scriptures. If they will not hear the voice of the Scriptures, neither will they listen, tho one rose from the dead, and proclaimed it to them. People everywhere need to repent of the sin of grieving the Holy Spirit. See how little heed is given to His



Elder Daniel Warren Kerr

voice in the Scriptures! What an utter disregard there is among 'Pentecostal' people of the plain teaching of the Bible on 'holiness in all manner of conversation'! What calloused indifference to the protests against 'conformity to this age'! What a lack of 'conformity to Christ'! 'Help, Lord, for the goldly man ceaseth!'"

And now, to us, his own flesh and blood children, you ask, "Was he the same?" Oh, the outside world only knew him in part, as a 'Father'! With our hearts so torn, and the wounds so fresh, we find it hard to tell you. Our thoughts and memories are so sacred that like a pearl—a rare precious pearl—we would hug them to our own

heart and bosom and not display them before the eyes of others. But—a few words!

What father love! Giving always, and forgiving always! He loved his family devotedly. There were no "in-laws" in Father's vocabulary, but as he said when his son was married, "I have gotten me a new daughter," and when his daughter was married, "I have gotten me a new son." "I wish that I could be with you in the work," he wrote, "but, poor we-uns, Mother and I, can't do very much any more, and before long we will have to 'step aside' and wait—somewhere—for the 'sweet chariot' to carry us home. You know I always loved Willard because of his sterling worth. There are none so dear to me as my own 'four-square family' (Jesse and Elizabeth, Willard, and Christine), with Mother and me in the middle."

His thought was never on himself but on the interests of his children. Often he would say, "Parents should lay up for the children, not children for the parents." One of the Scriptures he was wont to quote in trying circumstances, in the life of faith which he and Mother lived since stepping into the Alliance work forty-one years ago was, "Having food and raiment, let us therewith be content, for we brot nothing into this world and it is certain we can take nothing out." But tho he had nothing of worldly goods to lay up for his children (for always he was pouring out all he had), yet he has laid up for all of us as perfect an example—as high an attainment of influence and inspiration—as great an heritage of spiritual knowledge and as godly a walk as any earthly father could ever bequeath to his loved ones.

As a husband, we believe the sweet union existing between Father and Mother Kerr was a type, as Jesus used it, of the love between Christ and His Church. In the words of Paul, "Husbands, love your wives even as Christ loved the Church, and gave Himself for it"

Such homely, common-place duties around the home were not despised in the rounds of his duties as Pastor-husband-father. Just as Mother always stood by him in the pulpit so Father stood by her in the home and its duties; not that he made a practice of it, but in time of necessity, Father knew how to excel in the art of dishwashing, bed-making, or house-cleaning. Some one has said of great men, that their greatness consists in the great way they do little things.

He believed in practical Christianity, and as Pastor of a Church, or Principal of a Bible School, would don his overalls and work as a

carpenter, plumber, painter, or plasterer to make the House of God clean and attractive. "Order and cleanliness" was his slogan.

How inadequate are our words to express what is in our hearts as wife and children of our darling Father Kerr. We thought that some might enjoy these little personal glimpses of that life which was lived so circumspectly before men. Tho little recognized, little praised, and little known among men, yet we are confident there was an abundant entrance into God's Kingdom, and a Great Man of God has been placed in Heaven's Hall of Fame. Yet with all that, we somehow feel that over on the other side, in the 'land beyond the blue,' he will still be to all who have loved him here—FATHER.

In loving memory,
By his daughter, Christine.

In Memoriam

FATHER, your race was won and you have passed
Far beyond the tomb and the bleak hill
Into the waiting arms of Him at last.

We do not mourn, we know it is His will.

The angels and the saints in snowy white
Will sing for you, Hosannas to the King,
And basking in the rays of glorious light
Your voice along the golden Halls will ring.

Forbid that we should envy you your all,
As walking down the Heavenly streets you go,
Hearing things from Jonah, John, and Paul
You knew by faith when you were here below.

'Tis but a short time we are parted so,
'Till Jesus comes to catch us to His breast,
Then flying to our loved ones we will go
Enjoying endless love, and peace and rest.

You have fought the good fight and you have won
Such reward, you neither thought nor asked,
To hear from the Master, His words, "Well done."
The consummation,—Jesus Christ at last.

(Given by Donald E. Kerr (no relative) during a Memorial Service to Father Kerr, at Toronto, Can. April 9, 1927.)

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Our Great Unfinished Task

R. A. Jaffray in The Sunday School Times



IN MANY mission fields the task of evangelization is not half accomplished. Every mission field should seek and find an unoccupied region beyond, the cry of whose persisting millions can be heard all the time. There should always be an objective, an un-reached field before us. The missionary ought never to settle down with the feeling that he has almost finished the work he was sent out to accomplish. It is healthy, yea, a necessity to spiritual health, for the native church to have a missionary vision, not only for their immediate neighborhood, but for the perishing millions of some other tribe or people without Christ. The pioneer work is not all done. The hardship, trial, and suffering of the mission field is not a thing of the past. Away in the interior, far off the beaten trail, over the mountains, in parts most inaccessible there still are millions of souls for whom the Lord Jesus died, who have never yet had their first chance to hear the Gospel message. Lives must be consecrated to the Lord Jesus for service, for sacrifice, for toil, for bleeding, for hardship, for suffering, and for death, ere these "other sheep" are reached. There are new cities, new islands, new tribes, new languages and groups to be reached. They will never be reached while we are content to stay at home. They will never be reached while we are content to stay on the coast, on our established stations at the gateways of the unreached region. Some one must be deeply stirred for the lost, stirred enough to get up and go forth in His Name and attempt what may seem the impossible, ready to endure hardness as a good soldier of the Lord Jesus Christ.

This kind of work is no child's play. It is no missionary picnic. It is no sight-seeing expedition,—no vacation trip. The apostle Paul, in all his travels, does not in any of his letters say a word about the scenery or architecture of the countries or great cities he visited. That was not what interested him. He had no eyes for such things. On his way to Damascus, he was blinded forever to the world. He was after souls. He was an ambassador from the Court of Heaven and bore a message of salvation to lost men. Far from gaping about him at big buildings or getting interested in curious customs of a strange people, he felt that it was woe to his soul if he did not

speedily preach to them the Gospel of salvation from sin.

Some of the untouched places may be very undesirable in many ways, they may be very unhealthy and entirely without modern conveniences. But are we to go only to the convenient places? What then of the souls that lie in the difficult, unhealthy places? Are we to let them go out into darkness without the knowledge of the Light of the World? One thing is sure, the Modernist missionary, the man who denies all that is vital in the Gospel message, who goes forth to bring education, civilization, social uplift to the people, is not likely to feel constrained to go to these remote, inaccessible, and unhealthy places. The work of the evangelization of those lands still unreached by the Gospel is the work of the evangelical missionary, the man who believes in the Bible, the blood, and the blessed hope, the man who is mightily constrained by the love of Christ, and urged on by the pressure of the Holy Spirit. There must be a mighty thrust of the Lord of the Harvest, a mighty inward fire of the Holy Spirit, a mighty impelling power of the compassion of the Lord Jesus for dying souls to start men out in this line of work, and enable them to continue in it to the end. The young man who aspires to be a missionary must have real tenacity of purpose, if he would really carry the message to the millions that lie in the far interior of the heathen land. *No combination of natural circumstances will ever cause him to drift there.* The current runs in the opposite direction. With all that in him is, he must purpose,—making it his supreme ambition,—and "*strive*" to preach the Gospel where Christ has not been named (Rom. 15:20). He must stem the tide, and the swift current of the opposition of the world, the flesh, and the devil.

Yea, verily, he who would go forth as a pioneer missionary and assay to enter new territory is attempting a tremendous undertaking. He ventures over into the enemy's territory. This is not neutral territory, it is not "no man's land," but the very possession of Satan. For generations he has held undisputed sway over the hearts of these people. All has been darkness, and now for the first time Satan's right to reign and rule there is being challenged. What think you? Will he meekly give way when the missionary enters, offering no resistance?

There are veritable princes of darkness, who under Satan hold dominion over these lands. The missionary who goes "over the top," and enters these untouched fields will verily meet with these princes of darkness, who are appointed by Satan in charge of these peoples. There was a Prince of Persia and a Prince of Grecia in Daniel's day, against whom God's chief princes fought (Dan. 10.) There is today a Prince of Tibet, of Afghanistan, of Cambodia, of Arabia, of Mohammedanism, of Bolshevism. These are prepared to defend their lands and the peoples under their thralldom against the message of the Gospel.

But, thank God, we go forth at the command of One who is infinitely greater than all the princes of darkness. "Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world" (I John 4:4). That Prince of princes has said: "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye" (Matt. 28:18, 19). He has also said: "Lo, I am with you all the days even to the end of the age" (Matt. 28:20). Therefore, when He sends His missionaries forth He goes *before* them, He goes *with them*, he *works* with them, and no foe can set upon them to hurt them. As Joshua of old called upon his young men to come and put their feet upon the necks of the great powerful warrior kings of Canaan, and not to fear them, so our Lord Jesus today calls us to dare to go against the foe entrenched in heathen lands and conquer in His name. We dare not be afraid. May God send forth his Joshuas and Calebs into these unreached fields today.

Another phase of this subject is a consideration of the awful fact that these millions are *perishing* without the message of the Gospel. To fail to recognize this fully, deliberately to ignore or deny this solemn truth, is to cut the very nerve of the missionary message. Since the days of the apostle Paul, all true missionaries have gone forth with a deep, God-inspired conviction that they were going with a message of salvation that alone could save the souls of men from the awful consequence of sin. The heathen perish eternally without the Gospel, and this is why the Master commands us to go to them with the only means of salvation. Paul felt the tremendous responsibility and burden of this, and said, "I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart," or as the Revised Version puts it: "I have great sorrow and unceasing pain in my heart" (Rom. 9:2). This and this alone can account for his life of constant self-sacrifice and continual suffering and hardship to take to Jew and Gentile

the wonderful message of the Gospel. If it were not to save perishing men, why should Paul have endured all that he did? In 2 Corinthian 11, he tells us of labors, stripes, imprisonments, five times received he forty stripes save one, three times he was beaten with rods, once stoned, three times shipwrecked, a night and a day in the deep, in journeyings oft, in peril of robbers, in peril of the heathen, in weariness, in painfulness, in hunger and thirst, in cold and nakedness. Nothing could stop him. He did not count his life dear unto himself. He was impelled forward in the face of inseparable difficulties by the inward urge of the Holy Spirit. His missionary work was carried on according to that inward power that wrought mightily in his soul. Oh, how our little sacrifices and sufferings for the Lord Jesus pale into insignificance in comparison with this record of Paul's! What have *we* suffered for *His* name's sake? How much of this great heaviness and continual sorrow and pain of heart for the lost do we know? We go about our work as though it were no concern of ours that souls are perishing. The great Niagara of the lost rushes on, a soul a second, and we do not seem to care very much.

After all, are we accountable? A man has fallen into the river. I stand on the bank of the river with folded arms and watch him struggle and sink and perish. I do nothing to save him. I am indifferent. I did not shove him into the river. I had no part in his calamity. I do not delight in his death. I just watch him there with indifference as he struggles and sinks and dies. Am I guilty? Before God, am I guilty? Are you *guilty*? The heathen are dying, never having heard the way of life, and we sit complacently at home and do not make the least effort to save them. They are starving souls; we have the bread of life. They die of thirst; we have the water of life. They sit in eternal darkness and gloom; we have the light, but refuse to send it to them, or at least we *neglect* to send it to them.

Are we guilty? Can we say we are "pure from the blood of all men," unless we are doing "as much as in us is" to give them the Gospel? We try to pay off our soul's accountability with a paltry missionary offering. Have we thus paid our enormous debt? Are we not but trying to mock the all-wise and all-knowing God by so doing? Can we fool God in this way?

It will take an entire life of utmost earnest service to pay our Gospel debt to the whole world. Paul said: "I am debtor both to the Greeks and

the Barbarians; . . . so, as much as in me is I am ready to preach the gospel" (Rom. 1:14, 15). He went further and said that he was willing even to be separated from Christ, willing that his soul be lost, if he might thereby save his brethren, his kindred according to the flesh. It was impossible for Paul to be separated from his Saviour, or to offer his soul for the sins of another, but in his great intensity of love and zeal for lost men, he was willing for even this. It was the very love of Christ, who did suffer separation from His Father for our sins, that constrained Paul. Oh, how it puts us all to shame!

We are trying to save the perishing away out there. We are throwing the life line to sinking souls, who perish in the darkness. But our life is too short. We cannot reach them. We must have more rope! We need the help of *every Christian*. To complete our unfinished task, pioneer missionaries must go to every part of the world where as yet no witness has been given. For example, there are parts of Arabia and India where no missionary has ever gone. The vast areas of Central Asia, Russia and Chinese Turkistan challenge the Gospel missionary. French, British, and Italian Somaliland in Africa, as well as many language groups of interior Africa, are still unreached. The Indians of Mexico, Central America, and South America, constitute a vast untouched field, a challenge for the Gospel. French Guiana, the vast areas of the Amazonas and Para in South America, as far as we are able to learn, are still almost entirely without the Gospel witness. There are a number of islands, or groups of islands where no missionary work has yet been attempted, not to speak of the interior native tribes of many islands where the Gospel has been given on the coasts. Afghanistan and Tibet still defy the missionary.

Young men, the missionary call of today is to the wooded mountains of Ephraim, as in the case of the sons of Joseph (Josh. 17:14-18), and not to already opened and developed work. It is a call to *pioneer* work.

As for those parts of the world where the messenger of Christ is positively forbidden to enter, there is but one thing to do. Keep guard closely at the door and wait till the door opens, then step in promptly. As the men of Israel silently marched around Jericho, under the strict orders of their leaders, "Ye shall not shout, nor make any noise with your voice, neither shall any word proceed out of your mouth, until the day I bid you shout; then shall ye shout" (Josh. 6:

10), so must the missionaries of the cross wait silently till God's time comes to go up and possess the forbidden lands. Prayer and watchfulness are needed. Let us be ready to obey the word of His command when He says to go forward. Let us be ready to put our foot in, even if the door is open but a little. It cannot be long ere every door will open as it were of its own accord, for the coming of the Lord is near. It must be the breaking of the day!

But, meanwhile, there are those places where no missionary work has as yet been attempted. We cannot say that the doors are closed. We know not whether they are closed or open, for the simple reason that we have never been there, or tried to enter. Who knows but that, when we obey his command, and go to the doors of these unreached lands, we shall find they are not closed? Or, it may be that, as with Peter, when we reach the great closed iron door it will open of its own accord (Acts 12:10).

This is a day when God is calling out young men to volunteer for this kind of missionary service. It is not ordinary service, it is extraordinary missionary service, advance pioneer work in new fields.

Aye, and it may be also the day for older missionaries who have served long in the field to say, like old Caleb, "I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me: as my strength was then, even so is my strength now, for war, both to go out and to come in" (Josh. 14:11). It may be that such men can lead the way into some of these new fields with the wisdom that experience has given, make conquest for the Lord Jesus, and thus hasten His return.

WUCHOW, S. CHINA.

The Awakening of Egypt

SINCE the great world war broke out upon the world in such awful fury in 1914, drawing into its vortex the greater portion of the world, and almost paralyzing the commerce and shipping of the world, including missionary work in foreign fields, Egypt the cradle of humanity and the oldest country the world, and a country and people struggling for ages in dense, spiritual darkness, IS NOW AWAKENING.

Before the war even the largest and most enlightened cities, as Cairo and Alexandria, were in a primitive state in many respects. The call for Moslem prayers were heard from many a towering Minaret. Even on the streets, specially during the Moslem feast of Ramadan one might often see the amazing and disgusting sight of the

Dervishers whirling and howling, and calling on the Name of ALLAH and MOHAMMED, whirling around with such rapidity as to froth and foam at the mouth and finally fall exhausted on the ground.

Then at the overflow of the waters of the Nile, a maiden was sacrificed yearly by throwing her into the rushing waters, and letting her drown before their eyes. This sacrifice was made in expectation of the great harvest the overflow of the waters would ensure. This heathen custom was abolished by authority of the British, and is practiced no more in Egypt. And seldom does one hear the prayer call from the Minarets of Cairo or witness the crude and unseemly sight of howling or whirling dervishers.

Again prior to the war all Mosques were held most sacred for Moslem worshipers, for the reading the Korean, etc. Since the war some of the largest Mosques in Cairo are being used as public schools. In Constantinople, we hear, one of the largest Mosques is being turned into a theater, and an American theatrical company is trying to take it over for jazz music performances.

Also, before the war scarcely an automobile of any kind could be seen, even in Cairo; now the streets are thronged with every kind of auto, just as in America, while mail and military airplanes can be seen every day racing to and fro. The people are looking forward *not only to their own awakening, but to some great event soon to come*. They know not what it will be but the ready watching ones know that *His coming is near at hand, even at the doors*.

In Cairo, right before the large Central Station, the government is erecting a great statue called THE AWAKENING OF EGYPT. The people of Egypt have also secured from England a *measure of independence*, and now have their own Parliament and government.

The young Moslems of Egypt, following in the footsteps of the young Turks, are awakening. Turkey has abolished the tarboush and the turban. The women also have been ordered to remove their veils and wear hats. They have been given freedom to go from the harems and move freely in the society of others. Now some of the Egyptian students are donning hats, and the women dress like American ladies and mingle freely in the society of others, no longer shut up in the harems.

Best of all, there is now in Egypt A SPIRITUAL AWAKENING. Many young Moslems are beginning to realize that the Moslem faith is no faith, and that there is no saving power and no healing

balm in the religion of Mohammed. Just recently, a young Moslem came to us for council and help. He stated that he, with twenty-two other young Moslems, were personally persuaded that the religion of Mohammed was not right and they were studying together and searching for the right way. They wanted Bibles—whole Bible—not Testaments, so that they could study the entire Book carefully and consecutively from Genesis to Revelation. We gave them a number and they are now studying the Word and some of them are attending our meetings. They agreed that Mohammed could not forgive sins. He was a sinner and confessed he had committed many sins. So they reasoned, "How could a man who was himself a sinner forgive sins?" They knew he could not and are *seeking one who can*. We pointed the young man to Christ, THE SINLESS ONE, who can save men from the uttermost to the uttermost, and fill them with the Holy Spirit. Thank God, the young Moslems are awakening and will come, we trust, out of dense darkness and the bondage of sin into the light and liberty of the children of God. They confess if Jesus Christ can take away their sins He is the One whom they seek, and will doubtless accept Him as their personal Savior and Redeemer.

Will the people of God and all who believe and pray for the salvation of men even in dark Moslem lands pray for these anxious, enquiring young Moslems and for THE SPIRITUAL AWAKENING OF EGYPT.

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