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# A Closer and Deeper Fellowship

For the Pentecostal Assemblies of Indiana and the Central States.

Report of the Convention and Camp Meeting Held at "Gibeah," Plainfield, Ind.

What shall we say? What hath God wrought? Surely His ways are past finding out. Little did we know as we made our preparations to attend the convention at "Gibeah" from June 15th to the 22nd what pleasant surprises the Lord had in store for us, even though we did have great expectations from Him. And He met our faith and granted the full desire of our hearts.

# Harmony Reigned Supreme.

From the first service Sunday morning June 15th until the close of the evening service, Sunday, June 22nd, Christian fellowship never seemed so sweet as our hearts were knit together in love and strengthened through the truth which it was our privilege to hear expounded so wonderfully.

The force of workers was not large to begin with and through one cause or another was considerably lessened before the close of the convention but the interest never lessened for an instant, but went right on until the close of the Sunday evening service which many thought was the best service of all, the best wine having been reserved for the last of the foost

Brother Ostema of the Gospel Tabernacle, Mattoon, Ill., was with us for a few days, and delivered some telling messages along evangelistic lines. Many of us will never forget his message from Jer. 48:11, 12, as he emphasized the danger of settling down on our lees, and encouraged us to lay aside every weight and go on with God to victory.

Sister Kate Driscoll, returned missionary from the Soudan, also delivered two powerful missionary addresses in the early part of the meeting and was then compelled to leave on account of having made a previous engagement. She left reluctantly and we were heartily sorry to see her go.

Brother Ostema was called home suddenly on account of severe sickness in his family, but thank God he now reports that God has answered prayer and victory has come for the ones who were afflicted.

Brother D. W. Myland took up a special series of Bible Study on the operations of the Holy Spirit as recorded in the Book of Ephesians, which is a classic on the Holy Spirit, there being found in it just twelve operations of the Spirit, two in each of the six chapters. These studies were much blessed of the Lord, and the last Sunday morning as he took up the lesson on the Spirit of power (Eph. 3:16-19) the power of God was mightily present and our hearts were made to glow with a new influx of Divine fullness as we partook of these gracious truths.

Elder G. T. Haywood, of the Apostolic Faith Assembly. Indianapolis, was with us one afternoon and the Lord gave him a message from John 21:16, "Feed my sheep." He showed us clearly by the Spirit, the dire need of shepherds—not cowboys who cave and whip up the cattle, but shepherds who will feed the flock.

Saturday afternoon, June 21st, a public meeting was held in the Tabernacle for general discussion as to some means for

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and more general co-operation in connection with the Latter Rain Pentecostal Movement in Indiana and the Central States.

After prayer and a free harmonious discussion, a committee was appointed who should confer together and then prepare a statement and arrange an order of procedure for definite and systematic service in uniting and developing the work, and then to make a report to the next meeting of the convention.

Twelve persons were chosen to act on this committee, whose names appear as follows: D. Wesley Myland, J. Roswell Flower, Geo. R. Anthony, Flem VanMeter, John Matthias, James Haskett, Ned Beck, Richard Gardiner, Mrs. Anthony, Mrs. Maude Taylor, Mrs. Mary Mendenhall, Mrs. M. A. Stout.

This temporary committee met Saturday evening, and as they conferred together they were deeply conscious of the presence of the Lord and of that satisfaction which is manifestly present when we are in the will of God.

After a most blessed harmonic conference together, the temporary committee resolved to report to the convention the following recommendations:

# Report of Temporary Committee.

First. That the name of this movement in Indiana and the Central States be called THE ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLIES.

Second. That the purpose of said Association shall be to represent and propagate a full Pentecostal Gospel according to Apostolic Faith and practice in the unity of the Spirit and the bond of peace, for the deepest and most progressive Christian experience and fellowship, and aggressive evangelistic and missionary work in home and foreign fields.

Wherefore, we cordially invite all who enjoy, and those who hunger for the fullness of the Spirit and Christian fellowship in the deep things of God, and all who desire to be better fitted for service in preparing for and hastening the coming of the Lord, to unite with us as workers together with Christ, "striving together for the faith of the gospel."

Third. That an advisory council be formed composed of representative members of the local assemblies of Indiana and the Central States which may convene at stated periods for mutual fellowship and conference in the furtherance of the work of God committed to our care, for which the following names are herewith suggested:

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D. Wesley Myland	Plainfield
J. Roswell Flower	Plainfield
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Miss Eleanor Palmer	Plainfield
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S. B. Osborne	Indianapolis
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Mrs. Nate Sherman	Indianapolis
C. M. Shawley	Marion
John Matthias	Monion
Nannie Hopkins	Marion
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Fourth. That a Board of Trustees be formed for the holding of the properties located at Plainfield, Indiana, known as "Gibeah Bible School and Home," for which the following names are hereby submitted: David Wesley Myland, J. Roswell Flower, Geo. R. Anthony, Flem Van Meter, Dr. E. V. Green, John Matthias, James H. Worth, Edward Brundrett, Sylvester Goshart.

Fifth. That the officers of said association shall be General Superintendent, Secretary, Treasurer and a Vice Chairman who may be appointed by the Superintendent, and the Superintendent to act as Assistant Treasurer, these officers shall form an executive committee and be the officers of both the Board of Trustees and the General Council. The following names are hereby nominated for said offices respectively:

General Superintendent\_\_\_\_\_\_D. Wesley Myland General Secretary\_\_\_\_\_\_\_J. Roswell Flower General Treasurer\_\_\_\_\_\_Geo. R. Anthony

Respectfully submitted for the temporary committee,

## JOHN MATTHIAS, Chairman, J. ROSWELL FLOWER, Secretary.

The above report of the temporary committee was submitted to the convention at the Sunday morning service, June 22nd. The Secretary read the report and on motion of John Matthias, and seconded by a number of others was unanimously adopted as a whole without change by a rising vote. The General Superintendent then called on Mrs. Alice M. Flower to lead in prayer for the witness and seal of the Spirit of God upon the matter and the Lord met us in a glorious way that was felt by all present.

Flem VanMeter was then appointed as Vice Chairman of the Executive Committee thus completing the officers of the Association.

This is the first crystalization of a general desire of the Pentecostal saints throughout the State of Indiana. What great import in future fellowship, co-operation and love it may develop only God knows and only time will tell. But we do purpose to watch the Spirit and move out in a great crusade for the strengthening of the brethren and the upbuilding of the different assemblies of Indiana and the Central States that this glorious Pentecostal truth which has made our own hearts to rejoice and be glad might be scattered far and wide, not only in Indiana but also unto the uttermost parts of the earth until Jesus comes.

There are many other assemblies in Indiana which were not represented at the June Convention and now we extend a

# General Invitation

to all the assemblies of Indiana and the Central States to send representatives to the Feast of Tabernacles which will convene for ten days commencing August 29th and continuing until September the 7th. Abundant opportunity will be found for these representatives to make known the needs of their respective assemblies in this convention and an effort will be made in the fear of God to supply those needs as far as possible. As these needs are made known by personal representation the saints of God will feel the weight of these needs and then can get under the load, bearing one another's burdens and thus fulfill the law of Christ.

So let there be a full representation and we feel sure that the Lord will open up new ways and means for the development of the different assemblies and the propogation of the truth as it is our purpose to do.

# The Little Flock

Edited by Mrs. ALICE M. FLOWER.

Dear Little Lambs of His Fold—I greet you with the words of our Saviour in Luke 24:36. Who else uses this beautiful word very often in His greetings through the New Testament? One of the prophets (I wonder if you can tell me which one?) many years ago wrote, "He shall feed His flock like a Shepherd; He shall gather the lambs with His arm and carry them in His bosom." And still He leadeth His own. What a joy to be one of His flock! Jesus Himself has been referred to as a lamb; but that is only a type, representing His being offered up to atone for our sins. It is because He gave Himself up to die for us that we are rejoicing today. Our hearts, no matter how young we are, need to be washed in His blood, and thus it is we become lambs of His fold. Then we enter into His pasture. What sort of a door has it? Who may enter? Is there any other entrance beside the door?

Over three thousand years ago there was a young man of goodly countenance, who played skilfully on a harp. Later he became King of Israel. Who was he, and where does he give us a beautiful picture of our Shepherd and His pasture? All round the earth we may find lambs scattered, and they are all equally precious to the Good Shepherd who laid down His life for ALL the sheep. Some are yet wandering over the thorny mountain sides—far off from the fold—and it is these the Shepherd is looking for. Torn and bleeding, hungry and cold—how tenderly He brings them in.

And we may have a part in this loving search! The little sad face we see each day, whose life has no sunshine—what a joy to bring that one to Jesus! And that suffering little cripple, with hours of pain to spend each long day—perhaps we can tell him that this wondrous Shepherd can make him every whit whole. Do we remember the Good Samaritan? And what did he pour into the wounds of the sick man? Who scorned and passed by? But which of the two were like Jesus? And I wonder if God does not want us all to be "good Samaritans." Remember a lamb is always gentle—loving—meek—and it takes such hearts to win others.

But I am forgetting? Does America contain all the lambs of which we are speaking? listen a moment—do we not hear the bleating of lambs from far across the ocean, and surely God has an interest in them. Ah, yes, in China, in India, in Africa, and far up to frozen Iceland, verily

"From Greenland's icy mountains To India's coral strand,"

there are lambs, "other" lambs, which the Shepherd would bring. And can we not have a part in bringing them in? Perhaps as the weeks pass by and

we learn more of the needs of these "other" lambs, their longings and tears, God will show us just how we can help Him to bring them into the fold. This is to be our very own corner, and we shall trust the dear Lord to bring to us each week His own message along different lines. I am asking God to draw us very close together in His love, and shall be glad to hear from any of you in the days to come.

Yours in the joy of His service, MRS. ALICE M. FLOWER.

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.
JULY 27, 1913.

#### MOSES' REQUEST REFUSED.

Lesson Text-Ex. 5: 1-14. Read Ex. 5, 6.

Golden Text—Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Matt. 5:4.

Leading Thought—The trial of their faith. I Pet. 1: 6, 7. 2 Cor. 4: 17.

Study Outline—I. God's message to Pharoah, "Let my people go." 1-9. It took courage for God's servants, Moses and Aaron, to deliver this message. Perhaps the fact that the people believed (Chap. 4:31) strengthened these two men to face Pharoah. They were the chosen deliverers of God's chosen people (Ex. 3:10). On their faithfulness just now rested the liberty of a nation. Nor were they responsible for Pharoah's reception of the message; it was but the outworking of God's divine economy. (Rom. 9:17). True enough were his words, "I know not the Lord" (v. 2). How could he then recognize this great people as belonging to Jehovah, much less respect His command to let them go They were increasing his resources, and granting this request might result in great loss and trouble to himself. So, as in the case of many a reprobate soul, he hardened his heart; not only refusing God's command, but rebuking His messengers (v. 4). Then he turned to a general punishment of the people. Surely they were oppressed enough, for had not God already heard their groaning (Ex. 2:23-25). Nevertheless the cup was not full, and God permitted Pharoah to increase the load. The greater the oppression, the more glorious the victory, and the more humiliating the enemy's defeat.

II. The result—more oppression. "Fullfil your works, your daily tasks as when there was straw." 10-14. And now they are refused the straw, which when chopped they mixed with fine clay to make bricks of astonishing durability. Someone has said the very refinement of cruelty, to require the end but deny the means. Of course they failed; it was impossible to turn out the same amount as before. It was a dark day for the Israelites and particularly their officers who felt the lash's sting on account of their failure to come up to the standard (v. 14). The darkness that precedes the dawn was deepening. But the people could not see the day ahead, and did not know to trust; so they complained to Moses, and he in turn questioned God (vs. 21, 22) compelling Him once more to renew His promise (Ex. 6: 1). God was preparing His people a fiery sort of trial to be sure—but it was sundering the ties that bound them to Egypt, and opening the way of God to lead them out with a high hand.

"The Israelites were lately encouraged to hope for enlargement, but instead came distress. We should rejoice with trembling. What strange steps God sometimes takes in delivering His people! He often brings them into the utmost straits when He is just ready to appear for them."—Nevin.

"Just in the last distressing hour The Lord displays delivering power; The mount of danger is the place Where we shall find surprising grace."

# TIMES OF REFRESHING

## From the Presence of the Lord.

Testimonies, Requests for Prayer, Reports of Meetings and General Fellowship.

Bro. Earl W. Clark, writing from Kansas City, Mo., tells of the mighty moving of God there. He is assisting Bro. A. S. Copley, pastor of the Christian Assembly, 2603 E. 18th street, in a tent meeting across the river in Kansas City, Kansas. He reports good attendance in the meetings and definite results to the glory of God.

Bro. Clark has a good plan for the evangelization of the Indian Tribes of South America. He has spent some years in South America and is thoroughly acquainted with conditions there. His plan has been put in booklet form and a copy will be sent to any address for six cents in stamps. For sale by The Christian Evangel.

The hardest thing in this world is to submit ourselves to God and one another. Sub-MISSION is the greatest and most fruitful MISSION in the world. Always open night and day.

Word has been received from the Stone Church, Chicago, Ill., that the meetings conducted by Mrs. Woodruff-Etter are being wonderfully blessed of the Lord. The Texas brethren who have been at the Stone Church for the past few months are still there and the meetings are continuing in power.

Grace is God's presence with us; glory is God's presence in us.

It is desired that a Convention be held in Marion, Indiana, this fall. Assembly at Marion have a building which will accommodate a thousand people and we believe the Lord would mightily bless such a meeting. As the plans for this meeting are formulated, we will make announcement and give full particulars.

Bro. Fred Vogler, who spent a year and a half in Indianapolis and Plainfield in the work of the Lord has returned to Zion City. He reports blessed victory and a life of active service as meetings are being held every night. He says, "I have not felt the power of God so mightily resting upon me in months as I do now." Pray for him and Sister Vogler that the Lord may continue to use them to His Glory.

Faith is the substance of God; Grace is the diffusion of God; Love is the essence of God; Glory is the manifestation of God.

The measure of our appreciation of Christ is the measure of our own character.

THE LORD WORKING IN BERLIN,

July 3, 1913.

Peace be unto thee. We are having great times here. The power is falling. About ten have received the baptism and many are being healed and saved. Last night the people rushed to the altar and about four were baptized and several saved. This morning a lame man who was helped into the tent, walked away to his tent and began leaping and praising God.

Bro. Awrey is here and we are expecting him and Bro. Argue to be with us in our Mid-summer Convention in Indianapolis. We are in the same tent. He is a blessed man.

Greet all the saints for us. We leave here for Dresden, Ont. for two days' stay and then to Findley, Ohio.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

ELDER G. T. HAYWOOD.

#### PLEASE PRAY.

There is a brother here who is very sick, lying in bed perfectly helpless, He has been in this condition for two months. It seems no one has been able to get through to God for him, yet he is trusting the Lord for deliverance. God can deliver. Please pray.

MRS. HARRIE WAGNER,

Indianapolis.

What we separate we can give; What we give God will take: What He takes He will cleanse What He cleanses He will fill; What He fills He will use; What He uses He will glorify.

#### PENTECOSTAL TENT MEETING. Indianapolis, Indiana.

Commencing July 10th and continuing three weeks or longer. This meeting will be conducted by the Apostolic Faith Assembly, of No. 9 N. New Jersey street. To reach the grounds, take a Brightwood car and get off at Cooper street. Then walk one block north. Everyone welcome. Pray for this meeting and expect great things from the

> L. V. ROBERTS. Pastor.

Sin is a self-loving heart, and a self-serving will.

If I think of the world I get the impress of the world; if I think of my trials and sorrows I get the impress of my trials and sorrows; if I think of my failures I get the impress of my failures; if I think of Christ I get the impress of Christ.

LATTER RAIN BOOKS.

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The Christian Evangel.

The Latter Rain Pentecost, by Rev. Wesley Myland. The only book published which treats the subject. Note the heading of the chapters; Chap. 1, The Latter-Rain Covenant. Chapter 2, How it may be restored; Chap. 3, Its design and operation; Chap.4, Its fullness and effects; Chap. 5, Its dispensational setting. Seven great lectures, finishing up with a chapter telling how God miraculously healed the author seven times. Price postpaid, cloth 50 cents, paper cover 30 cents.

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#### MID-SUMMER PENTECOSTAL CON-VENTION

Indianapolis, Indiana. From July 27th to August 10th, 1913. Conducted by the Apostolic Faith Assembly in their large tabernacle, seating 1,000 people at Eleventh street and Senate avenue. Take Northwestern car which takes you right to the door. The Full Gospel to be preached. Special attention given to those seeking the baptism in the Holy Ghost. electric fans have been installed, thus making it comfortable during the hot

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#### THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES. Plainfield, Indiana.

Fall Pentecostal Convention of the Association of Christian Assemblies to be held on "Gibeah" Camp Ground, Plainfield, Ind., from August 29th to September 7th, 1913. A full representation is desired from every assembly in the Central States for conference and fellowship in the spreading of the glorious Latter Rain truth in a more progressive manner through Indiana and the Central States.

Plainfield is just fourteen miles west of Indianapolis and enjoys hourly interurban service. The fare is fifty-five cents round trip. Those desiring tents and cots must order in advance in order to be supplied. Further information later.

In the arithmetic of heaven nothing but love counts.