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GREAT NOVEMBER MEETING

OF
ASSEMBLIES OF GOD
AT
THE STONE CHURCH, CHICAGO

NOVEMBER 15th to 29th, 1914.

The next meeting of the General Council of the Assemblies of God in the United States, Canada and foreign lands will be at The Stone Church, corner 37th and Indiana Ave., Chicago, Ill.

ALL ARE INCLUDED.

Remember that all Pentecostal preachers and all Pentecostal Missions, Full Gospel Assemblies, Apostolic Faith Assemblies, Churches of God in Christ and other assemblies of similar faith, regardless of their local names, are expected to send representatives. If you believe in the Full Gospel, the Baptism of the Holy Ghost with the signs following, believe in pushing this great message of full salvation through our missionaries to the ends of the earth, if you believe in love, purity, peace and co-operation, then you are invited, regardless of your local name.

Now Chicago is big enough to hold all who come, so begin to pray and make your plans for expenses to come, and then come up and counsel with us in the "fulness of the blessing of Christ."

THE NATURE OF THE COUNCIL.

This is not particularly a great revival meeting, where special workers are invited by personal letter to come and preach to the people. Ample provision will be made for ministry and revival work, but particularly this is a council of preachers, workers, evangelists and laymen who have the extension of the Kingdom of God at heart and who come together, regardless of petty doctrines and beliefs, to consider scriptural methods of unity, fellowship, work and business for God, and to disapprove of unscriptural methods and conduct, "endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace until we all come into the unity of the faith, and the knowledge of the Son of God, etc."

NO POWER TO LEGISLATE.

This council is absolutely nonsectarian in spirit and has no power to legislate or form laws and articles of faith, or have jurisdiction over its members, creating unscriptural lines of fellowship and disfellowship, nor does it through name or action in any way separate itself from other portions of the General Assembly (church) of the first born. All the council can do is to consider methods for cementing together the hearts of the Pentecostal people as one in effective service for God and lost souls.

GREAT PROBLEMS TO BE SOLVED.

Every local work in this country has had its problems which have to be met squarely and solved. The general work also has its problems, both in home and foreign fields. These problems will be brought up before the assembled brethren in Chicago and through earnest prayer and counsel must be solved to the satisfaction of all the brethren. Let every delegate to this council come prepared to present these perplexing matters which pertain to the future success of the work of God entrusted to us and also to act in conjunction with all the brethren in solving the same.

LESSONS FROM THE HOT SPRINGS GENERAL COUNCIL.

The General Council which met in Hot Springs, Ark., last April, was patterned according to the Scriptural example in Acts 15. This council was remarkable in many respects. Preachers and delegates from many points were present who widely differed in matters of doctrine and practices, and yet who were determined that nothing should be enacted which would be contrary to the Scriptures and to their own consciences. That this was fulfilled was manifested by the fact that every resolution which was brought before the house was unanimously passed with the exception of one. In this case, there were only two or three dissenting votes. A number of times, half prepared resolutions were presented but were returned back to the resolution committee to be thoroughly gone into with the Word of God and prayer, and when this was done, they were passed without a dissenting vote. Truly how blessed it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. This fact demonstrates that the Holy Spirit had control of the council and when any measures were presented which were

not according to the Spirit and the Word, they were sent back to be prepared all over again. We expect that this condition shall prevail in the November General Council in Chicago and that the brethren who come to this Council shall lay aside all difference of teaching and practices and labor together with one heart and soul for the extension of the Work of the Lord and the Kingdom of God.

A BRIGHT PROSPECT.

The prospects are bright for a most glorious and fully representative meeting. We have heard from the East, the West, the North and the South of representatives of Pentecostal and Apostolic Faith Assemblies who will be sent to this council, and who will come expecting to do things for the betterment of the work in home and foreign fields. Let every reader of our papers encourage the brethren to send representatives and pray mightily that God will be glorified in this great gathering together of His Full Gospel ministers and workers.

ACCOMMODATIONS IN CHICAGO.

An effort will be made to entertain free, all ordained ministers and delegates of assemblies that come to the meeting on real business for the King. Visitors from the saints and assemblies everywhere will be welcome, but it is expected the numbers will be so great as to make it impossible to give free entertainment to everybody. But, plenty of rooms and board at reasonable rates can be had not far from the Stone Church. Every effort will be made to locate comfortably all visitors where they can easily pay their own bills. All visitors, all delegates and ministers alike will be expected to pay their own fare to and from. Do not write the Committee about this. If you need fare, ask your own saints at home for it. They can provide for one more easily than the Stone Church can provide for 1,000. But, let all come and come praying. A most glorious time is expected.

Before writing for information, read the above through and see if your question is not already answered. If you are a minister or delegate from an Assembly, just send in your name and address and tell them so, and you can then come on in assurance whether you get an answer or not. If you are a visitor, just come on; no need to write about entertainment. A committee will meet you at the Stone Church when you arrive with all the information you need right on the spot. But, if you really need information, be free to write. For all information address: General Council Committee, 3616 Prairie Ave., Chicago, Ill.

The twelve Presbyters now acting for the General Council are as follows:

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HE IS COMING.

The Scriptures state positively that the Lord Jesus is going to return to the earth to set up a kingdom and that His coming will be at a time when most people least expect Him. It is popular nowadays to spiritualize all these Scriptural statements with regard to the Lord's coming, finding their fulfillment in the humanitarian and religious movements of the day, but such cannot be done without violence to the Word. Angel messengers said to the astonished disciples, "This same Jesus shall come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven."

He is coming. A few faithful watchers are expecting Him. May more of us be awakened to the importance of this "Blessed Hope," and brought to "Love His appearing." A London daily, commenting on this subject, says:

"Prophecy is not merely an intelligent reading of the Book of Daniel. It is an intelligent reading of the daily newspaper. According to the Apostles' Creed, Jesus Christ may be expected to return a second time and dwell among men. In the past He came to suffer and to redeem. In the future He would come to command and to judge. His coming would be just when men least expect it, and when long delay had led them to forget all about His destiny. That is the doctrine, and to some people it has seemed so absurd as to be outside the range of sane discussion . . .

"We cannot read foreign telegrams in the public press without discovering that an unprecedented revolution is rapidly preparing the way for some unknown consummation . . . Some people prophesy Armageddon, which means confusion. Others prophesy a millennium, which means system. The Christian hope stands out still majestic and still, as I think, unchallengeable. Plato dreamt of a Republic. Sir Thomas More dreamt of Utopia. Others again work for a complete system of socialism. In all these cases we have, as it were, men arising by laborious effort a tower that shall reach unto heaven—which was the error of Babel. The system, which is supposed to unite humanity really sunders humanity into fragments. What we need is not a system, but a MAN . . . As the manner of the coming of the first Messiah was greatly mistaken by the multitude, so we need not be surprised if the manner of His re-appearance be contrary to our judgment. The mystery of the past is deep and unfathomable. Deeper still is the mystery of the future. Yet we seem to see ahead of us a Figure, not unknown, not unloved, the Figure of Man triumphant over Man's contradiction."—Selected.

GREENFIELD, ARK.

Have just begun a meeting here in a tent, 30 by 60. Last night was the third night and the tent was full to overflowing. People come for miles to hear the word in the power of the Spirit. Many come for healing. God is answering the prayer of faith. Just closed a three weeks meeting at Bay Village. It took three altars 24 feet long to accommodate the seekers. Numbers were saved, baptized and healed. The power of God was marvellous. Many visions were seen and one night many heard the sweetest music above the tent and declared it must have been angelic.—W. P. Eisele.

A VOICE FROM ENGLAND

England is Conscious of the Judgment of God Upon Her
—The Spiritual Effect of the Great War
Upon the Nation.

To your readers it may be of interest to hear from an English believer's pen concerning the war which now is causing such ruin and distress to so many in Europe. Prior to the Keswick convention this year, an effort was made to have one day set apart especially for humiliation and prayer because of the appalling wickedness in our beloved land. The appeal, however, was made too late, as arrangements for speakers were completed and could not be gainsaid. England, called of God to be a blessing (with the United States) to all the world, had given itself up to pleasure-seeking, covetousness and sin of the worst sort, compelling some of us to fall on our faces and plead with God, in view of the nearness of the return of the Lord, to overturn us that we might be brought to repentance.

And when the fear of God had departed from many who were filled with the fear of an attack by Germany,—the blow fell, and war was upon us.

The Shame of the War.

And Oh, the shame of the War! England, the friend of the slave and the down-trodden, fighting for Belgium, whose king ten years ago was held up before the whole world because of his inhuman treatment of the poor natives of the Congo.

England, which for 100 years has sent her best to heathen lands to preach the Gospel, fighting on the side of France, which has 1,000,000 young men prepared at any time to enter the battle-field and fight against Christ.

England, whose doors have for many years offered refuge and safety to persecuted and ill-treated Jews, fighting on the side of Russia, whose wicked treatment of the Jews within her pale is the theme of a bluebook issued a few years ago by a sympathetic United States government.

England, now striving to help the one who will be her chief opponent in the future "Armageddon."

Blessing Out of Disaster.

Truly, the "way of the transgressor is hard!" But God who is rich in mercy, has not altogether turned against us; from North to South and East to West, spirit-filled men have sounded the call to humble ourselves before God, and all over the land meetings for prayer and humiliation are being held. Thus have we evidence that the Holy Spirit is convicting of sin, and calling to repentance, so that we are confident that, by the grace of God, "Jacob shall be saved out of his trouble."

We know God delighteth in mercy and will manifest forth His mercy to us. Hence we expect from this war that England will come into closer union with the American Nation, and that these countries will become possessors of Constantinople and Palestine, and, at the proper time, with the Jews, take possession of the land given to Abraham in preparation for the day when Christ Himself shall reign in Jerusalem. Before this can be, men's hearts must be prepared and those, who turn a deaf ear to the Lord's gracious call, must expect Him to call us to righteousness by the judgments laid upon us.

Effects of the War.

Your readers, perhaps, have no idea what effect the war has on this country. Many merchant princes have been compelled, by the circumstances of the hour, to reduce their employees, not only in number, but also the wages of those left. Shops are idle, customers being without inclination or money to spend, so that starvation confronts huge masses of the people. In addition, the healthiest and strongest of our men have had to leave pen, bench, shop, etc., to go forth and become targets, and may lose life or limb.

Oh, that men had learned to love the Lord. Maybe our neglected churches will soon be too small for their congregations and the golf links, trains and trams be deserted on the Lord's Day instead, for, as the Word says, "When Thy judgments are in the earth the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness," Isa. 26:9.—James A. Gray, Manchester, England.

A GREAT OUTPOURING AT VERA, TEXAS.

God wonderfully poured out His Spirit at Vera. When we went there a month ago, but few had ever heard of Pentecost, and only four or five would testify. Souls began to be saved at once, but it was nearly three weeks before any received the Baptism. Finally three received one night. It convinced the people and made them hungry. A Baptist preacher came out to look on and when the power of God fell it struck him and he fell over on the bench. All the prejudice was taken out of him in a moment. He testified that night to seeing a young man receive the Baptism and speak in seven different languages.

That night Pentecost fell, about forty came to the altar and God began to slay numbers by the power of His Spirit and they received the Baptism. One man sitting in the back part after receiving the Spirit, was impressed to go and pray for a little deaf mute that was born so. When God healed him and he repeated words which were spoken to him, strong men broke down and wept and the fire began to burn through the audience. They dropped here and there all over the place and continued to get saved and baptized until three o'clock in the morning.

Wednesday night was a repetition of Tuesday, only more came through. I never saw so many sinners knocked down by the power of God in my life. Besides about 60 at the altar, I counted twenty sinners down in one corner of the tabernacle—all young men. Many sinners were saved and baptized with the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues, within about fifteen minutes time. It was impossible to keep count. About fifty have testified to receiving the baptism since, and scores were saved. Numbers are still seeking the Baptism. God has done many things of which I have not space to tell. Our next address will be No. 04422 Stevens St., Spokane, Wash. Those wishing my book "The Last Call" may address me there.—Evang. J. S. McConnell and Hattie McConnell.

EGAN, TEXAS.

People are getting saved and many seeking the baptism. Some are getting healed. One old lady was touched. She had not been out of her yard in seven years; had not heard a sermon in twenty years. (She belongs to the Christian Church). When God touched her she walked a quarter of a mile and then got into a hack and came to meeting that night. She is about sixty years old and has spent over a thousand dollars for doctor's bills.—H. Dunlap.

Fall Pentecostal Convention

AT THE

Gospel School, Findlay, Ohio

October 2nd to 11th, 1914.

Evangelists L. V. Roberts, of Indianapolis, Ind., and Wm. H. Merrin, of Chicago, Ill.

Let all note the date and prepare to come. A great time in the Lord is expected. For further information write Thos. K. Leonard, Findlay, O.

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EDITORIALS

THE ELDER, AND REBUKING HIM.

Some time ago there was an article in our papers against the unscriptural practice which is trying to exercise itself in some places, in any child, young person, private member without any trial or Bible order, running up and calling the preacher down, publicly rebuking him and disputing what he says or does. This is wholly out of divine order and is thoroughly unscriptural, and should be everywhere put down by the assembly wherever it pokes its head. God commands that "everything be done decently and in order," but this thing is neither "decent" nor in "order." God has a right way of correcting even wrong things.

The Other Side.

Now there are always two or more sides to everything, and so there is to this. This is set forth in such a splendid spirit in a letter received that we feel it will benefit our readers for us to share it with them. We also believe in preventing the other extreme. The brother says:

"The practice of harsh, unwise and reckless reproving and rebuking of God's appointed elders or ministers in charge is clearly wrong and hurtful. The assembly being properly set in order, this evil can and should be rightly dealt with. On the other hand there are preachers, especially where the assembly is not set in order, who at times get a spirit of "lording it over God's heritage." They seem to have a feeling that they are practically infallible, and this spirit leads them to do and say things which, to most of the assembly, clearly needs reproving; but when they are even mildly rebuked in humility, they take refuge behind this idea that an elder should not be rebuked at all. This condition has wrought havoc in some places, both to the elder himself and to the church also. Hence we should have a proper understanding of this passage.

Not Rebuke Harshly.

"1 Tim. 5:1 clearly deals with the MANNER in which Timothy, as a young man, is to rebuke, reprove and counsel all classes—elderly men, elderly women, young men and young women. Greek scholars tell us that the Greek word for "rebuken" here in 1 Tim. 5:1 means to "strike hard upon," that is "rebuken sharply" and is not the same word for rebuke as in 2 Tim. 4:2.

Any Elderly Person.

"Then again the word 'Elder' in 1 Tim. 5:1 does not refer to one holding the office of Elder, but merely to any old man, an elderly man, the same word being used in the Greek for an elderly woman who was not an official elder.

"This interpretation on these two points clears up and removes all apparent contradictions in the scriptures. True we are not wrongly to offend even one of God's little ones, and the Lord says, 'Touch not mine anointed,' but at the same time none are infallible and all who have need of being dealt with, whether layman or elder, provided only that such dealing with be in the will of God and according to His word. There is a right way to do things; but this passage (rebuken not an elder) refers to the "wrong" way of doing a "right"

thing,—that is, a wrong way to rebuke an elder.

All Need Correction.

"The word teaches us both to give and receive reproof. In Luke 17:3 it says, 'If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him.' Prov. 12:1 says, 'He that hateth reproof is brutish; 15:10, 'He that hateth reproof shall die.' Psa. 141:5, 'Let the righteous smite me, it shall be a kindness; and let him REBUKE me, it shall be an excellent oil which shall not break my head.'

"Again God is no respecter of persons, and He warns us not to be. Jas. 2:9; Luke 19:1. Kings and those high in authority suffered rebuke in the will of God, and the rebuking was usually done by God's children (usually by prophets with direct authority from God to do so. Editor.) See examples of Pharaoh by Moses, David by Nathan and by Joab, Saul by Samuel, Ahab by Elijah, Nebuchadnezzar and Belshazzar by Daniel, Herod by John the Baptist, and the High Priest by Stephen, Acts 7:1; 51-53. Paul rebuked Peter, a fellow apostle and elder. Gal. 2:11; 2 Pet. 3:15.

"It is a fact greatly to be lamented that so few can either give or receive a rebuke in real humility. Let me also say that being an ordained elder myself with some years of experience in handling a Pentecostal assembly, I can have no prejudice against the office of elder. I am only anxious to see both the office and the assembly kept above reproach along these lines."

The Lesson Commended.

Now the editor appreciates the spirit of the above, and whether "Elder" in 1 Tim. 5:1 means an official elder or only an old man, we agree with the brother in what he is after. No Elder with the true, humble, fatherly, shepherd spirit will rule harshly or arbitrarily. Jesus says, if the servant (minister) begins to beat his fellow-servants and to eat and drink with the drunken, that when He returns He will cut off that servant from his job and assign him the same lot as the hypocrites. It is a solemn thing to be the overseer of an assembly. Some are afraid an effort to have Bible order in the movement will develop some lords to lord it over the rest of the brethren; but the editor is not among those who have these fears. The fact is a failure to realize our dependence upon one another, as the scriptures teach us we should, and a failure to regard the weak and co-operate in an effort to build up in love and unity the entire body, in short an anarchistic spirit in which every man is a law unto himself and every man's hand against every other man, this entirely independent spirit produces more little lords than anything known in history. The good Book says: "An humble and contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise." Yes, a broken, meek, low, humble, childlike and meek spirit is highly acceptable in the sight of the Lord. This spirit should be in every child of God, and no one is excusable for not having it; but His ministers, as God's leaders not only in the pulpit and in teaching but also in holy, Spirit-led, Christ-like living before saint and sinner, should strive to excel in love and humility. The mighty apostle who was charged with "turning the world upside down" meekly said: "I can do nothing against the truth." Enemies might rage against him, but his weapons were not fleshly, but spiritual. He says: "Being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we endure; being defamed, we entreat." 1 Cor. 5:12-13. Lord, help all of us, as Thy servants, to have this spirit.—E. N. B.

SPECIAL TRACT NOTICE.

God has given us a blessed ministry in the distribution of tracts on Full Gospel lines, thousands and thousands of them having been distributed all over the world to the glory of God and the help of humanity. The run on our tracts was so great that during our moving to Findlay, Ohio, the supply was almost completely exhausted. Since then we have been so busy getting settled and publishing the two papers, The Christian Evangel, weekly, and the Word and Witness, monthly, that we have had no time to publish more of them. So let all take notice that we will have no tracts until further notice is made in the papers, with the exception of "Salvation in Christ for All," by Wm. H. Durham at 25c per hundred, and "Coming Events" at 25c per hundred, and "Seven Steps

to Pentecost" at 50c per hundred postage paid. Will advertise the other tracts as soon as we have time to print more of them.

The Little Flock

A COLUMN FOR THE CHILDREN

THE MINISTRY OF LOVING.

"But the greatest of these is love." Spelled with only four letters L-O-V-E, but what a big word it is! Of course if you have only known one side of it, that of receiving continually from the love of others, you don't know much about it yet. Two sides to everything we understand, and more to some things, but especially to this one mysterious thing which no words can fitly describe—love. It is that other side we want to especially notice.

Instead of love received, it is love given. Instead of expecting the kindnesses and favors for ourselves, it is the constant giving of these to others. "For God so loved the world that He gave"—ah that was the right side of loving. And our dear Lord Jesus so loved us that He came! "Love seeketh not her own." But what a lot of us are continually doing this very thing. I want to be happy; I want people to love me; I want to have nice things;—very familiar words for some boys and girls, big as well as little. But I wonder if they really gain their desire.

Listen to these words—"Give and it shall be given unto you"—all you gave and a hundred-fold more. Take your Bible and read for yourself in Luke 6:38. And this is the whole basis of being happy, of being loved, of possessing treasures. This is doing business with God and He will ever settle His accounts up to date. Find the sad ones and bring them joy; God will fill your heart nigh to bursting with His joy. Find the poor ones and share with them your little treasure; God will give you richer treasure of which you never dreamed. Forget yourselves, dear children, and God will especially remember you. This is the side of love that counts. Here is a sweet little story that God may bless to your hearts:

"But you must let us say it once," cried a grateful young person to an older woman who was known to have a positive genius for making others happy. "You must let us tell you once that we almost worship you, every one of us."

The plain face of the older woman lighted with a sudden glow. But when she spoke it was out of the real humility of her heart. "You mustn't say things like that, dear, because they don't belong to me. I remember well that when I was a child it came over me quite clearly that I never could have the same sort of adoration given me as some of my playmates had. I was very slow, and very near-sighted, and shy, and timid—for part of it all. I just made up my mind that if everybody couldn't learn to love me, I must have my good times in learning to love everybody else. One has to practice it—be in the habit of it, I think, sometimes. And what I want more than anything else now is to love people loyally, and I don't do half what I know I ought to do."

After she had gone, the girls said to each other: "We have her secret now. It's because she isn't thinking about herself first, but of us, that we want to be just like her. She has the very thing she gave up."

HAVANA, ARK.

I have a meeting going on here which started five weeks ago. Thirty-six have been saved; 25 have received the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. Forty have been baptized in water and the power of God is still falling and souls are going through to victory. Praise God for the way He is working in these last days.—L. L. Riley.

CHAFFEE, MO.

The meeting here has broken through to glorious victory. Souls have been saved right along and two received the mighty baptism last night. The church was crowded and some had to be turned away. Pray for us.—Wm. F. Kirkpatrick.

DERWENT, OHIO.

I have just returned from West Virginia. Three received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and spoke in other tongues. Praise His Name!—Hedley Mason.

Pentecostal Notes on International Sunday School Lesson

By MRS. A. R. FLOWER

Oct. 11, 1914.

THE LAST SUPPER.

Lesson Text—Mk. 14:12-25. (Comp. Lu. 22:14-23).

Golden Text—As often as ye eat this bread, and drink the cup, ye proclaim the Lord's death till He come. I Cor. 11:26.

Leading Thought—What does the broken body and shed blood of our Lord really mean to us?

1. Preparing for the Supper. (Vs. 12-17). It is the day before the crucifixion. What great anticipation and desire must have filled the heart of Jesus over this last sermon of fellowship with His disciples before entering upon that eventful last night? Matt. 26:30-75. How little the disciples realized the solemnity of the occasion, is shown by the old strife for pre-eminence again manifesting itself. Lu. 22:24-27. Christ sets once more a beautiful example of humanity and love by washing their feet. It was a good type of the cleansing their spirits needed. Jno. 13:8. But before this took place Christ granted two of His disciples, Peter and John (Lu. 22:8), the special service of preparing for the coming supper. Mark the secrecy of Christ's directions (Vs. 13, 14), perhaps to forestall any untimely interference on the part of Judas. It took a degree of faith on the part of the disciples, but remembrance of "their claiming the colt" no doubt quickened their faith. Ch. 11:3. In v. 16 notice they "went," and "came," and "found," and "made ready." A like obedience on our part will ever be similarly rewarded.

2. Christ Reveals His Betrayer. (Vs. 18-21). Though known to Him from the beginning—Christ has kept the traitorous end of Judas concealed, granting him continually a like opportunity for good with the other disciples. The hour for his awful perfidy is come; driven by the greed and worldly ambition of his deceitful heart he has deliberately chosen to let Satan rule. The consciousness of the traitor's presence in this last holy hour so moved our Lord that He spoke first in a mild statement (Jno. 13:10), then in strong plain words, v. 18. This last brought forth instant words of self-examination from the sorrow-stricken disciples. The directness of those words, "One of you," v. 18, and again "one of the twelve," caused immediate heart-searching of themselves individually. No time to mistrust or accuse another. "Take heed to thyself," I Tim.

4:16. "Let a man examine himself." I Cor. 11:28. The judgment we have passed on others stands us in very poor stead as we come face to face with God. Judas was the last to speak, and our Lord's solemn reply sealed his guilt. Matt. 26:25. John 13:26-30. We might infer from this last scripture that Judas was not present at that first communion, immediately following the passover supper.

3. The First Communion. (Vs. 22-25). "Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake," (v. 22). It is the passing of the old order. This memorial feast, "till He come," takes the place of the passover feast, belonging so distinctly to the old dispensation. Of all its sacred times and seasons, the Passover is the only one whose perpetuation in a simpler form was provided for by our Lord. Read prayerfully I Cor. 5:7, 8. The Lord's supper was given to Paul by special revelation. I Cor. 11:23. We are thus impressed with its vital importance in both the individual and collective life of the assembly. God has brought definite blessings in different places where its observance has been humbly and regularly respected. Just as its unworthy partaking brings death. (1 Cor. 11:29, 30), so its scriptural partaking brings life and health. Christ's blessing upon it is far-reaching. As we partake of that broken bread we should feel with renewed blessing the power of Christ's sacrifice. "He was bruised for our iniquities," like the corn of wheat. (Jno. 11:24). He has passed through death and become to us who "take" the bread of life in truth. It is such food that causes our spiritual nature to be nourished and strengthened.

"This is my blood of the new testament," or covenant, v. 24. It is represented by the fruit of the wine, not water as some would substitute, thus destroying its deepest significance, for "as the grain is the body, so the juice is the blood of the life of universal nature." It speaks of life poured out (v. 24); of life received (Jno. 6:53-56); of fullness of joy and victory. Jno. 15:11, Psa. 104:15, Joel 2:24. Then Christ gives a pledge of the coming kingdom, when we shall taste in all its purity and sweetness the "new" cup of His joy. v. 25.

"See the feast of love is spread, Drink the wine and eat the bread; Sweet memorials till the Lord, Call us round His heavenly board, Some from earth, from glory some, Severed only 'Till He come!'"

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

Pray for me that I might be reclaimed.—A. S. Morehead.

Hold up our little Assembly in prayer. There are only a few of us and we are without a Pastor at present, but God has always provided the rent and we are trusting Him for larger things.—Santa Barbara, Cal., Assembly.

Please pray for me that I will receive my baptism with the Bible evidence.—Ambrose Boyle.

A brother in Georgia 76 years old asks prayer that God may save him from the morphine habit. He says he knows God can save him from it, and he wants all the Christian people to pray for him. Says he knows God will answer prayer.

Please pray for me that God will heal me and give me the Holy Ghost. Please make my case a special subject of prayer for I am in bad health. Please ask all the saints to pray for me.—C. G. Coggins.

I can't hear but I can read. I ask you to pray for me that I may receive the baptism and be healed.—Mrs. O. B. Lane.

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Topeka Camp.

We had a great Camp at Topeka. There were fifty living-tents. About 300 camped on the ground. Several states were represented. God sent some Spirit-filled ministers and workers and much truth was given out. God used Bro. T. K. Leonard in giving some much-needed teaching, and the saints surely enjoyed it. Bro. Merrin and Sister Eva Fritz, and many others were greatly used, and many were blessed. We believe it was the best camp we ever had here. Blessed unity and fellowship prevailed throughout the Camp. We did not keep count of those who came through, but we would judge that thirty or more received the baptism, and quite a number were saved and healed. 23 were baptized in water.

The Auburn, Neb. camp which followed the Topeka camp was also a great meeting,—even seemingly better than at Topeka. About 20 received the baptism and a good many were saved. The meeting still continues, with many seeking after God. God is doing wonderful things. Let us praise Him.—C. E. Foster.

HANNA, OKLA.

My meeting closed here the 12th. Only held seven nights. Three were baptized with the Holy Ghost and twenty-two are tarrying for the Holy Ghost. Two were saved. We desire that all the saints pray for us.—Christ C. Fairchilds.

CHICO, CALIFORNIA.

Our report is victory all along the way. The Lord is working here. People are hungry for the word of God. Wife and I are holding fine street meetings. Expect to open up a new mission hall soon. Pray for us.—Mr. and Mrs. T. Baird.

Antichrist and His System

Albert Weaver, Springfield, Mass.

We have been watching for some time with great interest the rapid progress made by the Antichrist movement throughout the world. It takes different forms in different countries and presents many phases on all lands, but its chief characteristics are lawlessness on the one hand and religious subtlety coupled with deception on the other.

The Antichrist is presented in Scripture as a Lawless One, and a Deceiver and we must not be surprised if his followers manifest the same characteristics. Without a doubt we are in the fringes of the Tribulation Days, and all these catastrophes that are occurring on the earth, such as the destruction of cities by fires and earthquakes, railroad and steamship disasters, famines, insects destroying forests and crops, strikes, assassinations, wars and rumors of wars, etc., are the beginning of sorrows. This is an indication that we are in the Last Days of this Dispensation, at which time the Antichrist, according to Scripture, is to make his appearance. We believe he is already on the earth and will be manifested to the world in the fullness of his time. His system is well under way, and many, especially God's children, are beginning to feel his lawless-spirit and oppressive iron hand. He will be a Worldwide Ruler, a Military Genius, a Dictator, surpassing all others heretofore, and will no doubt have an organized cabinet, with whom he will consult and to whom he will reveal secrets. They too, in time, will know him, we believe, and all about his mission on the earth, and will be in touch with him long before his revelation, as the Man of Sin. Many have thought that out of Catholicism would come the Antichrist, who would be the Pope, but no Pope as yet has ever fulfilled, II. Thess. 2:4. Catholicism has always stood for the Deity of Christ, the Trinity, and the supernatural, and in order for the Jews and Mohammedans to be brought in to this great Federation, it must be one who rejects absolutely these fundamental doctrines of our Christian Faith, especially the Deity of Christ and the Blood as atoning for sin. The Antichrist will win over the world on the plane of the psychic, rather than on that of the spiritual. It will take all the combined forces of evil, including the religious, political, industrial, and social world, to constitute the Antichrist System. All, excepting the true children of God, will play an important part in carrying out his diabolical work. If this be true, what about the unity of the Body of Christ? As Christ was indwelt by the Holy Spirit, so will this Impostor, or False Christ, be possessed and controlled by the Devil, who gives to him his seat and authority. Everything of a worldly and sinful character will eventually be under one great Federal Head; then woe to the inhabitants of earth!

ly, we understand, in Boston and other centers. Many who know the Truth, and others who are ready to follow almost anything new, will certainly be lured away from the truth of the Gospel. Their great hobby at present is to make much of the graces and virtues, and the whole thing is an effort to escape personal responsibility to God, and avoid the necessity of repentance. No doubt, not a few of its followers, for piety, honesty, integrity of character, and cheerfulness will put to shame many who name the name of Christ. Notwithstanding, where we find not the Red Cord of Scripture, the Blood, which they reject absolutely as atoning for sin, look out, there is danger ahead; it is not from a Divine source. The spirit of the times is the deifying of the human, and the Devil is seeking to develop in many of his people a life akin to that which is found in a child of God. He is determined to defeat God by producing a company of people with graces and virtues counterfeiting those of God's children. These graces and virtues, however, will be of human production. All such people are deceived by the spirit of the Antichrist, and do not feel the need of the regenerating work of the Holy Ghost. They are to redeem themselves by their own good works and become as Gods. What is more deceptive and puzzling than an unregenerated soul, who is kind, loving, tender-hearted, merciful, long-suffering, patient, and cheerful? Such we are at a loss sometimes, to know where to place, but God, we believe, has long since placed them. The words of Jesus to Nicodemus, "Except a man be born again he cannot see nor enter into the kingdom of God," are applicable to all such.

This Society is working at present, quietly, noiselessly and without antagonizing or opposing any sect or body of people. Their platform is so broad that it takes in all religions, old as well as new, and will continue to deceive and work without opposition until the awful Deceiver himself, who is for the time being behind the scenes, throws off his Mask.

We are thoroughly convinced that this work did not originate from any good source, but is diabolical, and is the commencement of a Worldwide Amalgamated Movement, which will eventually be headed up under the Antichrist himself. Just as the Holy Spirit is preparing a people for the speedy coming of the true Christ, so is this Society preparing the way for the speedy coming of the false Christ. They are even imitating a part of our form of worship. They instruct their people to meditate daily on the Coming One and in their meetings recognize him in their midst. Whether this One, looked for by them, is the Antichrist the False Prophet, or only a fore-runner, the principle remains the same, and no doubt out of this movement will come the culmination of all that opposes the coming Son of God. They work in such a subtle way that in their teaching they use the very words and sayings of our Lord Jesus, and the names applied to him are falsely appropriated to the Antichrist, as we term him, but to them, the World Teacher. We who have been enlightened through the Scriptures and by the Holy Spirit need not be deceived, and can easily detect and recognize in this coming World Teacher one who is bitterly opposed to Jesus Christ, not as a great and good man, a Prophet, but as God manifested in the flesh, and also to His teaching. The Devil knows that the coming of Christ is nigh at hand, even if many in the Church do not believe it, and he is preparing a counterfeit; only fulfilling Scripture, however.

This Order publishes a Magazine, and has an office in London, England. In a recent conversation with some of its workers, the writer was told that the purpose of the Order is to prepare the way for a Worldwide Teacher, whom they are expecting soon. They call him the Lord and many other names, such as: the Coming One, Elder Brother, the Lord of Compassion, Supreme Teacher, Saviour, etc.

I quote from their own writings the following to show that this great Supreme Teacher whom they expect is not Jesus Christ: "The great World Teacher will have a message for men of all faiths. When such a stupendous event is in question, we must be prepared for the one chance of his coming, so that if he comes people may be more ready to receive him than they were to receive the Christ, when he came two thousand years ago." This Order which has been established in this country, has quite a following, and apparently is spreading rapidly. Meetings are held week-

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Expressions like the following are used in their writings:

"We say that the best is Divine, but Divinity is humanity, and the message that the World Teacher will bring is that humanity is Divinity and that we do not need to seek so very far to find God." Is this not a ful-

fillment of II. Thess. 2:4, "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God?"—The Latter Rain Evangel.

BE DILIGENT—WITHOUT SPOT—BLAMELESS.

Our Duty to Missionaries in Foreign Fields.

"Nevertheless, we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness. Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of Him in peace, without spot and blameless. Amen."

What a depth of meaning these words carry to my heart at this present time,—especially the latter part of last verse: "Be diligent—without spot and blameless." I wonder how many of us will really measure up to this, concerning our duty to our dear brothers and sisters in the foreign fields. It seems to me there is a great spirit of indifference among the saints generally about this subject. I don't think they intend to be careless, but we fail to get into the Spirit deep enough along this line to feel our responsibility to our brethren in the foreign fields: In I John 3:17 we read "whoso hath this world's goods and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him." This does not mean that your brother must come and actually stand before your eyes in person and let you see him "in need," but if we will get on our knees and ask God to show us the needs of our brothers and sisters in the foreign fields, I know we will soon see our "brother in need." Suppose these brothers and sisters in Christ were brothers and sisters in the flesh. How quickly we would divide the last dollar with them. They are and should be nearer even than this. They are brothers and sisters by the blood of Jesus. May the Dear Lord give us all a spirit of real sacrifice, that we may be able to give an account with joy in that day.—Bernice Ferguson.

Later Word.

I want to tell you that as I read the article on "Wars and the Missionaries" I just broke down and wept until I could scarcely read.

Husband came in after a while and said, "Why Mama, you haven't eaten a bite of dinner"—the paper came just as we sat down to dinner—I said "No." He asked why and I said, "I have hardly thought of dinner, I have been reading about our missionaries and how the war has affected them and I see now why God laid them so heavily on my heart months ago." Now I feel that God would have me labor in their behalf among the saints but the way seems blocked. Please pray with me that the way may open for me to do His will in this as well as all other things. My heart is full. Pray for us as we are in a settlement where "This Gospel" has never been preached and people are afraid and call it "hypnotism" and so on. Yours looking for His coming.—B. F.

A TESTIMONY.

It is 72 years since I became a Christian. Over forty years ago God sanctified my soul and since I came to this meeting God baptized me with Holy Ghost and fire. Praise His Holy name! The first time I had an opportunity to seek the blessing of Sanctification I sought it and found it. The first time I ever had an opportunity to seek the baptism of the Holy Ghost I sought it and He caused me to speak in tongues. Hallelujah to His name! I am now 84 years of age and He has kept me day by day. Glory to His name forever! I partly lost my eyesight so I cannot see to read His holy word, but I am looking to Him for healing power to restore them to me. What a wonderful Saviour! What a wonderful salvation! Glory to His name.—Mrs. John S. Williams, Beatrice, Neb.

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We expect a goodly number of ministers who are now on the Pacific Coast. Brothers F. F. Bosworth, Dallas, Tex.; Wigglesworth, of England; D. W. Kerr, of Cleveland, O., and R. L. Erickson, of Chicago, are expected to be with us. Also Brother Martin, the man who was born blind. For information, address Brother A. G. Garr, 125 1/2 Spring St., Los Angeles, Calif.

ETTER MEETING IN CHICAGO.

It is announced that Mrs. M. B. W. Etter will commence a campaign in Chicago, Ill., beginning October 3rd and continuing throughout the month. Exact location of the meetings has not yet been announced by the committee in charge, but all inquiries for information should be addressed to Alfred A. Nankivell, 669 W. 63rd St., Chicago, Ill.

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PLYMOUTH, INDIANA.

The Lord sent Rev. Kersh and his wife to Plymouth, who held a meeting which lasted over two Sundays. God met us in a wonderful way. Some were reclaimed and some seeking the baptism. People were healed in nearly every meeting. The workers were called between services to pray for the sick and God answered prayer in a mighty way. Praise His Holy name! One poor old lady on whom they called was past 81 years. She was healed and helped spiritually. One man, a backslider, was healed and reclaimed. One mother came with her sick baby, saying the night before God spoke to her saying she should throw away her bottle of medicine and have the babe prayed for "right." The babe was healed. There is a blessed spirit of fellowship among the saints here.

Vision of an Angel.

In one of the day meetings one woman was under great soul travail. She had such a time of weeping. She saw souls going down without Christ and without hope and with no one to warn them. She saw the Angel of the Lord descend with a sickle in his hand, and she asked the Lord what was the Angel going to do. He answered her that in due time she should know.

May God keep His saints on fire for Him. It is only the fire of the Holy Ghost that will ever bring lost souls to Jesus.—Mrs. Mary E. Thomas.

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GILMER, TEXAS.

God met with us in power. Two were saved and one received the baptism, for we "heard them speak with tongues" about an hour. Two were baptized in water. One glory after another came over us and God was glorified. The victory was won over the devil through Jesus. Many people were led into the light and others were convicted. Let someone who feels led to this needy field, come. I cannot fill the calls, as I am alone in this faith here. Will start another meeting three miles from here soon. They will appreciate here some one filled with the Holy Ghost.—J. W. Gary.

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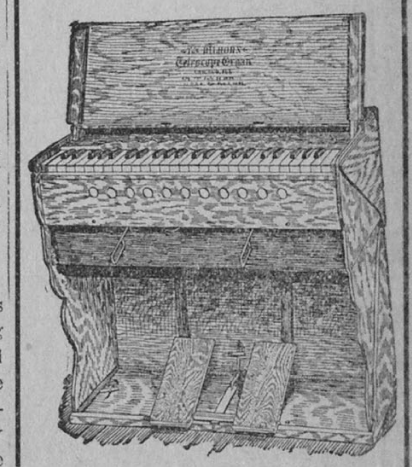
Just closed a two weeks' meeting here. Bro. E. R. Fitzgerald, of Russellville, did the preaching. Ten received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Thirteen were saved. Baptized 22 in water and set the assembly in order. They have about 25 in number.—J. E. Osborn.

CATO, TEXAS.

An eleven days' meeting has just closed here. Eleven received the baptism, the saints were wonderfully blessed and love for each other seems to be greater than ever before. The Lord is still moving in this part of the country and we are looking for great things. Remember us in your prayers.—P. N. Mayhew.

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MRS. LILLIAN DENNEY.
India.

India is wonderfully stirred up since England has declared war with Germany, and we are reminded that we are in perilous times, and know not what will be the outcome. But God has kept us in perfect peace and comforted us with His word, "The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous runneth into it and is safe." (Margin: set aloft). Praise God for a safe retreat.

There have been great changes. Bankers are shaving our home drafts very much. I sent a draft this past week to be cashed, amounting to \$25.00 and it was shaved nearly two dollars. Think of it. Heretofore we have gotten full value. We speak of this that you dear ones may see that it will be much better to send all money by foreign money orders, while the wars are going on, as we do not want hard-earned money to go to the bankers. May the dear Lord bless you all. Please pray for us more than ever.—Mrs. Lillian Denney.

P. S. I feel led to have this notice in the papers because many drafts come to us and especially the drafts that come for preachers' support—if they are shaved their salaries will come short.—L. D.

INDIA.

At this time there is great excitement here because of the war. Prices have gone up on everything which is hard on the poor as there was a short crop last year and, in this district, not enough early rain, so there will be a shortage again this fall.

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plains. The heat has been dreadful and I have suffered more than any previous year. It has averaged from 100 to 115 in my room for five months. Please remember us in prayer.—D. L. McCarty.

ROBERT F. COOK.
South India.

This is a very neglected field (Tinnevely Dist.) Some of these villages were evangelized by the Baptists but they have left the work. Three Sundays ago at our first meeting here the Lord manifested His power. Some Hindoos were saved; backsliders were reclaimed and we baptized four in water. We prayed for many that were sick and the Lord healed them. Two women from a village three miles away were healed and they went to their village and told the great things God had done for them. The news spread throughout that whole village so the next evening 33 sick persons came to be prayed for, some on foot and some by ox-cart. I had them sit on the ground and talked to them through an interpreter and told them how sickness came by sin and Jesus came not only to die for our sins but also for our sicknesses that He might destroy the works of the devil, and that if they would repent and believe they would be saved and healed, and receive the Holy Spirit. We then had them get on their knees and call on Jesus to heal them. We then prayed with them, anointing with oil in Jesus' name. It was a blessed evening and brought that Scripture to mind—Matt. 8:16. "He is the very same Jesus, the wonder-working Jesus." The power of God was mightily manifested and devils were cast out and many were healed. One Hindoo woman who had suffered for years with severe headaches, was saved and healed and became a messenger of the good news. Prayed for one boy 18 years old, growing blind. The next evening he came bringing 27 other sick. The sight of his eyes had returned and he could see well. We prayed for another blind young man who was healed and gave his heart to Jesus. Yesterday I received word that a leper for whom we had prayed, is healed and has gone to work. A native brother has given an acre of land for the Pentecostal work and we have started to build a chapel. Many natives took much interest in the erection of the chapel and gave an offering of \$10.00. This may look small to you, but to them it is large as they only earn from 10 to 12 cents per day and with this must support their families. We now have \$50.00 on the building and trust the saints will take it on their hearts the sending of \$250.00 more to complete it. Three other villages are calling us to come and teach them. I have 8 native workers and two orphan children. Please pray much for these workers that they may receive the Holy Spirit. They have told me they would die with me, if need be, for Christ and the Gospel's sake.—Robert F. Cook and wife.

CALLED TO INDIA.

Some time ago I gave my testimony as called to India, but I was not sure when I should go forth to the field. So I began to do with my might what my hands found to do in the home land. But some time ago the Lord began to talk to me about going to India this fall and so I surrendered to His will for me. After I gave up to go this fall I received a letter from Bro. James Harvey, giving the invitation, and I feel that it is of God. I expect (D. V.) to sail from San Francisco Oct. 31st on the Pacific Mail Steamship Co.'s steamer "Persia" to Hong Kong and then from there on a coast steamer to Calcutta, taking the train from there to Nawabganj. Will the saints please pray that I may have true faith and stand on Rom. 8:32 for health and strength in body and spiritual wisdom and understanding of His word as I go to preach the Gospel to the lost of India. Friends desiring to write me between now and sailing date can address me: Paul Van Valen, 76½ Trigg Ave., Memphis, Tenn.

NOTES FROM JAPAN.

Some of the most influential missionaries have come and asked Sister R. and Sister S. with whom we have been with here in Japan over three years to keep away from their meetings unless they would promise that when they spoke in other tongues they would speak in the Japanese language, or in a way that someone would interpret in Japanese, and also tried to force them to promise that they would not teach others that when they received the baptism with the Holy Spirit they must speak in other tongues. Missionaries of other boards were afraid to come singly and a number would get together and plead the shelter of the blood before venturing near. The mountains are flowing down at the precious presence of the Lord, however. Having been known before, I have not had the same measure of persecution but some have listened eagerly and asked questions. There are many old friends, very guarded and very cautious, feeling out, reaching after the blessed baptism. A breaking-through time cannot be very far off. Glory to God. Pray for this land and this people.

It was such joy to welcome Brother and Sister Moore. We believe God will use them mightily. Stand with us for His will and His plan to be wrought out through them for this land.—May Gray.

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'TIS JESUS.

'Tis Jesus who settles my troubles;
'Tis Jesus who gives me release.
When filled with fear and trembling,
'Tis Jesus who giveth me peace.
Do I love Him? O, ask me not, brother,
For words can ne'er truly express
My love and affection for Jesus,
Whose name I continually bless.

'Tis Jesus who opens my vision
To scenes of all loveliness rare;
'Tis Jesus who made me the promise—
His Throne and new name I might share.
And only thro' Him I'm o'er coming;
Day by day grace enough He provides,
And my heart overflows with gladness,
For He keeps me whatever betides

'Tis Jesus who quickens this body,
Fragrant dust in itself—but His life
More abundant imparted, brings healing
And strength for each hour of the strife.
'Tis Jesus—both now and forever,
The same strong, compassionate Lord,
Who said "I will leave thee, no never!"
What a privilege to rest on His word!

Just Jesus—the temple all filling,
His power permeating my frame,
Till my soul is transported with glory,
And my lips can but breathe His sweet name.

Just Jesus—the Saviour all-glorious—
The message of true Pentecost,
Revealing forever—just Jesus,
Through the power of the Holy Ghost.

'Tis Jesus—the One who is coming;
He has waited so long for His bride,
That she might be robed and all-radiant
For her place at His blessed side.
But, somehow, His Spirit is whispering,
"Arise now, my fair one, arise",
And my heart's longing changes to gladness;
Soon His beauty shall burst on mine eyes.
—ALICE FLOWER.

CEYLON.

We praise God with uplifted hearts for the wise deliberations and godly resolutions of the General Convention of Pentecostal Saints at Hot Springs in Arkansas.

I feel it is the will of God to mention here briefly of my standing in the Pentecostal Movement for your information and recognition.

About seven years ago Brother A. G. Garr and wife visited India and Ceylon and preached with much power and assurance the full Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Blessed Spirit arrested me and made me a seeker of the baptism of the Holy Ghost with fire. My sympathy with the movement and the thirst for the blessing caused my severance from the Church Missionary Society, in which I have labored for a considerable number of years as a minister of the Gospel. Since my separation from the Church of England the Lord encouraged me to continue in missionary labors on faith lines and now I can say with the Psalmist "The young lions do lack and suffer hunger, but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing." Praise God, that after three years of seeking and waiting on the Lord I have received my baptism of the Spirit at the Fyzabad Pentecostal Conference on the 10th of October, 1910.

I am glad to mention humbly for the praise of God that He is leading me to labor amongst the neglected heathen of the outlying wild districts of Ceylon. The circulation of Scripture is widely carried on as "the entrance of His word giveth light" to

them that sit in darkness. We have met with several interesting cases as results of the circulation of Scriptures. I am glad to mention here that in a wild district where there is no missionary work carried on, the Lord led me with the gospel and a door is opened here for the continuation of the good work. The president and his wife who are much interested in the evangelization of this neglected district are willing to give me a few acres of land for schools and a mission house.

After much prayer and deliberation I feel led to apply to the Missionary Presbytery for counsel and advice how to act in this matter. Further, I feel in the will of God to desire credentials from the General Council of the Assemblies of God as a missionary in recognition of this work. May God lead you to act advisedly in this matter. In conclusion I desire your fervent prayers.—D. E. Dias-Wanigasekera.

INDIA.

Your preacher is doing good work and I can see he is growing in grace. Praise the Lord. Pray that he soon may receive the blessed Holy Ghost. Another one of my preachers was going out towards the jungles (or woods). He came across a neighborhood of people who are living altogether on fruit from the forest trees, and said that they had not had bread for weeks. How wonderfully God answered prayer! I was praying God to show me where the money you had sent was the most needed, and God so directed my preacher that he found these people, who, thus far, had had no help. We are sending for them to come here so we can give them work and help them, and then we can teach them of Jesus. Pray it may be a means of saving their souls. Many are anxious for a school here, which would give a fine opportunity to reach the Nepali people. Pray God to supply every need. As soon as the rainy season closes (Oct. 1) we want all our preachers to begin touring and they must have tents if they go out through the cold season. There are so many needs, but our Almighty God has an everlasting promise to supply EVERY NEED, according to His riches in Glory.—Lillian Denney.

RUSSELLVILLE, ARK.

The Camp-meeting here is fine. God is wonderfully blessing many souls, for which we praise Him. Pray for me as my band of workers and I are going up in the mountains to hold meetings after the Camp is over. The mountains are hard fields of labor but blessed results follow.

Bros. Stallones and Anderson, two of my workers, closed a successful meeting four miles west of Dover. Three received the baptism of the Spirit and spoke in tongues, according to God's word. One was formerly a Presbyterian preacher. He was speaking in tongues about two and a half days. Nine were buried with Christian water baptism.—Lee Floyd, Dover, Ark.

JACKSBORO, TEXAS.

We are praising God for the wonderful outpour of the Holy Ghost at Jacksboro. About 20 or 30 were saved and baptized with the Spirit. Saints were encouraged to press on. People are seeing the glory of God manifested. Some of the gifts are being bestowed. The name of Jesus is spreading throughout this country.—Oscar Jones.

TRENTON, MO.

The tent meeting closed on account of bad weather, but the work still moves on. Five received the Holy Spirit last week. Praise God. Many others are real hungry for God.

BLAINE, WEST VA.

God is mightily working in Blaine among the ex-Methodist people. People are being stirred. Crowds are large. We are expecting great things here yet. Pray for us.—Elder A. B. Cox.

LOLA, KY.

Brother and Sister Cunningham are here and are holding a revival meeting in the church. One conversion; one received the baptism, two healed and some fifteen or sixteen seeking God for the baptism. One young lady was healed of epilepsy and one dear elderly sister was healed of rheumatism. Pray much that Father will continue to stretch forth His hand to heal and that mighty signs and wonders may be done in the name of the Holy child Jesus.—Edith Moore.

GOSPEL REST ROOM.

St. Louis, Mo.

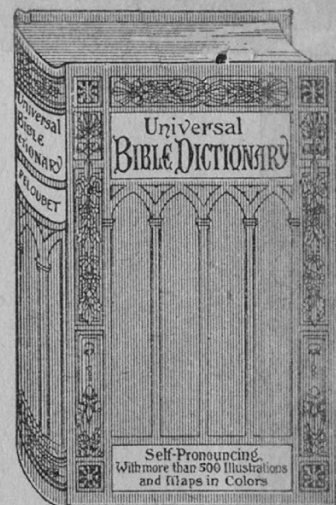
Besides active evangelistic work, the Pentecostal Movement is branching out in other lines of service for the glory of God. One of these branches is a Rest Room for girls, located in St. Louis, Mo. Sister Lillian Clarkson West who is in charge of this Rest Room, has been wonderfully called of God and has a burning love for young women who might be led astray through the wiles and pleasures of a great city like St. Louis, and through the opening of this Rest Room she is placed in a position to materially help girls who might become stranded in a big city without friends and who need a devoted Christian mother to care for them. We quote from her own words:—

"The reason that they have come into the Gospel Rest Rooms is because girls tell each other where a willing hand is extended to them and where quick and immediate aid is rendered without many questions being asked. They have learned to know that a small light placed in the window means there is an empty cot for them and that any hour of the evening they come they are admitted. Fortunately many of the policemen have become interested enough to send girls who ask them where to go, if changing from late trains at McKinley Station to Union Station. Any girl who reads this letter will know that without money she will be taken care of over night and meals supplied and employment found for her at the Gospel Rest Rooms. No charge is made for finding positions. When a girl is once cared for over night in these rooms, she is not lost sight of until a position is secured.—Lillian Clarkson West, President Gospel Rest Room League."

This home is located at 1805 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo., and we solicit the prayers of God's people for Sister West in this great undertaking in caring for friendless girls.—Ed.

PLAIN VIEW, ARK.

Just closed a meeting at this place. Lots of hungry souls. Several have been saved and baptized in the Holy Ghost and spoke with other tongues as in Acts 2:4.—Oscar Briggs.



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