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## GREAT ENTERPRISE FOR GOD

The Brightest Prospects for Evangelizing the World Through the Printed Page. Co-operation will Speedily make it Possible.

Early in this modern outpouring of the Holy Ghost the printed page began at once to be a mighty factor. When the outpouring reached Los Angeles it was spread over the earth from that place, by the printed page. In hundreds of places, where men filled with the Spirit through this outpouring had not yet gone, the fire was kindled through these papers. The Spirit of God fell and people came forth from the secret chambers shouting and praising God in other tongues.

The earliest Pentecostal paper to be issued was the "Apostolic Faith" of Texas. After seven or eight years as a free paper, gotten out irregularly, it began to come forth monthly from Malvern, Ark. as a subscription paper. The name became *Word and Witness*. This new departure God began at once to bless, and in a short while the circulation reached nearly 25,000 monthly.

### Hot Springs.

Last April a meeting of Pentecostal saints from all over this country, some from Canada and some from foreign lands, met together to find some way for a more thorough co-operative movement in the Kingdom of God. The Lord was present in both power and blessing. The spirit of unity, praise and glory fell upon the assembled hosts, and the result was manifest in the General Council of the Assemblies of God, wherein it was found possible, without the loss of freedom and without sectarianism, and on scriptural grounds, for the saints to co-operate together for the advancement of Christ's cause in all the earth. An issue of 60,000 *Word and Witness* at once went forth, and the weekly *Christian Evangel* joined hands in the onward march, and has increased weekly in circulation and power for God ever since. Hallelujah!

### Chicago Last Fall.

In the latter part of November a second meeting was held in the Stone Church at Chicago. This was a further step in the carrying out of the principles recognized at the previous meeting in Hot Springs, Ark. At this meeting it was found that during the year God had greatly blessed our efforts in trying to help the foreign missionaries, through the coming together and the issuing from one office of the *Christian Evangel* and the monthly *Word and Witness*. Besides what they did directly with the printed page to spread the Gospel to their readers, they incidentally gathered about \$10,000 for the foreign missionaries, and sent this on as directed by the senders to the various corners of the earth. Not a cent was charged the missionaries for this service. Even now almost every week brings us grateful responses from the missionaries whose hands have been strengthened, whose hearts have been encouraged by the timely help which has in this way reached them in their efforts on the foreign fields for the glory of God.

### Further Steps for His Glory.

At the Chicago meeting the voice struggling for a hearing as to some plan to get out real scriptural New Testament literature to be used in the various Bible Schools held all over the country on the Lord's Day, for His glory, were granted a hearing, and the first steps were taken in order to perpetuate the usefulness of the periodicals which God had used for His glory, and to increase their usefulness and efficiency and further aid the missionary cause and get out this Sunday-School literature, and do other things along this line, a printing plant was absolutely demanded. The brethren unanimously advised

that we should ask the saints at large and our readers, for the small sum of \$5,000 to equip a printing plant which is to belong entirely to the saints and to God, and not to be used for personal or speculative purposes. Such a plant is necessary to enable us to pay expenses as we go, and get to where offerings will not be necessary.

### St. Louis the Center.

St. Louis, Mo. was selected as the most central and strategic point between the north and the south, the east and the west, for the location of this plant, from which to spread out all over the world in every direction. While no miracles have been wrought, yet God has been blessing this effort every week since our arrival in St. Louis. A suitable place has been found at astonishingly low rates for rent. We now have in water for use in the plant, electric lights, gas lights and gas for use on the linotype machine, and electric wiring for electric motors with which to run the machines and presses.

### Progressing nicely.

God opened the way to secure a splendid large printing press. This, through lack of use for some years, needed some overhauling and cleaning up. It has landed in St. Louis from Washington, D. C. and the parts are now daily being put together at a heavy expense for use in our plant, and while the progress is not as rapid as we had hoped for, yet we expect in a very short while to be printing our papers on God's printing press for His glory. The linotype machine has been secured, is set up and running in the office, but the plant owes on it \$1100. A large power cutter will be running in a few days. A folder for folding papers and song books and such things must be had at once. A large stitching machine is indispensable, and many other things absolutely necessary in a printing plant, are needed at once.

### Now is the Time.

If there ever was a time when the saints of God had a chance to glorify the name of the Lord by contributing this \$5000, this is the very moment. Some are making offerings all along. Perhaps not a week, since the Chicago meeting closed, has failed to bring in some help. Yet greater efforts, more liberal offerings and more instant responses are needed immediately from all the saints.

If several would take God's work more seriously to heart and contribute a thousand dollars a piece from surplus property owned, they would set forces in operation which would greatly glorify God to the last hour before our going up to meet Jesus in the air. It will require some further outlay and effort to start off with the proper Sunday-school literature which is being called for by the Pentecostal saints from almost every direction.

The mere mention in the papers that we hoped to get out this literature has brought many inquiries and many calls immediately for such literature. It makes our hearts sad not to be able at once to respond, but we are only the servants of the Lord and of the saints, and can only do what God enables us to do through the help of His people. Several thousand dollars are needed inside of the next month in order to do what is necessary to be done, and to do what the saints have asked us to undertake in the name of the Lord. Will not every reader make an immediate contribution for this printing plant to the utmost of his or her ability.

Some may think this an effort to get something for ourselves, but such

an idea is not born of the truth but through ignorance of the facts in the case. The two papers already being issued belong absolutely to the Lord and not to the editors or the persons who are now being used to issue them, and if God should call us to other work, they will be left in other hands, still the property of God until Jesus comes. This printing plant, when paid for by the saints, will belong absolutely to the Lord and be held in trust by the General Council of the Assemblies of God, to run solely for God's glory forever.

So, Brethren, come on, one and all, great and small, rich and poor, and let us all unite our efforts to finish up this work at once for the glory of God. An immediate response up to the limit of the ability of each reader

### GRACE FOR THE CHILDREN OF MEN.

"The Lord will give grace and glory," Psa. 84:11.

On the dark, rugged hill of Mount Calvary

Christ the Savior for all did atone. The sins of the world were laid on Him,

And He bare all our sorrows alone. From the grave He arose, bringing victory—

Bringing peace to the soul bound in sin.

'Neath His banner of love there is freedom;

There's grace for the children of men.

When sin winged its wide desolation And covered the land with its blight, The author of peace and salvation Came and scattered the darkness of night.

Now with shouts triumphant we'll praise Him

For the victory He gives over sin. We will sing of our blood-bought redemption,

And grace for the children of men.

Oh, we'll stand 'neath the blood-sprinkled banner,

The banner of truth and of right, And with His dear Spirit to guide us, We shall win; we shall win in the fight.

We shall stand by His true love united,

And the battle we'll bravely plunge in.

We will trust in His Grace for the victory,

His Grace for the children of men.

—Burt McCafferty.

er could settle this matter in one week or one month, and we are trusting that you will not grieve the Spirit by putting off what the Spirit of the Lord will make plain to you is your duty in this matter.

### Our New Address.

Remember our new address is *The Gospel Publishing House, 2838 Easton Avenue, St. Louis, Mo.*, to which all communications should be addressed. Offerings for the printing plant may be sent either to the Publishing House or to E. N. Bell, Treasurer, at the same address. Praise God for loyal helpers.

Praying God's blessings upon all of our readers and the dear saints around the wide, wide world, for whom Jesus has shed His precious blood, We are yours in Christ, E. N. Bell, Treasurer.

### MIDLAND CITY, ALABAMA.

The Dear Lord is wonderfully blessing here in Alabama. We are looking for greater things. I want all the dear saints to pray that I may stand true to Him and do His will.—J. A. Moss, R. 4, Midland City Ala.

### REVIVAL IN YELLEVILLE.

Thanks be unto God for the victory I feel in body, soul and spirit. We have been having a blessed revival here in Yellville (Ark.)—Fred Wilson.

## SIGHTS OR SOULS! WHICH?

Brother A. W. Orwig makes Searching Observation on Eve of the Opening of the World's Fair in San Francisco.

Seeing certain sights may be harmless and even profitable. It depends altogether upon what the sights are and when we see them. Witnessing some of the sublime sights or works of nature is elevating and often leads to a more lofty conception and adoration of the God of nature. But there may be a wrong time to see some things, even very charming sights. When it conflicts with a more sacred use of our time we should certainly deny ourselves of earthly sight-seeing. Trying to save souls is of infinitely greater importance than seeing the most magnificent sights. Even that wonderfully enrapturing vision of the transfiguration of Christ was speedily to give way to the more transcendent work of rescuing souls from sin and eternal death. In the majestic presence of some earthly thing we sometimes say, with Peter, "It is good to be here," but loyalty to lost souls should always have the precedence.

### Sights or Souls by Two Young Men.

I saw two Christian young men meet on a street corner one Sunday morning and engage in brief conversation, substantially as follows:

"Won't you go with me to the beach today? There are some grand sights to be seen."

"I cannot possibly do so today, but shall be glad to go some other time. But why not today? There will be very special attractions not to be seen on other days."

"I must be excused, for I have a class of boys in Sunday-school whom I am trying to instruct and lead to God. Some of them are just now specially interested about their souls."

Here was a case where seeing interesting earthly things was very clearly not to be indulged at that time. Trying to save precious souls was unspeakably greater and more enjoyable to one of those young men, yet both professed to be Christians. With one it was largely self; with the other it was Jesus.

### An Indian's Idea of Sights and Souls.

Many years ago an Indian chief, who visited our national capital, was supposed to have very greatly enjoyed the magnificent sights of that city. When asked what most impressed him, he did not mention the capitol building, the towering monument, or other impressive sights. But he said, "The most wonderful thing to me is, white man knew about God hundreds of years, and did not come and tell poor Indian." Sad and humiliating indeed are such words of reproach. How they ought to make us feel that the most enchanting things of earth should not compare with the importance and luxury of bearing the message of salvation to the lost! We seem to be living in an age when even many Christians are inordinately absorbed with material sight-seeing to the neglect of souls for whom Jesus suffered and died. Perhaps a new and prolonged sight of Calvary would correct the evil.

### Missionaries and Sights or souls.

At a certain convention, many years ago, I heard a returned missionary from Japan tell of another missionary who had been asked if he were not coming to Tokio. "Why should I?" was the reply. "Oh, because there are so many interesting sights to see." "No, I cannot go from that standpoint; but if there are lost souls to be saved, I will try to go." How greatly was this reply like the noble words of Nehemiah who said, "Why should the work cease, whilst I leave it and come down to you?"

At a certain Pentecostal Camp meeting, where missionaries from

several foreign countries spoke, I heard a lady missionary say that when she first went to her field of labor, she was taken to a great heathen festival to see many dazzling things. But her soul was so full of concern and love for souls that she was not much affected by the sights and soon began to weep over the perishing ones about her. A man said to her, "You'll soon get over that." But she cried, "God forbid that I should ever get over weeping for lost souls."

"Did Christ o'er sinners weep, And shall our cheeks be dry?"

And this reminds me of what I heard a preacher say, a few years ago, while addressing the students of a Bible training school in the city in which I live. A Christian lady had gone to Chicago to attend the World's Fair in 1893. But she at once became so greatly interested in Gospel meetings conducted by Mr. Moody, where souls were being saved, that, after having attended the meetings for about two weeks, she said she did not know whether she would get to see the Fair or not. Another case in which sights were secondary to souls.

### Yes, Sights or Souls.

In which are we the more interested? As Christians, may we not become too greatly taken up with the beauties of nature and art, as to cool our ardor and impair our efficiency in behalf of souls? The question is not, may we not innocently enjoy the grand and inspiring sights that adorn many parts of the world, and which bewitchingly appeal to our innate love of the beautiful; but, rather, to what degree do they captivate us? The apostle Paul's words are opportune: "All things are lawful unto me; but all things are not expedient." That should settle the question with us.

"Only for souls my life's work shall be,

Only for souls till Jesus comes for me;

I'll strive for these running after earth's goals,

Only for souls, yes, only for souls."

A. W. Orwig, 1220 W. 37th Drive, Los Angeles.

### A TESTIMONY.

On the 5th of last August God baptized me with the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4, and has used me to His own glory ever since. He has spoken different languages through me, by His Spirit. I moved near to my sister's and they were all Methodist church members. My sister and I told them all to get down and pray to God to give them everything He had in store for them. They obeyed and God baptized every one of them. I am surely sorely tried by an unsaved husband who tries to cause my only child to disregard what I try to teach her. We prayed one night that God would cause her to mind me and not to listen to the bad advice of her father. The Lord baptized her with the Holy Ghost that very night. He has healed me many times. I surely have much to praise Him for. Pray that I may be "delivered from unreasonable and wicked men." I am determined by His grace to go through I want the prayers of God's Children. —Myrtle Taylor, Grays, Ark.

### PRAISE NOTE.

Muskegan, Mich. I praise God for what He is doing these days. Even amongst us souls have been saved and I have been baptized in the Holy Ghost in a short time. To Him be all the glory! This is a very hard place. Pray for us. —G. W. Bergstrom, 46 McGraft St.

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## EDITORIALS

### NO PARTY STRIFE.

Recently we have had a number of inquiries as to why we did not reply to this or that; why we did not reply to some criticisms that were made in which our names were mentioned; why we did not reply to some criticism about the General Council, etc. Also another asks with reference to some party strife, "On which side will you stand?"

It is not our purpose to make any reply to personal criticisms. A Christian man or a Christian paper should be above personal contentions, and it is our purpose to try, by the grace of God, to run a religious newspaper in the real Spirit of Christ. We are glad to state that we have seen very little criticism with reference to the work of the General Council of the Assemblies of God, and every criticism which we have seen seemed to come from honest brethren who had been misled or who did not understand its real purpose. Hence we are sure that all that is needed is the setting forth of our real purpose and letting the light shine, and those who are in error and honest brethren will incidentally have their fears dispelled without our making any reply to their misunderstandings. In a little while all will come to understand that this is simply a brotherly opportunity offered for co-operation in the things of the Lord; that it does not propose to compel any missionary to come under its control, or any Christian worker in the home field to be interfered with. They will all find out sooner or later that this is merely a method of working more intelligently for the glory of God.

We find that many mistakes have been made for lack of information, and the brethren will soon understand that all of us together will know more than some person just beginning, and the beginner will soon understand that there is a place where he can get the proper information when he is starting out that will enable him to escape many pitfalls, save the loss of much of God's money and to make progress more rapidly in the work for His glory in all lands. If only God can be glorified and the Kingdom of the Lord spread abroad in the earth, we shall be abundantly satisfied.

### Not A Party.

We are glad that in most places there is a blessed revival spirit prevailing and that souls are being saved in many quarters; that God is stretching out His hand in power, with signs and wonders, to deliver from the op-

pression of the enemy, to heal sick bodies and to give glory to the name of His Son Jesus Christ. We are glad that nearly all of these places understand the broad and liberal spirit which actuates the brethren in the General Council of the Assemblies of God, and are most heartily co-operating, with a result of good to us and to them. No man stands alone. We all need one another. There are some things which God can do through the body, His Church, which He can never do through a single individual. So we do not feel that we are making any martyrs of ourselves in co-operating with the brethren for God's glory, or that they are making any martyrs of themselves by co-operating with us. The benefit is mutual and the result is to the glory of God.

Now in a few places, we are sorry to say there is some party strife and contention over names and words and theories, and it is in reference to these that our friends want to know on which "side" we are going to stand. My beloved brethren, we do not propose to be a party at all, to encourage any party strife or in any way become partisan in our attitude toward any of these contentions. Our program is not negative but positive. We are not here merely to object to what other good brethren do, or to find fault with their mistakes. Our business is to hold up the truth and point out the right way; to hold up the Bible standard, and we feel that truth itself will be a correction to error and that a right spirit will be the greatest help we can offer toward a wrong spirit. We do not feel called upon to jump on everybody who makes a mistake, nor do we feel called upon to take part in every little party scrap that occurs anywhere in the United States or the rest of the world. We are so glad that most of the mistakes that are being made are mere honest mistakes and not wilful sins; that the great body of Pentecostal people and preachers are striving together for the glory of God and are actuated by a true Christ-like spirit, and that the greatest trouble is a mere lack of experience or a failure to understand the many wiles of the evil one and to keep out of his tracks. So we feel it is our duty to pray for those who may be in error or in trouble, that the great God of all Grace may speedily deliver them out of the hands of the enemy. We only covet the prayers of the saints for ourselves if, through ignorance, we shall make a mistake of any kind. O that the true love of God may everywhere prevail and that the Kingdom of our Lord may come with leaps and bounds; that every creature may soon hear the glad tidings of life in Jesus, and that soon we shall hear the trumpet sound and "awake in His likeness" to meet Him in the air.—E. N. B.

### DON'T SEND MONEY TO BERG.

#### In India.

Now and then we have an offering sent us for Brother George E. Berg, former missionary to India, and we desire to let our readers know that Brother Berg left India some time last fall and is now in America. The brother whom he left in charge of his work has written us that he has felt led to close up the work. Hence we feel to advise all of our readers about these facts that they may not waste the Lord's money in sending funds for a work which has been closed up by those left in charge of it. We have had letters from Bro. George Berg himself asking us to send no more money to the person whom he left in charge of the work.

We would ask our friends to note the difference between the mission field of Brother George E. Berg, and other brethren by the name of "Berg" who are laboring in South America. Those in South America were still going on with the work of the Lord the last we heard from them.

There are other good missionaries in India who are fighting a real battle of faith, and, despite the difficulties of war and high prices, are fighting the real battles of the Lord and are in great need, and those who desire to contribute for India will have abundant opportunity to glorify God by sending to the aid of those faithful missionaries who are still on the field.

Any offering sent to E. N. Bell, Treasurer, 2838 Easton Ave., St.

Louis, Mo., will be promptly forwarded to the persons designated, to the faithful missionaries most in need.—E. N. B.

### A "DEAD-BEAT" WARNING.

A man who has a woman with him whom he claims to be his mother, is going from place to place beating the saints out of money by claiming to have lost his purse on the train, or some such disaster. We have positive proof that this couple occupied the same room. At Pueblo Colo., his name was D. Severns; at Colorado Springs, at Pueblo, N. Ream and at Denver it was something else; (Yes, in places in Missouri it was Reeves—Ed.) At Colorado Springs he secured \$40 or \$50 and similar amounts at Pueblo and Denver.

He can say "Praise Jesus" with a very soft and seemingly deep, spiritual voice. He reads poetry he claims to have written.

#### Description.

He is about 5 feet, 9; weight about 205, light complexion, blue eyes, hair dark brown, and is of heavy build. The Federal authorities are looking for him for violation of the Mann Act, and local authorities for obtaining money under false pretences. If he turns up in your assembly turn him over to the officers and wire me at my expense, at 532 East Kiowa, Colorado Springs, Colo., P. O. Box 745.—Geo. H. Carriger. Editor's note on above.

This man has been heard from at other places. At some places he wants to borrow money to start a mission, or for some cause or other. Beware.—E. N. B.

### OLD TIME POWER PENTECOSTAL CAMPAIGN.

Indianapolis, Ind. Feb. 28th to March 31st.

This meeting will be held at the Oak Hill Tabernacle, 2022-24 Roosevelt Ave. Services every afternoon and night. The Tabernacle is large enough to seat 800, is heated by a furnace, and in a good location on the Brightwood Car line. A special effort will be made to care for all workers and seekers who come from other places, and meals will be served to them free in a large room located near the Tabernacle. These services will be held especially for the healing of the sick, salvation of sinners and the gift of the Holy Spirit for believers. We are trusting God to send in the workers. For information write, L. V. Roberts, 2026 Roosevelt Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

### TOPEKA CONVENTION.

There will be a convention in Topeka, Kansas, April 8th to 18th. The friends in Topeka will try to accommodate all who come. For further particulars address C. E. Foster, 219 Graffan St., Topeka, Kansas.

### REQUESTS FOR PRAYER.

Please pray for me that I may receive the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.—V. H. Schoorman, Kandy, Ceylon. I ask your prayers and those of all the saints that I may speedily receive the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Pray also for my wife. We have been saved nearly ten months.—W. T. Robbins, Fagan, Ky.

I want the prayers of the Christian people that I may gain my health. Have been sick much. Mrs. F. E. Moyington, Oklahoma City, Okla.

### WANTS TO HEAR FROM FRIEND.

Brother W. H. Hampton of Womble, Ark., desires to know from someone the whereabouts of his friend, Brother Charlie L. Barrett, formerly of Birmingham, Ala. They were in the work together in North Texas about three years ago, and it is desired that anyone who knows his whereabouts will send word to Womble, Ark., or ask Bro. Barrett to do so.—Ed.

### BACK IN FORT WORTH.

Bro. A. P. Collins writes: "We are again in Fort Worth, happy in Jesus and the revival has begun. Wife has been here working more than three weeks and I am again the excuse for Pastor. Pray for me. I am very lappy to be with my flock again. They gave me a cordial and unanimous greeting. Bro. Lohmann and I went to Malvern. Bro. Goss is here with me today.

## Pentecostal Notes on International Sunday School Lesson

By MRS. A. R. FLOWER

Feb. 28, 1915.

### SAMUEL, THE VICTORIOUS LEADER.

Lesson Text—1 Samuel 7:3-17.

Golden Text—"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." 1 Sam. 7:12.

Leading Thought—"Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God that He may exalt you."

1. Israel's return to God. vs. 3-6. For twenty years Israel had been oppressed by the Philistines. The ark was gone, and the hearts of the people alienated from their God. v. 2. For years Samuel's ministry and godly entreaties had been disregarded and apparently given in vain. But he did not falter nor despair—a lesson to any discouraged Christian worker. Read the story of Jonah. Once more he calls them to repentance, and this time they are ready to heed the call. vs. 3, 4. How plain Samuel makes the condition on which they must return to God. It is an absolute forsaking of every strange idol—a work of preparation on their part. It is they who have strayed; God remains just where they left Him. So is it today. It is our iniquities and sins that separate us from His face Isa. 55:7. Their deliverance from the Philistines depended on their attitude with God. Dan. 11:32. What a spiritual house-cleaning they must have had! And now they "served the Lord only"! Up to this time it has been an individual and heart matter, now it becomes a public and national affair. The confession and reformation has become general. "They gathered together to Mizpeh." They were united in their repentance and resolution to follow the Lord, and the man of God led them in a great national prayer-meeting. The pouring out of water symbolized their utter helplessness and the pouring out of their hearts before God. 2 Sam. 14:14; Psa. 22:14; Lam. 2:19. They afflicted their souls by fasting, thus indicating their humiliation, denial of any

selfish appetite, and their earnest desire to seek God's favor above all else. Dan. 9:3; Acts 13:2,3. They publicly acknowledged their transgressions. v. 6.

2. Israel's Victory over the Philistines. vs. 7-17. Confession, repentance, victory—so was the order of Israel's advance. But before the victory their faith has a test. Satan is always ready to thwart and overthrow any forward move God-ward. No wonder they feared the threatenings of the Philistines after their more than twenty years of defeat. v. 7. But they had no reason to fear now (Deut. 20:1-4); the cause of their former defeats was removed. Their danger, however, threw them upon God more fully and they deeply realized their need of unceasing prayer. v. 8. The lamb offered wholly unto the Lord typifies Christ our ground of approaching to God. Heb. 10:19. Samuel likewise in his office of intercessor. v. 9. Our heavenly Samuel entered for us into the very presence of God "by His own blood" (Heb. 9:11, 12) where "He ever liveth to make intercession." Heb. 7:25. That "the Lord heard him" is proven by the succeeding events. The Philistines advance only to meet defeat; for "the Lord thundered \* \* \* and discomfited them; and they were smitten before Israel." v. 10. But notice it was Jehovah that won the real victory, and Israel but finished the work He had begun. "Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee." The Philistines were subdued. Now came the time of general praise to God (v. 12) in the setting up of a stone of memorial, and as every true prophet should do, all the glory was ascribed to God—Eben-ezer—Hitherto hath the Lord helped us! What multiplied occasion have we to raise a like stone of memorial and what stimulus should it give us for more complete devotion and trust in each oncoming test and conflict. 2 Cor. 1:10. Look no significant meaning of four villages of Samuel's circuit. vs. 16, 17.

### EXTRACTS FROM LORENZO DOW'S JOURNAL.

"I have seen Presbyterians, Methodists, Quakers, Baptists, Church of England, and Independents, exercised with the jerks; gentlemen and ladies, black and white, the aged and the youth, rich and poor, without exception; from which I infer, as it cannot be accounted for on natural principles, and carries such marks of involuntary motion, that it is no trifling matter. I believe that those who are most plous and given up to God are rarely touched with it; and also those naturalists who wish and try to get it to philosophize upon it are excepted; but the lukewarm, lazy, half-hearted, indolent professor is subject to it; and many of them I have seen who, when it came upon them, would be alarmed and stirred up to redouble their diligence with God; and after they would get happy, were thankful it ever came upon them. Again, the wicked are frequently more afraid of it than the small-pox or yellow fever; these are subject to it; but the persecutors are more subject to it than any, and they sometimes have cursed and swore, and damned it, whilst jerking. There is no pain attending the jerks, except they resist it, which if they do, it will weary them more in an hour than a day's labor; which shows that it requires the consent of the will to avoid suffering.

"I passed by a meeting-house where I observed the undergrowth had been cut down for a camp-meeting, and from fifty to one hundred saplings left breast high, which to me appeared so slovenish that I could not but ask my guide the cause, who observed they were topped so high, and left for the people to jerk by. This so excited my attention that I went over the ground to view it; and found where the people had laid hold of them and jerked so powerfully that they had kicked up the earth as a horse stamping flies. I observed

some emotion, both this day and night among the people; a Presbyterian minister, with whom I stayed, observed, "Yesterday whilst I was preaching, some had the jerks and a young man from N. Carolina mimicked them out of derision, and soon was seized with them himself, which was the case with many others; he grew ashamed and, on attempting to mount his horse to go off, his foot jerked about so he could not put it into the stirrup; some youngsters seeing this, assisted him on, but he jerked so that he could not sit alone, and one got up to hold him on; which was done with difficulty. I, observing this, went to him and asked him what he thought of it. Said he, "I believe God sent it on me for my wickedness, and making so light of it in others," and he requested me to pray for him.

"I observed his wife had it; she said she was first attacked with it in bed. Dr. Nelson said he had frequently strove to get it in order to philosophize upon it, but could not; and observed they could not account for it on natural principles."

### SARATOGA, TEXAS.

God is prevailing. God has saved several souls He was with us in mighty power Sunday night. Eight came to the altar and God wonderfully saved and poured out His Spirit as in Acts 2:4. Backsliders were reclaimed and sinners wept. Pray for me and my wife. I have a large tent and if Jesus tarries I expect to be on the field as soon as the weather is favorable.—R. L. Blankenship.

### PENTECOST IN TUSKEEGA, IOWA.

Have been holding a meeting here since Dec. 19th and closed Feb. 2nd, with 32 souls saved and seventeen having received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit with Bible sign according to Acts 2:4. Praise His dear name. Much conviction on the community at large.—A. H. Johnson.

# Practical Suggestions for Workers

A. P. Collins.

In keeping with the Word of God, being laborers together with Him and also in accord with the purposes of the General Council to bring about active co-operation among all the saints and assemblies, we believe that God's cause will be given a mighty impetus for the Assemblies centrally located to invite and entertain the saints and workers in nearby missions and communities to come in for a two or three days meeting for prayer and praise and teaching, and a time of sweet fellowship in the Lord. Do this. It will be a help and an inspiration to all. They will go back to their fields of labor to dare and do more for the Lord than ever.

Again, let the saints in the Assemblies run out to other fields betimes and help the struggling bands and missions and smaller assemblies. In blessing God will bless you and you shall be a blessing. Let a number agree on a time to go together and you will return home with new courage and fresh vigor, conscious of a vital touch with your fellow laborer in the Lord. How blessedly you will find your heart expanding, your love growing warmer and your nerves tingling with new life.

Again, in some sections, the larger cities have been neglected. Let the saints of surrounding or adjacent towns agree on a concerted action and lay siege to the city. Pray for, work for and help support the workers until God breaks through and bursts forth in power to save, heal and baptize in the Holy Spirit.

Philip went down to Samaria and later Peter and John went down to help in the great revival. Barnabas went to Antioch and sent for Paul and had a great revival there. Mark and Silas came along. Then, that assembly having been established, Paul and Barnabas were sent out elsewhere as the Lord directed.

Again, when you go to a new place find in it the honest-hearted Christians. Cultivate their acquaintance. Win them. "Be wise as serpents and harmless as doves." Be gentle. Don't be in a hurry to get out on the street to denounce people. You turn them against you before you give them a chance to investigate what you say. Jesus went into the synagogues. So did Paul the first thing. Then, when they turned him out, he had a following. When Paul went to Ephesus he first found some disciples baptized only with John's baptism and said, "Have ye received the Holy Spirit since ye believed?" He did not ask them if they believed in "tongues" or if they believed in the "Baptism of the Holy Spirit," but "Have ye received the Holy Spirit?" O, Lord, give us "wisdom that is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, easy to be entreated."

When you enter a town and you want to preach on the street, go direct to the Mayor and get his permission and thus honor these men who are ordained of God to rule and keep order. Rom. 13:3-7. Cultivate the acquaintance of the officers. They may need salvation. You can't lead them to Christ by denouncing them. I have been arrested in past years on the street, as a Prohibition speaker, but it was because I did not do the very thing I am telling you to do.

Then don't be in a hurry to leave; remember you are under the command that says to preach the Gospel to every creature. You can't do this in a few street meetings. Paul preached in the synagogue at Ephesus three months (Acts 19:8) and when they put him out another place was opened to him and there he preached for two years, Acts 19. As a result of that work the whole province or state of Asia heard the Gospel and many other assemblies were established. Later Paul wrote to Thessalonica, "From you sounded out the Word not only in Macedonia and Achaia but also in every place your faith to Godward is spread abroad." And so it might be to-day in every city. We put in more than five years in Ft. Worth going out into the nearby towns and cities, as the Lord would lead. We stood by the workers in Dallas until the work was established then it went by leaps and

bounds and those brethren who started the work are still there.

Beloved, why did Jesus say, "The children of this world are wiser in their generation than the children of light"? Simply because the children of the world use their means and influence and opportunities to make friends for themselves and the children of light also should so use their money, their time and opportunities to make friends for Jesus. Paul says on this line, "I am become all things to all men that by all means I might save some". One in prayer, one in purpose, one in action, and one in the Spirit of Jesus will convince men that Jesus is the Son of God. So let every saint unite in this endeavor to keep the "unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" and let all hearts be absorbed in the one aim to save souls and glorify God. Exalt the Christ, not the preacher, linking ourselves together and locking shield to shield, marching in solid phalanx against the enemy, sounding God's trumpet blast until the walls come down, and then shall the vision of the mighty evangelism sweeping the world be realized and our Christ will be glorified.

Again I cannot forbear to say, in the language of Paul to the Ephesians after directing the use of the armour in fighting against the powers of darkness, "Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints." To fail here is to break down at every point and court defeat in every conflict, and if all I have said should be done except this last, it will be confusion and signal failure everywhere. Pray always; pray without ceasing. Call the people to prayer. We are a kingdom of Priests if we pray all the time. "Lord teach us to pray." Amen!

## JAPANESE GIRL'S TESTIMONY.

Inaba San.

My father failed in business. Because of worry I became sick and cried day and night, hoping to die soon. Last Christmas I went to Mr. Juergensen's mission and after that often heard of God. I felt my sins to be exceedingly heavy. In the eighth month, one evening, while washing rice, as it became whiter and purer, I keenly felt the uncleanness of my heart and wondered if there was not someone who would wash away the stains and make my heart whiter than the rice and give me freedom and peace. Something I had heard the minister say floated to my mind and I knew Jesus Christ was the One. From then I longed to go to church and hear more about Him but my parents would not permit me. I read the Bible at home and prayed God to give me a teacher. By His leading I went to Bro. and Sister Gray's home on Oct. 14th and studied the Bible earnestly. On the 21st I repented of sin from the middle of my heart and Jesus saved me. Such peace and joy I had never known. God also healed me of suffering and sickness of five or six years, which doctors and medicines could not cure.

The 23rd of the 11th month is a day of great rejoicing in Japan. On that day the people offer the new rice to the Emperor. That day, as is written in Romans 6, I was buried with Jesus in baptism and became a new creation and offered myself to God. I received the name of "Rebecca" and was so happy I truly could not tell it.

I learned that as soon as our Lord Jesus was baptized the Spirit of God came upon Him and that the same thing happened to the Ephesian believers also. I believed He would give it to me too. After we returned from the river, while Mr. and Mrs. Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Juergensen were praying, Pentecost came to me. Those around knew it, for they heard me speak with tongues, Acts 10. Later at another baptismal service I was caused to stand and speak, preaching in other tongues. I cannot write or tell about that experience.

To think that God can use even a poor worthless person as I for His glory and to save people fills me with praise.

Every Sunday I teach the sweet children what teacher teaches me and cannot tell how happy we feel when we hear them singing the hymns through the streets. As the end of this age nears, Satan is working violently, but even in persecution we do not need to fear but just believe God and live for Jesus' glory.

## A NOTE OF PRAISE.

I thank and praise God this morning for saving me from sin. I was saved about three years ago and God gave me the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. How I praise Him for His goodness. I want to grow stronger in Jesus and be a better worker for Him. Pray with us for Jesus to send us a good preacher with the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, as we badly need a preacher or some one to lead us into the deep things of Christ.—Minnie Hudson, Kopperl, Texas.

## ANOTHER.

I have spent some of my life in sin and was on my way to destruction, as the larger part of the world is doing today, but, thanks be to God who has washed me in His precious blood and made me one of His children. Dear friend, you who are not prepared for the coming of your Savior, why do you go in sin, rejecting Jesus. He is coming soon and you will be called to judgment. Why not get right with God and receive salvation. Jesus died for you that you might be free. Harden not your heart but submit to the will of God and obey Him. Let us all be true and keep pressing on, "looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith."—Elmer Hudson.

## FORTY-TWO BAPTIZED.

Skiatook, Okla.

Praise God for power and victory in this little town of Skiatook. Brother Smith and I began a series of meetings here Friday after Christmas. The Lord has saved many souls and wonderfully baptized forty-two with the Holy Ghost, with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance, and there have been several cases of healing. One cripple was healed; one case of pneumonia fever. If anyone desires to know more about this healing write Bro. Chatman of this town.

Among those who received the Baptism was a Holiness preacher; also a Baptist preacher. The altar is still full of seekers. We desire the prayers of all the saints for our meeting.—W. E. Hammers.

## BLESSED AT HOME.

Yesterday morning I was at home with my little children and the Lord poured out His power unexpectedly and my little boy of eight years received the Baptism with the evidence of Acts 2:4 and my little girl five years old was saved. I saw a vision of the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. I could see Him preparing the table for His bride. He has it almost ready. Bless His name! He spoke to me and said that we should stand true for He is coming soon to take us away for the meeting in the air. I surely need your prayers that I may be able to do His will as He leads me to do.—Susie Lewis, Cruce, Okla.

## JASONVILLE, INDIANA.

In obedience to the call of the Spirit of God, through prayer of the saints and patient waiting upon Him for guidance, I have taken up the work here, as Pastor. The saints are in a sweet spirit of unity and pressing on for more of His fullness and the knowledge of His perfect will. We are expecting great things from His presence with power that will shake things and give us a revival that will glorify Him.—W. P. Elsele.

## PRAYER ANSWERED.

As you have been praying for me I will let you know how I am getting along. In November I seemed to come out of my oppression all at once, so I eat nicely and have gained much in flesh and in strength. Can work and walk and write. I have some neuralgia about the heart at times, but it is so dull I do not mind it much. Expect it to all wear away in time. My sister is quite well too. Glory to God for it all.—Delia A. Clarke.

## THE BRIDE OF CHRIST.

Old and New Testament Saints.

I have read your article in your issue of December 19th, entitled "The Choice One," explaining who, in the writer's mind, constitute the New Testament Church, or Bride. I would like to say that I believe the New Testament teaches that all the patriarchs and Prophets, as well as all others who were fully consecrated to God in the Old Testament Dispensation, will share in the bridehood honors equally with the "Faithful Christ Jesus" in the New Testament dispensation. The parable of the Laborers who, beginning with the first hour and then continuing on down to the eleventh hour, each of which were to receive a penny teaches us from its dispensational aspect that the Old Testament saints will receive the same rewards "at the appearing of Jesus" as those of the New Testament dispensation.

The entire chapter of the Eleventh of Hebrews also teaches us that God will honor the faithful of that great cloud of Old Testament witnesses, and all others of life faith whom time and space prevent mentioning, Heb. 11:32. They were "of like precious faith," with the same honors and rewards as those who have and are living in what is specifically and properly called "The Church Age." For all these received "a good report" through faith. That is, they had witness borne to them through the Holy Spirit that their lives were like Enoch's,—pleasing to God, Heb. 11:39. These Old Testament saints "all died in faith, not having received the promised Holy Ghost" (See Joel 2:28). But they did receive "a good report" or witness or evidence borne to them by the Holy Ghost, as already said, that their lives were pleasing to God.

## Believed Afar Off.

Now you will also notice from Heb. 11:13 that the Old Testament saints did not reject "The Promise of the Father," nor any of the other promises that were due to be fulfilled in the dispensations which succeeded the one in which they lived, for Heb. 11:13 says that they saw them through prophetic vision and revelation "afar off," in the Pentecostal and millennial ages as well as in the eternal ages, and also in the overlapping age in which Jesus, and John the Baptist lived. But they not only saw these promises afar off but they "Believed" them. Notice that this is the force of the expression in the same verse. "Were persuaded of them and embraced them" (See also 1st Peter 1:10-12.)

So then we see by these scriptures that the only reason these scripturally enlightened Old Testament believers did not receive the Pentecostal Baptism was that "the Holy Ghost was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified." And the fact that all these Old Testament heroes mentioned in the 11th of Hebrews were full overcomers (or the most of them were at least, and all of them could have held "the beginning of their confidence steadfast unto the end" as we all know) entitles them to a place in the Bridehood of Christ the same as if they were taken out from among the Gentiles during this dispensation.

In conclusion, these same passages of scripture which I have quoted above all teach incidentally that the "Marriage of the Lamb" and the "Marriage Supper" are at least two parts of the same event, and they are so co-related that it seems like doing violence to correct scripture exegesis to regard them as so far separated from each other as to say that the Marriage of the Lamb occurs in the air at the time of the Rapture, while the Marriage Supper takes place only at the return of Jesus and the bride to the earth at the close of the "tribulation" period. The appearance of Moses and Elijah with Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration is also another New Testament attestation that the Old Testament saints will participate in the glory of the bridehood and shall sing with us "The song of Moses and the Lamb." See Rev. 15:3. Hallelujah!—O. M. Winger.

## TORRENTS OF BLESSING.

Hartford, Ark.

We spent Christmas at Jenny Link, Ark., and found a blessed band of saints. God helped us to strengthen them in the Word and faith of the Son of God, and they were a blessing to us as well as we to them. We then went to Greenwood by request of the beloved Pastor, Bro. Barker, where God knit our hearts together as never before and gave us a blessed meeting for nearly two weeks. Then, by request of Bro. Romines the beloved Pastor at Hartford, we visited that place. The power of God came down in torrents of blessing. Such singing, such praying in the Spirit I never did hear before. As we sang, wave after wave of the Holy Spirit came down and swept through the church until it seemed the angels were in our midst taking part in the singing. Glory to our King!—J. H. James, Faulkner, Kansas.

## BROWNWOOD, TEXAS.

We began a series of meetings here last Sunday night. The work suffered very much from the course of the enemy, but in spite of that God gave us a breaking through, and last night three were reclaimed and one saved and baptized as in Acts 2:4. Others were seeking while some stood and wept. It is wonderful how the Lord is working. Will all who read this please pray that God will raise up a new band of saints here to hold up the blood-stained banner of King Emmanuel. This is a needy field. Pray for us that we may be kept low at the foot of the cross.—T. J. Bowen and Band Jacksboro, Texas Box 173.

## STIRRING TIMES IN LOUISIANA.

We have been here some little time (Pollock, La.) but God surely has been blessing us. About 18 have received the Baptism as in Acts 2:4; 23 were baptized in water and many healed of different diseases. Satan has worked but we overcame in Jesus' name and God blessed with signs and wonders, and is stirring up the gifts among His children. Pray for us.—W. T. Hemphill and wife, Pollock, La.

## FELL LIKE RAIN.

Yelm, Wash.

I am with Bro. W. H. Merrin at present. We have been having fine meetings of late. The Holy Spirit gave a message through Bro. Merrin Sunday P. M. and one man was wonderfully convinced of the real truth. In the evening the power fell like rain and the glory of God filled the place where we were assembled and the praises of God rang out through the tall Washington pine trees. Truly God is good to us, for which we give Him all the praise. There is a nice little assembly here, knowing the power of God and desiring the whole truth. They are building a church of their own. Pray for us.—Mark T. Draper.

## WOODWORTH-ETTER MEETING.

Tampa, Fla.

Our Sister Etter came to us in the blessings of the Gospel and the meetings are growing in power. God proved the first night that He was with us by stretching forth His hand to heal. He has given some marvellous healings. One man was struck by a train a few years ago and has not been able to walk without a stick. Even then had to be helped up and down, but he was healed and can now walk and run and jump and praise God for healing. Another man was healed of rupture and took off his truss and ran over the house jumping and praising God. Still another was healed of rupture and burned his truss. We are looking for God to do great things at this place. Let all the saints pray that God may have His way in these meetings. God is blessing Sister Etter.—J. M. Rowe, Pastor. Sta. 3, Tampa, Fla.

## COLUMBUS, OHIO.

God is blessing here in a wonderful way, saving and baptizing souls and healing all that come unto Him by faith in the atoning blood of His dear Son.—Elder R. C. Lawson, 229 Brier St.

# GOD'S WORK IN FOREIGN FIELDS

There is great need for missionary funds at this time in many lands. Three to four hundred Pentecostal Missionaries are depending upon God to supply their needs through the Pentecostal Movement. We will gladly forward money, in any amount from five cents up, to any needy missionary. Send all missionary offerings to E. N. Bell, Treasurer, 2838 Easton Avenue, St. Louis, Mo.

**ELMER B. HAMMOND.**  
So China.

I have just returned from a three weeks trip up country. We had a ten days special meeting at Canton. The Lord met with us. The last Sunday was a most precious time. The mission was crowded. The morning service lasted three hours, the Spirit being mightily upon the service. At night again God met with us. Four came out for salvation. During the meetings six were baptized in water.

A week ago Monday we went to Hoh Tsuen. Spent a most blessed day preaching the Gospel. The heathen crowded into the mission and had a good service. Two were baptized in water. My sister and Miss Appleby, with a dear Chinese brother, were with me. When we returned to Canton in the evening we felt well repaid for the blessing God put on our souls. Praise God! What a privilege to be a worker with Jesus in this blessed Gospel. When we "draw out our hearts" to feed the hungry He does bless our souls.

God is blessing the work here in South China. We are praying and looking forward to greater things in Jesus' mighty name. At present there are blessed opportunities in China for the preaching of the Gospel. We praise God for reinforcements,—twelve new missionaries. These are all busy studying the language. We ask the prayers of the saints in the home-land that our heavenly Father may mightily pour out His Spirit upon us.

**JOHN D. JAMES.**  
China.

We had a meeting in China last week. God blessed. Six were baptized in water and the power of God was upon others who were seeking for the Baptism. Four came out to the altar the last night of the meetings. Our God is still going to do greater things in China for His glory. Praise His name forever.

At present I am opening the Gospel Mission in Shin Tong and trusting God to supply the needed money for the same. Satan has tried to hinder me. My landlord wrote me a letter stating that the whole village came together in discussion and would not allow me to open the mission there, but it is being opened in the name of the Lord. There is much repairing to be done. Also, because it is so low, I decided to build it five feet higher. Therefore the old roof had to be removed. But before the first half was torn off the roof the people who lived near had to know when this was going to be done so they could leave their places, because they feared lest there should be a po saat (spirit) there which would leave as soon as the top of the house was opened, and if they did not leave for a little while something would befall them,—I suppose sickness or something of the kind. So you can see a little of the superstition and how it prevails in this dark land. So I earnestly request that you will pray that we may be faithful even unto death.

**SARAH A. KUGLER.**  
S. China.

I am glad to report real victory in my soul. How I rejoice to have at last reached my promised land, China. Have found it far better in many ways than expected. Praise God for the bright side as well as the dark. Every cloud has its silver lining. Our hearts were made glad after a long ocean voyage to at last reach Hong Kong, the open door to South China. Brothers Hammond and Kelly and Sister Deane were there to meet us. They gave us a cordial welcome to their home. After almost a week at Hong Kong I took a trip inland and visited the different stations, Canton, Sai Nam, Sam Shui and Waang Kong. After much

prayer and waiting on God the Spirit witnessed within that my place was at Waang Kong with Sister Phoebe Holmes. This station has been open two years and God has wonderfully blessed. Our seven workers have the baptism. The expense is quite heavy but we are trusting God to supply every need. A number of villages around here are calling for the Gospel. We go once or twice a week to these villages and preach the Gospel. The only mode of travel to these villages is on foot as they have no roads but foot-paths through the rice fields and gardens. Many of the villages have never seen a foreigner and we are quite a curiosity. They often call us "foreign Devils." The little boys are quite bad at throwing stones at us too. My heart longs to speak to the Chinese in their own language that they might get acquainted with this same Jesus whom I love so much. I have started on the languages and ask your prayers that I might soon get enough to start a children's meeting. I know my work is among women and children. My whole desire is to be in the center of God's will, if it means to fill the smallest place. My heart says "Amen" to His sweet will.

"Shall we whose souls are lighted  
With wisdom from on high  
Shall we to men benighted  
The lamp of life deny?"

**MISS C. B. HERRON.**  
India.

Miss Baker and I are finding our work of holding on for victory day by day hard plodding work and only God can give us the courage and faith to go on and press through to victory. One man turned away when God's search-light became too strong. He would not pay the price to go all the way. A lesson on the "White Throne Judgment," which the Lord showed Miss Baker she should give, cut him so to the heart that he said, "That lesson was given for me," and turned away. May God yet arrest him in his deceitful covering up of sin, and cause him to repent from the heart.

The great company of professing Indian Christians who live a double life and still stand before the world as Christians will find that gnashing of teeth and weeping and wailing awaits them. We are led here to begin with all who come, to have them confess sin and get saved, as they have always covered up that side and are guilty of lies and deception. One man confessed to sins of lying and deception and the sin of adultery against his wife. God is blessing this Indian Christian man and has shown him His salvation.

**SISTER M. M. SMITHSON.**  
Egypt.

We had a precious watch-night meeting. A good crowd came out and the blessing was with us. Some who were seeking the Baptism of the Holy Spirit were very much under the power. There are many open doors here and the Lord is enabling us to enter some of them in His name.

**T. B. SMITH AND WIFE.**  
Egypt.

God is working in our midst and pouring out His Spirit upon us. Souls are being saved, sick bodies healed and believers being baptized with the Holy Ghost. We had a watch-meeting New Year's night. Four received the Baptism of the Spirit and "spoke in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Pray for us that we may be kept faithful.

**MRS. ADELLE HARRISON.**  
China.

God is mightily working in the midst of the orphans. Last night at watch meeting some sang so sweetly in the Spirit. Father has taken several of the little ones to Himself. New ones are being brought to us but we are receiving only those that are strong and old enough to place in school. Do remember us in your prayers. We are alone in the work,—only native helpers, and we need the earnest prayers of the saints.

**WILLA B. LOWTHER.**  
China.

Christmas is now passed and we believe some sad hearts were made glad through our efforts to cheer them. Sister Deane served tea and Chinese cakes to about 200 poor little children. Then there were Chinese oranges and candies for the Sunday-school children, about one hundred and ten. The program was good. A few days ago Sister Deane's school children were asked how many believed in idols. Everyone said they did not believe in them any more but believed in Jesus. Some have refused to eat meat their parents have offered to idols.

Bro. Hammond also gave a good entertainment for the Chinese children at his mission. Bro. Paul Van Valen, arrived here safely and remained four days, sailing for India Dec. 19th.

**GEORGE C. AND ABBIE H. SLAGER.**  
China.

It is now over a month since Mrs. Lawler and her children, Beatrice and Harland, separated from us to return to America. God is indeed caring for us and the dear Chinese with us. Bless His name!

On Christmas eve we had a meeting here with entertainment furnished by the orphanage children, after which Christmas stockings and a few small presents were given to the children and others present. On Christmas Day we took the orphans to Woosung where a meeting was held in the afternoon. The chapel was crowded to the doors. We had a blessed opportunity to preach the Gospel to sin-bound souls. The orphans again sang their songs and gave their recitations. A number of heathen children were in the audience, who attend the Sunday school which we have there every Sunday. Here we had a Christmas tree, distributing about 100 small Christmas stockings. The number was insufficient and many had to be turned away. We were thankful to God for the privilege of ministering to some Chinese hearts.

The mission work in Shanghai, of which we have charge, is not very progressive. Very few people attend the meetings because the place is situated in the suburbs and back some distance from the street. The buildings are very poor,—just common Chinese houses—not as good as some of the barns in the homeland. We are asking God to give us another place soon. We believe it is His will, for we could reach more people. Pray for us (ourselves and Bro. Mader), and for China. "Whatever He saith unto you do it."

**VERNA B. BARNARD.**  
So. Africa.

God did a blessed work during the Holidays. On Christmas day we had blessed services in our Central Tabernacle. There were some real suitable messages from the Lord. We had a Watch-night service. Souls surrendered to God commencing the new year as new creatures in Christ. Backsliders were reclaimed and real definite work done in hearts of believers.

Our meetings on the Market Square have been real places of combat lately. Many listen in the open air but are controlled by their dreadful appetites, drink, lust, etc., so the enemy takes real delight in fighting against Jesus. Pray for us.

**W. D. GRIER AND WIFE.**  
Ceylon.

"O sing unto the Lord a new song; for he hath done marvellous things; his right hand and his holy arm hath gotten him the victory. The Lord hath made known his salvation; his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen." God has converted several here and many have heard the truth. But we hope to see more converted and that every soul in Ceylon will hear the Gospel of the kingdom.

**TWENTY-FIVE RECEIVE PENTECOST.**

Just returned yesterday from Gas City and Iola, Kansas. Was with them over four Sundays. Bro. Amiot and the Turner brother from Oklahoma and Bro. Sexton from Kansas were with us a part of the time. The Lord mightily poured out His Spirit upon us and lasting results will come of the services. I was with Pastor

J. A. Derry at Gas City over two Sundays and with Pastor J. A. Dunham at Iola two Sundays. About twenty-five received the Baptism, with speaking in tongues as in Acts 2:4. About twenty were saved and reclaimed.—The saints of God were edified and went deeper into the knowledge of the Word and saw their identification with Christ in His death, burial and resurrection and ascension more clearly.—C. E. Foster.

**WONDERFULLY SAVED AND HEALED.**

On the 23rd day of January 1915, a number of other brethren, one sister and myself were called to the bedside of a young woman by the name of Nellie Green, unsaved and suffering severely from kidney trouble. She had a very high fever and had not eaten anything for three days. She was unable to get out of bed alone. She had been attending our meetings at Bethel church and was under conviction and believed God could save and heal her. Her family, seeing she would probably die, finally with one accord agreed to call in the saints and have prayer. After reading some scripture on Divine Healing we sang and then had prayer. We laid hands upon her, in obedience to the Word (Mark 16:18). She began to call upon God with many tears and with bitter weeping and deliverance came. She said, "Praise God, He has saved me and healed my body!" There was much rejoicing in that house. The presence of Jesus in her heart was seen by the brightness and glory on her face. Later she arose, dressed herself, walked into the front room and helped to get dinner. She ate dinner and was every whit whole and is the same from that day to this. He is the "same yesterday, to-day and forever."

Brother Ed Bruce, Albert Green and Andrew Matthews, all of Bloomfield, Mo., will answer any question regarding this case of healing.—J. H. Law, Bloomfield, Mo.

**PENTECOSTAL WAVE, HAVANA, ARK.**

The Lord has blessed wonderfully at this place. In the last year between 50 and 75 have been saved and 64 baptized in water, and about 35 received the Holy Ghost and spoke in other tongues as in Acts 2:4, and some have been healed by the power of God. Our little girl was very low of typhoid fever but we held on to God and He raised her up. Later our baby was taken in the same way with the fever, but God raised her up the 10th day. Jesus did it all, and I long to see His face.

We expect to build a church if the Lord wills and we would be glad for any help the Lord may lead others to give us.—L. L. Riley.

**LATTER RAIN.**  
In Johnsonville, Ill.

Praise God for His goodness. Souls are being born into the Kingdom. We are few in number but God is wonderfully blessing. We have a band of sixteen who are alive for God. A girl fourteen years of age received the Baptism Tuesday night and spoke in tongues as in Acts 2:4. She gave a wonderful message, and God worked by His Spirit on all present and brought deep conviction on many. We are praying and expecting a great time soon if Jesus tarries, and a greater one if He comes. The Lord called three of us to preach the Gospel and He gives victory through Jesus. We are having cottage meetings. How I praise Him for saving and sanctifying and baptizing me. I spoke in other tongues and later received one of His precious gifts, 1 Cor. 12. More in store. There are some cases of Divine healing here too. Surely God is pouring out the Latter-Rain and we are living in the days of the Preparation, Nahum 2:3, 4.—Dewitt Spicer.

**BLESSING CONTINUES.**  
Portland, Ore.

The power and glory of God is manifestly in our midst. The power falls in sheets at times. Especially so last Sunday. Souls were slain, saved, baptized and numbers healed. It was wonderful. The Word went forth all day under the anointing, and the Lord worked with us, confirming the Word with signs following.—Will C. Trotter.

**THE CLARK-RAHTER MEETING.**  
Tampa, Fla.

We came here ahead of Sister Etter and began her meeting in a large hall at the corner of 23rd St. and 7th Ave. The Lord has blessed us, saving many. Some have received the Baptism. Among the number saved are several Cuban young men and some Italians. We expect it to mean the opening of a work for the Spanish-speaking people as a number are becoming much interested in them.

We were pleased yesterday when a dear Cuban woman came in for healing. She was nearly dead from heart trouble and could not speak English. The Lord touched her wonderfully and on leaving Bro. Webb offered to take her home in his auto. She asked that he would not turn fast as she could not stand it, but we had not gone a block before she began talking in Spanish and said she was well, wondered what her family would say and began praising the Lord.

One old man who has been struck by an engine while walking on the walked now perfectly without any track, causing two large lumps on his back and finally paralyzing his limbs, help and is healed; also has quit the use of tobacco. Another case is that of the daughter of Ex-Governor Gordon of Atlanta, Ga., who lives here. Some years ago she ran a hat pin through her heart and it was with difficulty that she breathed. Could not lie down on that side for ten years, until she was prayed for in our meeting and is now perfectly whole.

Have had many other cases of healing, for which we praise God. We go Feb. 5th to Orlando, Fla. to open a meeting. Sister Etter is there. Her meeting is going on fine. Many workers and others are coming in from surrounding cities, and tourists are beginning to find the meeting. Pray for us. We expect a good time in Orlando as there are so many people in the city at this season.—Earl W. Clark.

**UNITY AND BLESSINGS.**

After a year of silence allow me to testify to the keeping power of God. I never loved God or His Word and work better than I love them today. He keeps all the way. Glory be to His name forever!

The past year has been, in every way, the best of our life in the Master's work. We have seen some of the hard places, but the glory has held through them all. The "Comforter" has been an abiding guest, and the promises of God's Word "a lamp to our feet" and "a light unto our pathway". Yea, His "Truth has been our shield," and Jesus has really been to us "the fairest among ten thousand."

We have worked with a number of the dear brethren, whose names are in the book of life. Our work together for the Master has been pleasant indeed and our fellowship unbroken. We have learned to love them better, and to hold them in high esteem because of their works and their love of the truth. We have not found among these brethren any trace of selfishness, bigotry, jealousy, bossism, or any of those things some feared so much might result from a better order among us, but, on the contrary, there has been the most beautiful spirit of unity, order, freedom, fellowship, and cooperation I have ever witnessed, and God has set His seal upon the work in a marked degree, saving and baptizing hundreds in the Spirit during the year. Thank God for the beautiful Spirit of unity and cooperation among His saints.

Since last August I have been in Ft. Smith most of the time, assisting the brethren in the battle. God has blessed in the saving and baptizing of souls all along. For some two months we have not had meeting each night, but regular weekly and Sunday meetings. I expect from this time on to be in the evangelistic work again. God willing, we will begin a meeting in Malvern, Ark. next Sunday. Pray for us that God will give us souls. My Address will be Fort Smith, Ark., until further notice.—Fred Lohmann.

Don't forget we have changed our address from Findlay, Ohio, to 2838 Easton Ave., St. Louis, Mo.