

"And this Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached (published, Mark 13:10) in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." Matt. 24:14.

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## BROKEN ARROW, OKLA.

The Lord is undertaking for the saints in Broken Arrow. Fourteen have been saved lately and ten received the Holy Spirit and spoke with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.—Pastor J. Rosselli.

## TELLICO PLAINS, TENN.

We have appointed August 8th for the time of our special revival meetings and are looking for people from a great distance. We want everyone to pray for us that the Lord will touch hearts.—W. M. Coleman, Tellico Plains, Tenn.

## VICTORY AT CORNING, ARK.

Am glad I can still report victory here. Saturday night some were saved. Two received the baptism in the Spirit. We had a baptismal service recently, in which 24 were baptized in water and the Lord gave us a blessed time. Don't forget to pray for us that God will keep us humble and give us a revival spirit in our midst.—H. E. Reed.

## GOD VISITS LANKERSHIM.

God is again visiting His people at Lankershim. Three received the baptism recently and one came to Los Angeles and received the baptism, making four. Some eight or more are seeking. We are looking for a mighty outpouring of the Spirit. A sweet spirit of unity prevails in the Assembly. One little girl who was near-sighted, was prayed for and was instantly healed and her teacher has been putting her through a severe test but God has enabled her to meet it. Pray for us.—W. R. Potter.

## REPORT FROM ALABAMA.

Closed a few days meeting at Pearce, Ala., where we had a fine meeting. The Lord wonderfully blessed. Five were reclaimed. One was saved and baptized in water. Left the saints in sweet fellowship, with more love and standing closer to God. Pray that God will send the right man there to Minister to them.

The meetings at Semmes, Ala., have been closed. God manifested himself present in power among the saints, who were refreshed, and had a greater determination to go through with Jesus. We find churches every where in need of a stirring and a revival spirit. We believe our Lord is even at the door.—A. Broadus.

## GOOD REPORT FROM TEXAS.

### Wichita Falls, Texas.

Wife and I have given ourselves wholly to the cause of Christ and God has wonderfully blessed. We started a meeting near the glass factory here in February and thirty-two were saved and ten or twelve received the baptism. Bro. J. C. Helms is now pastor, and they have other good workers. Up to the present about ninety have been saved and about fifty received the baptism, as in Acts 2:4.

We went thence to Vernon, Texas,—a new field and the Lord provided a Gospel tent for that place. The weather was cold and snowy but, in spite of it, God wonderfully blessed and souls were saved, baptized and healed. The meeting is still going on under the auspices of Evangelist Luke Perdue. Then we went on to Electra, Texas, finding a little band there praying for help. God wonderfully blessed here, saving, baptizing and healing. A little Spaniard one night fell prostrate during the song service. He did not receive the baptism until the preaching service was almost closed. Sister Cornelius has the work in charge,—one of God's sweet, spiritual children. Bro. Cornelius lends his whole aid to God's cause, although not a preacher. Sister Sanders and her husband and Sister Chidex and others all seem dear to our hearts. May God bless all of them for their kindness to us in that place.

We need a Gospel tent to go into new fields. May God move on the hearts of people to help us. We are determined to make this year one of our best for Jesus. We would be glad to help others if God permits. We feel called to new fields and not to old missions already established. You can write: Evangelist A. H. Stanley, and wife, Wichita Falls, Texas.

## The "Acts" on Baptism in Christ's Name Only

Inquiries—Explanations—The Case in the Word and as Historically Explained—Apostolic Methods Sprung—  
—"Obey" not "Prove"—Inconsistencies.

(A continuation of Article entitled, "To Act in the Name of Another.")

The editor is having many letters from the brethren in regard to expressions in this series of articles on two points: First as to whether the Assemblies of God and the Presbyters stand for all I say, and second for explanations of expressions used. Nearly all these inquiries are already answered by and in these articles themselves, and where they are not, please wait for future articles to make all plain, as the editor is unable, both for lack of time and strength to give many private and personal answers.

The Presbyters may believe every word written or they may not agree in all details. They are to be held responsible for nothing only as specially issued in their name or by their authority and so stated. They have left me free to write, on my own responsibility and in the name of the Lord, what I believe the Bible sets forth and that which is backed up by history. Though half the world may believe as I do, do not blame anybody for what I say except me. I shall be glad if all the brethren will stand for the Word of God, but I am not writing to please men, nor to defend any party. I am writing to declare and defend the truth and to please my Lord and Master and to glorify His name, and to extend His kingdom. If only these things can be done, I shall be satisfied. Amen!

### Please Read and Re-read.

I ask the brethren to read and reread and be sure they understand me as a whole, and not to take a single expression away from all the coloring and modifications in what is said just before and just after it. Be assured that the editor stands first, last and all the time for everything clearly stated and taught in the WRITTEN WORD OF GOD as above anybody's impressions, claims or private revelations. In things essential and vital to a Gospel faith, we stand for a "Thus saith the Lord," and in things not fundamental to a vital faith and not clearly set forth on either side in the Word, we stand for liberty and freedom,—only none of these minor or doubtful matters should be pressed to the point of division and strife among the saints, for the Word is clearly against such, warning us to mark them who cause divisions among us contrary to the Word, and tells us to turn away from such. We should not hear them nor follow them either, bless God. It is one thing to fellowship a man as an erring brother and child of God, and quite another thing altogether to approve of him as a teacher or to approve of the error he preaches. We cannot approve of any preacher who persistently preaches contrary to the plain written Word of God, nor can we approve of preachers, though they preach like angels, if they have a bad, unteachable "rule or ruin" spirit that shows they are strangers to the grace they profess. Let preachers prove by their own lives and sweet Christ-like spirit that their doctrine is of God making lives better and sweeter. Then they will be entitled to a hearing, but not so if they are as contentious as the devil.

"Mark them that cause divisions among you," Rom. 16:17.

"This persuasion is not of Him that calleth you," Gal. 4:7. Some fruits of the flesh are "enmities, strife, jealousies," and the Apostle adds "of which I forewarn you \* \* \* that they who practice such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God," Gal. 5:21. No amount of provocation from the enemy should cause us to get into bitterness and strife, lest we lose our own souls. This applies as much to one side of a contention as to the other, though he who provokes it is the more to blame. By all means let us all, as becometh saints, keep sweet in our souls.

### Baptism in His Name.

It has been well known to all Bible students for nearly 1900 years that the Book

of Acts many times refers to baptism in the name of Christ. No one disputes this, and no honest child of God wants to dispute this. We welcome the Word of God just as it is. The trouble does not lie in this fact but it lies in the INTERPRETATIONS men put upon these facts and the practices and theories they build up on them.

### Room for Honest Difference.

I am thoroughly aware of the fact that a few maintain there is only one side to this matter; that this side is their view of it; that no one can be honest after hearing them, if he does not see it just as they explained it. THIS IS THE PITY OF IT. It shows the narrowness and blindness in to which the heat of party strife may drive even good men. I know such extremists will denounce me as a compromiser. One has already told me to my face that he had more respect for a certain brother who is fighting him teeth and toe-nail than he had for me for keeping out of the fight. He declared he was against the Evangel and against the Word and Witness and denounced me as a compromiser to my face. But I cannot afford to allow the flesh to provoke me into partisan fight with men. I cannot afford to deny any truth spoken even by the devil, though I may oppose the devil's use of the truth for selfish ends. I cannot be narrow because others are. I cannot deny a truth because one who denounces me holds it.

I am glad only a few are such extremists, and shall trust in God that the broad-minded, noble souls on both sides will appreciate our frank admission of all truth no matter on which side of the fence this lies. If the cause we advocate cannot live and thrive on the whole truth, just let it die and the sooner the better. I am wedded to nothing except Christ and the truth. The devil and men have killed many true men of God for standing for the truth—have knocked them down and out. They may do me likewise. I am not as worthy as some of them. But God has always raised up two in their place, and if it please God for me to fall between friend and foe and be crushed in doing His will, let God's will be done. Let us be true, fair, and stand on the Word though the heavens fall.

### Historic Difference.

As we showed in our last article, men have honestly differed on this matter for 1800 years. Marcion, a heretic, but noble soul, in the very next century after Christ, held the proper words to be used in baptizing were the words "In the name of Christ." Justin Martyr, in the same century, said the words handed down by the Apostles to be used were those given by Christ, namely "In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." So it has been ever since, as we saw in history, here and there until to-day.

I can see how a man may honestly believe that the phraseology in Acts means these very words "In the name of Jesus Christ" are to be repeated over the candidate as he is put under the water though the Acts does not literally say this. If there was nothing else in the New Testament, I am inclined to think few would dispute this. But the command of Jesus contains different words, and a vast majority of all Christians have held from Christ till now, and even now hold just as strongly, that the words our risen Lord gave are the ones best to use in baptizing. Just as those who hold that "In the name of Jesus Christ" are the only proper words to use and find some other explanation for Matt. 28:19, just so others hold that "In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost" are the only proper ones and they explain the phrases in Acts to mean something else. One of these positions is nearly as strong and consistent as the other. The writer holds a broader view than either of these. But some way must be found to explain the seeming inconsistency between Christ and

the Apostles. All devout Bible students agree there can be no real contradiction. Now as this has been an age-long problem, much has been said on it and many explanations given.

### HISTORICAL EXPLANATIONS.

In the five volume, forty dollar set of Hastings Bible Dictionary, the writer on this subject sums up in four divisions the various solutions offered during the past centuries, as follows:—

#### First Division.

"(1) This baptism into or in the name of Jesus Christ is that which was practiced by the disciples of Christ during his earthly ministry (Jno. 4:1-2). That, having been accustomed to this form, they continued to use it probably through life, although Christ had expressly ordered the Trinitarian form, and although the Holy Spirit was not always imparted when this imperfect form was employed, whereas the gift of the Spirit always accompanied baptism in the name of the Trinity. Dict. of Chr. Biog. 1 p. 241."

The writer in "Hastings" does not accept this view. Neither does this editor accept it. There is no evidence that during Christ's ministry the disciples baptized more than simply unto repentance as John did. It was only after the resurrection that they were to publicly declare He was the Christ, and only then that Jesus issued the command to preach repentance and forgiveness of sins in His name. Luke 24:4, 7. Dr. Plummer then proceeds to give the second historical explanation of Acts:

#### Second Division.

"(2) Baptism in the name of one person of the Trinity is virtually baptism in the name of the Trinity and is valid. This seems to be the view of Ambrose. (We leave out the long Latin quotation, because our readers are not all Latin scholars and could not all read it. See De. Spiritu S. 1. 4. 43, 44; Migue 16. 714, 715). Bede understands Ambrose to be writing of the baptismal formula and accepts the solution that baptism in the name of Jesus Christ is really baptism in the name of the Trinity. (See Hastings for Latin references given).

#### Third Division.

"(3) When St. Luke (in Acts) says people were 'baptized in (or into) the name of Jesus Christ' he is not indicating the formula which was used in baptizing, but is merely stating that such persons were baptized as having acknowledged Jesus to be the Lord and the Christ; in short that he is simply telling us that the baptism was Christian. When Peter healed the cripple at the Beautiful Gate of the Temple, the form of words used is quoted: 'In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.' No such form of actual words is quoted in any of the passages in which persons are said to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. There is no evidence (in such words) against the supposition that in these and in all other cases the formula used was that which Christ enjoined. This is perhaps what Cyrian means when he says on Acts 2:38 (Then follows the Latin quotation which says Peter did not mean by special mention of the name of Jesus Christ, to omit the Father, etc.) In 1 Cor. 10:2, where the Israelites are said to have been baptized unto Moses, the meaning is that they were baptized unto obedience to him and acknowledgment of his authority,—not that his name was called over them in some formula. See Lightfoot on 1 Cor. 1:13.

Dr. Plummer in Hastings then follows with the view given by radical critics who do not accept the Bible as the Word of God.

#### Fourth Division.

"(4) The substance of this is that Jesus never spoke the words in Matt. 28:19; never issued any such command to baptize in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost; that these words are a later tradition merely that wrongly got into Matthew's Gospel."

Now remember that the above four explanations are merely those given in history during the past 1900 years. They are not the views of the writer in Hastings, nor are they the views of this editor, only as later stated. Dr. Plummer gives his opinion on these four views as follows:—

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## THE "ACTS" ON BAPTISM IN CHRIST'S NAME ONLY.

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### Plummer's View.

Of these above four views the second (2) and third (3) are far more satisfactory than the other two, (1) and (4), and the third (3) seems to be the best. It is a violent hypothesis to suppose, as in (4)—that words of such importance as Matt. 28:19 were never spoken by Christ, and yet were authoritatively attributed to Him in the First Gospel. \* \* \* This baptismal formula in Matt. 28:19 is in all authorities (Manuscripts) without exception. It is as well attested as any saying of Christ which is recorded in one Gospel only \* \* \* It is reasonable to believe that Christ prescribed the Trinitarian formula, and that His command was obeyed. A. Plummer."

### Not in the Bible Nor History.

You see from the above historic survey by Dr. Plummer that this modern Los Angeles explanation to the effect that the name of the Trinity is Jesus Christ is not mentioned by Dr. Plummer as ever heard of before in history; that it is a new imagination called a revelation. Anyone who can read knows absolutely that the New Testament nowhere gives any such teaching. Nobody on earth can prove the Apostles ever gave any such explanation. Yet this pure invention lies at the very root of the new teaching. I personally sought to reach harmony with one of these Los Angeles leaders, by proposing that we all stand for anything found in the written Word, and that they, on their part, agree not to make an issue out of phrases not found in the written Word,—such as "Jesus is the Father," "The name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost is 'Jesus Christ.'" What do you suppose was the frank admission? I give them in his own words. He said, "We cannot agree to drop these phrases, because they are fundamental to our issue. We cannot keep the issue alive if we drop them. If we drop them, our issue would die."

### Cut out of the Wallet.

This is a frank admission, as I view it, that there is no verse or phrase in the Bible that clearly teaches any such thing, and this new leader well knew it. If there was any scripture that taught this, they could well afford to rest their case on the solid written Word of God. They don't dare do it. This leader admitted their issue would die if they did. This shows clearly that they know these human phrases are the heart of their teaching and that they are thoroughly conscious of the fact that they cannot keep their issue alive on the pure, written Word of God. I say frankly, before God and all the saints, that any issue that cannot be kept alive on the written Word of God is not worthy of living and ought to die. What do men need human issues for, anyhow, and why coin human slogans as a party battle-cry? They always cause division and engender strife.

### Spurn Apostolic Methods.

When there was dispute in the Apostolic Church in the early days over whether circumcision was necessary to salvation or not, Paul and Barnabas, at the direction of the church of Antioch where the dispute arose, went up to confer with the brethren at Jerusalem about this matter, and we read "And the Apostles and the Elders were gathered together to consider of this matter," Acts 15:6. Verses 22 and 28 show that the "Whole church" and the Holy Ghost took part in settling the matter and in coming "to one accord." But these answer such a suggestion from peace-loving saints that we have a similar meeting now to hear the Word on the whole subject and that we thus seek unity and one accord—they answer such a request in a recent issue of their paper, spurning the very methods used by the Apostles, call such compromising, and declare this is not God's method. (Then the Apostles were awfully misled in using it in Acts 15?) They declare God's method is one of conquest. They then call on all the faithful not to sheathe their swords until they have made a conquest of the whole Pentecostal Movement, thinning out their ranks down to those who see as they see it.

### Method on the World.

We frankly admit that God gives no quarters to the world or to heathen, that He proposes nothing short of conquering the world to King Jesus. But God never authorized any preacher to conquer the saints of Jesus Christ. Christ has already won them from Satan unto Himself, and Jesus is their King. To draw the sword to make a "CONQUEST" of God's baptized saints is to treat them as heathen, and as in

the hands of Satan. It unchristianizes baptized saints of the living God—those already filled with His Spirit and His glory. I would not assume such arrogance for the whole world! Yea, they claim that a saint who has been baptized with the Spirit and baptized with water with the very words commanded by our King Jesus have never as much as had Christian baptism yet; that they have not true Christian circumcision! Lord pity them! What will they do next?

### Tables Turned.

From the early days the baptism formula which mentioned only Christ, leaving out the Father and the Holy Ghost, was questioned by the Apostolic fathers. Such unitarian baptism was on the defensive, had to apologize for itself and endeavor to show it had in it the essence of the fuller formula given by Christ. On the other hand the Trinitarian formula was good as gold. But these new revelators have turned the table. They have reversed all history. They have done the new and unheard of thing. They espouse and declare that which has always been questioned to be the pure gold, and deny the validity of baptism if performed with the very words Jesus Christ commanded! What will they do next? Will they ask Jesus to come down from the throne and let them show Him how to run the kingdom? God forbid.

### Not Paul's Method.

Even when the Apostle knew his own converts and saints were in error he did not wave a red flag in their face and tell them he was coming over with the sword to conquer them, as these brethren declare their purpose to do with the saints of this movement. What did Paul say? He said, "To the weak I became weak, that I might gain the weak," 1 Cor. 9:22. Again "Now I Paul entreat you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ," 2 Cor. 10:1. Still again he says "Being reviled we bless; being persecuted, we endure; being defamed, we entreat," 1 Cor. 4:12, 13. Now Paul had the real spirit of Christ and if we will all humble ourselves before our brethren after this same Christ-like fashion, God will do the conquering for us.

I want to beg the saints not to get vexed and get into a fighting spirit against those who have openly declared their purpose to conquer you or "bust," for if you do you will lose out in your souls and the devil will laugh at you. He designed this very snare to make many backslide. Do not be caught unawares. When the mighty conquerors come your way, simply lock the stable door and pray. God will see that the horse is not stolen. Demand chapter and verse.

### Obey, not Prove.

They tell us we cannot prove the Apostles ever baptized anybody with the words Jesus commanded. Well, Jesus commanded to repent and believe. It makes no difference whether anybody else ever did this or not; it is my duty to obey just the same. Jesus promised to "raise up at the last day" every one who believed on Him. I cannot prove He has ever yet raised a single one who believed on Him, but that makes no difference. I believe it just the same. I don't have to prove the Apostles obeyed Jesus before it is my duty to obey. As a matter of fact I believe they did obey Him by baptizing essentially as He commanded; but my point is this is not a valid point. It is my duty to obey Him, no matter what I can prove or cannot prove.

### Some Inconsistencies.

These new leaders tell us that we are not to baptize with the exact words that Jesus commanded; that we are to get the revelation they have of His meaning and then substitute this conjectured meaning for His exact words. Then they turn right around and violate this same principle by refusing to apply it to the Apostles as well as Christ. They refuse to take their own medicine, for when Peter says "be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ" in the discourse of a general sermon where he is answering their question of what to do to get out of their predicament for having crucified in ignorance the Prince of Life, no hint at all is given that he meant to discuss the exact words the preacher should use in dipping the candidate. So when one calls attention to this probability that he was not likely giving the exact formula to be used, that we are to find out what he meant and do that instead, then they balk. They insist he meant we must use these exact words. Well, how do they know he meant to repeat these exact words? The Bible does not say he meant this, and how

do they come to know more than the Bible says? Why also this inconsistency, to insist on the exact words in the case of the Apostle and deny the use of the exact words in a specific command of Jesus? Moreover, the overwhelming majority of Holy Ghost, illuminated Bible interpreters, by all odds, from the Apostles down to this day, contradict their contention. They have held that Christ's own exact words were to be used and the language of the Apostles interpreted in harmony with Christ's commanded words, whereas these new revelators hold the Apostles must be interpreted literally and the words commanded by Christ must be condensed to fit the shorter expressions of the Apostles. Why so? Who is Lord, anyway, in this matter? Is it not Jesus Christ? Glory to God! He is my King.

### Inconsistency Apparent.

Now we have seen these leaders are arbitrary and inconsistent in their methods of interpretation. We have seen that the Bible nowhere says that only such and such words must be pronounced over the candidate, as these brethren contend. We have seen that God's saints, from the Apostles till now, have held the opposite to what they are now teaching. We have seen that the contention on the part of some, that in baptizing no mention should be made of the Father and the Holy Ghost, that this view has more and more lost ground after a fair hearing. It is not reasonable to believe that this modern revival of this old issue will go the way, within a short while, of all its predecessors. If these brethren are half-way right in their contention that this unitarian formula which mentions only one person of the Trinity, was once the universal "mode," as they call it, of baptizing by all the Apostles, that nothing else was known or practiced, and then somebody invented another Trinitarian mode which was strong enough to displace this former universal practice, then they can have little hope of recapturing the world. If they are half-way right, this method had the best start it ever can have in the world and then lost out! Now that saints take Jesus to be Lord and obedience to the words in His command has made this Trinitarian form of invocation at baptism well nigh universal can they dare hope, by their claim to a brand new revelation, to upset all Christendom? Nay! Nay, we venture to predict it is now at high water mark, and that the old issue so needless will dwindle down, as it always has.

### New Invention Cannot Stand.

This claim of a new revelation simply cannot stand in the face of the explicit command indisputable of the living Son of God to "baptize in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost," Matt. 28:19. In charity and love, the editor can bear in respect to his brethren's conviction that baptism in the name of Jesus Christ only is baptism, also out of reverence for what might have been considered by the Apostles as the fair equivalent of what Jesus commanded. I can accept this as Christian baptism when so administered to a new convert, but when one saved and filled with the Holy Ghost has been immersed in Bible order and in good faith, with the invocation Jesus gave, and then this person is proselyted to reject the command of Jesus, go back on this as baptism, and take something else with

the deliberate intention of denying mention of the Father and of the Holy Ghost,—to say the least of it, we cannot admit the person is any better baptized than before. I cannot approve of such a needless issue. I cannot approve of this denial of the validity of baptism merely because the words Jesus commanded were used. Never! I cannot go back on my Lord like this.

I believe that every honest soul who has done this will one day regret this step, as the noble heretic Marcion did near his death. Meantime let us keep sweet; let us love all the dear saints,—those in this error as well as those in some other, for doubtless none of us yet has all the truth God has for us.—E. N. Bell.

### MARVELOUSLY HEALED.

#### A Sister Healed of Cancer, Saved and Baptized in the Spirit.

For eight years I suffered at intervals with cancer under my arm. It finally grew to be the size of an egg. The discharge from this caused a very disagreeable odor, which would almost make me sick, and I did not attend church or go in company because of this. At last the pain was very intense and the sore was fast eating my flesh. I also suffered from chronic headache for five years, taking from three to five headache tablets every day. I would suffer, take medicine, fret, worry and quarrel and did not know I was lost. I was a member of the Baptist church and thought I was saved although I had never heard of prayer being offered for healing of diseases. Our home was a dark place. My husband was a skeptic and very wicked, but Praise Jesus, He has changed our lives and our home.

In June, of last year, a company of Pentecostal workers came to our town and began meetings not far from our home. We attended the services and made fun of them. One night they spoke about healing. I did not believe what they said, so I went home and got my Bible and began to search and soon found it was in the Word of God. Then I began to realize I was lost and must be saved and healed by the Lord or all hope was gone.

I began to pray at home. The Lord seemed to give me some faith. One night I went to the altar to have prayer for my healing. They did not ask me what was the matter with me and I did not tell them. They anointed me with oil, laid hands on me in the name of the Lord Jesus, as in James 5:14, and prayed. I felt at that moment I was healed. By the next evening the cancer was gone and may have been gone sooner, as I did not think to look. The headache left while they were praying, and I am now healed of both, and am saved and have the blessed baptism of the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4, and our home is now a happy home, for which we are very grateful to the Lord.—Mrs. Ethel Lindsey, Breckenridge, Texas.

### NOTE FROM THE SOUTH.

Have just returned from the southeastern part of Mississippi and Mobile Co., Ala., where we met Brothers Jessup, Slay and others, helping them to group the Assemblies and call pastors. Our God is blessing in that country; also in Tennessee. Pray for me that I may be faithful and go on with God and win souls for God.—H. G. Rodgers.

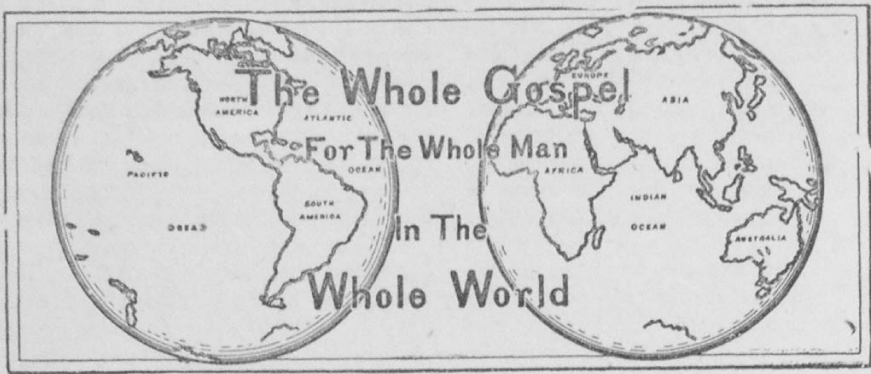
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#### ETHEL N. WEBB. China.

The Lord has graciously answered prayer and poured out His Spirit again in our midst, cleansing and reviving His little ones. It first began in our immediate circle and native teachers; then spread to the children. We saw by results that it was a deep work, and how we praised Him! Some were broken-hearted over sins. We are looking to Him still for healing for some of our girls, that their bodies may be cleansed of all disease, as well as the spirit. Will you join with us in prayer to this end?

#### B. S. MOORE. Japan.

Four are saved clear and others are seeking,—10 last night, and 28 Friday night, and we will baptize them soon.

We are strong for oneness in Christ, separated unto Him, living and abiding in Him, "outside of the ecclesiastical camp," bearing His reproach. God help us to retain our pilgrim character and meet our bridegroom without spot. It means much to love one another with a pure heart fervently.

God is blessing us here and giving some souls amid conflicts of hatred and demons. The war makes things worse. Pray for us as we do need strength to hold us up. We need the prayers of the saints.

#### L. A. BAKER. India.

I shall be glad if the dear friends will ever remember me at His throne of Grace. I need much grace and strength to go through all the way with Jesus.

We have had a wonderful little convention here. Sister Herron has written you about it. The Holy Spirit is very present, convicting of sin and convincing of the truth as it is in Jesus. These precious Railway people are being drawn to the Cross of Calvary. We have nightly meetings, pretty well attended, but, above all, the dear Master is so present, blessing all Pray that God will mightily pour out His Spirit upon these dear people. Many were saved during the Convention. Not a few are seeking the baptism in the Holy Ghost and fire. One man who was a witch-doctor has been so wonderfully saved. He has given up the whole of the wicked craft, accepted Jesus, making full confession, and is now seeking his baptism. Praise God for such mighty salvation.

#### TEACHES A SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS IN JAPAN.

Beatrice Bernauer.

I wish to add my little letter and ask you all to praise God with me that my wish to be a real missionary for Jesus has been granted at last.

God has given us a mission hall in one of the poorer quarters of the city where we have a big Sunday School, and I have a class to teach all by myself. Last Sunday there were thirteen little girls in my class, and next Sunday I expect to have twenty.

Please pray for me that God will help me to tell the sweet story of Jesus to these poor little children. I must speak and sing in Japanese. I am sure God has helped me to learn the language quickly, for mama has never been able to put me in school. I am thirteen years old.

Your little sister who loves Jesus.

#### JUST OPENED A NEW MISSION.

Estella Bernauer, Japan.

We have just opened a mission hall in one of the poorer quarters of the city; a place where there is hardly anyone who has heard the Gospel. Last Sunday we had eight children, and the house was well filled with older ones and adults at the evening service. Six of the young men, who at-

tend the English Bible Class here, went out to help us. Two of these are to be baptized next Saturday, D. V.

At the close of our first service at the mission, five raised their hands signifying a desire for a better life. Last Wednesday eve and Sunday eve there was real conviction on the meeting, and Sunday eve one man remained to pray.

Do hold us up in prayer. My helper is so young and inexperienced, but God certainly gives him power to preach. Our eyes are on God. Oh that He may come in the midst.

#### GIDEON A DAHLSTEIN. China.

We are still holding up Jesus the Savior, in spite of every opposition of evil and darkness that surrounds us. We praise God for what He is doing and we are expecting Him to pour out His Spirit in great measure. We are the only foreigners living in here. Pray for us that we may be faithful and able to stand here to proclaim the everlasting Gospel of salvation. Lately the Lord has opened the way for us to go to two villages some distance away where the relatives of some of our Christian natives live. There are many hungry souls there who want to hear, and at the same time the devil is stirred up and trying to hinder. We praise the Lord for these open doors. We have opened up a Sunday-School here and believe the Lord will bless it. The children are so interested.

#### GEORGE'S CREEK, TEXAS.

God has given us some glorious services. He has given us poor people a mission at this place and we praise His name for it. Bro. Orham is the Pastor and God is using him in a wonderful way. Pray for us. I am so glad I found Jesus.—Bertha Calahan.

#### REVIVAL SPIRIT IN HOUSTON.

The Lord's work here is prospering and the power of God is falling. Souls are being saved and some baptized in the Spirit and many sick are healed in answer to prayer. A real revival spirit is in our midst.—Wm. Morwood.

#### A TESTIMONY.

I am a witness for Jesus and He has sanctified me and baptized me with the Holy Ghost baptism. Looking steadfastly up to heaven I saw the glittering, shining glory of the Lord. There was rejoicing in heaven. If peace be in the heart the wildest winter storm is full of solemn beauty. There is no night in heaven and the ways of the Lord are right. The just shall walk in them. If we will only hold out to the end we shall shine like the stars. I am so glad I ever found the highway of holiness. Dear reader, rest not until you have reason to believe your name is written in heaven.—Fanna Cullbreath, Rainbow, Texas.

#### NOTICE TO TEXAS SAINTS.

Let all of the preachers and workers that intend to visit the Camp meetings of Texas be much in prayer. Otherwise your preaching will be vain, dealing out death instead of life. The closet, the secret chamber, is God's store-house here on earth. Every sermon, song or testimony that comes direct from God first lodges in this store-house and is given out to the people by the clerks, God's preachers and workers, who almost live in this store-house. Do you brethren catch on? We need the goods down here in Texas. We are tired of everlastingly big preachers, big sermons, and big expenditures of money fooling our people. Saints, get under the load, live on your knees with God. Then you will be of some account to the Camp-meeting—Harvey Shearer.

#### A TESTIMONY.

God cleansed my heart from sin 15 years ago and five years ago I received the baptism as in Acts 2:4. How we need to sink into God! Truly it is a delightful life to live. Some at this place are beginning to see the light of the glorious Latter Rain

and are taking a stand for it. Some have been healed and saved. One sister had been confined to her bed two months and God raised her up at once and saved her and her husband, he being at church at the time. She is still a little weak. Several children have been healed. Pray that God may work here.—Mrs L. E. Cundiff, Ft. Towson, Okla.

#### A TESTIMONY.

I thank God for saving me and for the way He is giving me comfort from His Word. I was baptized in the Holy Ghost nearly two years ago. Thanks be to His Holy name. I earnestly ask all the saints to pray for my wife and myself.—B. F. Campbell, Groveton, Texas.

#### ANACOCO, LA.

We just closed a three weeks meeting here. There were twelve saved and ten of them received the baptism of the Holy Ghost as in Ac's 2:4. This is at my home town where I was saved two years ago and was baptized, and God told me to go and tell it.—J. H. Cook and wife.

#### WORKERS NEEDED.

Brewer, Ark.

The work here is in great need of helpers,—those who are on fire for God and with whom God is confirming His Word with signs following. We will gladly welcome any who are led this way. The work was established over two years ago but has grown very weak. Many have fallen away and grown cold, but God has begun to move on hearts and some are getting hungry for God. Please pray for us that God will send workers.—Effie Tyler.

#### MANY BAPTIZED AT FIR, ARK.

Praise God for what He has done here! About 65 have been baptized in the Holy Ghost and spoken as in Acts 2:4. Most all are faithfully holding out and are having unity of spirit. We have cottage prayer-meetings three times a week. God is manifested sometimes wonderfully in our midst. Pray for us—and pray also for myself as I am suffering from sciatic rheumatism, and want complete deliverance.—Letha Deaigh.

#### PORTLAND, OREGON.

The work is glorious. There have been some of the very finest baptisms in the Spirit I have ever witnessed. Five or six old-timers who have been seeking for five or six years, have just this week received powerful baptisms. Those not through yet are very close. There has been a remarkable case of healing from infantile paralysis; and one of Bright's disease. The woman was dying. The power falls so that we can do no preaching. There is a good atmosphere on the campground—Will C. Trotter.

#### A TESTIMONY.

I received my baptism in Dallas Texas two years ago next July and we moved here to Okeene where there are no Pentecostal people and the darkness seems so thick that I fear, but, Praise Jesus! He is light and in Him is no darkness. Pray that we may move where God's people are. That God will send workers here, where we need the old-time religion. I was healed of consumption and received the baptism. Pray for my husband that God may bless him and give him a longing for more of Him, and to be among the people of God.—Mrs. Vista Naylor, Okeene, Okla.

#### BAPTIZED AND HEALED.

On the second day of last June, 1914, the Lord baptized me with the precious Holy Ghost. I was afflicted with stomach trouble and could hardly eat anything but milk and bread, but, praise God! I am healed both soul and body. My husband, three children and myself have not taken a dose of medicine in eleven months, whereas before we scarcely missed taking something about every two or three days.

We are building a church and desire the prayers of the saints that God will send a strong band here this summer to help us. We have a place for anyone, who feels led of the Lord, to put their living tent up, and we will have a house in which to hold meetings. Pray that God may burden our hearts for the lost in this place.—Mrs. Clemmie Allcorn, Oakhurst, Texas.

#### SCHOOL GROWING AT BOSWELL, (Oklahoma.)

Our school is growing mightily. About 40 or 50 every Sunday. They had been having meeting about once a month, but now there are two reading schools and

meetings every Sunday and two or three times during the week, except in busy season. We want to have a Children's Day later, but need a man full of the Spirit to speak for us on that day, and we might hold a few days meeting if the Lord leads. Pray for us.—J. M. Murray, R 1, Box 34, Boswell, Okla.

#### MANY BAPTIZED.

Near Rush Springs, Okla.

The Lord is wonderfully saving, baptizing and healing and calling new laborers into His vineyard. We are in a neighborhood eight miles east and two miles south of Rush Springs, Okla. We have about 50 or 60 saints and the Lord is still saving and baptizing souls. In the month of April fifteen were saved and about twenty were baptized in the Spirit with the signs following. One man of 63 years was saved and later was very sick of neuralgia and called for the elders of the church as in James 5:14. He was thought to be dying, but when prayer was offered and the disease rebuked in Jesus' name, the Lord raised him up and he glorified God and warned sinners to get right with God.

The Lord has been pouring out His Spirit and the children in school sing and pray and some are saved and baptized and speak in tongues in school. Sometimes they go off to the creek at recess and don't get back until late. Pray for us that God will continue His blessing.—M. G. Dunlap, R 3, Box 42, Rush Springs, Okla.

#### GLORIOUS CONVENTION IN NEW YORK.

A most blessed convention at Union Hill, N. J. Beulah Heights Home and Missionary Training School, has just closed. Many were baptized in the Spirit, speaking in other tongues. There were many cases of healing; baptisms in water. Many were saved, sanctified and strengthened.

On Friday May 28th the Missionary offering was given, under the direction of Bro. R. E. Erdman of Buffalo. There was much joy and the Lord met the saints. Bro. Robbins of Elkland, Pa. and others from Detroit, M.ch., New Haven and Bridgeport, Conn., New York City and Brooklyn, assisted.

The Convention was held over the last two Sundays in May and during the services uncontrollable waves of joy swept over the vast gatherings. The power and manifest glory of God were much in evidence.

Eternity alone can tell of the great good that was begun here. The main theme of the Convention was "The blood"—then the "Essence of the Blood"—the Oil of Gladness in healing.

While the banner over the whole Convention was "Real Whiteheated LOVE," praise the Lord, we are so glad to be able to report that we did not wait until the last of the feast, for the "real wine" of the Kingdom was partaken of by all in the first days of the Convention. Some of us will not meet again in Convention until we meet Him in "the Morning"—in the Resurrection morning, Hallelujah!

One secret of the Convention was "All met with one mind and one accord and praised the Lord." Hearts and singers and instruments lifted up their voices with praise and thanksgiving to God for his mercy and goodness, and by reason of the UNITED PRAISE, the Glory of the Lord came down and filled the house. (Read 2 Chron. 5:11 to end)

#### An Old Secret.

We pass on this old secret of the Lord to OTHER CONVENTIONS AND CAMP-MEETINGS. Some years ago it was our privilege to participate in a camp-meeting with Dr. Yoakum. In the very absence of any power, while much confusion and discontent were manifest, we went one morning early for prayer but the Spirit was much grieved and was absent from the meeting. Before the close of the hour of prayer a brother sprang upon the platform and begged all the saints present to listen just a moment, and by much pleading he prevailed upon ALL AT THE MEETING TO JUST BEGIN TO PRAISE GOD. In less than five minutes the whole company was shouting and singing and the devil was routed out, and such a wave of joy swept over the whole Camp that many can never forget the time.

The secret is: Praise God with heart and tongue. Let feeling go to the winds. Just begin to praise Him, and the victory is yours. The devil will take an awful tumble if you only begin to PRAISE GOD. Faith in God will absolutely bring the victory.

Pray for us at Beulah Heights.—J. M. P.