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THE FIFTH GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE ASSEMBLIES of GOD

will be held at St. Louis, Mo. beginning
Sept. 9th and continuing until all im-
portant matters are attended to.

The first day will be entirely devotional. The roster will be made up Monday morning, September 10th, at 9 A. M. Everyone is urged to be present on time, preferably for the first service on Sunday the 9th.

Because of the many Assemblies which have aligned themselves with the Council during the past year, a new situation is created which must be met by the Council. Not only are all preachers holding credentials with the General Council expected to be present, but each assembly is expected to send representatives. Matters of vital importance are facing us this year, and the coming Council is fraught with great possibilities for God.

Further announcement later.

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SALVATION FOR THE SOLDIER BOYS

MAN'S EXTREMITY IS GOD'S OPPORTUNITY



C. W. Doney and wife

"For when thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness."

No one that has any vital knowledge of actual war conditions that are prevailing, and the terrible toll of human lives that has been levied, will doubt for one moment that the judgments of God are in the earth today.

If you travel with the missionary through the countries where the war is raging, and claiming its thousands of victims of wounded, bleeding and dying, no doubt you will agree with us that peace is virtually taken from the earth. "There is no peace saith my God to the wicked."

Multitudes are being drawn not only into the awful vortex of war, but on into Christless graves. Many are left wounded and dying, perhaps entangled in the awful barbed wire, on the death strip of "no man's land." Then hosts have been buried in the trenches, forsaken in the onrush of the battle, while others are laid to rest under desert sands far away from home and mother.

Still the battle rages fiercer, and the struggle more bitter. What can be done?

God says, "When my judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness."

Beyond controversy, more turn to God and righteousness in time of war than in time of peace; more cry for mercy when trouble, sorrow and famine stare them in the face than when they revel in peace and plenty.

In Egypt we met hundreds and thousands going to the front, their blood hot for the fray. No time to pray; no time to listen to the Gospel; no time to think of God and heaven, but when they returned broken, wounded and dying, they now had time to listen to the story of Jesus and His love—they had time to pray, and many wept their way to the Christ who died for them, and rose again that they might have salvation and eternal life.

Hundreds have knelt in the blood-soaked trenches, and said, "God be merciful to me a sinner." Others prayed again the prayer they lisped at mother's knee, "Gentle Jesus meek and mild, look upon a little child." And the Lord heard their cry.

One young soldier could only remember one text of Scripture, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved," and while obeying the command to charge the enemy with fixed bayonet he cried, "Lord I believe, Lord I believe." He fell wounded, was taken to the hospital, but he believed God. His faith saved him.

Millions of tracts and Scripture portions have been given out among the soldiers on the different fronts, and this has resulted in the salvation of many who have said they have seen all the hell they want to see, and now they want God and eternal life; and are hungry for even a portion of His Word.

In several instances a converted soldier has torn out the leaves of his Testament and distributed them to other soldiers eager for the words of life. When death was striking all around him in the trenches, a corporal once offered all the money he had, fifteen pounds (about \$75)

for a Testament, but not one of the men could be induced to part with his treasured little book.

We thank God for the privilege of meeting so many of the precious soldier boys in Egypt. A number were saved in our mission in Cairo, some were baptized with the Holy Ghost as on the day of Pentecost. They went to the front, were shot down and went home to heaven, redeemed and washed in the blood of the Lamb. Their lives were a blessing to others on the battle field, in the trenches, and the prisoner's camp. They lived and died for Jesus, and won others for God and heaven.

We are expecting soon to return to Egypt, and the work to which God has called us, and the Lord is opening the way before us. We feel that a greater work lies before us, not only with the native church, but also among the soldiers. Pray for them, for the natives in Egypt, and for us that God will keep us in the center of His will, and give us a harvest of souls for Him who said, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of harvest, that He would send forth laborers into His harvest."—C. W. Doney, Missionary.

A GREAT MISSIONARY CONFERENCE Is being Planned to be Held at St. Louis, Mo., Beginning September 13th.

All the missionaries in the Home field who can be reached are being invited to attend this great conference. All the Pentecostal Missionary centers are being urged to send representatives. One of the leading missionaries will be asked to preside in the conference.

For a long time the missionaries on the field have been desiring that a closer co-operation be realized between the home and foreign field. All the distributing missionary centers in the home field have felt the same need. This conference is intended that the home and foreign fields may get together to see what can be done to bring about this co-operation.

If your heart is concerned about the salvation of the lost in foreign fields as well as your home field, come to this great conference.

If you believe in the coming of the Lord and expect to stand on the sea of glass with representatives from all nations, come to this great conference. The world is our parish.

Further and more complete information will be given later.

A DREAM OF CHRIST'S COMING.

Just now comes to my mind a very impressive dream I had a few nights ago. As I awoke I felt such an awe around me and a stronger assurance of the soon coming of Jesus than ever before. The dream was that a company of saints were together in a place praying, when suddenly we all looked to the skies, and the moon had become red as blood and so dark. While we looked on this the sun and stars became dark also; then after that, just to the right of all this, the heavens opened and Jesus came forth and stood before us and, looking upon us all, He smiled. Just then I awakened and took my Bible to read. The first words I saw were, "Brethren the time is short," also the "night is far spent, the day is at hand, let us therefore be sober and watch unto prayer." Also in Joel 3:15, "The sun and the moon shall be darkened and the stars shall withdraw their shining." As the dream was in accord with the Scriptures we felt that it was a warning to pray and be ready for His soon coming.—B. S. Moore.

"EXERCISED SENSES." Hebrews 5:12-14.

By Mrs. Frank Hodges.

Nowhere in the Word of God do we read of a ready-made, completely finished experience, even in the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

The Pentecostal Baptism is a Gate, not a Goal.

The Apostle Paul in Hebrews 5:12, 13, 14 warns his converts of the danger of their remaining in the state of spiritual babyhood, and one mark of that state, he says, is undeveloped and unexercised senses. In these days of advanced education and instruction of the young, every faculty and sense is trained and developed. Children are being taught through the exercise and development of their senses of sight, hearing, touch, memory, etc., and by reason of constant use and discipline, their faculties are quickened, enlarged, and trained for future use and service, in the years to come—though the capacity will be greater in some natures and lesser in others.

As we apply this spiritually, we see that God has given to us spiritual senses, even as in the natural, and that He expects us to put to use, in the power of His Spirit, the senses He has given. For example:—there are those who, through an over-development of the emotional side of their nature, will refuse to discern, to exercise any measure of sound judgment, lest they wound, or act contrary to the spirit of love. Upon remarking to a Pentecostal brother how full of love another brother in Pentecost was, he replied, "Yes! He is so full of love that he would put his arms, if possible, round the devil!"

Let us look at the spiritual senses the Lord has given, and wishes us to use and exercise.

I. The Sense of Hearing.

It takes time and cultivation to hear, to distinguish the Spirit's voice. There are many voices that clamour for a hearing. The voice of false teachers; the voice of our own imagination, and desires; the voice of some well-meaning friend, who would hold us back, but the mark of the true sheep of Christ's fold is that they hear and know His voice.

How can we distinguish and know the voice of the Holy Spirit? It is a voice that brings quietness to the spirit and rest to the heart. Every voice that brings unrest and causes a sense of hurry and worry is a false, deluding voice, and is *not* the voice of the Holy Spirit. *God's voice speaks in stillness and brings peace within.* The voice of the Spirit always speaks in harmony with the written Word of God. Any impression or "leading" that goes beyond or contradicts Scripture is not from the Holy Spirit, but some other spirit. The outward circumstances will always sooner or later, correspond with the inward leading. The power to hear and distinguish the voice of the Holy Spirit will come most easily to the one who cultivates the habit of silent waiting upon God.

"Be still and thy Beloved will speak,
When He hath found a silent heart."

II. The Sense of Touch.

What power there can be in a touch! A kindly sympathetic touch. And much more in a Spirit-inspired one! Jesus, as He touched the sick and afflicted, carried with that touch healing, restoration, life. We need to be daily so in living "touch" with Him and "charged" with the power of the Holy Spirit that as we only take the hand of another, currents of life will flow (it may be unconsciously) from us into them.

We do not read in the Word that Jesus ever touched anyone who was possessed with an evil spirit. He first

cast out the demon, with the word of authority, and after that laid His hands upon them.

III. The Sense of Smell or Scent.

It is said of Christ, that the Spirit of God resting upon Him should make Him quick of scent in the fear of the Lord. In the natural realm there are some who lack the sense of smell. They scent no fragrance in the flowers, they smell no perfume in nature. On the other hand there are those who are keen to detect, and to discern the various scents around them. So, spiritually, we should cultivate this fine sensitiveness, and so go on to inhale the perfume, the sweet odor of the presence of the Lord, that wherever we go we shall exhale a fragrance all around us of His love and grace.

Is there anything more deeply needed today in our Pentecostal assemblies than the gift of the Spirit to scent the presence of the false and unreal and also to recognize the real in each member of the body, no matter how humble that member may be?

IV. The Sense of Sight.

Spiritual Revelation—Spiritual vision. We are told in the Word of God that one result of the Holy Spirit's coming was to be to reveal to us the mysteries hidden in the Word; to show us things to come; to reveal Jesus in our hearts; to give us revelations of the coming King and kingdom, that the eyes of our heart (R. V.) may be illuminated, so that we may know more deeply than the human mind and intellect can grasp, the wonderful fullness in Christ for us and His wonderful purposes in this present age and dispensation. God does not want us to be ignorant of these things, He will give revelation to all who ask and seek.

Vision—Many do receive wonderful visions in the present day. Your young men shall see visions, and the young maidens too! Praise the Lord for every holy Spirit-given vision, so long as faith does not rest on the visions, but on the Word of God. It is a mistake to tell out every vision that is given to us. Some visions should be sacred between the soul and God. Other visions are "yet for an appointed time" and bring discredit when they are told out before God's time, and nothing seems to come of them. We need the guidance and wisdom of the Holy Spirit in this matter.

V. The Sense of Taste.

"Oh taste and see that the Lord is good, blessed is the man that trusteth in Him." "How sweet are Thy Words to my taste, yea sweeter than honey to my mouth!" Ps. 34:8; and 119:103. The sense of spiritual taste can be developed under the instruction of the Holy Spirit. We not only "taste" but we *eat* of the heavenly bread, we feed upon Him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving; we learn to eat the flesh of the Son of God, and to drink His blood; we taste the riches of His love, and grace, and glory; and as we continue to eat day by day, our spirits, souls, and bodies are built up, nourished and strengthened in the Divine life. "Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh My blood, hath eternal life." "He that eateth My flesh, and drinketh My blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him." John 6:54, 56.

"For when by the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe. But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil." Heb. 5:12-14. — Hereford, England.

"FERVENT IN SPIRIT, SERVING THE LORD."**A Timely Message by Andrew D. Urshan.**

(Continued from Evangel No. 192.)

Now the man who is hot, the man who is a normal Christian, has the fire of the Holy Ghost in him. This great need we saw before we ever had the baptism. Divine healing, sanctification, didn't satisfy. We felt there ought to be something in our lives that would move us more, and would make the steam of Christ's life come forth stronger, something that would make our singing come from our innermost being. Glory be to God! And we were searching, and searching, and found out that it was the baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire. But you know, when this baptism of fire came, my! the shaking and the singing and the boiling came. And this is the way the report came out; it was the message for the whole world. It was not making people scared to death, it was making the devil scared to death. It was saying, "The water is boiling, come and drink." It was rivers of living water coming from our innermost being.

So, beloved, to be a real normal Christian is to be filled with the Holy Ghost and fire. I don't say you are not saved before you have the baptism; you are saved that you might get the baptism—you are saved to get the fire and have it blazing.

This man whose heart is on fire, his prayers are hot. He doesn't make people who are seeking God sick with his prayers. He brings fire upon the people who are seeking. His prayers, beloved, are coming fresh from the altar of God. That man is a normal Christian. I am not putting a wrong standard before you, I am telling you what the Scriptures say.

A normal Christian has fervent praises; they are fresh and melting. When he sings a song he refreshes the souls which have been hit by the devil, which have been discouraged, the souls which are walking in the shadow of death. His song is so hot that it makes a man melt in tears, and get up and dance; he is so happy, he thinks he is hearing a heavenly song. "Oh, what a wonderful song, how could you sing like that, is it something new?" "No, it is the same old song." "What makes it so sweet?" "Why, there's fire in it!" The man singing it is on fire.

Beloved, when we were in Persia, the people had all kinds of wrong thoughts about us, because some had reported I was insane, and made the people crazy, and that I used to hypnotize people, and was a terrible fellow. Many were afraid of me. But when we sang in the streets there, just looked into their faces, and sang a common song that they knew—they began to like it. We kept on, singing a solo, and our heart just burning with love for them. We did not care what they thought about us, we loved them. We sang about Jesus, how He died for us, and the tears would run down from our own cheeks, and we got so blessed, the fire was going on the same, blazing out, Glory to God! When I had finished the people said, "Say, did you make that song up yourself; is that an American song you translated?" "No. Why, don't you know it? It is 'Jesus Lover of My Soul,'" etc. "Why, we never heard such sweetness in that song before; we never heard anything like it." I said, "It is because there is the fire of God in it. That was what I got in America that you called 'crazy.' I received the Holy Ghost, and when He comes upon you, it is so sweet, just like oil with fire on it. It softens you, melts you. You all were against me; now you are pretty much softened."

This made people cry and weep, and get melted. The power of God went through such songs. It is blessed to SING HOT SONGS, not very classical music that you

learn and have in your head, but singing from the depth of love in your heart. If you are a normal Christian, and have classical music in your head, it will join with your heart in the fire of the Holy Ghost, and the whole thing will be glorious. It is wonderful when God puts the fire in the faithful heart, and it comes out in a song that goes right down into the heart of the others around you. If it comes from the head only, it goes into the head only, but when it comes from the heart, it goes into the heart of the hearers. This is the kind of singing the HOT man has.

This hot Christian has great love for the Bible! He would rather die than deny one little word in it. If he wants to break his sleep, he will read the Bible. He is just the opposite of the other fellow, who reads it to go to sleep.

Then this man has an overwhelming love for his brothers and sisters in Christ. He doesn't pump love up himself, it is there. He cannot help loving them. If he doesn't know you at all, if you are a real Christian, something in him will tell him that you belong to him. He never saw you before, but something in him loves you in a deep, mysterious way—no matter what nationality you are or what business you are in, he will love you because the fire of God is in him. That man who has the real Christian experience, loves missionaries. He loves all the world with an overwhelming love. When he sees these missionaries coming from the foreign land, having to work so hard, some are thin and so identified with the nations they live among, they look just like them; when he sees these missionaries sitting on the platform, worn out from the conflict, so tired, my! how his heart goes out to them; he would just give his life for them. Oh, he doesn't know what to do for them, he loves them so much. Why? Because he knows they are working in the vineyard of his Father. He has compassion in his soul, weeping for them. But the lukewarm man is not like that. They have given all their life on the field and the little life left, he wants to get that out to them too. And if they don't give a stirring message, he will say "I was disappointed over so and so. I heard they were so good, but, oh my! they are dry." Are you like that? Oh, you are lukewarm! You have not the hot love. If you are a normal Christian, you will say "It is not the time for these dear ones to bring blessing to us; it is time to take them in our arms and give them the best rest we can and encourage them, make them get fat in their spirit, and send them back again."

The man who has this love in him will have compassion for precious souls. He will want to see the altars filled, and not only to see them filled, but he will do his utmost to help people get through. He will not say "Let the pastor do this;" he will say "I will go and do the best I can to help these people." He has the zeal of the Lord burning in his soul. His conversation is like salt, "words seasoned with salt." Wherever it falls, there is refreshing. His life at home is a hot one. Hallelujah! You know when the fire is upon that teakettle, it shines, and the face shines. The face of that person is shining. He is humble, lowly, meek because the fire is burning; he has a broken heart, a contrite spirit because of the melting process. In other words, he is like Jesus. He is in Jesus and Jesus is in him. He is like the church at Philadelphia. He has the determination to stand for Jesus Christ at any cost.

Are you hot, my friend? Let us examine ourselves. Is the fire of God burning in your soul? Have you got the spirit of prayer so that you feel if you don't pray today you have lost something? Do you feel if you don't read the Bible, if you don't meditate on the things of God as though you have lost half of your being? What is it? You will examine yourself—"What's the matter,

why am I not feeling happy?" Oh, you find out today you did not mediate upon the word of God; today you neglected to pray for the mission field; today you didn't praise the Lord when you should have praised Him; today you had opportunities and you did not witness. You cry, "Oh, Lord, forgive me, I will do better tomorrow—help me"—and the next day you will be on fire.

The man who is a HOT Christian is a holy man; he has the righteousness of Jesus in him. Not only on the inside is the holy fire burning, but outside also is the shining life of Jesus. He is not "naked," he is dressed with the righteousness of Jesus. He is not "blind," either, he has eyes to see Jesus when He comes. Hallelujah! Not only is he able to see all around, but he is sitting on the "Rock of Ages," on the high place; he can see Canaan land afar off. He needs no "eyesalve." He has seven eyes—he can see from behind, too. Hallelujah! He is not poor, he may not have very good clothes on the outside, but if you put the happiness of all the millionaires together in a scale, this man's peace and glory and joy will weigh heavier than all the other.

People will say to this man: "What have you got inside?" "Why, I have God inside, I have the Holy Spirit inside, I have all the promises of God inside. I am not poor, you are poor. I am rich, I am the child of the King. I belong to Him, I live here, yet I am in heaven. I am higher than the mountains, I am sitting in the heavenlies, my life is there, hid with Christ in God."

So this man is royal, he is the brother of the King of kings, the Lord of lords. He has much to give to other folks, too. He is not miserable, he sings, "Joy unspeakable and full of glory." Sometimes he cries, and that melts him. He is not having the sorrow of the world, but he has godly sorrow, and that is glorious. When I weep for sinners I feel so good I wish I could weep all the time. Oh, beloved, God's standard for His people is for them to be HOT Christians, "boiling" Christians, not cold nor lukewarm.

The Blessed Remedy.

(There is one thing in this chapter that is very encouraging—Jesus loves this lukewarm church, although He is ready to spue them out if they do not repent. He says: "I have come to make you righteous, I will heal your backslidings; I will give you new garments—come to Me. You have got no gold (gold here means faith which has been tried in the fire). I gave you faith, but you have not kept it, like Paul, who said: 'I have kept the faith.' (God gave it to him and he KEPT it.) You didn't keep your faith, you were careless about it, you exchanged with the world, so you fell from the faith. You have lost your eyesight, your spirit of discernment, your spiritual sensitiveness. You used to be so sensitive to do the will of God and defeat the devil. I will give you eyesalve (which is oil and wheat mixed together, which is the life of Christ in the Spirit). You are poor, I will make you rich. I am the richest person in all the world and heaven. As I overcame and am sitting on My throne, so if you overcome you shall sit with Me. Repent and come to Me. Buy those things that you are in need of with the price of your repentance and humiliation, so that you can reign with Me.")

So, beloved, you don't need to be cold in your faith and have cold songs, cold love for the Word of God, cold love toward your brothers and sisters, and criticise them and judge them instead of loving them. You will lift them up and try to help them to be at their best for God. You will not have such lukewarm love for the missionaries and toward Jesus Christ. Jesus says you can have fire. *How can you have fire?* Listen, Jesus Christ is outside. "If Christ is not in you you are reprobate." (2 Cor. 13:5.)

This church had Christ in it, but had grieved Christ out, had said to Him "Away with you," and Christ went away. He is out of the church, and he is not only sent out of the church, but the door is locked against Him. The world is inside now, the love for fashionable clothes, the love of ease, of reputation, society, the spirit of the present age, the spirit of politics, the patriotic spirit, the spirit of loving pleasure more than loving God, is all in now. Yet Christ comes knocking. All you have to do is to open. As you were willing to turn Him out, so you must be willing to open to Him again, then He will come inside and sup with you. And of course just as soon as Jesus comes inside there will be heavenly fire.

Finally:

Beloved, Jesus Christ, the Faithful One, the Amen, the True One, the Witness, tonight is outside knocking, and He will come in if you open your heart and life. Give me a man who has the faithfulness of Christ in him, who has the truth of Christ in him, who has the witness of Christ in him, and who has the Amen in him, and all of us will say "Amen" to that man. You cannot say "Amen" to the lukewarm brother.

The lukewarm man is sick himself and makes everybody else sick. He is the sacrifice on the altar that is unsavory because fire is not on it. But our sacrifice must burn with the holy fire, and send up a sweet smelling savor acceptable to God. This is the real, normal experience that every Christian should have, and without it you are poor, and miserable, and wretched, and blind, and naked. God help you to repent now, and confess the world and sin out of you, and let the fiery Spirit of the glorified Christ come in.

Beloved saints, when I was made to return to this country, God definitely spoke to me to pray all the way for you dear ones. Finally the loving Saviour spoke to me the following: "Tell My people to fight the last and good fight of faith against the spirit of the present age, which is the spirit of spiritual slumbering."

Let us watch and pray that we may not be among those who "slumbered," but among the company of the Bride who is crying aloud with the Spirit the last invitation to the Living Water. Rev. 22:17. "Fight against the spirit of delusion (for many shall be deceived in these last days 'tis said); against the spirit of selfishness and the cares of this life: against the lust of the flesh, for it is written, 'they shall be lovers of pleasure more than God;' yea, fight against the coldness and terrible lukewarmness, for the 'love of many will wax cold' because of iniquity abounding."

If the believers ever needed the baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire, it is now. If we spirit-baptized people ever needed to keep on fire and have the "spirit of burning" in us, it is now. Oh, children of God, this is the last battle and we have to fight it in His conquering name. We must overcome in order to sit with Him on His throne, our Lover, Jesus, the soon-coming eternal King of kings and Lord of lords. Let us keep the true fuel on the fire steadily, which is praying, praying and *praying always* and not fainting. "What I say to you, I say to all, WATCH therefore and PRAY." Mark 13:36; Luke 21:34-37. Pray also for me, your needy brother in the Holy War.

BRO. URSHAN'S NEW BOOK.

This article on the Laodicean Church, together with four other articles including "Marantha—the Coming of the Lord," "True and False Holiness," "The Secret of Victory" and "A Warning to the Saints," will soon be published in book form. Watch for the announcement.

PICTURES OF PENTECOST IN THE OLD TESTAMENT.

Picture VII. Oil for the empty vessels. 2 Kin. 4:1-7.

This is a story of debt. The husband had died, leaving debts which he had probably inherited from his father, as is so commonly the case in oriental countries, and the poor, helpless widow was left to face the threatening creditor. She cried for help to Elisha, the man of God; and his first question elicited from her a frank confession of her state of need. "Thine handmaid hath not anything in the house, save a pot of oil." Then came the command to borrow empty vessels, and in the secrecy of her home to fill them with the multiplying oil. Not until there was "not a vessel more" did the miraculous supply of oil cease: and with the abundant supply thus obtained, the widow was enabled to pay her debt to the full, enough remaining over to support her and her family.

Have we any light in the New Testament which will illuminate to us the spiritual teaching of this touching story? I think we have. In Rom. 1:14 Paul says, "I am debtor both to the Greeks and to the Barbarians, both to the wise, and to the unwise." In the remainder of that epistle he proceeds to unfold what is the nature of the debt, which is shared by him with every Christian. It is that *those who have received the Gospel owe it to those who have not*. Suppose a sum of ten dollars were given to me, half for myself and half to be passed on to you. If I kept all the ten, I should owe you five dollars, and no amount of reasoning or arguing could prove me in anything but a state of debt. The case is precisely similar with regard to the Gospel and the Christless world. Jesus wrought out a perfect plan of salvation, and left His church instructions to preach these Good News to every creature; thus every Christian is a debtor to all the unsaved. Jesus died to redeem them just as much as me; so if I do not tell them of it, I remain in their debt. The moving principle of all soul-saving and missionary work is this acknowledgment, "I am debtor."

Elisha's miracle also shows us in type the only way for us to pay our debts. Oil is in every part of the Scripture a symbol of the Holy Spirit. In previous articles we have seen His Anointing as typical of the Pentecostal Baptism, equipping His servants as prophets, priests and kings. Here we learn a further truth from the symbol of oil, viz., the Holy Spirit as our only power for soul-saving, the equipment for missionary work, the one and only means by which we can pay our debts.

Beloved, have you realized that you are a debtor? If so, what are you doing to pay your debt? Are you relying upon your education and learning, upon your past training and experience, upon your heredity of godliness and your environment, in your efforts to take the Gospel to every creature, and to win souls for Jesus? These things will prove like a broken reed: there is absolutely no power, no equipment for soul-winning but

God the Holy Ghost.

Blessed are they who have learned this initial lesson of missionary training: "Thine handmaid hath not anything in the house, save a pot of oil."

And the *method* of this miracle teaches us precious lessons as to the work of the Holy Spirit. Every needy soul around us constitutes an empty vessel, which we can fill by the Spirit's power. But the widow had to retire into the secret place, to shut the door; and this reminds us that the chief part of our work for souls is the hidden life of intercession in the secret place alone with God.

The next step was to "pour out." In Phil. 2:17 and 2 Tim. 4:6 Paul speaks of being "offered"—literally,

"poured forth as a drink-offering"—for those whom he had won to Christ. This is the secret of multiplying oil. As long as you keep to yourself what you have of the Spirit's power, you will remain poor spiritually. But when you begin to pour out the fulness, however small the supply may seem to you at first, it will multiply in the pouring, and you will become rich in blessing others. Oh to learn the secret of a poured-out life! It is said of our Saviour that He "poured out His soul unto death" (Isa. 53:12), and those who would pay their debts to the unsaved world, and win souls to Jesus, must follow in His footsteps.

The command of the prophet was, "Thou shalt pour out into *all* those vessels;" there was to be no picking and choosing. Even so the Lord would have us always ready to pour out of the Spirit-life within us to every needy soul whom He sends to us. Not merely to those whom we would choose, or to those who are congenial to us, but to *every* empty vessel must the gracious supply be ministered. And the almighty Lord who multiplied the little lad's five barley loaves to feed about ten thousand people, and who worked a similar miracle with the widow's oil, will so multiply our scanty supply of the Spirit's power, that we shall be astonished at the numbers of souls who will receive blessing.

There are needy souls like empty vessels all around us. Every day we live we come into contact with those spiritually empty, thirsty ones. Oh that we may be faithful in the pouring out! Many of us are lean and starved ourselves, simply because we have not poured out the blessings we have received. Perhaps we shrank back for fear of losing the little we had, or because we thought it was too little to be of any use. How we need to learn the lesson of Pro. 11:24: "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty."

"Is thy cruse of comfort wasting?
Rise, and share it with another;
And through all the years of famine,
It shall serve thee and thy brother.

Love divine will fill thy storehouse,
Or thy handful still renew:
Scanty fare for one will often
Make a royal feast for two.

For the heart grows rich in giving;
All its wealth is living grain:
Seeds which mildew in the garner,
Scattered fill with gold the plain."

How long did this wonderful miracle continue? Was it only until a few empty vessels were filled that the supply was granted? If I begin to pour out of the Spirit life within me, to spend and be spent in loving, earnest, soul-saving work, how long will it be before I become spiritually exhausted, and feel that I have done all I can accomplish for them? Praise God, the sacred story gives us the answer to this question. It was not until the cry was heard, "There is not a vessel more," that the oil ceased flowing. Not until we leave this earth shall we cease to come into contact with needy souls, to find empty vessels to be filled with the Spirit's power, and so never need we fear that His supply will cease. The more we pour out, the more we shall have to pour. And the result will be as in the case of the poor widow, that not only shall we be enabled to pay our debts to the world around us; but there will be abundance left for our own spiritual lives. In pouring out, we shall not become impoverished, but more and more enriched; for "There is that maketh himself poor, yet hath great riches." (Prov. 13:7.)—A. E. L.

"THAT THY FAITH FAIL NOT."**A Word Concerning Christians and the Army Draft.**

Our hearts and prayers go out to the dear ones who are brought up against the dreadful *things* of these days. Jesus said to one who was to be sorely tried, "I have prayed for thee that thy faith fail not," Luke 22:31, 32.

As a child I was among many who had gone through the Civil War, in one way and another I might say, brought up on bear stories. I well remember my father saying that "He knew his name was in the wheel five times and never came out." I learned afterwards, when I grew older, that at the different times when men were being drafted in Pennsylvania for the Federal army, my grandmother prayed, holding on to God in prevailing prayer, that her son would not be drafted. And he was not. "And this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will he heareth us. And if we know that he heareth us whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him," 1 John 5:14, 15.

During the early months of the Russo-Japanese war, I was in an audience of from two or three thousand people. A letter was read from the platform from a Christian Japanese young man, asking his fellow Christians in America to pray that he might be delivered from fighting, as he had to go with the army from Japan. Silent prayer, closed by the leader, was offered for his deliverance. Many, many times I thought of the Japanese brother and wondered if we would ever hear how the Lord delivered him. After the war was over, and he had returned to Japan he wrote a letter of praise, which was read from the same platform, telling how God had delivered him. He had been made a body-servant to one of the head officers, and in this way he had been serving in the headquarters of the Japanese Army as long as he remained in Manchuria.

"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty." "A thousand shall fall at thy side and ten thousand at thy right hand, but it shall not come nigh thee," Psa. 91:1, 7.—Mrs. W. R. Sutherland, Canada.

AN EARNEST ADMONITION.

We want to repeat the caution given in a former number of the Evangel, viz: that all the saints refrain from speaking evil of the dignitaries or officers of the government, but to pray for them as we are commanded in the Word of God. 1 Tim. 2:1-3.

I would further warn all preachers of our faith against such evil speaking and would recommend that credentials be taken from any and all found guilty of such abuse. Moreover I shall refuse to ordain any one who will not obey the Scriptures on this point.

Arch P. Collins.

(Note: The above admonition has the hearty endorsement of the Credential Committee. Applicants for credentials on the sole basis of seeking to evade military service will be rejected by the Credential Committee.)

BIG SALE ON SCOFIELD BIBLES.

The Special Scofield Bibles which we have been selling for the past three weeks have been going very rapidly and our stock was in danger of complete exhaustion. Just when we thought we would have to withdraw our advertisement and announce that they were all gone, we received a telegram from the publishers stating that if we would telegraph immediately they would reserve another hundred copies for us, and we gladly took advantage of the offer and so are enabled to offer to the Evangel Family this Special Scofield Reference Bible for \$4.95 postpaid for a little longer time. At the rate they are selling, however, they cannot last more than a couple of weeks, and so we urge upon everyone the necessity of placing your order at the earliest moment, and if you are not able to pay for your Bible now, we will reserve one for you on payment of \$1, and hold the Bible until you can send the balance.

DAILY PORTION FROM THE
 . . KING'S BOUNTY . .

MRS. A. R. FLOWER

Sunday. "For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." 2 Cor. 4:6.

It was a dark, chaotic time when God said "let there be light." But the light came. Thank God. It was a still darker time in your life and mine when He spoke to our hearts and the light of His glory shone in. "Oh what a change when the Saviour came in!" The night was ended; the storm was over; the life was transformed.

Monday. "Behold there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven." 2 Kings 2:11.

There was just room for Elijah that trip; but one of these days before very long there is to be another similar journey when again God's chariot of fire will carry up into glory all the waiting hearts who are looking for His appearing. The very fire of God that burns in our beings sometimes seems to be preparing us for that hour of glory unspeakably transcendent. No parting asunder then, but we shall all be caught up together to meet the Lord in the air. Hallelujah! Elisha saw a wondrous sight. We shall soon see a greater, and better still have a part in it.

Tuesday. "If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? and if in the land of peace wherein thou trustedst, they wearied thee, then how wilt thou do in the swelling of Jordan?" Jer. 12:5.

God has no tunnels around the hard places. We must meet them face to face as they come, in the strength of our Captain—Jesus Christ. Nor have we the promise of any easier days while we remain on this earth. But we do know that every hard place bravely endured makes us stronger for the harder place yet to come; just as every conflict we shirk must be met again and again until we do conquer it, before we can advance any farther with God.

Wednesday. "I the Lord have spoken and have done it." Ezek. 17:24.

"Faith, mighty faith, the vict'ry sees,
 And looks to God alone;
 Laughs at impossibilities,
 And cries, 'It shall be done.'"

Thursday. "Get to know the knowledge-surpassing love of the Christ." Eph. 3:19. Roth.

I heard the story not long ago of two children who were bidding their father good-bye, as he started on a long business trip. "Good-by, papa, I love you thirty miles long," cried the little boy. The little sister quickly added: "Good-by, papa; you will never ride to the end of my love." Is it not just like the love of Jesus, who is seeking to say to us, "My love has no limit, it passeth knowledge."

Friday. "For now will I break his yoke from off thee, and will burst thy bonds in sunder." Nahum 1:13.

"Jesus is Victor, the battle is won.
 We can do nothing for all has been done;
 Jesus is Victor, the foe from the dust
 Never shall rise again, if we but trust."

Hallelujah for the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ! What does it mean to you just now? It will touch and accomplish definite things in your need whatever its nature may be. Glory to our God forever!

Saturday. "The Lord thy God * * * will be silent in His love." Zeph. 3:17. R. V.

"It is a mistake to be ever asking for expressions from love like this. Be content to know and believe it; to rest in it; to lie back on those everlasting arms; to look up in that tender face. It will break silence presently; but in the meanwhile be still, and know that God is love."

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1917 AN EVENTFUL YEAR.

We do not know positively whether or not the Lord Jesus will return for His own during the year of 1917. We are amazed, however, at the number of persons who are declaring emphatically that our Lord is coming this year. These persons are found in widely separated parts of the world and in many different walks of life. Whether they are correct or not in their predictions remains yet to be seen. We sincerely trust that our Lord will come this year.

Although the years from 1914 to 1917 have been signalled out as prophetic years by many Bible scholars who made predictions concerning this time years ago, which predictions have been coming true, yet we have been very careful to keep within the bounds of safety in declaring what shall be or what shall not be during these momentous days. We are not despising prophecies, neither are we depending too much upon them, but we are compelled to take note that 1917 is proving to be an eventful year, and who knows but what the climax shall be the coming of the Lord and the catching away of His saints to be forever with Him in glory.

Already mighty things have happened this year. A nation has been born in a day—Russian democracy triumphing over autocracy—an event which was utterly unlooked for by most of the world. With the entrance of the United States into the war we cannot fail to see that the time of the weakening of the nations is at hand, preparing them for the coming of the man of sin. With the nations straining every nerve to raise sufficient food to feed their citizens and with the prospective failure of the wheat crop—it is estimated that the United States will barely raise enough wheat for her own consumption this year—the time spoken of when there will be sold "A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny, is near at hand.

During the past few weeks cyclones have been destroying lives and property through the central states.

Oklahoma reports five distinct cyclones in one week, each one destroying lives and property. Several earthquakes have already destroyed large properties and many lives; the latest place being San Salvadore. What disasters await the world during the remaining months of the year no one can tell. When an improbable thing like the recent revolution in Russia happens as suddenly as that did, we are compelled to realize that anything else may happen, even beyond our wildest dreams.

In our Second Coming number, 4 editions which have already been published and thousands of which have been distributed in all parts of the country, we did not definitely declare that the Lord was coming in 1917, as our readers will see by referring to the introduction to that article published on page 2. Some who thought we had declared so, were quick to criticize; others wrote us freely declaring their convictions to be similar to those outlined in the article in question. One brother, in ordering fifty copies of this issue, said "Here, we are all intensely interested in the message of 1917. We know it is an eventful year to all the saints who are looking for His appearing. From every quarter of the earth it is coming. God is certainly preparing His chosen ones for the great consummation. We have had messages and visions giving 1917 as a year when great things are to happen. Surely, 'In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established.'"

We do not need to go so far as to set definite dates, no matter how much we may believe those dates to be correct, but we are all admonished to watch lest we be overtaken and be found unprepared for the Lord when He comes. Let us lay aside all non-essentials in doctrine, all strife and contention, and with one accord go in for the saving of souls, making these last days count in a great harvest for the Lord of the harvest when He shall come. Even so come quickly, Lord Jesus.

CONVENTION AT ELIM HOME, ROCHESTER, NEW YORK.

The nothingness of the creature; the everythingness—if we might coin a word—of the Creator was the keynote of the Rochester Convention just concluded. I believe it was a convention that satisfied the heart of God, and we who were present were kept full of joy as we saw Him whom we love come forth in every meeting to conform His little ones to His own wondrous likeness.

As human emptiness became attached to Divine fullness, the rivers of living waters, yea, waters to swim in, came coursing swiftly from the throne of glory and everywhere the River flowed there was life and healing and abundance of blessing. He satisfied the longing souls and filled the hungry with His own goodness.

One thing was marked—the complete absence of the spirit of mammon, although accommodation and food was provided for from 200 to 250, there was no collection made for expenses, nor even a hint given that a contribution placed in the offering boxes at the door would be acceptable. God had convened the meeting: He would provide; that was the note of faith that dominated the convention, and we believe all who attended went away with this object lesson learned; that faith in God is as far superior to human effort as the heavens are above the earth. One who is filled with faith is not likely to forget the obligations of the faithful and those who seek first and seek only the kingdom of God will ever have "all things added to them." There was a free-will offering for the missionaries which amounted to nearly \$500.00.

Prominently amongst the workers who were blessedly used of the Lord were Bro. Ward of Toronto and Miss Sisson of New London, Conn.—Stanley H. Frodsam.

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Questions and Answers

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This department is only open for the edification of those in need of such light on the Scriptures as we can give, not for argument or disputing. The editor reserves the right to answer only such questions as will be for the glory of God and to the help of our readers. No questions, under any circumstances, will be answered by letter, so please do not expect this.

214a. If a wife while married and while unsaved had children by another man, and then afterwards sought God and got saved, would she then have to confess this to her wicked husband who would kill her and these children if she does confess to him?

Ans. If you are sure you have separated and God has forgiven you, do as Jesus said. "Go and sin no more." But be sure, while telling our God about your sins, that you do not lie about it. If God has blotted out your sins, as you say, go on with the Lord and leave the past in His hands. Be a true wife to your husband henceforth.

215. Can one be saved and not know it?

Ans. I have heard of people being saved who would know some change had come in their life, but they were so poorly instructed that they did not know what to call this change. But when a change from death to life has taken place the soul will most certainly come to realize it. Joy follows. The witness of the Spirit follows also that God is our Father and we are His children. Why not?

216. How can a man get faith? What is the way of salvation for one who has no faith, no beliefs, yet is anxious to be saved?

Ans. The fact that this person is anxious to be saved shows this one does have a belief that salvation is a reality, that there is one who can save and so on. Very few people have "no beliefs." There are two ways for one to get a saving faith who has none. One is to repent and the other is to surrender to the will of God.

Jesus rebukes the Pharisees for letting publicans and harlots go into the kingdom ahead of them and says, "And ye, when ye saw it, did not even repent yourselves afterward, that ye might believe," Mt. 21:32. Here it is clear that Jesus taught that all who are willing to repent of sinning and to forsake the same can and will be able to believe on the Son of God to the saving of their souls. Therefore let those who have no faith repent of their sins against God and they will at once be able to trust Jesus Christ as their Saviour.

Again Jesus says, "If any man willeth to do His (God's) will, he shall know of the teaching, whether it is of God," John 6:17.

Hence if any man, faith or no faith, will set his will to do the blessed will of God, actually surrender himself to do all the known will of God, then God will lead him to know the Lord, and to know Him is to have eternal life. "Who-soever will," both the Spirit and the bride invite to "come and take the water of life freely," Rev. 22:17. Soul, if you are anxious to be saved, simply go to drinking.

217. Is it a sin to work on Sunday? Did Christ change the old law, making the first day of the week the day of worship instead of the seventh?

Ans. Read Mt. 12:1 to 12 and you will see Jesus justified his disciples in gathering food on the Sabbath day, also defended himself doing deeds of love and mercy on that day, even under the law. From the case of the disciples, with the illustrations used by Jesus, we learn it is lawful in cases of

hunger or necessity to work on the Sabbath. From the case of Jesus and his defense we learn "it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath day," Mt. 12:12.

Paul, under the new dispensation said that Jesus "blotted out the bond written in ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us; and he hath taken it out of the way, nailing it to the cross. Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of a feast day or a new moon or a Sabbath day: which are a shadow of the things to come," A. S. V. in Col. 2:14-17.

The original Greek in Mt. 28:1 reads: "Now in the end of the Sabbaths, as it began to dawn towards the first of the Sabbaths, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to the Sepulchre." Dr. A. S. Worrell holds that we have here the record of the "change" from the old system to the new; that the expression "in the end of the Sabbaths" means that there, at the resurrection, the old system of seventh day sabbaths came to their "end;" and that the expression "first of the Sabbaths" refers to the "first" day Sabbaths of the new or Christian system of sabbaths that dawned on that resurrection morning.

All depends here as to this on whether the Greek word "Sabbaths" in the plural means "week," as our translators believed, or whether Worrell is right in claiming that there is no authority back of 1611, when our King James version was made, for their idea that "sabbaths" means "week." The Greek has a regular word for week, and this makes it hard to see why such an indirect round about way of saying "week" would need to be resorted to as the idea that "Sabbaths" would suggest the time between two sabbaths or a week.

A LOYAL MEMBER.

Beloved brethren, my spirit was stirred when I read in the Evangel that it might be necessary to cut down the size of the Evangel for lack of means.

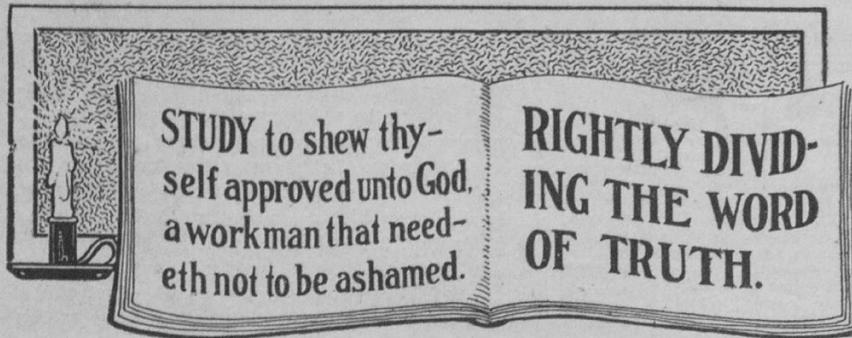
Just a few words please. Never do it. We cannot afford it. What think ye, holy brethren, saints of God, can we afford it? Would God be pleased with our indifference? Let us boldly step to the front and stand like giants for God's cause. I cheerfully add 50 cents to my subscription and I simply, humbly suggest that the price of the Weekly Evangel be raised to \$1.50 a year, if not \$2.00. I would gladly pay \$2.00 a year before I will go without it.

Come, brethren, let us defeat the enemy. The enemy would be pleased to cut that precious paper in two, if you and I allow him to do it. Then he would put forth untiring efforts to do away with the rest. NEVER! You who read the Evangel and know the will of God, please remember, "To obey is better than sacrifice."—J. E. L., Coopeston, Ill.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

July 1, 1917.

ISAIAH'S CALL TO HEROIC SERVICE.

Lesson Text: Isa. 6:1-13.

Golden Text: Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me. Is. 6:8.

Practical Truth: They who are cleansed from sin respond to God's call to service.

Topic: Preparation for service.

Outline: 1, Isaiah's vision of God; 2, His vision of himself; 3, His purification; 4, His call to service; 5, His mission.

Time: B. C. 758.

Place: Jerusalem, in the temple.—Arnold.

Foreword: Isaiah's term of prophecy embraces the reign of four kings; Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah. He lived during the time of Hosea, Nahum, Micah, Joel, Amos and Jonah. With his prophetic pen he swept the ages. While Jeremiah told of judgments coming on Israel and wept over them, getting a glimpse through his tears of Gentile judgment and restoration of Israel; while Ezekiel had a shimmering of the golden age after the Christian dispensation, Isaiah saw the Son of righteousness, full orb'd, shining in millennial glory.

Uzziah (v. 1) 2 Kings 15:13. He is called Azariah in verse 1; Uzzi in 1 Chron. 6:5; Uzzia in 1 Chron. 11:44, and Ozias in Matt. 1:8. 9. Uzziah was king of Judah while Zechariah was king over Israel.

King Uzziah died. The Lord smote him with leprosy, 2 Kings 15:5, because he was lifted up with pride and offered incense, which the priest alone should offer. Hence he was smitten. I saw the Lord high and lifted up, (v. 1) God will be exalted and proud man will be brought low. A dead king but a living God whose train filled the temple. The omnipresent Jehovah. Whither shall I go from His presence, Ps. 139:7. Kings may die, crowns may fade and thrones may crumble, but our God lives on forever. Praise His Holy name! Above

Him the seraphim, highest order of created beings. Each had six wings; with twain he covered his face (homage) with twain his feet, (worship) with twain he did fly, (service); all due from the creature to the Creator; all engaged in adoration, crying, Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of Hosts (praise). The whole earth is filled with His glory, (Prophecy). And the posts of the door moved. A mighty moving when Cherub'im, minister at the altar of sacrifice, and Seraphim at the laver of purification. What a blessed ministry in behalf of the saints! Where do you find the Cherubim mentioned in the Word?

Then said I, Woe is me, (v. 5) When we can see the Lord we see ourselves in contrast, and realize our need. Let every reader be as honest as was Isaiah. Confess your need and let the Lord fix you up for service. Look upon fields so white unto harvest, and hear the Lord saying "Who will go for us?"

A man is undone when he is unclean. Unclean lips mean unclean hearts, for "out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." He had seen the King in His purity and himself in His defilement and was afraid. And so may we fear, conscious of impurity, for blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God, (in peace surely).

Then flew one of the Seraphim unto me (v. 6). How glad to minister, and how prompt to heed the cry of need of cleansing. Glory! God wants us to be like Him and all the powers of heaven are engaged to make us so, (v. 7). A live coal from the altar. God's fire, not strange fire. Our God is a consuming fire, and He baptizes with Holy Ghost and fire, (purifying agent) consuming the dross—that which is foul and unclean. Amen!

I went to the smelter. I saw the intense heat to which the ores were subjected, but I saw the pure metal separated from the dross. I said, "O God my flesh shrinks from that but Lord I need it take me through. You know how to take me through. I want to be of use to Thee."

This hath touched thy lips, (v. 7): O sweet consciousness that you are clean! And ye are clean through the blood and kept clean through the word, sanctified by the spirit, (v. 8). I heard the voice of the Lord. Praise God! Sanctified ears can hear the voice of

Jesus. "My sheep hear my voice." "Whom shall I send?" The divine call meets a loving response in the hearts of the pure and holy.

For us (v. 8) The Trinity who said in the morning of creation, "Let us make man in our OWN image," Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Who will be our representative, an ambassador of heaven to beseech sinners, in Christ's stead, to be reconciled to God? What, a mission as high as heaven, as wide as the world, as deep as the needs of a fallen race? Who could volunteer, except under divine pressure? And once convinced the Lord has called, how eager to go? What a mission! What a message! What a Saviour! What a wonderful salvation! But who is sufficient for these things? Only those divinely called and spirit-filled. (v. 9). GO! But tarry until ye be endued with power from on high. Who would dare go without Him; the Holy Spirit, to empower, to guide into all truth. O Lord call and fill with the Holy Spirit a great company to go out into the white harvest fields. Pray, "O God help me!"

Go tell this people. Preach the preaching that I bid thee, (Jonah 3:2). Preach the word, 2 Tim. 4:2.

Hear ye indeed but understand not, (v. 9). They were rebellious and would not yield, hence their hearts would grow harder, and their ears heavier. Because people hold the truth in unrighteousness, they are open to the delusions of the devil, 2Thess. 2:10-12.

HOW LONG? (v. 11.) A desolate outlook—until the land be utterly desolate—150 years as shown by subsequent history, till they were removed far away into Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar.

And yet there is a promise and a hope; while only one in ten should remain in the land, yet they should be as a tall tree. A turpentine tree when cut down has vitality enough in roots and stumps to cause new growth; and so Israel shall be restored, (read Rom. 11) and much of Isaiah's prophecy is to be fulfilled in a restored kingdom, and we are now 2675 years from the time this prophecy was written, looking eagerly for the predicted restoration of Israel. Many signs now portend the soon capture of Palestine from the Turks which will open the way for the full restoration of God's chosen people.

Questions:

Who was Isaiah? When did he live? Whose son was he?

Who was Uzziah? What other name was he known by? What was the cause of his death? 2 Kings 15:5. Why was he smitten with leprosy?

Did not the king have the right to offer the fire? Who did?

When did Isaiah see the Lord? Where? What effect did it have on him? How was he purged from his iniquity?

What is fire the symbol of?

Describe the Seraphim. Where did they minister?

Who called Isaiah to preach? Where was he to go? What was he to preach? Would the people repent?

Would YOU like to be sent of God to tell somebody about Jesus the Saviour?
—Arch P. Collins.

Next Week's Lesson.
July 8, 1917.

AHAZ THE FAITHLESS KING.

Reading Lesson.—2 Chron. 28:1-5, and 20-27.

Golden Text.—Heb. 11:6.

SECOND HOLINESS COUNCIL MEETING.

We are planning to start our Second Holiness Council Meeting August 1st, 1917. All of the Pentecostal people are invited to come and go to the house of the Lord in sweet counsel with us.

We have a good, large church that a Methodist church member bought from the reformed people and gave to us. The night we consecrated the church to the Lord a little boy was healed in answer to prayer whom a doctor had pronounced incurable.—A. H. Wells, Berea, Kentucky.

Silverton, Texas. We are in the battle here now. This is a new field where the full Gospel has never been preached before, but we believe there are some honest hearts here. We have a store house and it is full every night. We prayed for a dear old sister the other night and she testified last night that she had rested better than she had in twenty-five years. We will go to Pamlico, Tex., for a tent meeting, July 1st. That is also a new field. Would be glad to have some good workers to help us there. Please pray for that place.—W. R. Farris and wife, assisted by Sister Coppedge.

Gospel Boat, Cairo, Ill. I am still here in the field helping to gather the harvest all along the banks of the river. There are so many poor that never go to a church of any kind to hear about Jesus, so the good Lord has made it possible for me to go to them. Some are hungry to hear about the child that was born in the manger and that all that believe on Him from the heart will be saved.

While our big boat is tied up at Cairo, wife and I take our skiff and paddle up and down the rivers to the Mussel Camps and where they are fishing. We give out tracts, stop and talk to them and pray and ask them to come to Jesus by faith. A number have been saved and baptized with the Holy Spirit and in water as well. Truly God is blessing our labor among the poor. We seldom get any money, but we get plenty to eat as the good Lord said our water was sure and our bread should be given to us. We are seeking their souls, not their money. Help us by your prayers that we may so warn the wicked that they may escape the damnation of hell.—G. R. Aubrey and wife.

CAMPMEETINGS & NOTICES.

As we publish these camp meeting notices without charge, we trust our brethren will reciprocate by taking subscriptions for the Evangel, sample copies of which will be sent free on application, and by ordering their song books from the publishing house. In addition to Winstet's well-known books, we are offering the three following Camp Meeting specials:

Carols of Truth, shaped notes only, \$2.50 per doz., postpaid; \$15 per 100 not prepaid.
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Midway, Texas. Camp Meeting will be held here, D. V., beginning July 13th. Every body is invited.—Pastor J. H. Polk.

Doran, Minn., Camp Meeting. June 17th to July 5th; everybody welcome. Come praying and believing for great things from God. For further information write to Chas. J. Seba, Campbell, Minn. Tents may be secured if ordered in time.—R. A. Fredricks.

Findlay, Ohio. The Inter-State Pentecostal Convention will be held at the Gospel School, June 22nd to July 1st. Services daily at 10 A. M., 2:30 and 7:30 P. M. Elder Geo. E. Smith, Youngstown, Ohio, and other speakers are expected. For further information write T. K. Leonard, Findlay, Ohio.

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI DISTRICT CAMP MEETING.

Puxico, Mo., Aug. 24th to Sept. 2nd. The first camp meeting for this section held at Puxico was wonderfully blessed of God. It is expected that the camp meeting this year shall be equally blessed. Arrange to come. Full announcement later.

Shady Grove Camp Meeting begins the first Sunday in July. Will be run on the faith line, so come and bring your bedding. A team and wagon will meet the train at Woodville to take the workers and baggage out to the camp grounds every day. All preachers in fellowship with the General Council that can come and help us in the fight are invited.—A. W. Mangum, Pastor.

CAMP MEETING CALLED OFF.

Camp meeting announced for Seranton, Pa., will be called off owing to circumstances which make it impossible to proceed.

In place of the camp meeting the assembly have decided to purchase a Gospel tent and spend the remaining months in a vigorous tent campaign in the several districts of the work in this location.—D. H. McDowell, Pastor.

New Castle, Pa. Second Annual Pentecostal Campmeeting will be held D. V. at the City Park, or what is known as Cunningham's Woods, from August 3rd to August 19th inclusive. Pastors D. W. Kerr of Cleveland, O., John Cox of Wilmington, Del., Robt. A. Brown and wife of New York City, J. T. Boddy of Youngstown, O., Joseph Tunmore of Pittsburg, Pa., and local workers and a number of returned missionaries expected. For further particulars write Pastor Thos. E. Float, 1700 Maplewood Ave., Wilkingsburg, Pa., or Mrs. E. J. Pearce, 811 Lathrop St., New Castle, Pa.

DISTRICT CAMP MEETING FOR EAST TEXAS.

At Frankston, Texas, July 27 to Aug. 12. All workers in East Texas are called to camp with the saints at Frankston, Texas, July 27th to Aug. 12th.

Will all the saints please come? Plenty of common food, and all the visitors will find a warm welcome with us. Bro. Arch P. Collins will be present to give the teaching. The meeting is to draw all ministers closer, and to save the lost. All who expect to come may first write, W. A. Winkels, Frankston, Texas.

Woodworth-Etter Big Camp Revival, located corner of Morris and Hiatt Sts., West Indianapolis, Ind., begins June 1st and continues for a month or two. Board and rooms at reasonable price can be had close to the

tent. There is room to pitch small tents on the ground.

CAMP MEETING FOR EAST.

The Interstate Camp Meeting for the East will convene at or near Frostburgh, Md., this year. Frostburgh is 2800 feet above the sea level. Our date will be August 5th to August 26th. August being generally a very hot month, we use this date, when people can come and enjoy our delightful climate, and cool breezes, and enjoy a convocation with God's people. Our motto will be **others**.

For further information concerning this event, write Fred Baltau, Frostburgh, Md. Some of the interested pastors are J. R. Reckley, Cumberland, Md.; Richard Hawkins, Frostburgh, Md.; C. B. Webster, Lonaconing, Md.; Oliver P. Brann, Westernport, Md.; Foster E. Young, Kitstmiller, Md., and R. A. McCauley, Grantsville, Md.—Elder A. B. Cox, Shaft, Md., in charge.

Trossachs, Sask., Canada. The Fourth Annual Pentecostal Camp Meeting will be held in Shipman's Grove, from June 27th to July 15th. Bro. A. H. Argue, Bro. H. O. Scott, Bros. Denny and McLean of China and Sisters Blanche Appelby and Phoebe Holmes of China and Evang. Peden and Andrews.

In order for you to obtain cheap return fares it will be necessary for you to purchase a one-way first class ticket at the same time asking the railway agent for a Standard Convention Certificate. If 100 have convention certificates, everyone will be returned to original starting point free. Do not buy a return ticket. Be sure and ask for a Convention Certificate from your railway agent. Those from U. S. A. can get the above rates from Portal only. Meals will be served on the free will offering plan. Bring your own bedding and ticks. Plenty of straw will be provided on the grounds. Improvements have been made on the camp grounds, making it much more comfortable especially in the sleeping apartments, than previous years. Those who can, please bring your own sleeping tents. All trains will be met. Everybody welcome. For further information please write D. R. Aikenhead, Trossachs, Sask.

Pampa, Texas. Meeting begins July 1st. Revival under a tent seating two or three hundred people. Everybody invited. Anyone who believes according to the last General Council at St. Louis, who has no hobbies and who is passing through, we will be glad to have you stop off. Meeting conducted by W. R. Farris and band from Sweetwater, Tex. Write P. O. Broxton, Pampa, Tex.

PASTOR WANTED AT ST. PAUL, MINN.

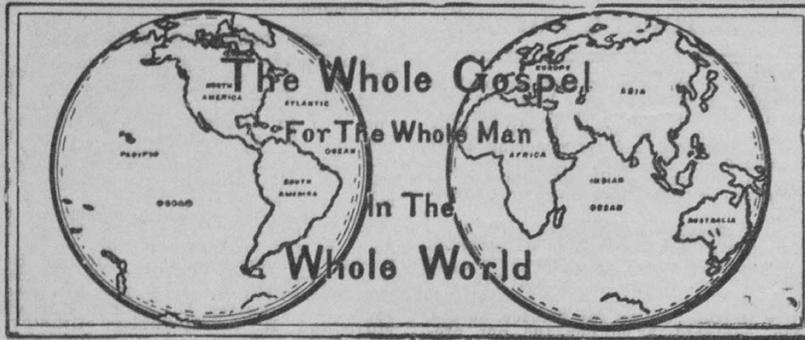
After prayers for a year by the saints here God has permitted to be opened up a new mission in the very heart of the city making it possible to rent a church that seats about 500 people. There are about forty people interested in this new work and they are praying that God will move upon the heart of some strong Holy Ghost-filled pastor or Evangelist to come here and assist in building up the work for the glory of God.

Will say that the church is located just six blocks from the busiest corner in the city, within five blocks of all the leading theatres, in the center of, and not over five blocks from eight of the leading churches of the city, and in the very heart of the apartment and rooming house district. This city has a population of about 350,000 and there is an excellent opportunity for God's work here and we ask that if God lays it on the heart of anyone to come here that they communicate with Bro. Kersten, 1240 Farrington Ave., our President, or with Bro. Rudolph Werner, our Treasurer, 1238 Farrington Ave., St. Paul, Minn.

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MISSIONARY REQUESTS FOR PRAYER.

Please pray that God will speedily send His best as English speaking and native Christian laborers to Leon, Nicaragua, Central America.

Pray that God will give clear guidance to several missionaries as to much needed buildings and other matters.

Pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Korea and for Spirit-filled laborers to be sent there to preach the full Gospel.

Pray for J. L. Lugo, Ponce, Porto Rico, who is weak in body that he may be strengthened for the work he has to do.

MISSIONARY NOTES.

Shanghai, China. How we praise the Lord for the blessed privilege of being in this land to be witnesses for Him among the Chinese. Praise God, He is blessing in our midst as the Gospel message goes forth. Pray for us that the Lord may help us to prove faithful to the end.—Mrs. G. A. Dahlstein.

Argentina, South America. We are now moved into a new mission with hall, which was filled yesterday; Sunday-school and meeting. Over one hundred present in the evening. God is blessing this work in the salvation of souls and it seems we will have to build a large hall. Could buy this cheap and remodel for a few thousand. It is well situated. War conditions make it difficult to travel now, so we are leaving all with the Lord. Our souls are hungry for God, that self be crucified and our service be more in the Spirit.—Alice C. Wood.

Para, Brazil. Here all goes well, praise the Lord. God is blessing the work more and more. I just got back from "Apany," where we had some blessed times telling of the wonderful love of God to many people. We had meetings every day and many people were listening. It's so blessed to tell of His mighty love. The need is so great and so urgent. If His people will pray, God will meet all the need, glory to Jesus.

This year the Lord has blessed us in a wonderful way in the work, fifty souls

have received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, and many have been wonderfully delivered from sickness and sin and baptized in water.

I crave your remembrance at the throne of grace that I may serve the Lord with all humility of mind, and labor on for the winning to Christ of these Roman Catholic people, that by the Lord's rich grace and strength nothing may move me away from His path before me.—Heartily yours in Christ, Daniel Berg.

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Totonacapan, Guatemala, C. A. We feel these are exceedingly important days, and are doing all that is in our power to get the message to the people. Naturally, one could hardly expect immediate results in this difficult field. Romanism has so paralyzed every fiber of the people until there is no place left in their mind to conceive of a God of holiness and justice. But, praise Jesus, ours is a supernatural God and He is not limited to ordinary means nor time and space. So we push on with full expectancy of a harvest before Jesus comes.

In one of our stations where God has recently permitted us to open a work, there is a move among the people. The congregation is almost entirely Indian. The large room we use for a chapel is almost filled every night of service, and large crowds stand in the door and street listening to the Word. This is more encouraging to us than you can understand, because the great difficulty in many of these places is to get people to even listen to the Gospel. One man who has been living in fornication is getting married and his wife has accepted the Lord also. There are about a dozen there ready to be baptized in water.

We would be glad to have the Evangel family pray especially for the above town (San Cristobal). The Indians are particularly hard to reach because of their little knowledge of the Spanish language and their being subject to bondage so long, but when they do get converted they make the most faithful believers. Also please pray for a spiritual quickening and outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all our work. Some are seeking the baptism and we trust the fire will soon fall.—C. A. Hines and wife.

A WRONG IMPRESSION, CORRECTED.

Dear Brother Welch:

If you, through your valuable paper, would help correct a wrong impression that some friends in America seem to have, it would benefit more than one struggling missionary here in India. There is no doubt that the war is preventing funds from reaching us, but mainly because friends are afraid to send fearing it will not reach us. Now the fact is nearly every mail has come through safely, and we believe that where proper precaution is taken not much need be lost. A lost check can be duplicated and a lost money order can be recovered if the receipt has been kept. But the banks are requiring a duplicate check now before they cash the check. I suggest sending a duplicate check, not with the original, but in the following mail. This makes it doubly sure of reaching the missionary. We acknowledge all gifts immediately. So if any fail to hear from us after sending money they should write again.

We are living in serious times, and we on the foreign field need to be upheld in prayer. Conscription has been introduced in India for the British, which will mean some good missionaries will have to serve as soldiers, and the funds of the British missionaries are falling off on account of the war. Now we all believe that we are drawing near the close of this dispensation and this time calls for special missionary effort. As the war begins to affect America more, may the Christians realize the coming of our King draweth nigh, and be ready to meet Him.—Yours in His service, John E. Norton, Benares, U. P., India.

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MEXICAN WORK AT SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

Bro. M. M. Pinson has sent a good letter pertaining to the Mexican work which is found to be quite difficult at this time. He says:

"We are having plenty of testing in these days, but God says, press on. So on we go for and with our God. There is much to pray about. God is working some, but the devil is putting an unrest in the hearts of the people. The Conscription law has so it seems put an unrest on the Mexicans and the American papers tell us that many of the Mexicans are going to Mexico. I partly believe it. Our Mexican saints are to roll out in wagons this week. Nothing can stop them. There are thousands of others here and so we are pressing on after them.

"Sister Marshall, my wife and my little boy and I went to the city market yesterday and preached to scores of Mexicans. They had the saddest faces that I have ever seen, it seems to me, and they listen somewhat like people in the church house. I am sure the Word went to their hearts, pray for them."

Anyone interested in the Mexican work can address Bro. M. M. Pinson at 1022 West Poplar St., San Antonio, Tex.

MISS GERBER IMPROVING.

Word was received about a month ago that Miss Gerber, the little mother to hundreds of Armenian orphans, was stricken down with paralysis. A cry went up to God for her deliverance from many hearts, and we now receive word that she is rapidly improving. Bro. Aijian, who is assisting her in her efforts for her orphan children, writes: "I am very glad to write that Miss Gerber is growing better every day, and the Lord is doing wonderful things for her. She can talk some and physically she is very strong. Pray that she may use her right hand for writing, that she is unable yet to do. Miss Gerber is sending money and there are ways yet through which help could be forwarded. There are about 200,000 Armenian orphans, and certainly this is the time to pray for and feed them. In His power we are trying to take care of many hundreds through Miss Gerber's work, but we would like to raise the number to a thousand as our share."—M. M. Aijian.

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Sai Nam, South China. We enjoyed our visit to St. Louis, especially did we enjoy the Council meeting. We realize the need of such meetings for the Pentecostal people.

There has been a great sifting going on among our native Christians for more than a year. About the time of Mr. Hammond's death on the R. R. the dearth began and lasted more than a year. We had had revivals continually since our children died, up until the time of this testing. God has been glorified in this and now we see the daylight breaking again, the sound of abundance of rain is heard in the distance; we can see, as it were, the cloud about the size of a man's "hand."

Only a few nights ago two of the official class came for instruction in the Word, and the Lord helped us as we pointed them to Him. The result was that they wanted a Bible to read the story for themselves, the story of Christ. This will mean much for the mission, to have them come for instruction.

We were pleasantly surprised the other evening when one of our Christians, who had been instructed in the way to do personal work, came home from his work thirty miles away to tell me that a man was coming early the next morning to ask us more about the Gospel than he was able to tell him. The next morning the man came, and we were glad to find that he was ready to accept Christ. After a thorough going through of the Scriptures bearing on the Christian's duty, I asked him if he had decided to accept Christ then and there. He answered "Yes." We prayed, I prayed first and he followed, praying for God to forgive him of his sin. He arose with the consciousness of his acceptance.

After he had accepted Christ his next step was to declare this to his village people. He made a date with us to visit his village and preach to his aged moth-

er who had never heard the name of Jesus. The day arrived and we went about eighteen miles to his village where we spent the better part of the day preaching to his people. After this step he felt so happy, he said. What a privilege to preach to these people, of Jesus, mostly women. It is seldom we have a man from thirty miles away to come for nothing else but to hear the Gospel.

A very earnest Christian of ours has been tested severely. He lost his house in the flood, his boy was afflicted for a long time with that terrible disease smallpox, and just recently the thieves came by night and stole his buffalo. But amid this his face shines and he can praise the Lord. No house, not anything wherewith to plough his rice, his boy almost dying with smallpox, yet praises the Lord, proves to me that this is the type of a Christian that is not often met with, even in Christianized lands.

In the hakka country there has opened up for us a most excellent opportunity. The Berlin Mission has been stationed near there for thirty years, but on account of the present war they are compelled to almost discontinue their work. Their Christians have been coming over to our mission to the services. We feel that if we had the room we could have a meeting there at our mission and we could probably get a number of those who are thirsting through to the baptism of the Holy Ghost. There are about six hundred of those normal Christians.—Geo. M. Kelley.

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WORKING IN OLD MEXICO.

We are seventy miles down in the State of Sonora, Mexico. Expect to go on down to Montezuma, a large town many miles from the railroad, and neglected.

There are many Indians in this state who still worship their Indian gods. One of these, a Yaqui, has received the baptism and now he is having a revival among his own people. Several of them have received the baptism lately. Praise the Lord.

The Mexican Government has had a great deal of trouble with this tribe. They are very savage and much feared by the Mexican people. There are other tribes in this state, one called the Mayoos, with light hair and blue eyes, supposed to be the descendants of the Norsemen.

Bro. and Sister Geo. Thomas are coming down to work with us. We expect to help this Yaqui Indian brother in some of his meetings. Pray with us that this dark land may be illuminated with light from heaven.

We had a blessed meeting last night. One sister was saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit. Several others are seeking. If God's children could only see the light that comes into these dark faces when their once hopeless hearts are filled with Jesus. These people are begging for help. (Can we be content to settle down in some easy place while the

harvest passes and let them cry in vain for our help?—J. A. Preston.)

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Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, North China.

The lady who has been in charge here has been compelled to leave for her home in Norway, on account of her poor health, thus leaving me in charge of this work, which consists of two schools for boys and girls, with about thirty children, and two outstations. It is a trial of faith, as I don't have any promises of support back of me but the Lord. I wish to say, to the glory of God, that to this day He has kept His promise and supplied the need both for the schools and myself. Praise His dear name.

If I should look on things with the natural eye, it would be impossible for me to manage the work which God has given me, as I have only been in China five months, but the Lord has been true to His Word that as my day is so shall my strength be.

I have already taken charge of the Chinese meetings, and as far as personal talk with the Chinese goes I can manage that all right. Truly it is the Lord's doing.

The Lord has now sent me a co-worker, Bro. Andersen and wife. They are Danish and have been in China for four or five years. Praise God for all good things.

About four weeks ago Bro. Andersen and myself went out to one of the many villages around here to see a sick child. Entering the home, which was a cave dug out of the hillside, we found two sick children instead of one. A little baby girl, whose head was full of sores, was lying on the stone bed. The parents told us that she never could be cured from these sores, but we told her that Jesus could heal her. I then washed off the mud which they had put on and then bandaged her head up with a handkerchief, which was the only thing I had at hand. We then knelt down on the stone floor and asked God to heal the two children, and, praise His dear name, He did. Both of them are well and happy and no sores. That is what our dear Lord can do when we only trust Him.

The Dunkard Brethren also have a mission here, and they are trying their best to reform the heathen, but with little success. What the Chinese need is to be saved in and out, up and down, and all around. Then the baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire. Pray for us brethren that God will work as never before and open up the eyes of this blinded people.—Morton J. Nelson.

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Port Lavaca, Texas. The fire is burning—people are getting saved and receive the baptism in the Holy Ghost nearly every day in our meetings around here and Sweetwater. Old hard sinners are coming to God. I never saw such conviction in my life. We have a fine band of workers here. I think I will be able to send you a good bunch of names for the Evangel.—L. C. Ridgeway.

FELLOWSHIP IN CHRIST

"That they all may be one." Jno. 17:21.

FIELD NOTES.

Woodland, Calif. We want to report victory at Woodland. One week's service at the tent—five saved Sunday night.—J. D. Wells.

West Plains, Mo. The meeting is moving off nicely. Only two altar services and six saved and reclaimed and one received the baptism. Continue to pray for us.—John T. Wilson.

DeQueen, Ark. We are having a victorious meeting at DeQueen. Twenty in the last twelve days have received the baptism as in Acts 2:4, and some wonderful healings.—Bettie Morgan.

Trenton, Mo. Bro. Wadell has been here for a few days and four have been saved and two received the baptism. Just received a letter from Bro. Ross, who is coming to help in the meeting.—Ola Miller.

Ozark, Ala. Bro. Lamb and Sister Wooten held a three-weeks' meeting here. God blessed mightily in preaching the Word. People are stirred and we are expecting good results and another meeting in July.—W. R. Carmichael.

Superior, Wis. Just arrived home from Superior, Wis., where we opened an Assembly. The place is now open for a spirit-filled preacher who is in fellowship with the General Council. For information write to Mr. J. C. Erickson, 5729 Oaks Ave., Superior, Wisconsin.

Ochelata, Okla. We just closed a three weeks' meeting at Coweta, Okla. Thirteen saved, eight baptized in the Holy Spirit. Closed with sweeping victory. There seems to be a revival spirit throughout Oklahoma. May the saints pray God's will be done. 1 Tim. 2:8.—Watt Walker, Evang.

McCurtain, Okla. We have about one hundred baptized saints, and God's work is moving on. During the past two weeks sinners were saved, several reclaimed and five baptized in the Holy Spirit. Good unity prevails among the saints. We have the usual three prayer meetings a week, and sometimes five or six; and Bible lessons every other afternoon.

God is speaking to us through tongues and interpretations and other demonstrations. One of the latest messages given, "Be holy as I am Holy; so be ye holy in all manner of conversation."

We expect, D. V., to let the good work go on.—James D. McCornell.

Monette, Ark. The Lord is blessing some here. Three have found the Lord and are telling of Jesus' love. Pray for us. This is a hard place, but, thank God, He that is in us is greater than he that is in the world. Pray that we may have the mind of the Lord. We are out for the interest of God's kingdom.—Evang. Wm. Click.

Nickelsville, Va. The Lord has blessed us with a good revival at Big Stone Gap, Va. About twenty or more saved and reclaimed. Nineteen received the Holy Spirit. We are making preparations to build a meeting house there. Among the numbers to receive the baptism was an old Methodist preacher.—J. L. Kilborn.

Peoria, Ill. Will you give this city your prayers? I am here and want to see a revival. There is much worldliness, amusements and disrespect for the Lord's day. I am going to work and hope a door will soon be opened that the full Gospel may be preached. I don't know of a Pentecostal person here.—Evangelist Wm. A. Summers.

Elmont, Mo. We can report great victory at Elmont, Mo. On Sunday, June 3rd, twenty-one were at the altar. Fifteen got saved and reclaimed. Let us all pray for a great revival. On Sunday, the 10th, was our regular appointment at Sullivan, Mo. Five got saved, one received the Holy Ghost. Praise God! Pray for us.—R. O. Miller and wife.

Ennis, Texas. I am sending you a little report of our work. We have just closed a meeting near Cash, Tex. About twelve saved, several restored to the joys of salvation, fifteen baptized in water and two received the Holy Ghost. We are to begin a meeting tonight (June 2nd) in the country near Ennis, Tex. We ask the saints everywhere to pray for us.—Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Edwards.

Winnipeg, Man. We are still in the fight and the Lord's blessing is upon every meeting. We are starting an extra effort on Sunday, the 10th of June, in a large tent on the corner of Vaughn St. and Portage Ave., Bros. Garr and Black in charge, with the people's song service and orchestral accompaniment. The people are praying for an old-fashioned revival and it is coming. Hallelujah! So we send in a request to the Evangel family to pray for this summer campaign that many souls may be saved.—G. D. Lockhart.

GOOD MEETING AT MANLEY, MO.

We just closed a two weeks' meeting last night. Bro. Collins and wife, Bro. Gregory, Bro. Banta, Sister Zola Taylor and Lilly Underwood came. We went to Holcomb and held services on the street and Bro. Banta distributed some tracts and some minutes of the last Council at Essex. The people are hungry for the true Gospel down here. Sisters Taylor and Underwood stayed with us the last week and we sure had a glorious good meeting. It was a real old-time revival and it made the old people think of the old-time religion they used to have when they were young. Several got saved and three got baptized in the Spirit according to Acts 2:4 and two were baptized in water.

On the last Sunday we had several visitors from Kennett and some from Holcomb and Gibson and Clarkton. We had services at the mission at 9:30. Then we went to the water and spread a good dinner on the green grass; and you talk about the scarcity of food—you ought to have been there. It would have made your mouth water to see the good things we had to eat. The old baked hen with dressing, chicken and dumplings, ham and sausages with pickles, fruits, pies and cake. Probably three hundred people eating at once and they were all filled. Then we went to the water's edge and Bro. Collins baptized two in water in the presence of about 500 people. We then went to the mission and held memorial services and partook of the bread and wine, and then the saints put in the rest of the day washing one another's feet, and afterwards, one of the best night meetings we had during the whole two weeks. The meeting closed with peace and harmony prevailing.—W. A. Back.

SPECIAL REQUEST FOR PRAYER.

Bro. L. V. Kenney of Austin, Texas, has sent in a pathetic appeal for prayer for healing. There are so many other important matters which would be crowded out if we published his letter in full, that we regret we must refrain from doing so. He says: "My affliction of bone and gland cancer on my face and neck has been gradually growing worse, until about a week ago when there was a sudden change for the worse, and I have been confined to my bed most of the time since. It is hard to find an easy position or a moment of rest, and I wish to ask the prayers of all the readers of your paper that God's purpose in my affliction might be accomplished soon, and that they might be removed. Whether I am healed or not, whether I live or die, Amen. 'Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him.' I have found that God's will for me is best."

Those who know how to pray, kindly take Bro. Kenny on your hearts before the throne of grace, that He, who knoweth the hearts of all men, may deliver our brother from this terrible affliction.

The Evangel Prayer Band

RETURNED TO GIVE THANKS.

Sometime ago I sent request for prayers for my nerves. Now I thank God He has heard and answered your prayers and healed my nerves.

I wish you would please pray for me again for healing of a trouble in my back and shoulders, also some kidney and bladder trouble; also that I will grow stronger in Christ.—Mrs. O. W., Boyne City, Mich.

Some time ago I sent in a request for prayer for the healing of a sore on my leg and trouble with my stomach and heart. Before I saw the request in the paper my leg began to heal, and when I saw the request my heart leaped for joy. I never saw anything heal so fast before as that sore on my leg. Before I sent in the request I could not sleep at night, getting only about two nights sleep a week, but now I sleep good every night. I am now claiming complete healing in Jesus' name.—C. B. E., Lovelady, Texas.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER.

Pray for my healing.—Mrs. H., Monroe, La.

Pray for the healing of my body.—S. C., Itasca, Tex.

Pray for the healing of two sisters in Richmond, Ind.

Pray for a young man in Richmond, Ind., who is an infidel.

Pray for us and the work here.—Mrs. S. C., Blytheville, Ark.

Pray for me that I may be healed of kidney trouble.—R. H. S.

Please pray for a post-millennial woman that she will be saved.

I desire the prayers of the saints.—W. F. McDade, Atlanta, Ga.

Pray for a sister who desires to grow deeper in God.—R. I. C.

Pray for us that we may live closer to Jesus.—E. B. and M. E.

Pray much for our work at Laurel Hill, Fla.—Mrs. J. C. Chestnut.

Pray that God will open the eyes of a Methodist sister to the truth.

Pray that I may be more consecrated to the Lord.—M. M., Estor, Tex.

Please pray for my wife's eyesight and health.—A. B., Barnesboro, Ky.

Pray for an assembly at Burlingame, Kans., that souls might be saved.

Pray for a brother who has been suffering with rheumatism ever since last fall.

I am seeking healing for my valvular heart leakage.—N. D. S., Colon, Mich.

Pray that God will visit this place with an old time revival.—J. L. Cook, Elba, Ala.

Please pray for an old crippled woman, 83 years old, who is not able to help herself.

Pray that God will send a revival to Commerce, Tex., a new field.—H. Birmingham.

Pray for me now—I have neuritis, and malaria rheumatism.—N. S. E., Baltimore, Maryland.

Pray for two young men who have stepped out for God but have been hindered by the enemy.

Pray for a backslider in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, who is sick and weak and whose mind is darkened.

I am a candidate for the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Please pray for me.—J. O. C., Bloomington, Ind.

Pray that the Lord will send someone to lift up Jesus in this place.—Mrs. Dan Holmes, Laclede, Mo.

Pray that a son will not marry a woman who has a living husband, for it would break his mother's heart.

Pray for guidance in all things as to our coming state camp meeting August 10th to 26th in Tulsa, Okla.—S. A. J.

Pray for a backslider in North Dakota. There are no Pentecostal meetings nearby.

Pray that God will send workers.

Pray that an Episcopal minister's heart may be opened to the truth. I am sending the Evangel to him.—Miss E. D.

Pray for Trenton, Mo., that God will send conviction and that many souls will be saved in the special meetings there.

Pray for a mother's two boys who are married and are not saved. Pray that the mother and father will be kept true.

Please pray that God will open the way to get lumber to build a church as the lot has been donated for one.—L. R. K.

Pray for a little Hebrew woman suffering with consumption of the kidneys. She

has been saved but is bound with demon power.

I want the prayers of all the saints that I may be wholly sanctified and receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit.—W. D. S., Birch Tree, Mo.

Pray earnestly for me for healing of body and patience to endure, and that I may be subdued to the full will of God.—Mrs. L. A. Y., Overbrook, Kans.

Pray for me and children for healing and for my husband that he may be saved. There are no elders of the church here for me to send for.—F. C., Delight, Ark.

Have been suffering for about a year with my head. Am saved and have the baptism but cannot get hold of God for healing. Be sure to pray for me.—Mrs. A. P., Carthage, Ark.

The Assembly at Flat River desire the prayers of the Evangel family that God will continue to bless and save and baptize souls with the Holy Ghost.—M. M., Flat River, Mo.

Pray for my husband that he may receive the baptism in the Spirit and for a lady friend who is real hungry for the baptism of the Holy Spirit.—Mrs. B. P., Pilot Point, Texas.

I need your prayers.—T. C., Urbana, Ill.

Pray earnestly that God may save and protect my dear boy that is in this dreadful war and pray that God may save my family.—Mrs. J. H., Sparks, Okla.

Pray earnestly for me that God will keep me well till He takes me to Himself. I am standing alone. Pray that God will send some preacher filled with the Holy Ghost.—Mary E. White, Marceline, Mo.

I am the widow of a deceased Methodist minister. I have been paralyzed on the left side of my body for the past three years—in bed two years. Pray that I may be healed. I will work for Christ's cause and His glory.—Mrs. K. B. T., Indianapolis, Ind.

When you meet on your Friday day of prayer, when the requests are brought before the Lord, pray that we may have a real live Pentecostal work here where it is so much needed—that we may have an out-pouring of God's Spirit.—Mrs. F. B., Union City, Ind.

Pray for mother to keep humble at the foot of the cross. Pray for my brother to be healed of deafness and headache and to be saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit. Pray for my sister to be saved. Pray for me and pray for a minister to come here and preach the Gospel.—Miss Ross Lee Shilling, San Antonio, Texas. Motor Route, Box 477.

A sister sends twelve subscriptions to the Evangel to be sent to different persons who have not the light of Pentecost and desires prayer for everyone of them that their eyes may be opened and that they may seek the Lord. She also orders 500 papers for distribution in Long Beach, Cal., and desires prayer that God will bless the seed sown.

Pray for my dear old mother who is sick and can hardly be out of her bed, that she may be healed of nervous trouble, pain in her side and breast, and also that she may be freed from chewing of tobacco. I am sick and almost disheartened. Pray that our household may soon be in peace with each other and our neighbors.—W. B. W., Good Springs, Tenn.

PRAY ON JUNE 23rd.

Have special prayer on the night of June 23rd that God will pour out His Spirit and baptize four with the Holy Ghost. We are going to tarry that night for power from on high. No one here has received except myself, and oldest boy.—Omaha Lancaster, High Bridge, Ky.

Pray for the summer campaign at Winnipeg, Man., that many souls will be saved.—G. D. Lockhart.

AUTO NEEDED IN THE LORD'S WORK.

We have it laid upon us to go out quickly into neglected towns, villages, etc., to carry the Gospel message and the tidings of the Lord's soon coming, "for how can they know except they be told, and how shall they hear without a messenger?" Would be glad to hear from all those who feel to make "an offering unto the Lord" in contributing toward the hire, or the purchase of an automobile for this purpose. Some child of God may have an auto to loan, or donate to the harvest work, if so, write us.—(Miss) Leila M. Conway, Hurlock, Md.

A CALL TO PRAYER.

As it is now conceded that there is an alarming shortage of food throughout the world, which already leaves some parts of the world in a state of famine. And as it is estimated also that the crop in the United States and Canada for 1917 will be much below the average, which, together with selfish people who raise prices to an extent that would place the necessities of life at higher prices than the average man is able to pay, and would leave poor people in a state of extreme poverty, it is deemed necessary to place the matter before the Lord. And as God's people are said to be "the salt of the earth," and will be held responsible to fill their office in a proper manner at this particular time.

It therefore is requested that Pentecostal people everywhere will set a certain day or time, when they will pray that God will give an abundant crop this season, and save the crop from damage, and enable the farmers to harvest the same in a good condition.

And that God may also give wisdom, power and determination to those who have to do with the governments of this continent to control prices, and to keep such prices within the limits of reason. And that He by His Spirit will cause the people to humble themselves before God, and grant also that this terrible war may be brought to a speedy close in a satisfactory manner.—Daniel McDougal, Toronto, Canada.

NOTICES.

Bro. M. M. Pinson, who is engaged in the Mexican work at San Antonio, Texas, desires that his new address be given: 1022 W. Poplar St., San Antonio, Texas.

Lovelady, Texas. Pray for the Assembly at this place. If any spirit-filled preacher feels led to come this way to hold a meeting, would like you to come.—C. B. Ellis.

Preacher Wanted. I would like to have some good humble preacher out here to help us start meeting—one with the baptism of the Holy Ghost and the power of God.—Mrs. B. H. Phillips, Okemah, Okla.

There must be someone God wants to come out this way (Sisseton, S. D.). There are many, many souls here that I feel God wants to draw into the fold. Any one coming would have to trust God for his expenses.—Vera Thompson, R. 4, Sisseton, South Dakota.

Ready for Calls. I have been a minister in the M. E. Church South for seventeen years, pastor and conference evangelist. I believe God's ministers are clean and holy men and will preach a full Gospel. I am open to go anywhere God's people want me. Can give good references.—J. E. Gibbs, Abilene, Texas.

TABERNACLE MEETINGS.

Stop, Pray and Listen

And see if God will have you come to Northwestern Alabama. We are praying and trusting God for the right persons to labor here, beginning the 8th of July and continuing as long as God leads. For information address Hardy M. Sandlin, Sulligent, Ala.

Earle, Ark., Tent Meeting. Begins under 40x60 tent August 1st, continuing a month or longer as the Lord leads. All of God's people are cordially invited. We are praying God to send us a minister or two filled with the Holy Ghost and the Word of God like Stephen, Acts 6:5. Any one feeling led of God to come, write Pastor W. H. Copeland, Earle, Ark.

NOTICE.

I am writing to say that Elder W. F. Carothers of Houston, Tex., is out on the field again with an inspiring vision of unity of all truly baptized saints of God, and I must say this appeals to my heart very keenly. Is not this the thing for which Jesus prayed? Let us help to answer the prayer. I bespeak for him a loving welcome and prayerful hearing among all the saints. Remember also that Brother Carothers is out on the faith line absolutely. I am sure the Lord will make him a blessing to the saints wherever he, in God's will, shall labor.—Your brother and his in Gospel bonds, A. P. Collins.

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was good; and God divided the light from the darkness.

5 And God called the light ¹Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the ²evening and the morning were the first day.

The second day: vapour above, water below.

6 And God said, Let there be a ²firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.

7 And God made the firmament.

12 And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind; and God saw that it was good. 13 And the evening and the morning were the third day.

The fourth day: the sun, moon, and stars become visible.

14 And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for

⁴ Lit. expanse (i.e. of waters beneath, of vapour above).

⁵ i.e. the expanse above, the 'heaven' of the clouds.

A sample footnote—see figure 1 in verse 5 above.

¹ The word "day" is used in Scripture in three ways: (1) that part of the solar day of twenty-four hours which is light (Gen. i. 5, 14; John ix. 4; xi. 9); (2) such a day, set apart for some distinctive purpose, as, "day of atonement" (Lev. xxiii. 27); "day of judgment" (Mt. x. 15); (3) a period of time, long or short, during which certain revealed purposes of God are to be accomplished, as "day of the LORD."

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