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An Appeal to the Pentecostal People Throughout the World to Observe Sunday, Nov. 3rd and Monday, Nov. 4, 1918 in United Prayer Inviting Jesus, Our Heavenly Bridegroom, to Come Back.

We, the undersigned, believe that the time has come for JESUS to return: prophecies concerning the last days are being fulfilled in a very literal manner. In the world we find abounding iniquity and in the church we see the love of many has grown cold (See Matt. 24:12.) God is shaking the nations by means of the most terrible and destructive war this world has ever seen. "And I will shake all nations and the desire of all nations will come," Hag. 2:7. Truly, the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body, Rom. 8:22, 23.

A world wide appeal for God's people to observe October 6th and 7th, 1912 in prayer for the speedy return of our Lord met with a world-wide response.

Beginning from October 7th, 1912, the second of these special days of prayer, the following events in sequence are

- 1. War was declared by Greece, Bulgaria, Serbia and Montenegro against Turkey on October 7th, 1912.
- 2. Turkey having been defeated. these allies quarreled over the spoils, and Serbia and Greece united in war against Bulgaria, in which war Serbia was victor.
- 3. Austria became jealous of Serbia's increased prestige. In the summer of 1914, the heir to the Austrian crown was murdered by a Serbian, and this act was the occasion of a Declaration of War by Austria against Serbia. Germany sided with Austria and Russia sided with Serbia. The world war began.
- 4. In the year 1918, Great Britain, France, Italy and the United States of America together with eighteen or ninteen other nations as allies are engaged in war against Germany, Turkey, Bulgaria and Austro-Hungary.
- 5. One very important result of this war is the fact that on December 12, 1917, the Turks having largely been driven out of Palestine, the British made a victorious entry into Jerusalem, having conquered the Holy City.
 - 6. At Eastertide, 1918, as a result of

ment and the Zionists, the nucleus of a self-governing Jewish State was inaugurated in Jerusalem. Hallelujah! when

BUT A LITTLE WHILE

The time is coming when the heavens will not retain our Jesus any longer. He will burst thru and at the same time there will be with the outbursting there will be an uplifting, and the union of the Bride and Bridegroom will be completed in the heavens. And all the power of the enemy cannot keep back this outbursting because the Almighty has decree Himself.

For a little while has the Lord Jesus left us, but with ever asting kindness is He now drawing His own to Himself. The darkness is only temporary. When you pass through the valley of the shadows you need not fear, for His hand will be upon you. Did He ever will be upon you. Did He ever lose one who trusted Him fully? Have any sheep of the fold been snatched from the fold? He says. "Those that Thou gavest Me I have kept, and none of them is lost,"

But a little while and He shall surely come! The saints of God will be carried out of the tribu lation and turmoil and they will be far above it. Then will the accuser of the brethren be cast out. He will be cast down to the earth. His malice will be fearful and his practices unutterably horrible. will be desolation to the inhabi-tants of the earth. In the mean-time, you will be subject to the onslaughts of the enemy. But all the promises are yours and all the armoury is at your disposal. After you have done all, remember it is only by the blood of the Lamb you can overcome. There is victory only through the blood of the Lamb.

you see the fig tree put forth leaves, you know that summer is nigh Matt. 24:32. It becomes increasingly plain that the Times of the Gentiles is drawing rapidly to a close, and that the LORD Himself is near, even at our doors.

The day of Pentecost found the one

hundred and twenty all of one accord in one place, and the Holy Spirit as a rushing mighty wind descended upon them, Acts 2:1, 2.

Fray that the rushing mighty wind, a whirlwind of Holy Ghost power, may come from the Throne, not to abide on waiting ones as at Pentecost, but to catch them away from the earth to meet the descending Lord in the air.

The Promised Latter Rain

which took a world-wide start in the outpouring of the Spirit in 1906, has continued to fall, and the precious fruit of the earth is being ripened for the harvest. We have not yet touched the reserves of Heaven. The whirlwind of the Spirit is available for every saint as in the case of Elijah who was caught up into heaven in a whirlwind 2 Kings 2:11.

The night of our Lord's betrayal, He said to His disciples, "With desire have I desired to eat this Passover with you." If He desired to give a token of His love, though it meant death, do you not believe He has a greater desire in His g'ory to shew H's love? He died in order that we might live and reign with Him. He wants now to shew His love to His bride. "The marriage of the Lamb is come; for His wife hath made herself ready."

On the occasion of the Passover Supper, the night of our Lord's betrayal, His friends made ready the Upper Room. The bride has her part in making herself ready. Let us not keep Him waiting

Do you not love His appearing? Do you not long for Him? He longs for you. The Apostle Paul prayed that the eyes of our understanding might be enlightened to know what is the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, Ephes. 1:18.

If you love Him, you will invite Him to come back.

"Behold, I come quickly! Amen!"

(Signed) Max Wood Moorhead, E. N. Bell.

Stanley H. Frodsham.

P.S. This is not meant as setting a date for Him to return, only as the desire of our hearts to see and welcome Him.

WHY SPEAK YE NOT A WORD OF BRINGING THE KING BACK?

Rebellion in the House of David threw David out of Jerusalem; and the usurper was having a fine time. Absalom had control of the capital and the rightful king had been expelled. Will no one ask the King to come back? He was waiting for the people to invite him back. Though David was powerful, he reigned by the will of the people; and the people had to invite him. Conferences and invitations and the longing desire from the hearts of his loyal people for the King to return ultimately brought him back. And the usurper was killed.

There are conferences now concerning our blessed Lord's return. Some want the King to come back. The question is still asked, "Why do you not send for Him?" Surely up to the present the invitation has not been sufficiently pressing and urgent.

If there is an agitation, if there is talking if there is consideration of the subject of an invitation to the King to come back, where does it all come from? It is an echo from the Throne, an echo from the courts of Heaven, where the angels know that the King is in exile from this earth.

Jesus ascended into Heaven in the presence of His friends. While they beheld. He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven, as He went up, beho'd, two men stood by them in white apparel. which also said, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven shall so come in like manner as ye have seen go into heaven."

The Lord's return is the talk of Heav-Don't you think that they have been talking about it these 1900 years? The talk on earth has been spasmodic; but in heaven they are looking forward to the crowning of the King. But they are limited in their efforts; for there is no record that the angels can even pray for the event. The Spirit says. "Behold I come quickly," but He is waiting for the response from men, "Even so come, Lord Jesus." The angels can help in the coronation; but there is no record that they can pray to hasten it. But you may be sure they are watching closely and gladly anticipating the time when they will be able to say, "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to Him; for the Marriage of the Lamb is come, and His wife hath made herself ready."

The angels cannot make the bride ready; but they know that when she is ready the marriage of the Lamb will take place. Unreadiness on the part of the bride delays the marriage of the Lamb. But how can the bride be made ready? Read how Esther made herself ready. She was brought to the King's house, to the custody of Hegai, keeper

of the women, and the maiden pleased him, and she obtained kindness of him, and he speedily gave her her things for purification with such things as belonged to her. The keeper of the women. with unstinted liberality, with all the resources of King Ahasuerus at his bidding, provided everything. To the bride of the Lamb, the Holy Ghost is dispensing gifts, graces and the fruit of the Spirit. And He makes the declaration, "The King's daughter is all glorious within." Her raiment is of fine needlework, outside and inside. There is a superabundance of all that is necessary. So much depends upon the bride being really in a state of readiness.

The heavens will rejoice, and there will be the rejoicing of Him whose heart will be made glad in the days of His espousals. And the rejoicing will not end here; for the marriage of the Lamb means salvation to those outside. Esther's becoming queen was the means of the Jews of her day obtaining their freedom.

? A QUESTION ?
The Christian is ripening for translation.
The Jew is ripening for Palestine.

world is ripening for judg-

ment.
IN WHICH GROUP ARE

Rejoice ye heavens; for the bride hath made herself ready. And the strains of rejoicing will descend to the earth. Rejoice ye earth, for the Bride and Bridegroom will dispense salvation. first to the Jews and then through the Jews to the Gentiles. For it is written, "After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David which is fallen down: and I will build again the ruins thereof, and will set it up: that the residue of men might seek after the Lord, and all the Gentiles upon whom My name is called, saith the Lord, Who doeth all things."

King Ahasuerus himself was blessed through his marriage with Esther, and the Babylonians were blessed ultimately by having the Jews in their midst, after the enemies of the Jews were put away. And the heavenly Bridegroom loves His bride so much that she will be a partner with Him in the restoration, renovation and salvation of the world. See Rev. 19:11-16.

At the birth of Christ the heavens rejoiced. The angelic hosts burst through the confines of heaven and sang: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace good will toward men." These angels had special permission to visit the earth. God heard from the angels what He ought to have heard from the earth, and did not. Herod said, "Shew me the babe

that I may come and worship Him," "with the sword," he might have added, for it was in his heart. No anthem of praise ascended from the earth at Christ's birth, but it will ascend at His coronation; and the bride is going to be the medium.

Think you not that the angels are on the qui vive to hear the command again, "Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lifted up. ye everlasting doors, and the King of Glory shall come in?" Heaven has a real part in the marriage of the Lamb to welcome Him and His bride back in triumph. But they of the earth, the most apathetic seem to be those who have the most to gain. But this apathy is being counteracted by a mighty agency, by no less than that of God Himself in the Person of the Høly Spirit. When all was chaos and darkness the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters, and God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. If He can order and quicken and bring to cosmos, that which is chaos, He also can stir up His apathetic Church.

"Will ye not invite the King back?" echoed the appeal. And though for a time they had been disloyal to King David, love supervened. They invited the King back, and the King returned. These things are written for your example and encouragement.

The Heavenly King needs the invitation. The bride sadly needs her Bridegroom. The angels are in expectation, waiting expectantly to hear the command, "Be glad and rejoice, for the marriage of the Lamb is come." Heaven and earth are concerned in the coming of the King.

The angels of God do not lie. The lying angels have been cast out. Those angelic messengers did not lie when they said, "This same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven shall so come in like manner."

The words of the apostles admonish, encourage and enlighten the saints concerning His second coming. Read 1 Thess. 4:16, 17; James 5:7, 8; 2 Pet. 3:11, 12; Rev. 22:20. As never before in the history of the Church, the promises concerning the Lord's Second Coming are being diligently and reverently studied. And the Spirit is enlightening and quickening the saints as never before. Christ's own words as to His own return are being valued as precious and priceless.

The Spirit is not only quickening the Word, but He is quickening individuals who read about His return in the Word. They see outside events from the inside Word. The world sees outside events and goes little farther. They are blind and leaders of the blind. "But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief, ye are all children of the day; we are not of the night, nor of darkness." We have light outside and in.

The words, "Behold I come quickly" are a challenge. What is the reply? The real bride will cry, and yearn, and her life as well as her voice will call out, "Even so come, Lord Jesus, Amen."

BUILDING THE LORD'S HOUSE.

Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it. Psa. 127:1. The temple was not built by one man but by many. David gathered the material, Solomon built the temple. Hiram, king of Tyre, had his part. The nations round about contributed gold. So the temple was finished. Numbers contributed and no single individual could say, "I was the cause of bringing the King to His temple."

So in the building of the spiritual temple, God has His Davids who have done the preparatory work, and they fell on sleep. They laid a good foundation. Others came on. And so, to-day, there are many workers, each contributing his or her share in propogating truths regarding the Lord's return, some contributing by the press and others by voice. No jealousy; no noise; no hammering. The blessed hope of the coming of Christ is a truth of paramount importance, and one closely identified with the building of the temple the "Habitation of God through the Spirit," and lovers of the truth should ever be witnessing to it and putting it forward.

There was plenty of noise when the stones were being quarried; but when these stones were put in the temple, the noise ceased. There is plenty of denominational strife; but elect stones are united by the truth of the Lord's coming, and fitly joined. The saints are a people who are called out of darkness and strife.

"He that hath this hope set on Him purifieth himself even as He is pure." A gathering of purified people looking for that b'essed hope and glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour. Jesus Christ! There must be no schism in the body. God Himself will see that the truth of the coming of His Son finds acceptance and lodgment in the hearts of all those who truly love Him. He is coming for those who "love His appearing," 2 Tim. 4:8.

There is an intellectual assent to truth which is different to a heart longing for the Lord's return. And the true ones who are looking for His coming will overlook any differences of view of other aspects of Christian doctrine when they see a thorough believer ardently longing, praying, waiting and expecting Him whom they also long to see.

Solomon had not to worry about material nor about means or help in building the temple. Why? Because God determined it should be built, and built it was. And the building was a marvel of ease because He pre-arranged everything. And correspondingly we who are being built into the temple of the Lord as lively stones for a habitation of God through the Spirit are being fashioned; and all the work, outside as well as inside necessary to the completion of the temple, has been undertaken by God, and He will see that the topstone is put on. Our part is to yield to Him and trust Him implicitly. Happy is the individual whom He appoints to this end. Happy those who are overseers. Happy are those who are trusted attendants of the Prince of Peace!

Solomon had many grades of workers in his task of building the temple. Seek to be a faithful worker in this wondrous work of fitting the temple; so that the temple may be filled with no less a Person than the Lord of Glory!

In the dedication of the temple, the cloud containing the presence of the Lord Jehovah came down into the temple. and the whole place was so filled with the glory that the priests could not stand to minister. When this spiritual temple is completed the clouds will come down, folding and unfolding, preceded by Him whose right it is to reign. And as the lightning cometh out of the east and shineth unto the west, so shall the coming of the Son of man be seen. "Behold He cometh with clouds." Every eye shall see Him coming when everything is prepared.

"AS STUBBLE FULLY DRY." Jehovah has declared in His Word that He will execute vengeance in anger and wrath upon those who will not hearken unto "The Lord revengeth, and is furious; the Lord will take vengeance on His adversaries, and He reserveth wrath for His en-emies." The indignation of Jehovah is coming and it will not be stayed. The prophet Nahum asks "Who can stand before His indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of His anger?" But for those who seek mercy he declares 'The Lord is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble: and He knoweth them that trust in Him." And there will be no hope, no hope whatever, to those who reject mercy. His wrath will be poured out without mercy on all the ungodly, and the day is fast approaching when they will cry to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us, and hide us from the face of Him that sitteth on the Throne and from the wrath of the Lamb: for the great day of His wrath is come, and who shall be able to stand?"

If you cannot be a Solomon seek to be a Hiram. If you cannot be a Hiram, be one of the superintendents. If you cannot be a superintendent, seek to be a local foreman. If you cannot be a local foreman, be a carpenter like your Master.

They all severally contributed. Seek to build the temple. Read 1 Cor. 12:1 in the light of the building of the temple, and the Spirit will shew you the parallel. "Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant."

"And He gave some apostles, and some prophets, and some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ." Hence all severally have their work, and the ultimate end of this wondrous work is to make the temple; habitable for the Lord of the temple; in other words for the Lord Himself to come to His completed Church. As Solomon wrought, so the Holy Spirit will work till everything is complete.

ALL CLEAR!

Mrs. Howard Taylor testified in a convention of Student Volunteers in Toronto, regarding an experience through which she passed in the beginning of her missionary career: "My cry had always been. 'O God, anywhere in the world will I go for Thee, but not to China; don't let it be China.' But it was China, and for the first time in my life I left home, my father and my mother, and sailed with other missionaries. But I was alone, as far as my heart was concerned.. There came a moment when we weighed anchor, and the great ship moved slowly over the Bay of Naples, and the shores of Europe grew dim in the distance. I was standing alone, clasping to my heart the first bundle of home letters. I cannot describe to you the waves of rebellion that overwhelmed my soul. Just then a sailor at the prow called to the captain on the bridge 'All is clear now, sir; all is clear.' And the captain answered, 'Full speed ahead.' The words rang through my heart like a message from God. I looked up into His face and said, 'O Christ, all is clear now between my heart and Thee; all is clear.' His love surged through my lonely soul. and gave me a foretaste of the joys or obedience!"-Sel.

THE MORNING COMETH.

O the golden morning cometh!
Soon the darkness will be past,
And with Christ we'll dwell forever
In that happy home at last.
No more dark'ning veil of sorrow.
No more sad and aching hearts,
No more tears and no more anguish,
No more fiery wicked darts.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

No more sad and aching hearts,
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

No more fiery wicked darts.

O the golden morning cometh!
Soon we'll see King Jesus' face;
Soon we'll join the mighty chorus
Singing in that heav'nly place.
Yes, we're watching for His coming.
For the east begins to glow
With the rosey tints of morning
That shall end earth's night of woe.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
See! the east begins to glow,
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Soon shall end earth's night of woe.

Yes, the golden morning cometh!
And in triumph we shall rise
To our holy habitations
Built eternal in the skies.
And throughout the ceaseless ages,
With the saved of every race,
Like the voice of many waters,
We shall sing "amazing grace."

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
With the saved of every race,
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
We shall sing "amazing grace!"

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CONCERNING THE RAPTURE

A brother writes me as follows: "Dear Bro. Bell:- Will you discuss in the Evangel the following concerning the Rapture. We are taught to believe that there is a very special life we must live to be ready to be caught up by Jesus. That those who are not so prepared cannot then go up.

Now Paul says that the dead rise first at His appearing and are caught up together with those of us who remain alive till then. Does this mean that only those who have lived a close life to Him are resurrected? Or does it mean that all righteous dead are raised? If all are raised, then it would seem that God respected persons; and if only the best then the unresurrected dead do not undergo the tr.bu'ation and are not raised until after the Millennium. What do you think? We will appreciate a discussion of this.—F.. W. B.

Several distinctions must be made as to the above. I cannot see that God would be a respecter of persons in raising all the righteous dead, if He sees fit. Second, if He does not raise all then it is true that those in their graves would escape the tribulation going on in the earth. Third, it is usually said that the doctrine that only the overcomers will be caught up is objectionable because it makes the rapture a reward of works and not a matter of grace. Nevertheless it is a fact that all are saved by grace and not on the ground of keeping the law or by works of our own. It is also true that while all are saved alone by grace, all are also given rewards for faithful works. Such rewards are never salvation itself, they are always something on top of this as a reward for faithfulness. This is per-

fectly in keeping with grace, since all are alike saved by Christ and through faith in Him. Yet not even grace in Christ will save us unless we will yield to grace and co-operate with Christ by obedience in His working out our salvation. On the same principle if some after being saved will not co-operate with God so He can lead them into His greatest rewards, they have no one to blame but themselves.

That He does save by Christ and besides reward us for works, see 1 Cor. 3:

Our brother above speaks of those who do not live close to God as merely "the righteous dead." Such could not be called righteous only in the negative sense of having been washed or cleansed not in the positive sense of being holy in character and works.

Now God has designed and provided for all believers to live in victory and conscious fellowship with Himself, and expects all through the power of the Spirit to obey Him. He washes us in the blood and empowers us with His Divine Spirit of grace, all as a free gift. After that all that is needed to be a full overcomer is yielding and co-operating with God. Just as we have to co-operate to be saved by grace, just so do we get great rewards. In a sense it is all of grace, and all requires co-operation on

LIFT UP YOUR HEADS.

The sons of the King are going to a kingly palace to be entertained by a King in a kingly way. And there is nothing to pay. Come, for the feast is spread. And let him that is athirst come; and whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely. If you want to have the banquet then you must take the water now, it is the passport to the wine of the King.

our p rt. But God has made the same provision for all, and deals with all on the same principle. If any fail, they fall below the design and the provision of God.

Yet all that are found "in Christ" in that day will be raised and go up with Him. No matter how feeble, how weak, how timid or faltering such a one may have seemed to us, if he really fell asleep in Jesus, he is as sure to come up and go up as that the sun shines. God says it and he will.

There are two ways of explaining this. One is that both classes of true believers are resurrected at once and that the difference comes in the rewards to be received afterwards.

The other is to suppose from scripture that all the true Church, every real regenerated believer will go up to meet Jesus when He comes, but that a special reward is provided for the full overcomer in a still earlier resurrection, the early advance guard of the great festal throng.

Oh, thank God! The power of God is going to take up every true believer, and still there is a great and special reward for all who give up all and go all the way with Jesus.—E. N. B.

DESTROY THIS TRACT

Just after the Lusitania was sunk by a German torpedo and before the United States entered the war, the Gospel Publishing House printed a tract called "Present Day Conditions" by Frank Bartleman of California. The present manager of this House had never read this tract which was offered for sale by the House. After our own country joined against German Militarism, the manager locked through all tracts on hand and decided that while this tract was merely aimed at sin high or low. and while the things said would be understood in times of peace, that it was entirely too radical for war times and might even be understood in such times as pro-German and against our Al'ies. So the management at once discarded this tract and burned all copies on hand.

Now a few days ago someone has sent this office from somewhere one of these old tracts with an inquiry about more. This leads us to inform the public generally that we do not handle this tract now since our country is in war, and that we will not reprint it for any one or for any consideration.

We go one step further and advise everybody to burn all their old supply of this tract on hand. Every patriotic citizen will do a'l he can to prevent our Government from misunderstanding him and will put out only such sentiment as will uphold our beloved President in this hour of Crisis to our country and to the civilized world.—E. N. Bell, Mgr., The Gospel Publishing House.

GOD BLESSING IN CHICAGO

The Lord let me come up here and I am with Brother Argue and others in a tent meeting at the corner of 66th St. and Union Ave. God has wonderfully blessed. Praise His name! About twenty-five have received the baptism as in Acts 2:4, some of them had been seekers for years. The Lord has healed many. The saints too are coming into closer unity and sweeter fellowship. We are being made to sit together in Heavenly places. The Lord is giving wonderful manifestations of His Spirit—tongues, interpretation. the Heavenly choir, etc.—Rose Mueller.

GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS

We are in the midst of a revival meeting here. Bro. Lonnie Whitworth of Cleburne, Texas is with us and is being mightily used of the Lord in bringing us the Word. The saints have been greatly built up in the faith, and the assembly is in a very much better condition every way than it was before the meeting began. Most all of the saints have been revived and several souls have been brought from darkness to light, having their hearts purified by faith and have become children of the Lord through faith in Jesus Christ. And I trust that many more will be brought into the Kingdom of God's dear Son, and baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire, before the meeting shall come to a close. Praise God!-C. M. Ward.

THE GOOSE AND THE GOLDEN EGG

An Application

Everyone has heard of the foolish man who killed the goose that laid the golden egg. We have a goose that lays golden eggs as sure as you are born. And God's cause gets all the eggs. No individual profits by it one penny. Hal-

The Gospel Publishing House, thru the columns of the Christian Evangel, will have raised during the year between \$28,000.00 and \$30,000.00 for the Missionaries, but it does not take a single penny of this for the expensive service performed. There are three items of this expense carried entirely by the Publishing House

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Now if \$4 000 was used from the mission funds to cover the actual cost of this work, it would still be an immensely paying proposition for God's cause and for the missionaries, as it would net them about \$25,000 a year. See? It certainly pays for God.

Now while the Evangel or the House gladly carries all this yet it is a heavy expense, and we have continually to trust God to enable us to meet these

Just now we greatly need help. Besides help for the heating plant, the book-keeper has just figured up and tells me that at the rate we are running we shall be short, on these and all other expenses, \$600.00 by the end of August. We call on all lovers of God's cause, and on all the lovers of the dear missionaries to hold us up mightily before the throne at once. Do not kill the goose that lays the golden egg. Do not let us be crippled in our service to the missionaries. Ho'd up our hands in this blessed work for the Master

1. Help us to pray to God at once. Call on Him to help us.

2. Help us by ordering from us your song books, tracts. Bibles, and all other books. This helps us and costs you nothing extra. We often make a saving for you.

3. Help us by getting up renewals for the Evangel at \$1.00 per year. Send us also a big list of new subscribers to the paper from now until January 1st, 1919 for 25 cents each. This 25 cent rate is good only for new subscribers. Will not every reader send us cash list of new subscribers at 25 cents each? A check is as good as cash.

4. Any offerings God moves you to send will also be much appreciated. Offerings for the heating plant or for help on above work should be sent to The Gospel Publishing House, E. N. Bell, Manager, Springfield, Mo. Say it is a gift to help the House.

THE PROSPECTS

If there is one thing that refreshes my soul above all others. it is that I shall behold the Redeemer gloriously triumphant at the winding up of things.-Henry

REVIVAL IN SAN DIEGO, CALIF.

We have just closed a revival campaign in San Diego, Calif. which was conducted by our dear Brother Andrew D. Urshan, who was also ably assisted by Evang. Frank Lindblad of Portland,

San Diego is a large city of pleasure, seekers, and has been regarded as a hard field for Christian work. knowing that nothing is too hard for God, earnest and persistent prayer has been going up to God for an outpouring of His Spirit. He has graciously answered and has given us a blessed season of refreshing. The meetings continued to grow in interest and power, and a number received the mighty baptism of the Holy Spirit. We also witnessed some marked cases of salvation and healing. We feel that the revival has just begun. For a number of years Bros. Harlow and John House others have labored faithfully and have had the joy of bringing many trophies to the feet of Jesus-faithful work that has been rewarded-and we are believing that the revival will go forward with increasing power. Pray for us.-W. E. Moody, Pastor.

LAST NOTICE!

General Council Meeting SEPT. 4th to 11th, SPRINGFIELD, MO.

THIS MEETING will not be held at the Tabernacle as announced in the last Evangel, but will be held in the DIEMER AUDITORIUM at 339 E. Commercial Street. Take any car at the depot, going either north or south, and get off at the above number.

SPECIAL TOPICS

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Special Topics will be dealt with by some of the Presbyters as time allows: "What is Meant by Preaching the Word," by S. A. Jamieson; "The Pattern According to God's Word," by John Coxe; "The Second Coming of Christ." by A. P. Collins; "The Normal and the Unusual in Christian Experience," by J. T. Boddy; "Divine Healing," by E. R. Fitzgerald; "God's Purpose with Man," by W. B. Jessup; "Sanctification," by F. A. Hale; "Entire Sanctification," by Joseph Tunmore; "The Trinity versus Tritheism and Unitarianism," by D. W. Kerr; and others who are expected to be with us are expected to deal with other important subjects. Besides the important matter of the election of a Chairman and of

expected to be with us are expected to deal with other important subjects.

Besides the important matter of the election of a Chairman and of a Secretary-Treasurer for another year. Brother J. W. Welch will have some essential resolutions to offer. The question of a series of Great Conventions in various sections of the country in the hands of Spirit-filled men is to be considered. Brother Frodsham will speak on "The Need of a Forward Missionary Movement." Also other matters are to be brought up by the delogator. be brought up by the delegates.

SPECIAL REVIVAL MEETINGS

Special meetings in the nature of a Pentecostal Revival Convention will start in the DIEMER AUDITORIUM, 339 E. Commercial St., on Sunday, September 1st and continue to Sunday night, September 15th. Let everybody come early and help in this rally

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PAUL'S INTERPRETATION OF THE BAPTISM IN HOLY SPIRIT.

D. W. Kerr.

A multitude of counsellors is God's safety-first plan. Hence we find that the New Testament is not the product of one but of many writers, each of whom contributed what God had given him as his part of the whole.

If we are not mistaken, it is in harmony with this great basic principle that the General Council of the Assemblies of God formulated its Fundamentals. The whole body of ministers, in council assembled, thereby expressing its position relative to matters of doctrine and practice, not as a creed for the Pentecostal assemblies but as a basis of co-operation for the ministry, in order that we might all speak the same thing. being perfectly joined in the same mind and in the same judgment; and that there might not be any divisions among It will not be out of place to remark in this connection that it is right and proper for ministers who wish to become associated with the General Council, that they should voluntarily subscribe to the Fundamentals and thereby declare themselves in accord as brethren of the ministry. Hence we may safely assume that no one would lightly esteem the sacred obligations of his trust, or presume to teach otherwise without first submitting the point in question to the Counselling Body for consideration and final action, even though he should seem to have Scriptural grounds for so doing. Consistency requires that he should do so: ministerial courtesy demands it.

Before we proceed to the discussion of our subject, it may help us to a better understanding of Paul's interpretation of the Bapt'sm in the Holy Ghost if, first, we give some attention to a few things which are sometimes overlooked, but to which, it seems to us, it is highly important that we should give due attention

First ... One of the items in our Fundamentals is the declaration that "The Holy Scriptures are our only rule of faith and practice, superior to conscience and reason, though not contrary to reason.". That is to say in determining the correctness or falsity of our position on any point of doctrine or practice we are not allowed to base an opinion on mere observation, for instance, of the Pentecostal Movement of the present day. In other words, we are not at liberty to avail ourselves of any material outside of the Bible in order either to establish or to overthrow some cherished opinion regarding the Baptism in Holy Spirit with the sign of tongues accompanying, however valuable such matter in itself might be considered. Our declaration excludes all outside evidence, pro or con which is derived from mere observation. This remark is considered of such importance, in connection with the discussion of our subject. that it will not be amiss to be somewhat explicit.

Second. Hence, particular attention is called to another Fundamental which we declare that "The full consummation

of the bartism of believers in the Holy Chost is indicated by the initial physical sign of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit of God gives them utterance." And that "This wonderful experience is distinct from and subsequent to the new birth, and that it is also distinct from the gift of tongues." In order, therefore to establish the correctness of this declaration, or to prove the supposed falsity of our position, need not on the one hand, go outside ofthe New Testament for evidence to reassure us of the truth nor, on the other hand, do we need to resort to all sorts of superficial observations of the Pentecostal Movement of today, or to loose interpretations of Scripture, to gather testimony against the supposed unsoundness of this particular declaration. The Holy Scriptures are sufficient to set us right on all points of doctrine and practice relative to our distinctive testimony on tongues as the evidence of the Baptism in the Holy Ghost.

THE FOOLISH VIRGINS

The Lord shall come with ten thousands of His saints. His escort from heaven will be augmented from the earth. But what a wailing there will be when some will discover that the Bridegroom has come and has left them behind! Oh the dismay when they hear the words, "Verily I say unto you, I know you not!"

The oil can be had now. Have you got the oil? The Word declares that Jesus is coming as a thief in the night and you cannot buy oil in the night. Thus saith the Word: "Now is the accepted time!" It is now. now, NOW! The world says, "There is plenty of time!" What does the world know about God's plan? The Holy Ghost says, "Now!" The world thinks it knows better than God. The world says. "Where is the promise of His coming?" The man who listens to the world is lost.

Third. A plausible objection might be raised to the method by which we propose to discuss our subject, from the fact that Paul is only one of the eight writers of the New Testament, and that such a method is at variance with the princip'e that "In a multitude of counsellors there is safety." We propose, however, to study the subject from Faul's view point as the divinely appointed interpreter of the baptism in Holy Spirit and the results that followed. There are some strong reasons why we prefer to follow the proposed method rather than those which are commonly used. We will mention a few of the important ones.

- (a) The first reason is, that those who oppose our distinctive testimony concerning tongues as the initial physical s'gn of the Baptism, base their strongest objection from the viewpoint of Scripture, on the words of Paul "Do all speak in tongues?"
- (b) Paul's experience of the gift of the Spirit and the results which followed

in his life, is the background of all his utterances on the subject.

- (c) Because he was entrusted by the Head of the Church with the "care of all the churches." He would, therefore, naturally assume that oversight of believers newly come to the faith which is so indispensible to their growth and development in the things of the Spirit.
- (d) Hence we find in his writings on the subject of the baptism in Spirit and the results which follow, a full and comprehensive exposition of the design and scope of the Promise of the Father.
- (e) It is therefore to be expected that in Paul's writings we should find the operations of the Spirit distinguished. classified and harmonized. That is, that there is a distinction between the believer's relation to God and his relation to the church; and that in consequence of this twofold relationship, there is a twofold aspect of speaking in tongues.

(f) And further, since none of the other writers make any contribution to the doctrinal phase of our subject, we are largely limited, in our search, to the writings of Paul for the doctrinal interpretation of the Baptism in Holy Spirit.

(g) Since the writings of Paul on this particular theme are mostly corrective, we find him discouraging the abuses to which the operations of the Holy Spirit, in the believer and in the church, were, and were likely to be, subjected; and to encourage every manifestitation of the Spirit along the line of its specific purpose.

(h) A further reason why we place special emphasis on Paul's testimony is the fact that he is the only writer of the New Testament who has a distinct message on the manifestations of the Spirit.

(i) Finally; Paul assumes the attitude of a pattern for the saints to imitate; a leader for them to follow. He presses his own experience and life upon all believers as a model. "Be ye imitaters of me." "Follow me as I follow Christ." "And the things which ye have both learned, and received and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you."

Fourth. It is not from any sense of aptness for the task that we make our contribution to the many helpful things which the brethren have so generously written on the It is rather under a deep subject. sense of unfitness, and a profound conviction that as yet we have but touched the fringes of this wonderful subject of speaking in tongues. When we approach the subject we know we are treading on holy ground. Yes, it is holy ground, as all who have received the wonderful gift of the Spirit can testify. May we all abide in that heavening Atmosphere in which we were baptized, as we take up the study of the Scriptures relative to Paul's interpretation of the Fromise of the Father.

(To be continued.)

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FAITH IN THE FAITHFUL GOD.

"The just shall live in His faithfulness." Hab. 2:4. m.

I. The Name of God.

"The Lord thy God, He is God; the fathful God!" Deut. 7:9.

David sang of His faithfulness. See Ps. 89:1, 2, 5, 8, 24, 33.

"They sha'l worship because of the Lord that is faithful." Isa. 49:7.

II. The Name of Christ. "Faithful and True" Rev. 19:11.

1. "Faithful" to God in the work of redemption entrusted to Him.

"Jesus who was faithful to Him that appointed Him." Heb. 3:2.

2. "Faithful" to the people on their behalf God-ward.

"A merciful and faithful high priest."
Heb. 2:17.

3. "Faithful" in His work of revealing God to souls.

"Jesus Christ...the faithful witness" Rev. 1:5.

4. "Faithful" to His redeemed in dealing with their sins.

"The faithful and true Witness." Rev. 3:14.

III. What the Faithful God is faithful to do.

 "Faithful" to forgive and c'eanse when we confess our sins.

"He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9.

Our part, "If we confess our sins." See Prov. 28:13.

2. "Faithful" to complete the work He begins in us.

"Who shall also confirm you unto the end...God is faithful through whom ye were called." 1 Cor 1:8.9.

3. "Faithful" to take full possession of us.

"The God of Peace Himself sanctify you wholly...faithful is He... who will also do it." 1 Thess. 5: 23, 24.

"Faithful" to keep us from the adversary.

"The Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you and guard you from the evil one." 2 Thess. 3:3.

5. "Fa'thful" in the hour of temptation.

"God is faithful who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will...make also the way of escape." 1 Cor. 10:13.

IV. What the redeemed have to do.

1. Live by the faithfulness of God. "The just shall live in His faithful-

ness." Hab. 2:4. m.

(i. e., reliance upon God, not upon our faith.)

3 Simply count Him faithful.

"Sarah...received power...since she counted Him faithful who had promised." Heb. 11:11.

3. Hold fast the confession of their hope in Him.

"Hold fast...waver not; for He is faithful." Heb. 10:23.

4. Commit themselves continually to His keeping.

"Commit...in well doing unto a faithful Creator." 1 Pet. 4:19.

"Ful'y assured that...He (is) able to perform." Rom. 4:21.

"If we are faithless, He abideth faithful." 2 Tim. 2:13.

THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF THE LAMB.

It is those who have been redeemed, those who have been washed, who will be translated to be ever with the Lord. And it is the blood that will be the dis-tinguishing mark. The mark that despised by the wor'd is the very sign that the Father has appointed. The command to Moses regarding the Fassover was not made known to those who were oppressing the chosen ones, and had it been, they would have derided it would not have been believed in. And the precious Blood of the Lamb is today, in like manner treated-it is distasteful to the majority. But God has chosen His own way. Wise and glorious are the people who choose God's way

The Blood was to have the highest place-it was to be over the door, signifying going in and out under its protection. So must it be today. It is so simple and yet such a mystery to those who value it not, that they put it aside alto-The Blood had not only to be shed. but to be gathered in a bas'n and then only used as divine'y appointed. Not a portion was to be wasted. It was precious. It meant so much, not only to the first born, not only to the father, but it speke of the Exodus. It was in the eleventh hour, the final stage of the divine plan of dealing with Egypt. The departure was soon afterwards and it was hasty departure. Only that which was under the Covenant of Blood was allowed to proceed out with the prospect of reaching the promised land.

The gathering together of the elect, the exodus of the Israel of God, is coming—is hastening. Watch, wait pray. The sign of the Blood is speaking and will continue to speak until the dead hear His voice. The B'ood has been left as a witness and it is now pleading in a voice louder and more powerful than that of Abel.

MERCER, MO.

We started our meetings again in Mercer, Mo. after eleven days rest, with good interest. We held the meetings seven weeks with about a hundred and sixteen conversions, and some received the baptism as in Acts 2:4. After we have taken a few days rest we believe that God will continue to save and baptize a number yet. We earnestly desire the prayers of the Evangel Family that the Word of God may go out with such power of the Holy Ghost that scores will be swept into the Kingdom.—J. A. Derry and wife.

A CORRECTION.

In a letter just received by the Editor the author speaks against what he supposes to be our teaching that "Speaking in tongues is the only evidence of the baptism with the Spirit."

We wish to inform the brother and the public generally that the item in the teachings of the General Council does not at all read as he puts it above, nor does it mean the same. Our teaching is very different in three respects:

1. We do not hold that just "speaking in tongues", as he puts it, is the evidence of the baptism. But we do hold that any one who speaks in tongues "as the Spirit of God gives the utterance" certainly has the baptism with the Spirit. The Bible clearly indicates that such evidence satisfied the apostles and the early church.

2. Again the letter represents us as saying speaking in tongues is "the only evidence" of the baptism. But we never put this little word "only" in our teaching as if all a man got in the baptism was just speaking in tongues. We believe there are many other blessed elements in this great experience, and often many other corroborating evidences.

3. We distinctly and in writing speak of tongues as the Spirit gives utterance as the "initial physical sign" accom-

panying the baptism.

The word "initial" indicates that we do not hold one must have the permanent and continued gift of tongues. We know from experience and observation that many do continue so to speak and some get a gift of tongues, but we do not hold such is necessary to prove one has the baptism. Then we clearly limit our statement to the external or "physical" sign that is the climax. We leave the field fully open for all the internal, and for all the spiritual corroborations that God ever has given or may ever give. We welcome all these in their place as internal evidences to the heart of the believer to back up all the external or physical.-E. N. B.

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THE CRYING NEED FOR A PENTE-COSTAL HOME IN SOUTH CHINA

I have just written you recently about the terrible flood, and up to the present writing the water is not yet out of our house, though it is down quite low. I cannot begin to describe the filth of it all, and truly we all marvel that we are alive. The filth of the city floats in and stands in our down stairs under us, and the roof leaks until often a dry spot can hardly be found in our whole house. It has been a good many nights since I have had a dry bed to sleep in try as I have to keep my bed out of the rain. But in the weeks of steady down-pour, if anything gets wet it stays wet.

I do hope and pray that somebody will get it on their heart and make a "drive" for a decent home for the Kelleys. I am sure there are few buildings on any field to compare to this one, and I am sure there are few missionaries more faithful to their post, or worthier than the Kelleys. My heart has ached not a little of late to see the way Mr. Kelley is going down, and it seems our work in South China can hardly dispense with him. I have been very meek and just endured and kept silent in the past but of late, since we have had to rough it so hard during the floods, my heart has been stirred to believe God for better things. We want to stay on the field. It is not our desire to be shipped home broken down in health after a few short years of labor. I do hope and pray that God will awaken somebody to the need of this home. I have seen a good many bad buildings in Mission use, but this is by far the worst that I've seen yet.

Today is Sunday, and a precious and prosperous day it has been in the Lord's service. My station is not under water so the meetings have continued there as usual. I had great difficulty in getting there today and got a good drenching, but I felt many times repaid. I am more encouraged every time I go.

Please pray much for us here.—Willa B. Lowther.

A WORD FROM TOKYO, JAPAN.

My daughter Beatrice and I arrived safely in Japan on Dec. 5th. We had quite a rough voyage but, praise God, He kept us all the way.

We had nothing of interest to write about for some time. Were unable to find any house or mission hall for two months. However, on Jan. 29th the dear Lord brought us here, and it has

really been a "Mount of blessing."

Such a peace came to our hearts the very first day we entered this house, and although we had some little disappointment that we had not the orphan home which we felt God was to give, we could but think we must be just where God wanted us, and so it has proved. These weeks here have been so reaceful, happy and blessed. Praise His ho'v name!

Being unable still to find any hall for our meeting we pitched a tent in our own yard. This is an altogether new place, and only a very few came in at first, but would stand behind the fence and listen. We opened a Sunday School

with sixteen children. Now we have between thirty and forty. Also the neighbors are attending the services. Fathers and mothers, grandfathers and grandmothers. Also, I have an English Bible class with fourteen members, all young men, and nearly all of them students of Waseda University. God helps me to speak to them. They seem really interested and open to the Gospel. Two have already professed to accept Jesus, and others will soon do so we feel sure.

My native preacher who has wife and baby boy, lives near. Please pray for him especially. He does the preaching in Japanese.

We are praying and trusting God to pour out His Spirit and give us a real revival in this neighborhood. We covet your earnest prayers.

The end is now so near. How we must work and pray. So few, comparatively, are looking for Jesus; but He is coming soon! Hallelujah! With loving greetings to you all,—Estelle A. Bernauer.

THE POWER OF THE BLOOD.

When the Lord Jesus calls to His saints, "Come up hither." the laws of the earth, the laws of gravitation, have to give place to the laws of the Spirit. The Blood is the severer, the separator; it cuts off from all that is of the earth and sets us free. It is the blood of the everlasting Covenant that cuts the fetters that hold the saint down to the earth. The precious blood of Jesus has the power to snap every bond, and dash in pieces the power of the enemy. The mention of the blood is the Take the horror of the abyss. name of Jesus and the mighty blood of Jesus with you, and all earth and hell are at your feet.

SPRING HILL, LA.

On June 1st my wife and I began a meeting in the little town of Spring Hill, Lå. on the L. & A. R. R. After two weeks we were joined by Sister Nellie Reppond of Monroe, La. We held the meeting here three weeks and two received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Many were interested and seeking the Lord. People who opposed us when we first began the meetings were our friends when we left.

We then moved out into the country about six miles and a man gave us a lot near a school house on which to put our tent. We were here four weeks and the Lord wonderfully blessed. Fifteen received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and several were saved who did not receive the baptism. We had a baptismal service the last two Sundays and baptized fifteen in water. One was an old man seventy-eight years old who had been very wicked, but the dear Lord touched his heart, saved him, and gave him a real bright testimony for Jesus. Old grudges and ill feelings were broken down in the hearts of the people. We will D. V. begin another meeting this week eight miles east of Bernice, La. Brethren, pray for us .- E. L. Tanner.

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HARTFORD, ARK.

The camp meeting closed on Sunday night. God indeed bore witness to the truth—quite a number were saved and three were baptized with the Holy Ghost. God was in our midst in a most blessed way and we are still trusting God to lead us on into complete victory. Pray with us.—Fayette Romines, Pastor.

PORTLAND, ORE.

God's power is coming down upon us so mightily that it seems sometimes as if Jesus would surely take us up to Himself. On Sunday night the tabernacle was filled and great crowds standing outside. The power came down in such force that the would-be scoffers stood in awe at the manifestation of God's power. Sinners were saved, and believers received the baptism according to Acts 2:4.

On Monday night Bro. Trotter preached on the resurrection life in Jesus. As the saints realized the truth of the Word they became so free they went shouting, running and praising through the tabernacle. A sister from Tacoma was healed of heart trouble she had had for 25 years. As she fell under the power, shouting "It is all gone" she began speaking in tongues and received her baptism in a few minutes.—Sister Carrie Pride.

Questions and Answers

By E. N. Bell, 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.

490. Is it right for a man to call himself an apostle and class himself with Paul because of Eph. 4:11?

Ans. All of us should keep low and not make big claims for ourselves. There is nothing in Eph. 4:11 to prove any particular man is an apostle. Any one sent of God is unofficially an apostle, for it only means "one sent." But Jesus chose twelve and the Scriptures give these twelve the official name of apostles, and not every one sent is an apostle in the same sense they were. In that special sense I do not believe there are any living apostles today. But when God sends one who delivers all the goods they did. then I will own him, not before. the man cannot deliver the goods, let him drop the name.

491. Should I visit a mission where God blesses, but the preacher preaches a definite second work of grace as perfection?

Ans. Brother, keep free from sectarian actions. God does not want us to become a narrow sect which cannot say amen to His blessings on other souls just because they teach slightly different from us or go by a different name. God forbid! But still let us hoe our own potato patch. If we do not it will get grassy and we shall get no reward from our Master.

492. What does Jesus mean by saying, "If thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out"?

Ans. To mean we should give up anything that causes us to sin though as dear as a right eye.

493. What does Jesus mean by saying, "Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation"?

Ans. Primarily he is appealing to this well known historical fact to prove the devil was not fool enough to fight against himself by casting out demons who are of his own kingdom, as the Pharisees claimed he was doing by Jesus. Abstract'y we may infer from it, unless God's people agree and work in unity they cannot prosper.

494. How many missionaries have the Pentecostal people? What church leads in the number of their foreign missionaries?

Ans. We did have out once about 300, 150 in China alone, but the war has driven many home, and I do not know how many are still in foreign lands but I believe there are about 200.

I have not the denominational reports at hand. Ask any church foreign mission board and they can tell you. It is my opinion that the Presbyterians give more per head to foreign missions than any other church.

495. Why is the place where our Lord was crucified called spiritually Sodom and Egypt?

Ans. This is Jerusalem and it is because she has darkness like Egypt and sin like Sodom.

496. Does the Spirit of God cause people to scream and dance and talk in tongues every time He is manifested, and then not to give any one power to lead a prayer service or to teach God's Word?

Ans. The anointing of the Spirit may cause people to shout, talk in tongues and even to dance. But He does not do this every time He comes. Moreover any fleshly unearthly screams are not of the Spirit. The people may be truly blessed, but they are going beyond the Spirit and somewhat into the flesh when they give unearthly screams. They should learn better to control themselves. The Spirit does not preachers out of everybody whenever He falls. One may have the Spirit and not be a preacher. This is a special calling from God to a few. The Spirit is for all.

497. Did Paul mean it for a business meeting when he said to let the speaking in tongues to be by two or at most three and let one interpret?

Ans. It does not necessarily apply to a business meeting at all, nor does it apply to a purely worshipful part of the meeting. Worship is free and is directed to God. But this applies to the teaching part of the service when we are seeking to instruct or teach others. Then we should either give our message in a tongue the hearer understands or have interpretation, as Paul directs.

498. Is there such a thing as Satan causing people to speak in tongues?

Ans. Not in the case of any honest, clean child of God. Satan can do this only through demon-possessed persons.

499. Should a church have men as elders who do not believe in paying tithes?

Ans. Not if they can do any better. Officers should live up to the Word.

500. Should one who actually fights paying tithes to God be elected as Elder?

Ans. Never! If he is already elected as such, however, you will have to deal

as such, however, you will have to deal with him in love and wisdom lest you make bad matters worse. You must also show patience. But if he is tearing up God's work and bringing it into confusion continually, you had better seek the personal visit of some well balanced and experienced minister to come and deal with the situation.

501. What did Jesus mean by saying the children of the Kingdom shall be cast out? Matt. 8:12. What Kingdom?

Ans. The Kingdom of heaven naturally belongs to the Jews or Israelites. If they reject Jesus the King, they will be cast out of God's Kingdom.

502. Do we have to have the baptism with the Spirit to live a real overcoming life?

Ans. One has to walk in the light

to obey all the known will of God to have joy, peace and victory. Many in the past have done this who did not have the light as to the baptism. But after one sees it is in the Word for him and that God commands him to be filled with the Spirit. he will lose victory. if he then refuses to walk in the light. No one can be an overcomer who is disobeying the known will of God. It is a question of light and obedience.

503. Will any be taken up when the Lord comes who have never received the baptism with the Spirit?

Ans. All those found in Christ, or under the blood, will go up.. Thousands in the past have died in Christ, who never had the Latter Rain. But no one can now stay under the blood who knowingly rejects the light or purposely continues to reject God's will after it is made known to him.

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THE SHADOWS OF FAMINE IN CHINA

Yours of May 10th to hand a few days ago and we greatly appreciate the enclosed offering of \$30.00. We are always thankful for any offering sent us but it seems that we are more grateful for this one coming at the time it did. We have been so pressed financially this Spring and at times the dear Lord has seen fit to let us even know what it is to be hungry for the most common food. Traise His name forever! All things work together for good to them who love the Lord.

There has been so much suffering among the poor here this Spring. Grain and fuel have been so expensive. There was a good wheat crop but grain has been so scarce, and the people in debt, so the wheat will not last long. Surely these are times that will try men every where. This is the time we need your prayers. We are assailed on every side but we are not discouraged, praise God.

We praise God that we are enabled to see the powers of darkness giving way to the blessed Gospel truths. For a long, long time, it seemed that one little girl and boy would be the only converts among our neighbors, but, praise God. through earnest prayer and long waiting, the grandmother of the girl has believed and now there is another woman who it seems really believes the Lord, and another old woman, 72 years old. who was baptized a few weeks ago. They are very poor but the blessed Gospel is able to make them rich in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Lord is opening up doors for us to give out the full gospel in other places in this province. We have been invited to a place where there is a large mission, but we have been so pressed financially we could not make a move in that Surely the Lord has good direction. in it all. It is not often that the foreigners will give us an invitation to come to their midst with the Gospel of Pentecost, so we have been doubly anxious to enter in this door. Pray for us. Especially pray that God will so lead us into all truth that we shall be kept safe from doctrines of error that are sweeping over the whole world. How it must grieve the dear Lord to see His children falling into the snares of the enemy. My prayer is that I will not fail my Lord during these last long struggles. -L. M. Anglin.

Sister Mary Chapman writes from Madras, India: "At the beginning of the hot season it seemed that the missionaries in South India would not be able to find a place of rest and change, as all the houses on the hills are taken even a year ahead, and boarding houses are filled at very high prices. As some of us were praying about it, the Lord brought to our minds that there was a vacant house on a tea estate, about

twelve miles out from the nearest station, for rent at low rate; and although there seemed to be many difficulties in the way, we were led to take it. It is glorious the way He has worked and provided for the necessities of life. There are nine of us here now; two have had a refreshing and gone down and others are coming later. It is such a beautiful, quiet, restful place, and the best of a l. God is meeting us in a most precious way. One young woman who has come to us for rest was almost immediately convicted for the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and God has gloriously baptized her. She is filled with joy. speaking in tongues and singing in the Spirit just as at the beginning. Another dear missionary, an American. who has been on the border of the Pentecostal experience for years, but who feared to step over, has also received. The Lord is taking us all deeper in Himself, assuring our hearts of His care and faithfulness, and telling us again and again to keep our hearts stayed on Him that He will soon come and will not tarry. What a joy it is to sit at His feet and look up into His dear shining face and love and praise Him. Halle-

Frantz O. Schroder writes from Yutsi-Hsien, Shansi, N. China: "We have been led of the Lord to open work for God in Yu-tsi-Hsien, a city of about forty thousand inhabitants. This city is situated about twenty miles south of Tai-yuan-fu where Bro. and Sister Steinberg have been located for the past four years. The English Baptists have a mission here but have done very little evangelistic work in the vicinity. Surrounding the city in different directions are about three hundred and sixty villages, in many of which the gospel has never been preached, so both inside and outside the city we have a large open door. And we have still another opportunity. All business men and others travelling from different points towards the South for several hundred miles around come to our city to take the train to Tiensin for fresh supplies to carry on their businesses. By faithfully distributing tracts among these travellers we get in touch with people living several hundred miles away. We trust that also in this way the word of life and truth may by the Lord's guidance be carried into many homes darkened by superstition and idolatry. We have already rented a small courtyard on the main street of the city for which we pay \$10 Chinese money per month. Our native evangelist already lives there, and we will be moving down in the near future.

"Please pray for us that we may be used to point many souls to Him, who as the Lamb of God has borne away the sin of the whole world. Glory to His name!"

Sister Sarah L. Dowle writes from Lantoka, Fiji: "Sister Ronberg, a Swedish sister, and I, with two interpreters, one an Indian boy who found the Lord at our home in Suva, and the other a young Solomon Island boy who received his baptism at our home in Suva, have come over here to Lantoka to preach the Gospel. When the Lord to'd us to come to Lantoka, Sister Ronberg had not a cent, but the Lord told her He would open up the way. A man came for her to stay with his children as his wife was sick, and she stayed five days and he gave her ten dollars. The regular fare on the boat from Suva is \$17.50, but a boat from Sidney put in at Suva and they took us on board and landed us at Lantoka for only \$7.50 each. When we landed we had about \$7.00 between us and there were four of us in the party and we were strangers in a strange land. On the boat coming up one of our interpreters talked with a man who knew a friend of his, and when we landed the boy went to look up his friend. The result was, this friend, with two other Solomon Island men, came and carried our baggage to his house, a native grass hut, and we were able to stay there three days, after which we were given a larger house. This is also a native house, and every day our dinner is cooked and sent in to us. I never saw a people so hungry to hear the Word of God. There are about a hundred men in this village with their wives and families, and not a soul to tell them about Jesus who died for them. They are supposed to be one of the fiercest people on the islands, and there are still cannibals in the hills, but God has sent us here and they are kindness itself to us. A few rods from this village is an Indian village, and a half mile beyond the Indian village is a Fijian village.

Twenty miles further there is another town where they are asking us to come, and God willing, we will hold meetings there also. Five gave their hearts to the Lord the first week and wanted to be baptized. The people are very poor, working for fifty cents per day in sugar cane in sugar mills.

We are all out on faith and the interpreters have just struck out on faith this trip. This noon when I began to ask God to bless our food, the power fell and we began to sing in the Spirit. When we came to ourselves the people were gathered around the door motionless. I talked with them and invited them to the meetings and they promised to come. Please pray for these dear people."

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These two native evangelists tell of the blessing of God on their labors. One of them is from Kabenga: the place of which I wrote you some little time ago, when the wife and son of the chief were converted. The son I am informed, died a short time ago. He gave a beautiful testimony before he died. The thought of death strikes terror in the hearts of these people, but this boy died quite happy, rejoicing in the manifest presence of his Saviour, who he said. was quite near him all the time. The mother, despite the fact of it being a strong custom, and the urgings of the people, absolutely refused to make any beer because of his death. The usual custom is to make and keep open a hole in the grave through which the dead person is supposed to receive and drink the beer which is poured down to him. The evangelist says there are ten young men waiting for me to baptize them.

The other evangelist has been on an extended tour. One of the villages which he visited has an unusually bad reputation. Quite recently a government official was driven out of the village. It is situated high on a hill, and they keep always a lookout. The position is almost an impregnable one, and, from among the boulders, they are able to shoot down their enemies at will. These people were captivated by the Gospel and for a time my evangelist could not leave them. When he did leave, they followed him on the road for a number of miles to hear as much as possible of that Gospel which is the power of God unto salvation.

Here at Mwanza God is still very gracious to us. The meetings keep up well and we expect soon to baptize a few more of whose conversion we are assured. During the last few days our hearts have been gladdened by the news that we are soon to have reinforcements. We hear that Brother Burton and others from South Africa are to join us in a few weeks. Again we praise God for answered prayer. The arrival of these

missionaries should give new energy to our present work, and also enable us to carry out our plans for a forward movement. We shall, more than ever, need the faithful and prayerful co-operation of every member of the "Evangel Family," that He who through us hath begun a good work may give us all sufficiency for its successful and fruitful propagation.—James Salter.

SOWING THE WORD IN NICARAGUA.

The dear Lord has been pleased to bless the distribution of the Gospel in this Republic, and this has been one of the best years of this work, and the best in the distribution of His Word. We were able to sell over one hundred Bibles since December last, and sold and distributed over five thousand five hundred Gospels and N. T., in five departments in this Republic and one in Honduras, in the first four not a town



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going unworked, and all the principal towns in the others, traveling something like two thousand miles on mule back, which is not always pleasing to the flesh

The work in our town is going on nicely. In the last few weeks the Holy Spirit has brought into the Gospel the second mayor of our town and the Lord is blessing him. The other day he was compelled to move to another home because he had accepted the Gospel, and his old landlord did not want his property destroyed by having a Protestant living in it, so he praised God and is more firm than ever.

Don't forget we need much prayer. At present there is a work for Pentecost in this land, but if it is not backed by prayer the results will not be as our hearts long to see.—B. A. Schoeneich.

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Sunday School Lesson

September 1, 1918. CHRISTIAN GIVING

Lesson Text.-Luke 6:30-38; 21:1-4. Golden Text .- Remember the words of our Lord Jesus, that He Himself said: It is more blessed to give than to receive. Acts 20:35

I. The Grace of Giving, Luke 6:30-34. Giving is the gauge of godliness. represents the practical side of Christianity. God so loved that He gave-His best. Do we so love that we are willing to give our best to Him and His?

In this sermon Jesus gave forth the principles that governed His own wonderful life, and as we become filled with His blessed Spirit, and through His exceeding great and precious promises become partakers of His divine nature, we shall be governed by these same princi-Mr. Natural Mind and Mr. Carnal Heart may say that these words of the Master are utterly impractical and absolutely unreasonable. So they are to them. But once you get a new heart and a new spirit you will see that these blessed words from that wondrous Man, who spake as no other man ever spake, are just sign-posts that indicate the road to true happiness. Most folks' troubles come from the love of money, and these words, "Give to every man that asketh of thee," are an excellent safety valve to keep us from covetousness. This is the divine prescription for the cure of that terrible disease "unrighteous mammon grippe."

Sister G. N. Eldridge tells of a little fellow, at one of her meetings for children, who went to the altar under deep conviction. She heard him praying most vigorously, "O Jesus! won't you trade hearts?" Later on he came out into a glorious experience of assurance of salvation and he cried, "He's traded hearts! He's traded hearts!" change for a heart of stone He gives a heart of flesh into which He sheds, through the Holy Ghost, His own love. Then, when you have a new heart you can say concerning giving, as well as in all other matters, "I delight to do Thy will, O my God; yea, Thy law (of love) is within my heart."

Jesus did not mention tithing here. for everything under grace is bigger than under the law. He who gives less to the Lord and to His work in these days of grace than they gave under the law has surely less salvation. Even the legalistic Pharisees paid their tithes; but Jesus said to His disciples, "Unless your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no wise enter the kingdom of heaven." Jesus went beyond the letter of the law right to the heart of things. He showed up the murderous heart, the adulterous heart, the blasphemous heart, and above all the stingy heart. We remember at one time when in South Africa seeing a colored boy,

who was wearing clothes that a respectable scarecrow would have considered a disgrace, bring a gift of gold to his The missionary told me the teacher. secret behind that gift. A few weeks before, this boy had been in the mission school under mighty conviction and he cried to the other boys there, "O, brothers, won't you pray for me. I'se got such a dirty black heart." Then one of the saved boys blossomed out into prayer, "Lord, you heard what Jim has said about his dirty black heart, Lord put a charge of dynamite into that dirty black heart and blow it all to pieces, and then give him a new heart." The prayer must have been answered for the new heart was evidenced by the gift of gold. Has the divine dynamite been applied to your heart?

"As ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise." This is the golden rule that is to regulate our giving and all that we do. It is good always to put ourselves in the other fellow's place and to do to him what, were you in his position, you would like him to do to you.

II. The Motives of Giving. Vs. 35-37. Here we are back at the old lesson again, "Only love counts." And divine love has a fresh starting point just at the place where human love breaks down. Human love will love its own, but we have to make application for divine love to enable us to love our enemies, to be merciful, to be delivered from a spirit of judging and condemning others. Some one has said "The more one judges, the less one loves," and you can turn the thing around and it is equally true, "The more one loves, the less one judges." Love is the fruit that the Heavenly Husbandman is looking for. Have you learned the secret of producing this fruit? Here it is-uninterrupted abiding in the Vine.

III. The Rewards of Giving. V. 38.

When Jesus told them to do good and lend, hoping for nothing again. He told them also "Your reward shall be great." Jesus never uses extravagant language. and when He says that the reward of our giving will be great, you may be sure it will be worth while. If we measure out our bounty with a small measure we shall get back in small measure, if we use a large measure we shall get back in large measure, for Jesus says that with the same measure that we mete it shall be measured to us again. It pays best to use a large measure. Jesus says in another place that what we give up for Him we get back a hundred-fold. That means He gives back a hundred measures for every measure we give to Him. This is the best investment we know of, and it is absolutely sure. How much do you purpose putting into the Lord's missionary treasury this month? Nothing on earth pays such good dividends. You can always find the Missionary Treasurer of the General Council at 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Missouri.

IV. The Giving that Pleases Jesus. Luke 21:1-4.

There is one part of our services in which Jesus is tremendously interested, and that is the collection. In the passage before us we see Him specially watching the folks casting their gifts into the treasury. It is not only the amounts given that interest Him, it is the motives back of the giving. Giving that is done for show gets the applause of men, but there is nothing more coming. Secret giving is that which pleases Him and is that which will earn His great open reward. Jesus was weighing motives as He watched those rich men giving of their abundance. In the mint in London, England, they pride themselves on the wonderful accuracy of their scales which register the difference in the weight of a card before and after you have written your name on it, but these scales are nothing to be compared with the accuracy of the scales on which the Master measures motives. The rich men's offerings were all light weights on His scales, but the offering of that "certain poor widow," though it was only two mites, weighed more than all the others put together.

And Jesus weighs what we have left. Those rich men had lots of money left, the poor widow had nothing, she gave her all. This was some Pentecostal giving that took place before the day of Pentecost. (See Acts 2:45; 4:34.) Those early Pentecostal saints followed Him closely who gave His all for this poor old sin-stained world. But none of them could do any better than this cer-

tain poor unnamed widow.

Before we leave this subject of giving, it will not be out of order to tell how some folks in the island of Jamaica obtained a revival. Some of them read in Malachi 3:10 about the Lord opening the windows of heaven and pouring out a blessing that there would not be room enough to receive it. That looked remarkably good to them, so they went over to their preacher, a dear old brother that has since gone to be with Jesus, and they asked him, "What does it mean to bring the tithes into the storehouse?" He replied, "It means giving a tenth of what you get to the Lord and bringing it to the house of God." "That's easy enough," they said, and the following Sunday he could hardly get on his platform, for the congregation had brought their tithes in and had dumped them, fruit and vegetables and household goods into the church; and there they were waiting for the windows of heaven to open and for the blessing that there would not be room enough to receive. Did God disappoint them? No sir! They had a revival on their hands almost before they knew it, a revival that was so mighty that the preacher, who was quite a nervous old man, became quite scared about it, and there was not room enough in that church to contain it and it spread to another church. Have you ever tried this way of getting a revival in your church? God dares any church

to try it. He says, "Prove me, put me to the test."

Sept. 8, 1918. CONQUERING EVIL.

Lesson Text.—1 Kings 21:1-29; Eph.

Golden Text .- Have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. Eph. 5:11.

I. The Evil of Covetousness, 1 Kings 21:1-16.

There is a blessed word in Hebrews that we all need to keep before us "Be content with such things as ye have: for He hath said, I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." He is enough and more than enough. Fortified with this word you can spend your last penny. and see your last bit of bread or grain of sugar go without a quiver or a qualm. You have with you the Universal Provider who has promised to supply all your needs, and He never fails to send supplies on time. The assurance that our extremely thoughtful Father will provide for us everything that He sees we need is a perfect antidote for Covetousness. Your neighbor may have a piano-player, the latest type of talking machine, a new auto, and any other kind of junk that mortal man accumulates to himself in his desperate efforts to keep himself from thinking about eternity, and if you have this confidence, you won't even covet a single thread out of his latest Brussels carpet. You have the Lord, and He completely satisfies. With Him you can be content with anything, anywhere.

Poor Ahab, the central figure of today's lesson, did not know the Lord; he had never learned the truth that "godliness with contentment is great gain,' and although he had practically all that the heart could desire of things of earth, he was utterly discontented. By the side of his beautiful summer palace in Jezreel was Naboth's well-kept vineyard, and although, doubtless, his mother had tried to rub the tenth commandment into him from his youth, whenever he looked over the garden fence and contemplated Naboth's luscious grapes, the lust of the eves and stomach got the better of him. At first he tried to work a trade with Naboth, but it was contrary to the law for Naboth to dispose of his old ancestral home except to his near kinsfolk so he politely told the king, "Nothing doing!" So Ahab went off and sulked. And we have seen some Pentecostal folks lose the victory over something less than a vineyard.

If Ahab had only prayed through, he could have gotten the victory. But he sat there nursing his feelings, and in tripped Jezebel, the heathen princess to whom he had been unequally yoked, in her latest modern costume and her sweetest smile, and when she had gotten the king to tell her what made him so blue, and found out that there was only a human life between her husband and the satisfaction of his carnal heart. she promised him that the vineyard would soon be his. Ahab, doubtless

resolved that he himself would do nothing to get Naboth out of the way, but if anybody else committed sin, he was not responsible. But whether he recognized it or not, he had let his own covetous heart run the way of covetousness, and his own covetousness was the seed that was so soon to bring forth in Jezreel the evil fruit of murder. So the poor weakkneed king without backbone and without sense, let his wicked consort, who was all out to do the devil's business in sunshine and in shade, go ahead, and soon there was a proclamation, a fast. a false witness, a stoning and a death in Jezreel, and Jezebel came smirking into Ahab's presence with the news that he could go and take possession of the vineyard, for Naboth was dead.

H. Be sure your sin will find you out. 1 Kings 21:17-29.

Ahab strolled down to the vineyard. but he had hardly time to get through eating his first bunch of grapes when, horror of horrors! here comes the man he most dreaded, Elijah the Tishbite. Poor, guilty, trembling Ahab, already convicted of his sin cried out, "Hast thou found me, O my enemy?" The unrepentant sinner always esteems the uncompromising minister of God his worst enemy. Elijah answered, "I have found thee; because thou hast sold thyself to work evil in the sight of the Lord;" and then he told him of the awful results which were to follow the crime for which God held him responsible. Jezebel too was to have all that was coming to her. Ahab humbled himself after this, and God, who is rich in mercy, transferred the judgment from his day to that of his son.

Beware of the Jezebels! They had them in the church at Thyatira, and they are very patronizing to the Pentecostal They creep in un-Church of today. awares. Some of them have a special message about purity and divine love, and after a while they will begin to talk about spiritual affinities. great firmness show them the door of your assembly.

III. How to overcome Evil. Eph. 5:11-18.

Ahab would have been saved much if he could have had Paul's counsel. as we have it here, and had received grace enough to live up to it. Listen to these weighty words, "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness but rather reprove them.' Even as Pentecostal people we need to remind ourselves of these words again and again, for if any people are called to a life of complete separation from all that is of the world, the flesh and the devil, it is those who have received this wonderful latter rain baptism of the Spirit. So often has the Lord had to say to some of us, when, for a while, we have let our minds be occupied with earthly things, "Love not the world. neither the things that are in the world, for all that is in the world is not of the Father," and we have had to cry to Him the prayer of the Psalmist. "Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity." The very contemplation of the worldly

posters in the streets can rob us of that keen sense of Father's Presence.

Day by day, the apostle tells us, we are to walk circumspectly (carefully), buying up every opportunity of doing good. We are to be wakeful and watchful, for we have fallen upon evil days. He tells us not to be unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is: and that means we are to study the Word, for it is the Word of the Lord that tells us what His will is. above all He exhorts us "Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess, but be filled with the Spirit." Another rendering of the last part of this verse is, "Drink deep of the Spirit." Paul tells us in I Cor. 12 that by one Spirit we have all been baptized into one body, and he adds, "And have all been made to drink into one Spirit." It is one thing to be baptized in the Spirit and another thing to be continually drinking of the Spirit. Many have fallen short here, and because they have failed to drink continually they have backslidden. We heard a brother testify once, "Before I was saved I was a heavy drinker, and now I am saved I am still a heavy drinker. One time I drank the wine of the world, but, praise God, now I am drinking at the Fountain that never runs dry." Learn to drink deeply and to get others to drink with you of that which will cause you to be ever singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord.

We heard someone say at one time, "You can give thanks in everything, but you cannot give thanks for everything." But verse 20 tells us to be "Giving thanks ALWAYS for ALL things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." Our Father loves us so much that He will not let anything but good come into our lives, and if we set our love on Him He will work ALL THINGS together for our good. He will cause the very things which we consider our biggest mistakes to work in us a still greater trust in Him.. It is through our mistakes that we are taught to transfer our confidence from ourselves to God. So let us be thankful and praiseful for everything and all the time, and if you haven't commenced the praise life, start right now. Father loves us ever so much, and all is well. -S. H. F.

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Reports From the Field

CHAFFEE, MO.

We are glad to announce that God is visiting us again in Chaffee with a revival. We began a few nights ago. Pray for us at this time that God may make this revival all that He would have it be. Bro. Will Sulliff of Belknap, Ill. is helping us.—M. V. Ferguson and wife.

OVERTON, TEXAS.

We have just closed a two weeks revival at Overton Tabernacle. God wonderfully blessed our efforts—four received the Holy Ghost and four were baptized in water according to Matt. 28:19. Attendance was good from five to seven hundred people present every night. The glory of God was upon the saints as the Word went forth in power, at each service. Bro. J. B. Smith and J. M. Goodson assisted us in the preaching. We feel like going on.—T. D. Thompson Pastor.

PONTA, TEXAS.

We closed our meeting at Ponta last Friday night after being there about thirteen days. Bro. McCuistion of Alto. Texas helped us a few days, and then returned home. Also Brother Fred Gardner of Rusk, Texas helped us in the meeting. The Lord wonderfully blessed in the giving out of the Word. and the Spirit of God was wonderfully manifest. We had been there until the last night of the meeting but not a soul had been baptized in the Holy Ghost. Then the power of God began to fall in the Grove and four received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Glory to God! -Doyle Davis & wife, and Bro. H. H. Felders & family.

CARTHAGE, ARK.

We have just closed a three weeks revival meeting at Union Grove Church one of the Holiness Baptist Churches which has recently lined up with the General Council. Bro. F. E. Webb, whom we assisted in the meeting, is the Pastor. Ten were filled with the Holy Spirit as in Acts 2:4.

Surely these are the days that the prophet said that God would perform His strange acts. Those who attended these meetings could truly say that, "Our eyes have beheld strange things." Some were in such ageny that we could not resist the feeling of uneasiness that some mental or physical injury might be the result, but glory to Jesus! He put our fears to shame. The deepest baptisms invariably followed these physical agitations. Notwithstanding, some of the workings of the Spirit passed out beyond all mental conception of things and seemed extraphysical or fanciful. It taught me not to put my hands on ris work and grieve Him. Amen!-W. Jethra Walthall.

RUSSELLVILLE, ARK.

We have just closed a three weeks meeting two miles west of Dardanelle. Fifteen were saved and six received the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4, and ten were baptized in the River Arkansas. Some had beautiful visions of Jesus. lights and of hosts of angels. Some tried to confuse the seekers by saying that we were hypnotizing them. But the Word of God grew and prevailed. Glory to the matchless name of Jesus!! Pray for us.—H. H. Varnell & wife.

DAVIS CITY CAMP MEETING

The regular annual camp meeting of the Assemblies of God for Iowa and Northern Missouri was held in the City Park at Davis City, Iowa in charge of

OUR TENDER SHEPHERD.

It is best to let Jesus plan for us. and not to plan or even wish for ourselves. He will supply all our spiritual need. It is so blessed to know that nothing could be for our soul's good that He withholds, however much it may seem to ourselves that it would be so.

It is so blessed standing perplexed at the head of two or three paths, to shut our eyes and put our hands in His and say, "Jesus, It is so blessed, when lead me." the path thus taken leads over sharp thorns and through a weary wilderness, to feel "He led me here; I did not lead myself into this." It is so blessed when the loneliness of the way makes Him stoop and clasp our hand more tightly, and the sharper thorns and stones induce Him. to lift us sometimes quite off our feet .-Emily Blatchley.

Brother John Goben, from August 1st to 11th.

There were about twenty preachers present, and a large number of the laity; sweet unity and harmony prevailed and the saints were encouraged in the heavenward race.

Brother Welch of the General Council was present for the first part, and gave much practical teaching.

The State Presbytery is now as follows: John Goben, Lucas, Chairman; David Boatwright, Chariton, Assistant Chairman; Eugene N. Hastie Perry, Secretary; Ke'ley Campbell Mt. Ayr; H. W. Hamilton, Decatur; Roy Scott, Princeton; and C. R. Dobson, Davis City, Presbyters. Brother Kelley Campbell was also elected to act as Field Evangelist, and he desires the names and addresses of all evangelists and workers in this district who are willing to cooperate with the Council in evangelistic work. His address is Mt. Ayr, Iowa

The first Sunday, \$155.00 was raised for foreign mission work and the last Sunday \$206 was raised for the home work.—E. N. H., Secy.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

God has been blessing souls in this place as we have been holding up Jesus Christ as the mighty Savior of body and soul. Some have been remarkably healed and led to Christ. One man was healed and his sight restored. He had lost all sight in one eye. He was saved and his wife received the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues. A colored woman came limping up, held by two. She is completely healed and through her deliverance a backslider came for healing and came back to Jesus, and he is hungry for the baptism. She fell and hurt her arm and came with it in a sling. She could not move one finger, but after prayer she held up her arm and held a child. Glory to God!

There was a call for a meeting in two neighborhoods. Seats were fixed out under the trees and many heard and were led to God. This is much better than a hall, and as good as a tent. We are now at Frisco and Haney St. and pray for the sick at our home address also.—P. M. & Agnes La Berge.

RUSK, TEXAS.

I have had the privilege of visiting several assemblies this summer, and I am glad the Lord has some real children in this part of His vineyard. I began a revival meeting at Midway, Texas with Pastor J. H. Polk, and the Lord blessed the meeting, and saved and filled with the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. Was called home to see the boys of my assembly at Rusk, Texas off to the training camp. I was glad to see their faces shine with victory as they promised they were going to stand true.

While at home, I helped two Methodist preachers conduct a meeting-four saved and three received the Baptism with signs following. From there I visited Bro. Roark's assembly at Alto, Texas. They had a real good meeting, some six or seven filled with the Spirit. Back home again to our Summer revival the first Sunday in July. Eleven saved and ten received the baptism. Had the pleasure of having Brother and Sister Polk with us in this meeting. The Lord surely blessed them in giving out the Word. From there back to Midway. Conducted their camp meeting-perfect unity prevailed and four received the baptism.

From there to Ponta, Texas, where we met Bro. Doyle Davis and band. Spent two nights with them, and four received the baptism there. Then we came to New Salem, Texas to pitch the battle against sin. One saved and received his baptism. The meeting has just been going on four nights, having large crowds, and am looking to the Lord for a great revival. Pray for me.—Pastor Fred Gardner.



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CAMP MEETING AT ALTON, KANS.

Our God truly met us in a gracious way at the Alton, Kans. camp. Souls were saved filled with the Holy Ghost and several healed. It truly was a time of refreshing for all. There was a good attendance, saints being there from Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri and the State of Kansas. The Lord's presence was manifest from the very first service. The night services were blessed in reaching the lost and those in need of the Holy Spirit. No count of the number was kept of those that got thru to God. One night, the glory of God so filled the Tabernacle that the priests could not minister.

The morning services from Aug. 6th to 9th inclusive were given over to forming the Kansas State Council of the Assemb ies of God Bro. W. T. Millsaps being chosen as chairman, Bro. S. H. Patterson as Secretary-Treasurer. These two and Brother J. E. Simms were the Presbyters chosen. Even as we were transacting business for our God His power and glory were so manifested that our hearts did burn within us, and we were able to exclaim, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

Sunday, the 11th was a precious day in the Lord, with very nearly a continual service from early morning till midnight. In the afternoon we gathered at the river for baptismal service. came prepared to obey the Lord in baptism, but God's power and glory was so manifested as we obeyed the Lord's command in Matt. 28:19 that ere we were through the number baptized had reached twenty-seven. Truly obedience is better than sacrifice.

Although they have had a three years drought in that part of Kansas, the God of heaven truly met us in supplying every need. A nice missionary offering was also given. Most everyone testified that it was the best camp they had ever attended. To God be all the glory. -E. L. Banta.

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Csmp M eting at Boise, Idaho, berinning Aug. 18th and continuing on as the Lord leads. Empty houses can be secured cheaply. Come prepared to look after yourself. Further information from Miss C. Wright, 1410 N. 12th St., Boise, Idaho.

Seventh Annual Camp Meeting of the Assemblies of God of Southeast Missouri will be beld at Parma, Mo. August 23 to Sept. 1, 1918, D.V. For further information and offerings for expenses send to Pastor L. W. Clark, Parma

Camp Meeting of the Assemblies of God to be held at the Brick Church, 8 miles south of Gerald, Mo., beginning Sept. 14, to 22nd. D.V. Bring bedding, toilet articles and tents if convenient. Further informa-tion from G. A. Renick, R.F.D. 2, Rosebud, Mo., or Pastor R. O. Miller, Ector, Texas.

THE MORNING COMETH

Weeping may endure for a night but joy cometh in the morning. The night is not going to endure for ever. The few hundred years of darkness of the children of Israel came to an end. God remembered His covenant, and with the remembering of His covenant caused His children to cry for deliverance. We are in the period of darkness now, and He is causing His people to cry for deiverance and He will remember covenant with His servant David and He will remember His covenant with His only begotten

The Children of Israel rejoiced in their deliverance from the hand of Pharaoh, and so God's children are going to rejoice in their deliverance from their Pharaoh, Sa-The Children of Israel saw the Egyptians no more for ever, and the accuser of the brethren will be cast out, and the time is coming when not the Red Sea but the Lake of Fire will envelop him and we shall see him no more for ever. This will be accomplished by the Word of God. It is going to be accomplished, for Jehovah's purposes will ever be fulfilled. They are eternal promises and they cannot be broken, for they are of the nature of God Himself.

CORRECTED CAMP MEETING NOTICE
Third Tri-State Camp Meeting of the
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at Olmstead, Iil. Seut. 7th to 17th, 1918. D.V
Bring bedding and toilet articles. Meals
and tents furnished on free-will offering
plan. Further information from Robert
Shelton. West Frankfort, Ill.

Camp meeting at the Halsey Parm, one mile east, and half a mile south of Crisfield. Kans., Harper Co., commences Sent. 1st. Evang. J. P. Jeffries and wife will have charge of the meeting. Come prepared to care for yourself. Further particulars from J. F. Stuart, Attica, Kans.

First Pentecostal Camp Meeting of South-First Pentecostal Camp Meeting of Southern Nebraska, Franklin, Neb., Aug 23rd to Sept 1st. The camp will be located one mile south, and one east of town. Elder J. E. Sims of Denver. Colo. will conduct the services. Tents and cots at reasonable prices, but should be ordered at once, Write for further information to Pastor Henry Hoar, Franklin, Neb.

Convention at Alton, Ill., Sept. 20th to 28th, incl. Under the direction of the Southern Missouri District Council Prespective of the Assemblies of God. Entertainment will be provided for all attending. For further information write E. L. Banta. Chairman, Puxico, Mo. or the pastor A. W. Kortkamp, 2918 College Ave., Alton, Ill.

INTER-STATE CAMP MEETING AT AUBURN, NEB., Sept. 5th to 15th.
This camp will be held in the beautiful, shady city park. Tents 10 x 12 will rent for \$4.00, 12 x 14 for \$6.00, cots 15 cts. Bring bedding toilet articles, etc. Expect to baxe a large tent setting 1200 people. Rectival services to begin in big tent about Aug. 21. Further information from Le Roy M. Kopp, or George W. Hawley, Auburn, Neb.

THIRD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE AND FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

The Third Missionary Conference will be held in connection with the Fifth Annual Convention of the Pentecostal Church at Cleveland, Obio The Convertion beeins Oct, 3rd, 7:30 P.M., and closes Oct. 12th. The Missionary Conference will hold its first session October 7th at 9:30 A.M., and thereafter each forenoon until the 12th. All missionaries are invited and urged to be preset for counsel and advisement. Entertainment will be provided for missionaries, but the Church does not assume responsibility for railroad fares. The afternoon and evenings will be given to the work of the regular convention work of the Church.

Missionaries who expect to attend

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Conference should write at once so that
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SPANISH PENTECOSTAL CONVENTION.
San Antonio, Texas, November 3-10, 1918.

South Laredo Street 412.

In order to promote unity and co-operation among the Spanish workers of Texas and other states and countries; also for needed Bible teaching along important lines, a Spanish Pentecostal Convention will be held in the new Spanish Mission located at 412 South Laredo St., San Antonio, Tex. Nov. 3-10, 1918. Such conventions are much needed in mission work in order to keep the work clean and Biblical, and to augment brotherly love and fellowship. Any Spanish missionaries that may be in this country from Central or South America will receive a hearty welcome at the Convention.

For details or more information address H. C. Ball, Box 481, San Antonio, Texas

MISSIONARY TRAINING SCHOOL.

The Beulah Heights Pentecostal Missionary Training School will onen Oct. 1st. All who desire a thorough Bible course and practical experience for either home or foreign missions are welcome. For first-orinformation and application blank address Beulah Heights Missionary School. 4741 Hudson Boulevard. North Bergen, N. J.

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Please pray for our meeting at this place and the saints here also.—Joe Finley, Hartman. Ark.
We are expecting to begin a battle for the King in a mining camp in Crittendon Co., Ky. the 17th of August, D. V. Pray for us. This is a new and needy field.—Pastor E. F. Cunningham, Golden Gate, Ill.
A brother who is travelling through California distributing good literature, requests prayer for his enterprise.
Pray that I may be completely healed and that Jesus shall be glorified in me, ray that God's love will fill my heart and that His will shall be mine.—Mrs. F. V. M. Jasonville, Ind.
Pray for my friend and schoolmate as he is afflicted with a terrible disease. He is very low and has to be turned in bed. Pray that God's love will fill my heart and God will cause him to ask forgiveness for what he has done and scleanse him from all unrighteousness. Pray that God will cause him to ask forgiveness for what he has done and scleanse him from all unrighteousness. Pray that God will heal him and restore him for the ministry, as he has been called to preach.—C. H. S., Rockport, Texas.
Please pray for Mother Armstead who had a paralytic stroke and is very low. She is only 51 years old, so has not lived out her allotted time, yet from the natural viewpoint she is at the point of death, but God is able, and she and her daughters are looking to the great Physician alone. Sent by Mrs. R. M. Armstead, per Mother Flower.
Pray that I may remember the Scriptures. I can read a chapter, and by the time I get through reading it I have forgotten it. Pray that I may be delivered from sleepiness at service. Pray for my family.—G. W. S., Paris, Ark.
I am interested in baving a church built in our township. My husband and I seem to be the only ones that are trying to work for this. Pray earnestly for the dear Lord to help us.—Mrs. J. D.
Please pray for my dear brother who is in traini

Please pray for the healing of my brother and his wife—he is threatened with apoplexy, and she has a stroke of paralysis.—E. K., Conway, Texas.

A reader writes: "I sincerely desire the earnest united prayers of the saints to be delivered from the lust and love of the flesh."

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Please pray for my complete healing of dropsy and heart trouble. My heart palpitates so badly, I have numbness of hands and feet, and such a pain under the left shoulder blade, also in bladder. I have burning in my stomach and indigestion. Pray for complete healing.—H. W., Golden City, Mo.

Please request the Evangel Family to pray for the healing of my body. Pray for four sons, also that they might be saved.—R. M., Lineville, Iowa.

Please pray for Mr. H., suffering with tuberculosis, that the may be healed: Mrs. H., creeping palsy, that God may touch her body and make her every whit whole; Mr. and Mrs. D.'s two sons, that they may have full salvation; Mrs. B., body weak and nervous, that God may touch her; Mr. H., theumatism; Mrs. D.'s daughter-in-law, that she may be a real true Christian and an example for her husband and two little girls; Mrs. B. for full salvation, and faith in God for healing rheumat'sm.—A. K. D. Blairstown, N. J.

Please continue to pray for L.— Alta. God is working and undertaking for us. Victory is coming.—F. A. D.

Please pray for my soldier boy who is on his way across the sea. His name is B. J. Tompkins. Pray mightly for his full salvation, and that he may be filled with the Holy Spirit, and that he may come safely home for the glory of God. Pray much for my unsaved daughter who is living in a large city. Pray that God will save her in His own way. Pray that God will make me what He wants me to be.—E. M. T. Emmet, Ark.

Pray for Columbus, Ga. and for myself and wife.—O. T. M.

Pray that I may be healed of stomach and kidney trouble. Pray for Mrs. O. that she may be healed of palsy. Pray for two dear ladies who have gall stones, that God may touch their bodies and give them strength and health.—M. E. C.

Pray for our precious boys who have gone from us to hunt work.—Pray that they may soon be saved, and used as laborers in God's harvest.—W. S. R., Hami

PREACHERS WANTED.

The saints at the Assembly of God, St. Louis Mo. are desirous of having a pastor, and want someone connected with the Council. Write Geo. W. Potter, 2105 Bismark Street, St. Louis Mo.

The saints at Pain Springs, Texas are in need of a good spiritual preacher, one in fellowship with the General Council. There are about fifteen saints there who love the truth. Write H. Birmingham, R. 1, Eustace, Texas.

I want to get in communication with some preacher with a view of getting one or more workers to hold a meeting here.—J. W. Moon, Three Rivers, Texas.

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WANTS LABOR NEAR SAINTS.

We are on a farm in Texas tending 75 acres of land this year. We are a family of six. Besides myself and wife, we have three boys and one girl, ages 8, 12, 15 and 19. There is no assembly near us, and we are tired of staying away from God's house and the dear saints. When we gather our cotton this Fall, we want to move to some place where there is a good Pentecostal Assembly and where we can all get work with our bands. We are not afraid of work. Anyone who can tell us where we can find these two things will confer a favor by writing me as below. We have been baptized in water, and are seekers for the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.—W. P. Winder, R. 3, Sanger, Texas.

WILL CORRESPOND WITH SOLDIERS.

Bro. A. Blackburn. 25 Fig st., Keighley, Yorks, England, writes that he would like to correspond with Pentecostal soldiers in the U. S. A. Army who are now in England or France.

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OKLAHOMA DISTRICT COUNCIL

The District Council of the State of Oklahoma will meet D. V. at McCurtain, Okla., October 1st at 9 a.m. and continue for several days. Ministers will be entertained. Will others who come be prepared to take care of themselves. Further information from W. E. Sampson, Box 1356, Tulsa, Okla.

We regret to announce that owing to. a breakdown of the Evangel Press, the mailing of the Evangel has been delayed this week. We trust to soon be back in normal running order.