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We have heard of the coming of the Lord so often that the words have ceased to make any impression upon many minds, but they are nevertheless true. Jesus is coming soon. We are living in the last days of the present dispensation. Wonderful things have been taking place. More wonderful things are to take place in the days which are just ahead. The Bridegroom will come for His Bride and the people who are ready for His coming will be caught up to meet Him in the air.

Many of the passages of Scripture that relate to the second coming of Jesus are misunderstood and misinterpreted because there are so many people who fail to distinguish between the rapture and the revelation, the catching up to meet Jesus and the coming back with Jesus, the two phases or stages of our Lord's second coming. At the rapture He will come as the Bridegroom for His Bride and His people will meet Him in the air. The resurrection of the departed saints will take place at the rapture and the bodies of the living saints will undergo a marvelous transformation, will be spiritualized, for "flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption" (1 Cor. 15:50). Together, the saints who have died and been raised from the dead and the saints who are living and been changed, will be caught away from the earth to meet their Lord and to enter in with Him to the marriage supper of the Lamb. "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection" (Rev. 20:6).

The Apostle Paul was speaking of the rapture when he said, "The Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord" (1 Thess. 4:16, 17). But he was speaking of the reve-

lation when he mentioned "the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints" (1 Thess. 3:13). Jesus was speaking of the rapture when He said, "I tell you, in that night there shall be two men in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. Two women shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken and the other left" (Luke 17:34-36). But He was

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speaking of the revelation when He said, "Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: and then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory" (Matt. 24:29, 30).

It is very necessary that in studying

the great theme of our Lord's Second Coming we distinguish between those passages of Scripture that relate to the rapture, and those passages that relate to the revelation.

That our Lord will come again is as certain as is the fact that He was once here in the flesh and died and rose again, ascending up into heaven. You will remember that while He was in the act of blessing His disciples, He was separated from them. The law of gravity was no longer able to hold Him to the earth, and He rose into the air and went up higher and higher until "a cloud received Him out of their sight." We are told that "while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel." Mark the fact that we are not told that those who appeared to them were angels. They were not angels: they were men. I am inclined to believe the two men were Enoch and Elijah. Both Enoch and Elijah were translated in the days of the old dispensation. "Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him" (Gen. 5:24). "By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God" (Heb. 11:5). And we read that one day Elijah and Elisha were together, and the chariot of God swept down from the skies, and Elijah leaped into the chariot swept up into the skies of God and disappeared, and Elisha cried out, "My father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof" (2 Kings 2:12). Enoch and Elijah were the only men we know of who had gone to heaven without dying, the only ones who had taken their bodies with them. I believe they were the men who appeared to the disciples after Jesus had ascended and told them that Jesus would come again.

Do you believe in dreams? God sometimes speaks to people in dreams. He spoke thus to Abimelech concerning Sarah. In dreams he spoke to Abraham and to Jacob. In dreams he spoke to Joseph, and when Joseph told his dreams the envy of his brothers was excited. In dreams God spoke to Pharaoh in Egypt and the butler and the baker. In dreams God spoke to Joseph, the

husband of Mary, concerning the Christ child. In dreams God spoke to Paul. Have we any reason to believe that He does not speak to people in dreams in these days? We have reasons to believe that He does. God has not changed. He thus spoke to saints and prophets in days of old, and He thus speaks to saints and prophets today.

We need to be wise; we need to be cautious; we need to have discernment and to be led by the Spirit. All dreams are not of God. A man eats a late supper; he overeats. That night he has strange dreams. Those dreams are not of God. And it may be safely said that if any man has had a vision or a dream that is out of harmony with God's Word he should rest assured that that vision or dream was not inspired by the Holy Spirit, for God is truth; God cannot contradict Himself.

There are two passages of Scripture to which I call your attention. The first is in Num. 12:6, "If there be a prophet among you, I the Lord will make Myself known unto him in a vision and will speak unto him in a dream." The second is in Jer. 23:28, "The prophet that hath a dream, let him tell a dream; and he that hath my word, let him speak My word faithfully. What is the chaff to the wheat? saith the Lord."

I have had a dream. I will tell it. I believe it was of God. It is my conviction that it was intended to stir my heart, and that, through me, God meant that it should stir the hearts of others. **Jesus is coming soon.** But the only people who will be caught up away to meet Him will be the people who are ready for His coming. Multitudes will be left behind. And when the saints are raptured the great storm of the tribulation will burst, with all of its fury,

upon a Christ rejecting and Spirit defying world. There will be such a time of trouble, such a time of misery, such a time of anguish, heartaches, suffering, as this old world has never seen. Many of the men and women who will be left to go through the tribulation will see the great mistake they made in not getting ready for the coming of the Bridegroom and they will cry mightily to God to have mercy upon their souls, and multitudes will be saved, but the most of them, or, maybe, all of them will have to seal their testimony with their blood, for it will be a time of the most bitter persecution. The powers of darkness will be turned loose and hell will do its very worst.

During the period of the great tribulation Antichrist, the Lawless One, will appear, and his true character will be revealed.

In my dream, about three months ago, I seemed to be sitting upon the side of a great mountain. It was a beautiful summer afternoon. The skies were without a cloud. The birds were singing. All nature seemed to be in harmony with nature's God. I sat there upon the mountain side and watched the great solar luminary, as it sank down toward the western horizon. Lower and lower it sank. Presently it disappeared. Then I saw the great streaks of light as they shot up into the heavens from the place where the sun had set. It was a wonderful picture. Any artist who could put such a scene upon canvas would make himself immortal. I was alone. No person seemed to be near me. Suddenly I saw in the sky just above the spot where the sun disappeared a bunch of flags. They were piled on top of one another, and right across the face of the flags were

the figures, in big black characters—It almost seems that I can see them now just as I saw them in my dream:

I was immediately conscious of the fact that I was looking upon something that was supernatural in its nature. I did not know that I was dreaming. I thought I was on the mountain side and that God was letting me see a vision in the heavens. I said aloud, "What meaneth this?" Then I heard the voice of One whose face was veiled and whose form I could not see. It said, "These flags represent the League of Nations about to be formed, the World Federation, out of which shall come the Antichrist, whose number is the number of a man, and his number is 666." I looked in wonder and amazement upon the flags, and, as I looked, an unseen hand began to remove the flags, one at a time, until only one was left, the star spangled banner, the flag of my country, this country that we call "the land of the free and the home of the brave." I sat in silence and looked upon the Stars and Stripes. Presently I said, "What meaneth this?" And the voice of Him whose face was veiled and whose form I could not see, replied, "This means that back of the League of Nations, the World Federation, out of which shall come the Antichrist, will stand the United States, with its army and with its navy."

I awoke and the air about me seemed to be surcharged with the dynamic energy of the Holy Ghost. That morning at family worship I read this remarkable thirteenth chapter of Revelation, this chapter that ends with these wonderful words, "Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six."

(To be continued.)

✿ The Gospel of Your Salvation in Christ ✿

Sin is the transgression of God's law. All men have sinned and come short of the glory of God, Rom. 3:23. The soul that sinneth shall die. And so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned, Rom. 5:12. It is appointed unto men once to die, and after that the judgment, Heb. 9:27.

Salvation is the greatest thing in the world, and is man's greatest need. See how it is provided: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life," John 3:16. "Thou shalt call His name Jesus, for He shall SAVE His people from their sins," Matt. 1:21. Sin separates from God. The blood of Jesus Christ cleanses from all sin, and makes us nigh unto God, Eph. 2:13; John 1:7. Sin keeps you away from God, and all good, and out of heaven. Salvation brings you back to God through Christ Jesus, and to all good and to heaven. Jesus Christ came from heaven and knows all about heaven, and He died to redeem us from sin, and He rose again for our justification, that we

might be delivered from sin and have a home in heaven forever. "Hereby perceive we the love of God in that He laid down His life for us" 1 Jno. 3:16. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life. No man can come to the Father but by me," John 14:6. There is no other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved. How can we be saved by that name? Jesus the Son of God became the Son of man, kept the law of God perfectly, and then died on the Cross for our sins, so that God could be just, and yet the justifier of every one that believeth in Jesus, Rom. 3:26.

How can this wonderful salvation be mine? This way: It is God's law you have broken, therefore your repentance must be towards God, (Acts 20:21), and since it is Christ who kept the law and died in your place on the cross to redeem you from the curse of the law, therefore you must believe in Him as your Saviour. Jesus said, "Repent and believe the gospel." Mark 1:15, "And except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Luke 13:5. What

is repenting of sin? Turn away from sin and ask God to forgive you, and He will do so for Christ's sake, if you will believe in Jesus Christ.

How may I believe in Jesus Christ? First, believe that He is the Son of God and He became the Son of man by being born of the virgin Mary, and that He died on the cross and was buried, and on the third day rose again and ascended to God's right hand. Second, give yourself to Him, submit to His authority, obeying Him in all things; for the Father loves Him and has given all things into His hands, committing all judgment to Him, John 3:35. Third, commit all things into His hands, for He is able to keep that which you commit to Him, 2 Tim. 1:12. He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life, John 3:36.

Now remember it is by this gospel you are to be judged, Rom. 2:16. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the things done in the body, 2 Cor. 5:10.

A. P. Collins.

HOW GOD PROVIDES.

Fear ye not therefore; ye are of more value than many sparrows. Matt. 10:31.

In rehearsing the many times that God has proved Himself to me during the last twenty-three years of my life, especially at times when no one but He knew our need, I love to repeat such instances as these.

About two years and a half ago, when we had a family of eighteen or twenty in our Home in Hawaii, we had just gotten through breakfast but had nothing over for the next meal. We gathered for morning worship as usual and my dear husband said, "Now children, our rice is all done, and we must ask Jesus this morning to give us enough money to buy a sack of rice."

We read several scriptures containing some of the Lord's promises on the line of supplying our every need, and we sang,

"There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus;
No, not one; no, not one;
There's not an hour when He is not near us;
No, not one; no, not one."

Then we went down before our God with hearts full of gratitude to Him for His many years of love and care. We prayed, "Now Lord, if our lives are right in Thy sight and we have a conscience void of offence towards God and man, hear our cry; and if not, reveal the hindering cause, for we have nothing to give those you have put in our home."

Every voice joined ours, from thirteen years old Kit Long Yap to three years old baby Lani. You could hear, "Please, Jesus, our Kou Kou is out. Please, Jesus, give Daddie some money. Just one sack of rice, Jesus." Hands were up and faces wet with tears turned towards heaven.

Did He hear and did He answer? I ask you, could you turn away a deaf ear to the cry of your child when he cried for bread? Nay, verily; and how much less my Lord? Yes, He heard, praise His Name! Oh there's power in His Name!

Every little tot ran off with joy to play, in full assurance that Jesus would be sure to send the rice in time for dinner, and my husband said, "I'll go to the post office. Perhaps this boat will bring us a letter with the price of a sack of rice."

He had been gone about an hour when a Chinaman with a little hack drove up and deposited a hundred pound sack of rice at our door. I said, "John, take it to the kitchen," but John ran off, saying, "No got plenty time," so I left it there. I supposed that my husband had received the long looked for letter. The children gathered around that sack of rice and felt it and praised Jesus, and it was not long till all the youngsters of our village were shouting round Waikolua, "Jesus sent a sack of rice to Berachah Home." Jesus was certainly lifted up that day. Praise His dear name!

Our greatest surprise came when my husband returned about noon, looking rather pale and a bit worried. He put his hand on the sack at the door and said, "Wife, where did you get this

from?" I'll never forget his look. I answered, "Why, I supposed you bought it and sent it up to the house when you got the mail." He replied, "No, I did not get any money. Just a letter from a friend, but no money in it."

Then we gathered together again and with bowed heads and many tears we lifted up our hearts to God in true worship and praise, and I believe the very angels of heaven rejoiced that day. Jesus had indeed proved Himself a Husband to the widow and a Father to our poor orphans.

Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world. Jas. 1:27. To be able to do the first we must keep the last clause.

We never knew through whom our God worked to answer the cries of His lambs that morning on Oahn, but someone received a blessing in giving, and it's on record in Heaven, and they will receive their reward. "Inasmuch as ye do it unto the least of these ye have done it unto Me" Matt. 25:40-45.—Mrs. H. J. Johns, Box 1104, Oahn, Honolulu-Hawaiian Islands.

BEHOLD HE COMETH.

Once when a little child I sat by the window of a swiftly moving train, and wondered what made the telegraph poles, houses, and everything run by us so fast. When told that they were standing still but I was moving, I couldn't understand; for I knew I was sitting still. This seems to me an apt illustration of the times in which we are living. Events, God's sign posts seem to whirl by us, while many do not understand that it is because we are hastening greatly to the end of our journey. "Forever, O Lord, Thy word is settled in heaven," and the things that are occurring daily have been planned and arranged precisely by our God Who "doeth according to His will in the armies of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth: none can stay His hand or say unto Him what doest Thou? All have been prophesied in God's Word, and we are passing them very rapidly.

The war, foretold by Moses and the prophets and Jesus, has ended. Delegates are at the Peace table. "Kingdoms at their base are crumbling." A League of Nations is about to be formed which will change the map of all Europe and much of Asia, both geographically and politically. The land promised to Abraham has been pledged to his seed, and a "covenant" will probably be made with many, very soon. Shortly one will step into power, "whose power shall be mighty; but not by his own power," who by his policy (discretion) shall cause craft (guile or treachery) to prosper; and after a short period, prove to be that "lawless one" "whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders and all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish," and who will suddenly break the

covenant in "the midst of the week" and plunge Israel and the whole world headlong into the **Great Tribulation**.

Sometime between now and that time (which we can see just before us) a trumpet call will resound thru the heavens. The believing dead will hear it and come forth. The living believers will hear it and will be "changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, and together they will be "caught up to meet the Lord in the air." How it thrills our hearts and the glad hallelujahs burst from our lips. But——! when He comes "we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ." We must there give an account of our stewardship, whether of time, talent, money or whatever He has entrusted to us to use for Him. Our reward, (our place in the kingdom) will have to be given us according to our faithfulness to our trust.

Are you ready for that meeting day? Will it be all joy, or will it be grief and will you be ashamed before Him at His coming? Is your lamp burning brightly now and have you a plentiful supply of oil in your vessel? Does the **love of the truth** burn in your heart? Are you building upon the Rock (by hearing and doing God's Word) against which the floods of lying wonders, signs and powers, and the winds of false doctrines **cannot prevail**? Do you live low down at the foot of the cross, where His precious blood keeps cleansing you from thots and words and deeds that are unworthy of your high calling and of which you would be ashamed when called to give an account of them? (In the light of that day before Christ's judgment seat, is your conscience void of offence before God and man?) O beloved, let the light of God's Word in the power of His Holy Spirit search your heart and try your reins, and shine into the most remote and secret chambers of your being, that He may show you where you stand, and whether you are really "in the faith." Time is short. It hasteneth greatly. "At such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh!"

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IS JESUS YOUR LORD?

In Acts 10:14 we read, "Peter said, Not so, Lord." Have you ever thought of what a contradiction in terms we have there? You have either got to drop the words "Not so," or you have got to drop the word "Lord." I spent two hours yesterday with a lady in this tent over these words, and then I wrote them down in the margin of her Bible at the bottom of the page; and I handed her the Bible and the pencil and said, "The time has come for you to make the decision. Are you going to score out the words, 'Not so,' or the word 'Lord'? You must do one or the other." There was a great struggle in her heart, and through tears she scored out the words "Not so." I said, "What have you got left?" and she said, "The Lord." Is not the Lord enough?—W. Graham Scroggie in S. S. Times.

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RISEN AND ASCENDED.

"While He blessed them, He was parted
from them, and carried up into
Heaven."—Luke 24:51.

All hail! O glorious Son of God,
In triumph risen again—
All heaven resounds with joyful laud,
The songs of ransomed men;
The mighty chains of death are riven,
The Risen Christ is throned in Heaven.

Before Thee all the shining hosts
The mighty Angels bend;
Thy saved ones from a thousand coasts
Their psalms of victory blend—
I join that song so passing sweet,
I cast my crown before Thy Feet.

O Joy! the second Adam stands
Within God's Paradise—
No longer barred by flaming brands
The shining pathway lies—
Within, the glorious Head has passed;
Each member must be there at last.

Behind us lie the cross and grave,
Before, eternal bliss;
There blossoms from the garden cave
The Tree of Righteousness,
The Face that shame and spitting bore
Is crowned with radiance evermore.

With Mary, O my Lord, I bow
In rapture at Thy Feet;
In spirit humbly kiss them now
And soon in presence sweet;
My name upon Thy lips divine,
The lips that tell me "Thou are mine."

Thou livest far from earthly strife
In God's eternal peace—
And there with Thee is hid my life,
And there my wanderings cease;
The secret place where still and blest
I rest in Thine eternal rest.

—G. Ter Steegen.

THE POWER OF THE BLOOD.

"Yea, hath God said?" These words
were spoken by a liar. He is now
questioning, "Has the blood of Jesus
Christ any power today?" He is a
liar by inference as well as a liar
direct. The blood of Jesus Christ, God's
Son, cleanseth us from all sin. Listen-
ing to inferences of every kind will bring

defeat as well as direct statements. As
long as you are living and have faith
in the power of the blood, you are safe
from the power of the enemy.

Blood and water came out from the
side of Jesus on the cross. The enemy
tries to do away with the blood, but it
is written, "One of the soldiers with a
spear pierced His side, and forthwith
came thereout blood and water." Oh
the infinite power, the inexhaustible vir-
tue in the blood of the Lamb! The
enemy can never dilute or tone down
the power of the blood. The blood is
as perfect as the offering itself. And
God has declared, "When I see the
blood I will pass over you."

The enemy minimizes the power of
the blood because it prevented him from
carrying out his purposes. The blood
of the Lamb speaks defeat to the enemy
and foils his plans. Oh the rage of the
enemy when he is foiled! He overcame
man, but the blood of the Son of man
overcomes him. He succeeded in killing
Abel but the Son of Promise was not
destroyed. The seed of the woman still
came forth, and it did bruise his head,
though he had destroyed Abel. The
blood of righteous Abel speaks, and he
being dead yet speaketh, but the blood
of Jesus Christ speaks and eternally
speaks because He lives forever. "I am
He that liveth, and was dead; and, be-
hold, I am alive for ever more." It is
the living Christ that gives potency to
the shed blood.

A crucifix the devil laughs at, even
though it be painted with blood red
marks. A blood-smearred crucifix is a
devil's plaything to put before dying
men. But the blood of Him who ever
lives is more than a match for Satan
and his hosts.

The life is in the blood, the eternal
life of Him who through the eternal
Spirit offered Himself without spot to
God. Remember ever the value of the
blood because the everliving One is
behind it. The life is in the blood.
The blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, the
eternal Son, cleanseth from all sin.

It had power for the dying thief, the
penitent one, nearly nineteen hundred
years ago. It has had power ever
since and it will have power till the
last person on this earth has no need
of its power. It cleanseth from all sin.
It started when He spoke to the penitent
thief and it will reach right on, and it
is efficacious for all those who saw it
afar off, those who took part and
availed themselves of the sacrifice of
rams and bulls and goats.

The divine estimate of the power of
the blood is so great that no arithmetic
can compute it, that no value can be
placed upon it. An infinite God values
it with infinite appreciation. God es-
timates it from His own viewpoint as
doing away with sin, and it is corres-
pondingly great from man's point of
view, dealing with all the sins of all
mankind for all time. Infinite from
God's point of view and infinite from
man's point of view.

The realm it reaches in the seen is
great but it is greater in the unseen

world, and it will be until Christ has
put down all rule and authority and
power; and when all things shall be
subdued unto Him, then shall the Son
also Himself be subject unto Him that
put all things under Him, that God may
be all in all. The blood will be one of
the instruments by which it will be
accomplished.

Whenever doubt, fear, depression or
misunderstanding comes, pray to be
shown God's estimate of the power,
blessing and sweetness that should come
to the saint by one glimpse of Him
who shed His blood at Calvary. One
look at Christ changes the outlook. All
the troubles to which flesh is heir met at
Calvary.

The Day of Pentecost followed those
dark hours of Calvary. The joy of
Pentecost contrasted with the darkness
and despair of that day. But it was not
forgotten however on the day of Pente-
cost. The slain Son of God was not for-
gotten. And they did not forget that
God had raised Him up. Calvary leads
to resurrection, resurrection to glorifi-
cation, glorifying to crowning and the
crowning gave a corresponding blessing
to those who were waiting in the
upper room.

The Father was completely satisfied
with the Son, with the blood, and with
His Son's work, and with Him He freely
gives us all things. What do you lack?
The blood has purchased everything that
you have need of. What you think is
the hardest, most prized, too great to
get, has been paid for a million times
over by the blood of Christ. Don't
limit in either the material or spiritual
what is put on your heart, for God holds
the receipt, but you are too timid to
take. The receipt is written in letters
of blood.

He that spared not His own Son but
delivered Him up for us all, how shall
He not with Him also freely give us
all things. And that all is as great
and as comprehensive as when He de-
clares that the blood cleanseth from all
sin. Don't henceforth walk as a pauper.
Claim your heritage and realize you
are a king and a priest unto God.

Aaron was never dressed as a beg-
gar when he went into the holy of holies,
and he never had to beg for his dress:
the people gave liberally to fit the priest
to go into the presence of God, and you
are living under a better covenant than
that of Aaron. Lift up your head and
walk as a priest, because the blood has
paid it all.

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We are in the midst of a glorious
old time Pentecostal revival. Hearts are
being changed and filled. Oh, glory!
The people here have never seen the
Lord work so marvelously as He is in
these meetings. Perfect order. Large
crowds. We are starting on the third
week and about seventeen have come to
the Lord. Others seeking. A splendid
band of young people enlisting, and ex-
pect to go "Over the Top" for our Cap-
tain. Yours pushing ahead,—Evang.
Wm. F. Kirkpatrick.

Questions and Answers

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

644. What is meant by, "Let not the sun go down on your wrath" in Eph. 4:16? Is the literal sun referred to?

Ans. Yes, the literal sun is referred to, and it means if one gets angry they should immediately repent before the sun goes down that day. Anger, hatred, malice, wrath and all such must be put away by the child of God. See Col. 3:8. He must put on love and compassion. See Col. 3:12.

645. What is meant by "the lord commending the unjust steward" and by Jesus saying, "Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness" in Luke 16:8-9?

Ans. The "lord" who commended the unjust steward had acted with earthly wisdom and his earthly master commended him for it. Then Jesus using this as an example urges us to so use our money, here called the mammon of unrighteousness, as to bless the souls of men, and says that those saved souls will rejoice when we enter heaven, because through our love and our money they were blessed in the earth.

646. Were the apostles cleansed before Jesus left them? If so, do not all have to be cleansed before they receive the baptism with the Holy Ghost?

Ans. Yes, Jesus said to them before He went away, "Ye are clean" (John 13:10) and, "NOW ye are clean" (John 15:3). He said they were "NOT ALL CLEAN" 13:11), meaning that Judas Iscariot was not cleansed, as verse 11 shows he was the unclean one.

Yes, ALL need cleansing before they can get the baptism. But one may get forgiveness, cleansing and the baptism the first time he comes to the altar, if he will meet God's condition of absolute surrender.

But while the apostles were clean before Jesus left them, yet he indicates they needed further "purging" (John 15:2); he prays still after this that the Father would "sanctify them through the truth" (John 17:17). While self has to be surrendered and every heart has to be sincere and cleansed from all known sin by the blood of Jesus by faith before it can be filled with the Holy Spirit, yet the presence of that same Spirit in the heart, as He leads and guides into all truth will make such heart more holy every day. Hence after Paul speaks of God having given himself and the Thessalonians the Holy Spirit (1 Thes. 4:8), he later prays, "The very God of Peace SANCTIFY YOU WHOLLY, . . . your whole SPIRIT and SOUL and BODY be preserved BLAMELESS" (1 Thes. 5:23). Though one has to forsake all known sin, be yielded to all known truth before he can be filled with the Spirit, yet such person does not at that time know all truth, does not know all the will of God; and hence as the Spirit leads up to some great truth, to some test of yielding to the fuller re-

vealed will of God, there will come times of testing; times that call for a new and deeper consecration in order to obey God in clearer light, and as he yields, the Spirit of God will lead him into deeper holiness, more Christ-likeness. This later process of holiness is not completed before one can receive the Holy Ghost, and it is what Paul prays for in behalf of the Thessalonians after they had received the Spirit, namely that they be sanctified "wholly."

It is a great error, and leads to uncleanness, to teach that those who are not yielded to God, who have not forsaken all known sin, who have not been washed in the blood of Jesus, that persons in that condition can be baptized in the Holy Ghost. No sir! They must clean up and be cleansed with the blood. Then get the baptism with the Spirit.

Then it is only ignorance of the word of God that teaches that a mere babe in Christ, because cleansed and baptized in the Spirit, is "sanctified wholly." body, soul and spirit. Many testify they are "sanctified wholly," who don't know the difference between "HOLY" and "WHOLLY." Many are counted "holy" or "sanctified in Christ" (1 Cor. 1:2), who are by no means actually sanctified WHOLLY.

The Greek word translated "WHOLLY" is made up of two smaller Greek words. One is "holos," which means "all around," and the other is "telos" which means "the end," unto the uttermost.

A TELE-PHONE is a machine in which you hear a voice (phone) at the other end (tele) of the line. So to be sanctified WHOLLY is to be sanctified holos-telos, or sanctified ALL AROUND in every phase and every department of the Christian life in the actual processes of daily living and to be also sanctified forward "to the end" TO THE UTTERMOST, that is, you have reached the end of the process of sanctification, holiness is completely completed and entirely finished. No further progress in it can be made, because it is already fully completed. What pitiful ignorance for only a babe to make such a claim merely because cleansed and filled with the Spirit! It is absurd. It is egotistical. It is not scriptural.

Not many Christians, even Pentecostal Holy Ghost filled saints, have yet reached this stage of finished completeness. Those who have reached it will not be egotistically shouting, "I am sanctified WHOLLY!" They will be too humble to do so, too meek to do so. God help the Pentecostal people to go on in Holiness, under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, until they are sanctified WHOLLY, all around, clear out to the end! Then they will say little of what self has attained to, and more about the might, power and glory of the blessed Lord.

647. Can one receive the baptism one

night and not then speak in tongues nor until four months afterwards?

Ans. In the New Testament we have no such case mentioned. From the day of Pentecost on to the end of the Apostolic dealings with the church, no case can be shown where one did not speak in tongues when baptized in the Spirit, but began some months afterwards so to do. Each outpouring where tongues are mentioned clearly occurred that very day.

But many honest brethren tell us the Spirit mightily fell on them and remained continually upon them for some weeks or months before they broke out in tongues. Where intelligent, honest children of God, with the fruits of the Spirit in their lives, bear such testimony, I see no reason to doubt or dispute it. I am ready to believe such testimony.

But such persons may wrongfully NAME this experience. I do not call it a completed baptism. Such an experience is abnormal, it is not up to the new Testament standard. I am glad they got it nevertheless. Let us admit their testimony that the Spirit fell and remained for months before they spoke, and let them admit such a case is abnormal, and let them not call it complete until God gets enough control of them to speak through them in tongues. This is fair to both sides, and according to the Book.

648. Can one interpret tongues spoken in the Spirit before he himself has spoken in tongues, that is, can one receive the gift of interpretation before having received tongues?

Ans. God is omnipotent. He made an ass speak to Balaam and give him God's message, He filled John the Baptist with the Holy Ghost from his birth. But this is not God's normal and usual method of working. I never saw a case such as you inquire of. God never promised anybody the gift of interpretation before tongues, and He has given no direction to pray for interpretation first. The divine order is, "Let him that speaketh in an unknown tongue pray that he may interpret," 1 Cor. 14:13. Better stick to the Bible order of being baptized in the Spirit with the Bible sign first, and then you may pray to interpret. When it comes to pass this way, one has the whole Bible behind him to back him up. But if you claim it in a different way, the burden of proof rests on you to prove it. God may have done in His sovereignty the unusual thing, but you have to prove He has done the unusual thing in your case, if you get the cart before the horse.

The General Council holds solidly for the speaking in tongues as the Spirit of God gives the utterance as the external physical sign of the completed baptism in the Holy Ghost. No contrary teaching has its approval.

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Concerning Women's Apparel

It is recorded in 2 Samuel 11th chapter that David from the roof saw a woman washing herself; and the woman was very beautiful to look upon. The tragic sequel of adultery with Bathsheba and the murder of Uriah the Hittite is too familiar to Bible students to require more than a passing reference. The inception of David's sin was the act of looking upon a woman to lust after her. But the New Testament declares that "Whoso looketh on a woman to lust after her, hath committed adultery with her already in his heart" (Matt. 5:28).

Every sensible Christian man recognizes the necessity for him to be watchful in all his relations with women, watchful over his thoughts, speech and actions,—particularly watchful of his eyes, lest like David, he should gaze on that which is forbidden.

The sad fact is that instead of helping men to be victorious in living a chaste life, there are, alas! in most communities women, who, following the dictates of fashion, allure men to temptation, if not in deed, at least in thought. What is very surprising is the fact that so many Christian women, apparently right-minded, and doubtless virtuous, conform in some degree to fashion, forgetting the scriptural admonition, "I will that women adorn themselves with modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety" (1 Tim. 2:9). What is still more surprising is the fact that these very women seem to be oblivious to the fact that men are tempted by their immodest dress.

One of the most alarming signs of the times is the prevailing fashion in dress, by which is meant immodest attire, exposing the legs and partially exposing the bosom. It has been said that fashions start in Paris; perhaps it would not be inaccurate to say that 20th century fashions are made in hell; for it is certainly true that the widely accepted fashion in women's dress is calculated to appeal directly to the baser side of man's fallen nature.

In the ninth chapter of Genesis we read of the terrible judgment visited upon Ham, in consequence of looking upon his father's nakedness; and herein is disclosed God's estimate of the character of Ham's sin.

"And he (Noah) drank of the wine and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent.

"And Ham saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren without.

"And Shem and Japheth took a garment and laid it upon both their shoulders, and went backward, and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces were backward, and they saw not their father's nakedness.

"And Noah woke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had done unto him.

"And he said, Cursed be Canaan; a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren."

When the Israelites in the wilderness

had become backslidden in heart, they said unto Aaron, "Make us Gods which shall go before us.

"And I (Aaron) said unto them, Whosoever hath any gold, let them break it off. So they gave it me: then I cast it into the fire, and there came out this calf."

It was then that Moses saw that the people were naked; (for Aaron had made them naked to their own shame among their enemies.)

And he said, "Who is on the Lord's side?" (Exodus 32). The state of nakedness of the Israelites was as truly an evidence of their backslidden condition in soul as their worship of the golden calf was an evidence.

A missionary of Liberia tells of African women who immediately after conversion to God from heathenism have come tearfully to the missionary beseeching gifts of clothing to cover the shame of their nakedness. What an object lesson to the boasted civilization of the 20th century which is, alas! in so many instances without shame.

A Christian worker while a guest in a certain home was made a channel of blessing to two Christian women whose love had grown cold to their Master. Both women testified to a quickening which was received through the Spirit; after which it was observed they reverted to the use of unfashionable high necked blouses.

A generation ago the wife of the Chief executive of the nation had very decided convictions both concerning temperance and propriety in woman's apparel. In a position of commanding influence she proceeded to put her principles into practice. Intoxicating beverages ceased to be used in the White House, and low necked dresses were strictly tabooed at social functions. It is stated that a lady, probably in a state of ignorance of the social ethics of the new presidential regime, appeared at a reception in the conventional low bodice.

The president's wife standing near the entrance of the drawing room, observed the approach of this half naked visitor, and dispatched swiftly an attendant with a shawl who covered the intruder's neck and shoulders.

The president's wife demonstrated the fact that it is easily possible to preserve decency and decorum in the attire of all who enter the house.

In a garrison town of India many years ago, two British officials and their wives called upon a Mohammedan family of good social standing. The ladies who called were in conventional ball dress costume. When they were introduced to the Pagan women of that Islamic household, the latter started back with alarm, exclaiming with vehemence, "Take them away! Take them away!!" The sensibilities of these Mohammedan women were wounded by the violation of their ideas of decency and propriety. Pagans as they were, they seemed to have some appreciation

of the Christian precept, "Avoid the appearance of evil."

A story is told of a gentleman who in advertising for a coachman requested the applicant to state how near he was able to drive to the edge of a certain precipice without going over it. One applicant said he could drive within three inches; another said eight inches; and another said a foot. But a fourth said it was his custom to drive as far as possible from the edge of the precipice and yet keep within the outermost boundary of the public road. The gentleman promptly accepted the services of the applicant who kept as far away as possible from the danger line.

To young women we say, attire yourselves in such a manner as to avoid the danger line. Be willing to be considered out of the fashion. "Be not conformed to this world but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind." "I counsel thee... that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear." Max Wood Moorhead.

"OUT-POURED."

"The house was filled with the odour of the ointment." Jno. 12:3.

O to be spent for Jesus,

Living a life out-poured—

Doing His service holy,

Broken before thy Lord;

Waiting His precious bidding,

Listening for His voice,

Yielded, and still, and steady,

Filling the place of His choice.

O to be spent for Jesus—

Never a power reserved;

Treasures so dear, so costly,

Given unto thy Lord.

Channels that carry His rivers

Empty must be and clean;

Wires that carry His message

Have no disconnection between.

Lives that give sweetest perfume,

Pressure and breaking know;

Wouldst thou give forth His fragrance?

With Him through the garden go.

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No sweetness can ever give;

The lives that are spent for Jesus

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—Alice Reynolds Flower.

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WOODWORTH-ETTER REVIVAL.

We all believe that a mighty revival is coming to the tabernacle here in West Indianapolis, Ind., this spring and summer. Already large drops of spiritual rain are falling and saints are coming in from far and near, bringing in the sick and afflicted, and going back rejoicing in the Spirit.

These last few weeks the Lord gave us quite a number of souls, and baptized in the Holy Ghost numbers of others. Sunday afternoon three received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. One of them was a young man, a Hebrew. This man has a burden for his people and desires to go out into the ministry. Last night a large man who has been in the holiness work for years, lay prostrated under the power of God, and soon came through speaking in other tongues. He came to be healed of high blood pressure and apoplexy. The doctors told him he was in no condition to make the trip to Indianapolis, and that the least little excitement would put an end to him. He was prayed for and healed. He demonstrates that God has completely given him the victory.

A professor of Bible ethics, etc., of a large Holiness university of this state heard about the work that God was doing in the tabernacle here. He decided to come and see for himself. What his eyes beheld left such an impression on him that he can not get away from it. He gazed in awe and wonder at some of the manifestations of the Spirit, which put him under deep conviction, for away down in his heart he knew that it was God. Yesterday we had word from him that he was coming the second time, and says he wants all God has for him.

Meetings are going on, and as quick as the weather permits, we expect to have a special campaign, so that all the hungry souls that desire to come from far and near may receive the help for body and spirit that they are crying for. Pray that God will greatly bless all special revival campaigns this coming summer.—August Feick.

REVIVAL IN SAN FRANCISCO.

The revival meetings in this city are assuredly marvelous. You may ask, "Have you seen results? Have sinners been converted, diseases removed, wells of water in Artesian power gushing forth, anointed Christians re-anointed, backsliders restored?" This and much more is all true. But the most amazing thing to me is that this ministry is so unique in dynamic power, that I connect its import with the last words of Jesus: "Behold, I come quickly." Its peculiarity seems to whisper "Behold, the Judge standeth before the door."

Something superlatively supernatural is occurring. What is it? Does Satan magnify the Lord Jesus Christ? Heavenly acts and facts are incontrovertible. The Holy Ghost is given because Christ is now glorified. **"He that hath ears to hear, let him hear."**
Sidney Smith, M. D.

This campaign has been in progress a little more than two weeks, and the seal of God's approval has been upon it from the beginning. The Lord already has worked mightily enough to make glad our hearts and make heaven ring with shouts. All glory to His great, good name. Many, I am happy to report, through the sanity and candor of His minister, are convinced that the Pentecostal Movement is truly of God.

Some pastors of churches, with some of their flocks, are coming. Last night the power fell on one of these, a Norwegian lady, and she sang like a seraph

under the mighty power of God. She declares her whole church will be in the meeting.

One splendid church evangelist is seeking his baptism, and says he will not be denied. Several ministers have been in the meeting who have received their baptism in this hall. Some of the church folks who now see that this is not fanaticism have come into their Pentecost. Glory! It means so much to have the light carried out into all this land. God is giving some the word that they must deliver their souls by giving their testimony in their church prayer-meeting.

Heavy conviction is now resting upon sinners and many have been gloriously saved. Last Sunday, March 16th, was a great day in Glad Tidings Mission. It marked the largest attendance that has ever entered our doors on a single day. Stormy weather interfered in part with the work last week, but Sunday afternoon some six hundred people arrived for the meeting.

At this joyous meeting God blessedly used Sister McPherson. The eight hundred who gathered for the evening service taxed the capacity of the building and necessitated the opening of prayer room and seating of the lobby and reading room. Such rapt attention one seldom meets, especially in San Francisco. Great conviction followed the faithful presentation of the Word. Eternity will show a great work done here on the last Sunday. Sinners wept their way to the cross so quickly that one was astonished. There is much joy in heaven.

It is proving necessary to obtain a larger building to hold the Sunday throngs who desire to hear this sweet message of full salvation during the remainder of these meetings.

God has not only wrought blessedly in the evening meetings, but has sweetly put His blessing upon the afternoon meetings which have been under the direction (humanly speaking) of Sister Baer.

And best of all, the richest of the feast and of the reaping is still to come.

Robert J. Craig, Pastor,
Glad Tidings Mission, 1536 Ellis St.,
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BRO. MOODY AT REST.

We are so glad when a saint of God must give up the battle, as all must sooner or later, that they "rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

Still it is natural to feel a loss in their leaving us. Elder James B. Moody, one of our very ablest ministers in the West, passed on to God on March 17 at Colorado Springs, Colo., and was later laid to rest in Bellingham, Wash., where he has been pastor for a number of years. He was aged 62 years. His daughter, Mrs. Vinnie Moody MacDowell, writes us as follows:

"After the 'flu' he was left with an aggravated case of asthma, and God seemed to give no one the 'prayer of faith' for him, so after much prayer we decided that he should go to a higher altitude, thinking that perhaps God was trying to thrust him out of here. He had had practically no rest for three years. For a time he seemed to improve in Colorado Springs, and then suddenly passed away. A brother who was with him writes that for hours he was praising God, that in the last thirty minutes he was pointing the hotel keeper to God, and went out speaking in tongues. Surely he fought a good fight, he finished his course, and kept the faith."

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved ones left behind.

NORTH CUMBERLAND, MD.

I have felt for some time to tell how God has answered prayer for the North Cumberland Assembly. We are just three years old but we can say the dear Lord has been good to us here. We started here in a big hall, paying \$40 a month. The devil was stirred and we were arrested and put in jail, but at midnight the doors were opened and we were let out, to appear for trial the next morning. At nine o'clock we were there and so were our friends, and also our enemies. We were put on trial and found guilty of preaching the full gospel and warned not to do this any more. We were told to close our meetings at 9 o'clock but we refused to do so unless the city would close the saloons at nine o'clock also.

Well, we went on and God continued to work and souls were coming through to God when we were asked to move out of the hall. We did not have any place where we could go and were like a lot of scattered sheep. We got a few saints together and had a talk about what we should do, and God gave us a plan to work on. One of the saints who owned his own home, gave us a chance to borrow \$1500 on it. We got the money and paid it all on the lot. We got the lot and we only had \$20 to start to build a church, which, when completed, cost \$6000. But when we began we found our great big God ready to help us and see us through. The church was built and we began to worship, and pray and pay, and to love each other, and God began to pay our debt.

We felt our debt was not moving as it should so we began to search ourselves to discover what was the matter. We found that we were neglecting God's dear children in the dark heathen lands. We told our people about it and began to give to the foreign field and God began to move our debt. All of our saints pay their tithes; over and above the tithes they have given offerings which have amounted to \$1200 to \$1500 over this.

Although our church cost us \$6000 we only owe \$1000 and we expect to pay this in six months or a little longer.

We desire to thank God for it all, and are grateful that when we did not forget the missionaries He did not forget our needs. The assembly has taken good care of their pastor and looked after the poor, and paid all of our running expenses too.

We have not been been slack in soul saving either, for God has given us souls night after night. Praise His dear Name forever. We have over 100 saints in the assembly. Bro. A. B. Cox, who has now charge of the work of Dayton, Ohio, and Bro. O. P. Brann, of Western Port, Md. are brethren that stood by the work from the beginning and took some of the hard blows that went with victory. I want to say to any assembly that if you want blessings from God on your work, don't forget to pay your tithes, give to the missionaries, and look after the poor and I am sure God will look after you and will meet every need for spirit, soul and body.

God has also healed the people as they have come to us. Praise God for it all.—Pastor D. R. Moreland.

P. S. Since writing this we have had our revival and God blessed and we have raised the rest of our debt.

BOYD, TEXAS.

The Dear Lord is wonderfully blessing His children here and encouraging them. This has been a precious day with the saints here. The Lord is leading on, for which we praise Him.—R. W. Newby.

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THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD GREETING.

Well, praise the Lord! Here I am again in my office and writing this word of greeting to the dear saints who are in the local assemblies and to those who may be acting in the capacity of assembly officials.

In the providence of God I was permitted to visit in the East for a few weeks and to attend the Eastern District Council. I shall long remember the experience with pleasure and shall, from this time on, understand conditions there much better.

The days of fellowship and profitable counsel with the brethren have added joy and satisfaction to my life, and I thank God for them. I should be glad if I might visit all other Districts and become better acquainted with the ministers and the dear people who make up the great body of the Assemblies of God fellowship. It seems clearly the will of God, however, for me to give much of my time to the work here in the G. C. office. I am praying that God will give me a good stenographer to work here and to look after my correspondence while I am away. Such a person must be qualified to do the work, and be in perfect sympathy with the spirit of it. The presence of such a person in the office would relieve me from much of the detail work and make it possible for me to be away more.

I would be glad to visit every assembly that is associated with the General Council and talk to the saints about our voluntary, co-operative fellowship; but it is impossible, as you all can see. It is possible, however, to speak thru this medium, and I am thankful for this means of getting before you some matters for your consideration as assemblies and as individuals.

All local assemblies in co-operation with the General Council have the right to be represented at all meetings of the council, and I would urge that at least one delegate—beside the pastor where there is one—be sent to the next General Council. These delegates will be given the freedom of the council floor to discuss all questions considered by the council and a vote when matters are thus decided. In this way the local assembly may have a part in all of the deliberations of the council and express the sentiment of the local assembly regarding matters of common interest.

Another feature of profit, in having the local bodies thus represented in the General Council, is seen in the fact that the local assembly will hear direct from the General Council, and it will be a true report. There has been, and still is, a misunderstanding in some of our assemblies about the way things are done in the council and some do not feel clear about the spirit of the meetings and the deliberations of the council. There is the fear that it is a matter of men coming together to legislate or do

business after the manner of the world, or so nearly like it that it amounts to the same thing, and that the Spirit of God is given no place and no authority among the brethren. This may be very naturally the conclusion where one has not attended the council and has only the printed report to judge by. It is, however, not at all the case, and only by actual attendance and participation in the deliberations, discussions and friendly conferences that take place during the council days, can anyone judge fairly as to whether or not it is simply a man-made affair. I strongly recommend that all assemblies who can, send some of the most spiritual men among them to the General Council. If it is of God for us in these last days, we should be cultivating the fellowship and making the council the central feature of a united body of believers who are to stand together to meet the oncoming emergencies and steadily increasing difficulties of the way. If in any particular we are missing God's best, we should together seek His face to know His will more perfectly.

We are agreed that we are pressing into the perilous times of the last days, and also that we are better able to stand and to withstand when we are in unity and agreement than when divided and out of harmony with each other. Since we all wish nothing but the will of God, and since we see the value of such unity as is possible for us, why not take the most sensible view of the matter and act accordingly? Personally, I feel that God has been in the council idea and plan from the beginning, and while I can see that there could be better and more satisfactory conditions than we have at present, I feel that every lack of desirable conditions is due to a lack of true, voluntary unity. The unity the Bible teaches us about is not a unity of restraint or compulsion, but a VOLUNTARY UNITY. And oh there is so much difference here! If the whole body of Pentecostal believers could come together on the grounds of unity by common consent, and from no other motive than to be one as God intends we should be, there would be no need of lines being drawn to restrict the unruly, and no need to fear one the other. Without ulterior motive or selfish desire, without esteeming one's self above others in the body, without that spirit that prompts men to arise and declare that God has raised them up to be a leader of thought among his fellows and to assume the right to dictate to others, the body of Christ might be sweetly edified and built up by the Holy Spirit.

I firmly believe that the greatest hindrance to this is in having men assume that they are to make a conquest of the Church. In other words, to take the work of the Spirit out of His hands and do it themselves. I believe that if HE could be allowed to do so without hindrance from men, the HOLY GHOST would disseminate thru the body of believers every needed truth; and that without working division with contention. When it falls into the hands of men,—well, we have all seen the result.

I wish I might talk to you face to face about these things, but take it from me that my heart is longing with an ever present desire to see what I know God wishes to find among His people.

Brethren and sisters in Christ, we need each other, and the added strength to be derived from a close touch and hearty sympathy we can have only as we minister to each other. Why not do all we can to make it possible for the people of God to present a solid front against every foe to the church and to God's plan for these last days? What is to be gained by an independence that only weakens? Come on! I say, let us come together in the council days in a larger way than has ever been seen among us, and if we find need of changing things to better fit and suit the plan of God, we shall all be agreed. We only need to see and know the way, and I contend that all TRUE children of

God will gladly walk in it. If there shall be those who will not walk in HIS way according to His Word, they surely are not of us at all.

Now you know how I feel about it at least. I trust God may touch every heart among us to soften us and turn us toward HIMSELF and toward each other.

Yours for the whole will of God.
J. W. W.

LEE HAWKINS, COLORED.

As news for the guidance of the saints, especially in the East, we have been requested by Pastor Robert Brown of New York to state the following:

Evangelist Lee Hawkins, colored, has given up his clergy book and credentials into the hands of Robert A. Brown, Presbyterian, at New York, under recent reports and charges preferred to headquarters of the Assemblies of God. Said Lee Hawkins, colored, is reported to make headquarters at Columbus, Ohio, and to travel all over the country. The Credential Committee of the General Council of the Assemblies of God has received the credentials of said Lee Hawkins and now refuses its endorsement of him as a minister.

ANDREW URSHAN'S NEW STAND.

A Bit of Sad News.

We have always loved Bro. Urshan and we do yet, and this is why it grieves us all the more, at the time when strong men like R. E. McAlister and others in Canada who have seen the full fruits and errors of the New Issue teaching and are heartily turning against it and for the old Bible truths—that just at such a time Bro. Urshan announces himself so strongly for it. In explaining why he is going to teach baptism in the Name of Jesus, his circular reads as follows:

"Why? because JESUS is the name of God the Son, CHRIST stands for the fullness and name of the Holy Ghost, as the Apostle John calls the Holy Ghost 'The Anointing', and CHRIST means 'The Anointed One,' that takes in and on Jesus the name of the Holy Spirit; and the name of the Father, as we said first, is JEHOVAH, the LORD—thank God! Jesus has that name now; so to be baptized into—or in—the NAME OF JESUS CHRIST, LORD, is the exact Holy Ghost interpretation and application for Matt. 28:19. This wonderful truth was revealed to the apostles as Jesus promised them in John 16:25". Continuing he says, "They did not do away with the command of Jesus regarding baptism, but they practiced it according to the revelation and interpretation that Jesus gave them by the Holy Spirit."

The above is no secret, but is in a printed circular by Bro. Urshan which he is sending to "all saints."

Note that he says above that CHRIST stands for the "Name of the Holy Ghost," that Jesus has taken on "the name of the Holy Ghost," that to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, Lord, is the EXACT Holy Ghost INTER-

PRETATION JESUS GAVE THEM BY THE HOLY SPIRIT. Lord have mercy!

The editor is compelled to note that this is the exact and fullfledged teaching of the New Issue brethren. The public declaration for this teaching lines Bro. Urshan up fully and squarely with the New Issue. We give this as a bit of sad news to all of our readers who may not receive Bro. Urshan's own circular from which we quote above.

No one of us is opposed to the fullest exaltation of Jesus by giving Him any titles given Him in the scriptures. None of us deny that the book of Acts speaks of people being at conversion baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. But the scripture nowhere gives the explanation which these brethren give. So we object to this modern invention, which is nowhere declared in the New Testament by any of the Apostles, that the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ is the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. We object further to the daring statement, without one "thus saith the Lord" to back it up that this is the "REVELATION AND INTERPRETATION WHICH JESUS GAVE THE APOSTLES." What an awful mistake to attribute to Jesus and the apostles what the scripture nowhere says were said or taught by them! It is pure inference only, being put forth as a revelation from God. What an awful assumption! It don't say they baptized in Jesus' name ONLY.

Out for Re-baptizing Also.

The circular by Bro. Urshan also speaks of his re-baptism in Petrograd four years ago, and says he is going to make a campaign all over the country along these lines. He says: "I dare to come on the front of the battle-line." Again he says, "I have special testimony with many DIVINE REASONS for my re-baptism."

After having said that baptism in the name of Jesus was the interpretation which Jesus gave the apostles of Matt. 28:19, he then goes on to ADMIT this new doctrine of re-baptism in the name of Jesus is "something NEW from heaven." He seems to me to contradict his own contention that this baptism was the old Apostolic teaching by saying this. I quote from him:

"My message is not against or doing away with our immersion according to Matt. 28:19, but this re-baptism is SOMETHING NEW FROM HEAVEN, given unto many individuals like that of John the Baptist, which he had no special scriptures for."

The N. T. scriptures testify that God sent John to baptize unto repentance as a preparation for receiving Jesus, the Messiah, that John was "a prophet, yea more than a prophet."

In this admission Bro. Urshan admits that they have "no scripture" for re-baptizing believers who as such have already been baptized as Jesus directed in Matt. 28:19. First, let all saints who are not ready to throw down their Bibles note this admission, and stand by the old Book.

puts himself and all others, who stand for this new revelation of re-baptizing the saints, on a par with the prophet John the Baptist. He says John boldly declared God sent him to baptize unto repentance, and he admits they have no scripture for the re-baptism, and in substance says they are going to boldly declare God sent them to do it and that it is "SOMETHING NEW FROM HEAVEN."

Brethren, are we ready to admit that we have a NEW ORDER OF PROPHETS on a par with God's specially chosen prophet filled with the Holy Ghost from his mother's womb? If so, we can accept these NEW PROPHETS and their admittedly NEW MESSAGE. If not ready to do this, then we cannot accept their new message. What say you!

Brother Urshan has offered to turn in his credentials held from the General Council, if they cannot endorse his teaching, and I am sure they cannot endorse it.

The above is given with deep, loving concern for Bro. Urshan and with no prejudice or illwill against him, only as news to the saints. Pray for God to guide Bro. Urshan.—E. N. B.

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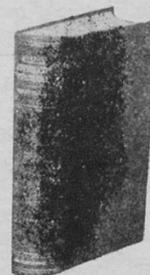
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A GOOD REPORT FROM JAPAN.

Since writing you in January I have made a trip into the villages 70 miles north of Yokohama, where Bro. Moore had begun work. God blessedly met with us, six souls being baptized in water and nine being baptized with the Holy Ghost, with Bible evidence (Acts 2:4) whilst between 20 and 30 sought and professed salvation; the reality of which will be proven by our next visit.

Of those receiving the baptism with the Spirit, the case of one, a white-haired man, of 69 is especially interesting. In former years he was the worst character for many miles around, and would step into houses demanding the people's money on the strength of his renown as a wicked man. The Spirit of God has now given him a very melted heart as he considers his awful past life, and in testimony before a room full of unsaved, after his baptism, broke down and wept, finishing his testimony by pleading with God for the salvation of his hearers. God's power came down in real earnest then and every head was bowed, a dead silence reigned and sobs and tears were later heard and I believe many got through to God.

One of the villages visited did not possess one believer in Christ. At least one-fourth of the population of this village came to the meetings both nights and twelve souls seemed definitely worked upon by God.

I am planning to take a house in the central village and live with my interpreter and his wife during March and by God's grace do what is possible to establish the work begun, and as time and bodily strength permit forge our way into other villages yet untouched by the gospel. There are many openings; yea, more than we can cope with, and time and bodily strength are often taxed to the limit.

The work in Yokohama still shows progress. Since I last wrote two women who were baptized in water about two months ago have received the Pentecostal baptism, and a hunger is manifested in many others for the same.

I have had a week's campaign for the unsaved this week—open air and preaching inside every night. Although our vision often rises to Peter's 3000 souls, we often have to be satisfied with a smaller measure. Seekers have manifested their desire for salvation in every meeting but I still believe and stand for a real powerful revival of overflowing Pentecostal blessing in this land.

Oh the need of prevailing intercessory prayer for the untouched regions and for those whose joy and privilege it is to preach the Cross the first time to souls who have never heard before! Oh that saints in the homeland could feel the throbs that come to one as he or she stands before an audience of living immortal souls—but lost and without hope—and realize the responsibility. Prayer is the need—direct, definite, decided, dogged, persistent prayer.

Leonard W. Cooté.

RUPAIDIKH, U. P, INDIA

The nature of our work is evangelistic, Zenana and school work. Our school work is increasing and that requires five teachers, and our Zenana work requires two Bible women. We do evangelistic work for twenty miles around on three sides of us, on the East, South and West. On the North is the closed country of Nepal. We endeavor to keep four preachers touring. For all our workers we are having to keep up sixteen rooms besides our bungalows and the two school buildings, as well as barns and outhouses. All these buildings need more or less repairing every year because of the terribly heavy rains in this locality. We have been somewhat limited in workers this past year, but hope to have more this coming year. With our Bible women we visit the Zenana homes and visit the shut-in women and children. Pray for us that this year we may be able to enlarge our borders and do a greater work for God. —Lillian Denney.

AN OUTPOURING OF THE SPIRIT AT DOENKOP, TRANSVAAL.

We arranged for our usual Watchnight service—not I am afraid looking for very great things to happen. For months past our field had been dry and hard, and there was no change apparent as the natives gathered in on this particular night. When the altar call was given however, the people hurried to the front, and almost the whole congregation prostrated themselves before the Lord, weeping and confessing their sins. We at once decided to hold a series of special meetings, which are still going on. Our church is crowded every night, and far too small for our needs. It is impossible to hold an altar service because practically the whole of the people want to come forward. When the praying begins it is like the roar of great waters, in which one can distinguish sounds of weeping mingled with shouts of joy and clapping of hands. We do not attempt to do personal work for the people as packed like sardines in a box and to move amongst them is impossible. So we hold on in prayer for them, believing that the Holy Spirit Himself will bring them thru.

Numbers of sinners are seeking salvation and quite a number can already testify that their sins are under the Blood. Backsliders are returning and four women have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Hallelujah! Glory to God! No words of ours can describe the transformation in the faces of these natives when the Holy Spirit takes possession. They are not attractive naturally and the dark look which heathenism gives makes them look absolutely revolting, but when the glory-light of heaven dawns, they become at all events to us positively BEAUTIFUL.

Last Sunday, leaving Miss James in charge at the home-station, I travelled to Randfontein to open our new church there. The services were well attended and at the close fourteen men and some women accepted Christ as their Savior, while a goodly number are preparing for baptism in water. Evangelist Moffat Kulubane will be in charge. He is a thoroughly faithful man well worthy of the trust reposed in him.

Pray on for us and for this people, pray for a mighty revival, which shall spread all over the Transvaal, yea all over South Africa. Your brother in Christ Jesus.

H. M. Turney.

NAWABGANJ, INDIA

The work in the villages is very encouraging. We have regular meetings in ten different places besides daily meetings at the Mission, a Dorcas class and a woman's meeting. We have had some miraculous healings of late for which we thank God. The Lord certainly has given us a place in the hearts of these people, and they are no longer afraid of us.

The Church is finished, all except putting in the windows and doors, which are about finished. We are opening up a new station fourteen miles away. Sister Helmbrecht will be in charge, and Sister McLeod will assist her. They have joined us in the work as Miss Laura Gardner is going home. We are also opening up a work in Hariya twenty miles away. Two native brethren will be in charge there. Please pray for these two places.—James Harvey.

REVIVAL IN VENEZUELA.

Our field has never been so open to the gospel as now. The plague of Influenza, and the influence of the judgment of God thru the war, has opened our people's hearts to inquire after the truth. The persecution is much less, and readiness to hear has greatly increased. Our hearts have been so stirred by a recent visit to the Island of Margarita (which is a short distance off the main land) to see how open the people are for the gospel.

One of our missionaries and his wife felt a clear call to that island about two years ago, and obeyed. This has been our first visit there since the work was started, and O, we had to exclaim, "This is God!" Whole towns are awakened for God, and on every side they are calling for gospel preachers, and offering their homes in which to have services. Surely Venezuela has never had such open doors for the gospel.

In one town where we visited most all the influential business men have become Christians, and are now going ahead to build a chapel in which they can have their services. This is purely their own initiative, and we fully believe inspired by God; for their works of repentance prove the reality of their touch with God. Our hearts have never been stirred on this wise before, as when we practically saw the whole island awakened for the true gospel. We will never be able to tell how we felt. If there is joy in heaven over one sinner returning, how do you suppose we felt when we saw them flocking in in crowds. Surely this is the work of God and only God could awaken so many people at one time.

Every where we went we had very large gatherings. The houses were packed and the streets were full of people to hear the gospel. I say: Never has Venezuela been so open for the gospel light. On every side they are asking us to come and give them the gospel and to prove they are sincere they offer us their own homes for the meetings. O, praise God for this change! We need your co-operation by prayer laborers who are filled with the Holy Ghost, and wisdom to fill these open doors. We must strike while the iron is hot. The field is white! "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest" with us. Our colporteurs or Bible sellers have never been able to distribute the Word of God as now. People buy on every side, with a deep desire to know what the Bible contains. Pray that as they read the Word it may sink in and strike root, and bear fruit upward. Pray also for us that we may have "rain in the time of the Latter Rain." We have had droppings "but for the showers we plead." O, for Pentecostal showers, and Pentecostal power!

G. F. Bender, Caracas, Venezuela.

BRO. C. H. SCHOONMAKER ASLEEP IN CHRIST.

Peace and grace be multiplied unto you and to all His saints everywhere!

How can I write the sad news I have for you and all our loved friends at home? My dear husband has been called "Home," to be "forever with the Lord" whom he loved and served.

On the 9th of February he went out to visit some schools that had been opened in some heathen villages a few miles away. He had just purchased a saddle for horseback riding and chose this way of travel rather than the tonga on account of the uneven roads. We were just sitting down to our evening meal when he came in flushed and weary. He went straight to his room and went to bed. The following day high fever set in which we felt was due to sun-exposure. We never thought of its being anything else until the third day when a rash broke out on his forehead. Immediately the awful word "small-pox" came to our minds as it is raging in all the villages about. I sent a messenger at once to the nearest mission station to call a dear friend and Spirit-filled sister of the Scandanavian Alliance, Mrs. Peterson. She came the next day and was with us until all was over. How I praise God for her loving, untiring ministry during the two following weeks of awful suffering for our loved one. We felt it best for the children's sake that I refrain from going into his room, so on Wednesday evening I knelt by his bed and together we poured out our hearts to the Lord. I can never forget his prayer, so sweet and tender and yielded to the will of God. I pressed my hand for a moment on his dear head and came out never to see his dear face in life again.

He suffered untold pain. For two weeks his fever was scarcely below 104 and 105 degrees night and day. His whole body inside and out was a mass of burning sores but never a murmur, never a word of complaint. Over and over again he would say, "Lord do not take away my suffering if it will bring Thee nearer. I ask Thee not for life; anything Lord if Thou shalt be glorified."

We believed God would raise him up, even to his last breath we continued praying that God would spare him. We fully expected to see God do a mighty miracle. We felt we couldn't spare him. Why had God taken such pains to shake us loose from the home-land; in such a marvelous way supply our needs to return to India; give us a safe voyage along a most dangerous route; give seal after seal to the assurance we had of being in God's will in our return—then take him just within a year after we landed. We thought of the missionaries of the new organization, "The Indian Assembly of God," who had chosen him as their chairman, how full of love and appreciation their letters to him had been; of the party of new missionaries coming out this fall and how they were looking to him to prepare things at this end for their arrival; we thought of the work left here by Bro. Dahlgren for him to look after; of the little company of native Christians he was praying so earnestly for; the teachers and preachers (native) whom he had been teaching and seeking to bring into the baptism of the Holy Ghost; the great district of Navapur with a population of over 30,000 in densest heathen darkness: we thought of ourselves and how we had appreciated his love and counsel, and fellowship; of our six little children under nine years of age. Surely it wouldn't be God's will to take him!

But God's ways are not our ways and His thoughts are not our thoughts.

During the last twenty-four hours he prayed a number of times, "Lord Jesus, take me." He called for me but I couldn't go to him. Only God knows what it meant to be separated from him at such a time. But for the children's sake we felt it must be.

Saturday evening, February 22nd, about 8:30, his spirit left his poor worn body. Sunday morning we laid him to rest under the shade of a large tree near by. Another life laid down for India! "For sacrifice" rather than "service," but we believe it will yield fruit somehow in this dark land. God grant it!

God is comforting our hearts as He alone can do. We are picking up the work he laid down and seeking to go on with it as best we can. After his death some of the native preachers came to us, imploring us not to leave the work. We feel the burden very great but we cannot think of forsaking our post. What God has for us in the future we cannot say, but we feel we can not leave India. It may appear to some at home that it is unwise to remain on, but God called us to India years before we were married. My call to return was quite separate and distinct from my husband's, and I feel I want to give myself as never before to the work here. I am the only missionary for a number of miles around, but I believe God can use as weak an instrument as I am if I keep yielded to him.

Yours in His Blessed Keeping,
Violet D. Schoonmaker.

BANGALORE, S. INDIA.

Mr. Cook has been out in the District for nearly three weeks and we expect him back this evening. He writes of great blessing on their labors there. To quote from his last letter: "Well, we have had a blessed day today. We started the meeting at 10 A. M. and continued through until six in the evening. I baptized 38 more today and one was a leper. I have a picture of him. I hope it is good. My! he was full of sores, part of his fingers were gone. We also prayed for his healing. Praise God, this makes 86 I baptized yesterday and today, making a total of 135 in all since on tour. Three came through into the baptism of the Holy Ghost and many had the power on them. We finished the meeting with the Lord's supper and then sent the people home. Truly there has been joy in this place, many backsliders have returned to the fold."

As you see how wonderfully your prayers have been answered, I hope it will encourage you to pray on for these very needy ones. They have so many temptations to meet as they start out in the Christian life and need much prayer. Pray too for the little Indian workers. So much depends on them. Mr. Cook is not able to get there as often as he would like to. He needs a good rest at the Hills and we hope to get away soon for a change.—Bertha N. Cook, (Mrs. R. F. Cook).

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FROM A PENTECOSTAL VIEWPOINT

THE HOLY SPIRIT OUR HELPER.

April 27. John 16:7-15; Acts 2:1-18.
Read Acts 2:1-8, 14-18. G.T.: Luke 11:13.

The Office of the Holy Ghost. God made a promise to Zion, or to the Jerusalem that is above, which the apostle Paul declared, is the "Mother of us all," that we need to lay hold of. "And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord" (Isa. 54:13). How does He teach? He gives the Holy Ghost, whose office it is to guide into all truth. We are told to beware of false teachers who may lead us into error, and we need to seek that "anointing that abideth" so that "ye need not that any man (any carnal professor) teach you." John declares "the same anointing teaches you of all things." The supreme lesson that the Spirit teaches us is to "abide in Christ." It is only as we uninterruptedly abide in Him, the Heavenly Vine, that we can bring forth fruit. So it is very important to receive the Holy Ghost, the Comforter, if we desire to be taught of God. God's regular way of teaching is through Holy Ghost filled and Spirit led men.

The Day of Pentecost. On the day of Pentecost they were all of one accord in one place. When God has His people in one accord in one place He will always command His blessing (Psa. 133). One wrote us recently "The differences amongst the saints are temporal, their unity eternal." But we need to spare no pains to get our temporary differences settled, lest we hinder the coming forth of God's best.

The disciples were sitting, that is, they were in an attitude of rest when the power fell. This is a secret for seekers. When the writer was seeking his own personal "Pentecost" a brother said to him, "The right attitude to receive the baptism is a combination of resting and wrestling. Resting, like the upper room crowd, in confident expectation that the promise Jesus gave will be fulfilled; and at the same time, like the broken Jacob, holding on by faith tenaciously to the Lord until He gives you the desired blessing."

And Suddenly. God loves to do things suddenly. In the days of Hezekiah, he and his people were made to rejoice in the spiritual revival God gave, and it is written, "the thing was done suddenly." The earthquake at Philippi came suddenly. And God declares that the man who, being often reproved, hardens his neck, shall "suddenly be cut off," and that without remedy. He also warns that when men shall be boasting "Peace and safety!" then "sudden destruction cometh." Keep your heart open for sudden blessings, like the one they had on the day of Pentecost. "The Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to His temple." Your body is His temple.

His Ministers, A Flame of Fire. Visible fire was seen and lit on each one of

them. In Elijah's day the fire came down on the acceptable sacrifice, and on the day of Pentecost the fire came down on 120 living sacrifices. Henceforth, each one a burning bush indwelt by God the Holy Ghost and, like John the Baptist, burning and shining lights for their Lord! We, too, are counselled to present our bodies a living sacrifice. God will supply the fire. They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and so completely filled that the last unruly member came under control, and they spoke with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

The power of God always advertises itself, and it was soon noised abroad that something unusual was occurring. The supernatural speaking in tongues is a sign to the unbeliever, and it is no wonder that those Jews questioned, "What meaneth this?"

This is That. Peter told them what had happened. Jesus Christ, whom they had crucified, was risen and ascended, and the Father had given into His nail-pierced hands the promised gift of the Holy Ghost, and He had poured forth this which was now seen and heard which exactly fulfilled Joel's prophecy of the promised outpouring. Praise God, Jesus is still pouring out His Spirit and there is a personal Pentecost for every disciple. Have you got your portion yet?

MAN MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD.

May 4. Gen. 1:26-28; 2:7-9; Eph. 4:20-24.
Golden Text: Gen. 1:27.

The Creation of Man. It is good to turn from the error of the vain philosophies of our day to the simple truth given in the inspired record of Genesis 1. Our great philosophers may boast that they believe they descended from apes and tadpoles, but as for me, I prefer to believe what the Scriptures of Truth declare, that God said, "Let us make man in our own image." I love to look back to the divine record of the ancestry of my Lord and claim that this is my ancestry too, "Which was the son of Enos, which was the son of Seth, which was the son of Adam, which was the son of GOD" (Luke 3:38).

Sydney Collett points out in his book, "All about the Scriptures," that any science that is true has to confess that there has been a process of deterioration in mankind for thousands of years. In the British Museum of London, England, there are some skeletons of men who lived, it is said, four thousand years ago, and they are men of giant stature, and their skulls show that they must have been men of great minds. Science, falsely so-called, would endeavor, with its theory of evolution, to make us believe there has been a gradual ascent of man, but true science and the Word of God shows there has been a gradual

descent and deterioration since God first made man in His own likeness. Sin has marred God's handiwork. Milton, in his poem, "Paradise Lost" puts these words into the mouth of the Creator, "I made him strong and just, sufficient to have stood, but free to fall." Man fell, and by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, but praise God, Another came, the last Adam, and by His obedience "shall many be made righteous" (Rom. 5:19). He it is who will bring us back to the image of God.

Frail Dust. Isaiah counsels us to look "to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged." When we look we may not think so much of ourselves. God formed man of the dust of the ground. Dust, remember, not rocks. But into that dust God breathed the breath of life, and man became a living soul. He received life from God. But the moment he sinned he forfeited that life and though he still existed, he was, to borrow an expression from Paul, "dead while he lived." So death passed upon all men. The natural man is dead in trespasses and sins.

Is there any way out? Praise God, yes! Study Christ's words to Nicodemus in John 3, and you will see how life is restored. The marginal rendering of the A. S. version reads, "The Spirit breatheth where He will, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but knowest not whence it cometh, and whither it goeth; so is everyone that is born of the Spirit." How can we receive this new life? The simple condition, the simplest one that God could have thought of is set forth in John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Faith in Christ restores the Divine life.

Contrary one to the Other. The apostle exhorts us, "Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh." He tells us the flesh (the dust of the earth) lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh. How important it is then that we be filled with the Spirit, so that through the Spirit we shall mortify the deeds of the body and live (Rom. 8:13).

The first man is of the earth earthy, the second man is the Lord from heaven, or, in other words, the new life is "Christ in you the hope of glory." Hence the importance of the verses in Ephesians that we have to study today. By faith there must be a definite putting off of the old carnal life and a putting on of the new life, the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

The Renewing. We read, "Be renewed in the spirit of your mind." How can we be renewed? They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. In these days of heavy wear and tear we need continual renewing. David, the man after God's own heart, learned the secret. He declares, "Thou art the God of my salvation, on Thee do I wait all the day" (Psa. 25:5). And He

gives us wise counsel when He tells us, "Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart; wait, I say, on the Lord." Let us say with this sweet Psalmist of Israel, "My soul, wait thou only upon God."—S. H. F.

BROKEN ARROW, OKLAHOMA. Big Church Dedication.

Elder J. W. Welch, Elder S. A. Jamieson and other special workers are expected to be with us. A great time is expected in the Lord. God is blessing in the work here and souls are being saved in almost every service. The house would not nearly hold all the people last Sunday night. The Lord has been good to us and has helped us to get our Church completed, also adding two rooms on to the parsonage. Expect to have the parsonage ready by the 13th of April. The dedication will be held Sunday night April the 13th. We are going to have an all day meeting with a big free dinner, and we are looking and praying for great refreshing times from the presence of the Lord. We are going to begin a month's revival with the dedication. The meetings will be preceded with a week of prayer, day and night. We are arranging for certain ones to take certain hours out of the 24, so that there will be a constant Chain prayer going up to God for His blessings and for a great visitation of His presence. We believe that God is going to visit the earth with one supreme effort to constrain men to turn to Him, and be saved before the awful storm of His wrath breaks in upon them.

Just before God withdrew the Holy Spirit from the Jewish people as a nation, God made the supreme effort for their salvation and exhausted the resources of Heaven to redeem them and turn them from their sins, by giving to them His only Begotten Son, the brightest jewel of Heaven, that through His precious blood they might be saved from the day of vengeance. It might be so with the Gentile world. From all appearances, the time is nigh, when God will say "It is enough." And He will close the door of mercy to the Gentile world. Before He does, we are looking for a last great call, a mighty visitation of Himself (through His people), pleading for them to turn and be saved. Oh that God would help us to so yield ourselves to HIM, that His will and purpose can be fulfilled in and through us. The saints at Broken Arrow are praying and seeking the face of God, that He may not be hindered in doing His mighty work for the salvation of a lost world in this part of the field that He has intrusted to us. All the nearby Assemblies and others that can, are invited to be with us on this day, and through the revival. Come praying and believing God for a mighty victory.—W. H. Pope, Pastor.

A CORRECTION AS TO ALABAMA.

By mistake the election of J. D. Calwell of Biloxi, Miss. as District Presbyter and the renewal of license for A. K. Allen of Crichton, Ala. were left out of the Minutes of District Council meeting at Mobile, Ala., Jan. 21-24, 1919.

Please announce this in the Evangel.—J. E. Spence.

Note: The above two names did not reach us in the manuscript for the Minutes. A similar mistake was made in the Minutes last December because in preparing the Minutes at Graceville, Fla., the brethren overlooked sending us two names. We are always glad to make corrections for the brethren in the Evangel.—Gospel Publishing House.

FIRST MARTYR AT YOUNGSTOWN, O.

Our Convention opened as advertised on Feb. 20th and on the 22nd our beloved Sister Ruth, was shot in her own bedroom by the man she had married four years ago. He had divorced his wife and shot her admirer about nine years ago in the same house, and was left with one son and daughter who are now about sixteen and the girl eleven, also her own two-year-old boy.

From the hour of her conversion last June he began to oppose her and manifested a fierce and cruel spirit of jealousy, unwilling to have her go out of his sight to church.

Of late she has been earnestly seeking her baptism and this set him nearly wild he finally put the ban on and forbade her attending the services and gave the saints their orders to stay away from his house. During this time she kept much in prayer and the Lord began to talk to her about leaving him. She counted the cost and then told him what the Lord had said to her, and this broke him all up and he then said she could go to all the services she wanted to and so they both came to the convention and she went to the altar to tarry for her baptism, while he looked on with disgust.

After tarrying for a season at the altar Friday night she seemed to get a vision of her Lord as He was dealing with her, and she threw up her hands and cried, **I will obey you Jesus, I will obey.** The Lord had previously spoken to her and showed her she was not his legal wife in God's sight, and told her to "Go and sin no more." She arose from the altar determined to obey, walking toward him she said, "Good-bye, M——, good-bye, and may God bless you;" then laying her hand on his head she added "May the peace of God come into your soul," and as he pushed her hand away from him, she turned away sorrowful and prayed.

After the service they went home together, accompanied by a neighbor, and he told her he had a plan that would fix matters for them both. He went to work the next day as usual and she began to get her things collected, and when he came home from work she was alone with the two younger children in the house. They went to their bed room, leaving the children down stairs and after a brief conversation, the fatal shot was heard, and when the eleven years old daughter called to ask what the trouble was, he replied, "I have finished your mother." She ran to a neighbor in fright and the police were notified, and when they arrived they found that he too, lay dead on the floor in a pool of blood. He had taken his shot gun and shot a big hole through her breast and then leaning over the gun with a strap attached to the trigger he shot a similar hole through his own breast, and like Judas went to his own place, where he never will be annoyed by any more Pentecostal tarrying meetings, but our dear Sister has gone on to dwell with her beloved Boaz (one nearer kin) whom her soul loved, Jesus. Like John the Baptist, she counted the cost and was willing to die, for her testimony, for God had showed her it was not right for her to live with another woman's husband. "He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it." Hallelujah!

The first Sunday morning of the Convention broke forth with the news boys crying out "EXTRA," and the whole city enraged over such an awful tragedy, but God led His children on and the meetings increased in interest and God has been showing forth his STRANGE ACTS in His own way. To Him be all the Glory. God's

fan is still in His hand, and He is thoroughly purging His floor. His coming draweth nigh. Amen. It pays to clean up NOW.

Pastor Kerr and his assistant, Brother Pierce were with us for two days only at the opening, and then our Bro. G. E. Smith, former pastor of this Assembly came over from Clairfield, Pa., for a few days, and God used his evangelistic gift to stir the people and bring forth much timely, precious truth. Pastor C. A. McKinney, of Akron, Ohio, Pastor J. H. Waggoner of Warren, and Pastor J. T. Boddy of Youngstown also brought us much precious truth that will tell for time and eternity.

A. H. Jamieson,

WITH CHRIST.

Bro. John W. Sappington, well known in Pentecostal circles, especially in Arkansas, Missouri and Kansas, accidentally shot himself on Feb. 9th and passed away about one hour later.

He spent his last moments in prayer and praise to God.

His folks live at Arcadia, Kans., and his funeral was conducted by Evangelist Julia A. Ross. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved ones.

EVANGELISTS READY FOR CALL.

I am open for calls, any one wanting meetings write me. J. F. Stewart, 206 Cleveland St., Pueblo, Colo.

I am ready for calls at any time. Any desiring information of the work in Colorado, address Pastor Charles James, 309 E. Los Vegas St., Colorado Springs, present Chairman of State Council. H. J. Richardson, Lankershim, Cal.

EVANGELIST JACOB MILLER.

Those desiring to write Bro. Miller will please address him at 1122 South 10th St., Ft. Smith, Ark.

BLACK RIVER FALLS, WIS.

We have never had a Pentecostal minister at this place. These people are honest Christians, hungry for the truth. We are going to have a prayer meeting at my house next Thursday, and read the best portions of the Christian Evangel. Pray that God's blessing will be poured out upon us. Pray I may be stronger physically.—Bessie McDonald.

GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS.

The Assembly of God will hold their summer camp meeting here July 5th to 20th, inclusive. Ample camp room for autos. Bring camp tents, bedding, etc. All workers and workers' families will dine at free dining table. Others may have meals at very small cost or can come prepared to serve their own meals. Further information from Pastor Lonnie W. Whitworth, Box 265, Grand Prairie, Tex.

BRIDGEPORT, TEXAS.

The Assembly of God at Bridgeport, Tex. are, D. V., going to have a camp-meeting, beginning the 5th day of July, and running as long as the Lord leads. Further announcements later. R. W. Newby, Pastor; J. Frank House, Louis Zuspahn, O. E. Kemp.

CAMP MEETING AT BILOXI, MISS.

Camp meeting to be held at Biloxi, beginning June 20th, to be held as long as the Lord leads. Bro. J. L. Slay and L. Wooten in charge. Everybody welcome and invited. Address all communications to W. L. Kinsey, Pastor Assembly of God, Biloxi, Miss.

FOR SALE.

One gospel tent made of 10oz. duck, 30 by 50, 2 poles, used only 4 weeks. For price write Geo. B. Moore, Granby, Mo.

FLORIDA FARM FOR SALE.

Can raise a crop all the year round and anything, such as corn, sugar cane, potatoes, Irish and sweet, cabbage, straw berries, onions, etc. Crop planted and up for this summer. Plenty of fruit, in fact anything that a man needs. Good house and good fence, cane mill and other tools for farm use. A beautiful home for anyone, just set in order. Can easily reach the Jacksonville market by railroad, or waterway or by brick highway. Anyone interested write me for full description. Old age is my reason for selling.—Oscar Rudin, Bayard, Fla.

Reports From the Field

LONDON, ENGLAND.

Pray for us in the work here. The Lord is with us and souls are being saved. Two Sunday night. I am filled with joy. We expect a multitude. —Ben Griffiths.

MILLVILLE, ARK.

Just returned from the Holy Convocation held near Millville, Ark. Praise God for victory. The Lord met with us in mighty power, some few souls saved and the saints built up.—George Banks, Humphreys, Ark.

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.

God is blessing here, one man has received his baptism after seeking for ten years. Praise God there is hope for every one. Two more received, and a backslider came home last week. Pray for Colorado.—Pastor C. E. Janes.

EMBREE, MO.

My wife, sister and I have just closed a fifteen nights meeting. Twenty-four received the baptism (Acts 2:4), and about six got the experience of salvation. Three Methodist preachers came to the altar at one time, and one of them got the baptism.—Evang. Clyde Richardson, Dent, Mo.

McALESTER, OKLA.

We have just closed a meeting here at McAlester, Okla. Hal a good meeting, and good crowds. There were ten saved and two baptized with the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. Many that were sick were healed. The saints are wonderfully encouraged to fight the battle on for Jesus.—Charley Peppers and Wife.

DECATUE CITY, IOWA

Our meeting is still in progress, the power is falling and the altar is full of hungry souls every night. One young man received the baptism of the Spirit as in Acts 2:4, and was understood to speak in two or three different dialects. Some are receiving wonderful visions.—James Shurron.

MARTINSVILLE, IND.

We closed our meeting here last night after six weeks of hard work. Thank God, we can report victory. About fifty or sixty received a definite touch from God, and the number of husbands and wives who started out together to serve God was very gratifying. Brother Vogler has never had very many men in his assembly, but he has them now and is very happy in what God has done.—J. R. Flower.

HOUSTON, TEXAS.

We praise the Lord that He is still working in our midst. A week ago Sunday His power was so blessedly manifested in both services, and four were reclaimed and one baptized in the Holy Ghost. Last Sunday morning, a sister who had never spoken in tongues, while kneeling at the altar in prayer, fell under the power of God and burst forth speaking in tongues. One was reclaimed and had the baptism renewed.

An offering of \$130.80 was taken up for foreign missions.

We thank God for a good band of street workers who preach on the street every night to interested crowds. We all feel encouraged to press forward, looking for the soon coming of Jesus.—William Morwood, pastor.

PINDER, MO.

We are having a meeting now and six souls have been saved to the glory of God. Bro. Homer Waddle and Bro. William Giles are preaching here at Pinder, Mo. Pray that God will send His mighty power and that many may be saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit.—May Loughary.

DORCHESTER, NEBR.

The Lord is surely working in our midst in this place. We started a meeting here two weeks ago and the Lord has given us splendid crowds. The big Opera Hall will not seat all the people, and deep conviction is upon many. Please pray that God will mightily work in this place.—Evangelists E. White and Cox Worden.

GRAND PRAIRIE, TEX.

Just a word of thanksgiving. Hallelujah! We are going on, souls being saved and filled. Thank God. Some wonderful healings in His name. Glory! God is on His throne and presides over us as His subjects in His kingdom and we are sure of victory over the opposer. Thank and praise Him forever.—Pastor Lonnie Whitworth.

WESTPORT, CAL.

I believe that our blessed Lord will give me many open doors for meetings in homes and school houses and churches this summer. I started out in the blessed name of Jesus from Westport to Mountain View, having received an invitation to come and hold some more meetings. Last year, our blessed Lord gathered eight into His fold from this district, so the dear saints have called me for some more meetings. That His glory rest upon all of God's dear children is my prayer.—J. D. Hansen.

DAMON, TEXAS.

The dear Lord led us here from Taylor, and we find that God is working. Bro. J. D. Scheumack and some few saints were already here. We have got no permanent place of worship. We can only give out the gospel through tracts and papers, but we don't forget to tell souls what Jesus can do for them, and what a blessing the Evangel can and will be to them in their homes. Praise God! We are so glad that this glorious gospel can be preached in many ways. We are expecting to see a great revival here one day.—W. D. Taylor.

CLAREMORE, OKLA.

Bro. J. F. Stevens of North Little Rock, Ark. has been with us since March 22nd. Ten or eleven souls have been saved and five received the wonderful baptism of the Holy Ghost. Hallelujah!

The brethren of Oklahoma met here April 1st for council. God wonderfully blessed and set His seal upon every act. Good meetings every night and there were as many as twenty-five at the altar at once. Several of the brethren from Arkansas were with us and also some from Kansas. Bro. Hedley, Bro. W. R. Cooper and Bro. J. H. James. Bro. James stayed with us over Sunday. Bro. Stevens is still with us. We welcome any other workers who feel led of the Lord to come this way. The next meeting place for the Oklahoma District Council is Panama, Oklahoma. Pray for us.—A. R. Donaldson, pastor.

MONETTE, ARK.

We thank God for the way He is working at this place. We started a meeting three weeks ago and God met us in the first service. Six or seven were saved and eight received their Pentecost. Sister Dollie Drain was with us, and God wonderfully blessed her ministry. Many are convinced that this is the right way.—H. E. Sims.

FORT SMITH, ARK.

I am now located here in Fort Smith. Services good. Last night there were some old heads at the altar seeking to be saved. God is blessing by stretching forth His hands and the sick are being healed. The saints are rejoicing in Him who doeth all things well. Just recently held a meeting at Welty, Okla., where the Lord's blessings were upon the place. Was wonderfully blessed in giving out the word. The saints are moving on with the Lord. Also held a few days' meeting at Garland, Okla. Found the saints on fire for God, souls got through to the Lord in both places and conviction rested on the congregation. I am now out in the evangelistic work and am open for calls. If any are desiring my help they can write me at 1210 S. 10th St., Fort Smith, Ark.—C. A. Lasater.

CHAFFEE, MO.

We desire to sound a note of praise to our God who has done so much in times past for us. Since the District Council at Puxico, Mo., recently held, which seemed to be the best, we are much encouraged and have felt very grateful to know how the Lord is building up His blessed work in these parts. We thank God that we can report the work here in very good condition. Glad to say that the Lord has enabled us, by the kindness of one and all who have donated to the cause here, to pay the church property out, so that our church stands clear of debt. Praise the Lord!

We have joined with brother G. V. Work at Farnfelt, Mo., in a revival there since the District Council. God is blessing the effort at that place. Some few have already been saved and there is a good interest. We feel sure that God will have an assembly in Farnfelt. Let the saints join in with us in prayer for this place.—M. V. Ferguson and wife.

SPARKS, OKLA.

On March 23rd I was called to Sparks for the purpose of setting the assembly there in order. Bro. James had been running the meeting there some while before I went. On the 26th we set forth the Fundamentals to hearts ready to receive them. On the 28th we had a business meeting and the assembly was set in order, the people voting unanimously. Three deacons were set over the flock. We called for a vote as to whether they wanted to become a part of the Council of the Assemblies of God. They voted unanimously for it. So the assembly was duly set in order by Bro. Eidson of Wellston, Okla., Bro. James, their pastor, and myself. God has set his seal on this work. The meeting did a wonderful work for that place. Although there were not so many saved, the saints were wonderfully helped and made to rejoice in the Savior's love. One night, there were several sick to be prayed for, while one sister was waiting her turn, the Lord wonderfully healed her, and she did not forget to give God the praise. She was so hoarse that she could not talk, so her husband testified the next night, but God touched her so that she could praise Him with a loud voice. Bro. James is doing a great work at that place.—C. M. Riggs, Box 215, Wellston, Okla.

MISSOURI DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The blessing of our God truly was manifested in the fourth annual meeting of the Southern Missouri District Council, Puxico, Mo. All who attended seemed to think it the best council we have had in the district, made so on account of the presence and power of our God. The attendance was just about double our preceding council meetings.

The following Brethren were elected as District Presbyters for the coming year: John T. Wilson, A. W. Kortkamp, W. W. Childers, W. J. Higgins, secretary, E. L. Banta, chairman.

The Council recommended the following to the Assemblies in this district. "Extension Work."

"Whereas there is need of development of the local Assembly in the Word of God and Christian experience, and,

"Whereas it is not practical for all members of the various Assemblies of the district to be in attendance at the council meetings where such development may be received,

"Therefore, we recommend that the Assemblies co-operate with the presbytery of the District Council in providing for one or more local conventions each year where Bible instruction may be given and Christian experience promoted.

"That these local conventions be under the supervision of the District chairman. That the chairman arrange the personnel of the convention workers and an itinerary which will economize time and money spent for transportation. That the local Assembly arrange to lay up funds as God prospers, that when the convention is called there shall be no lack for necessary expenses. 1 Cor. 16:2."

Let each Assembly co-operate with the presbytery in the above by writing either one of the presbyters, or direct to the chairman, so arrangements can be made. The council extended to Bro. J. R. Flower a hearty invitation to help in this convention work which was accepted. Call upon call came during the council for pastors, evangelists and workers, some being filled. As reports were given from over the field of God's blessings tears of joy and waves of glory swept over the council.

The Council recommended that the Chairman give his whole time to the interest of the District work, giving up his work as pastor, which he will do.

Three were ordained, and seven were licensed to preach, and the blessing of the Lord was so great that a sinner was saved during this ordination service. The next camp meeting for South East Missouri will be held at Essex. Watch Evangel for date.

After a year and a half of service with the church at Puxico, I have resigned as pastor, and Bro. L. W. Clark was called to pastor this worthy assembly. I am at present engaged in a revival meeting at Springfield, Mo. Will be here during the month of April. Address me 860 Concord Ave. The Lord willing my headquarters will be Lockwood, Mo., after the first of May. Minutes of the above meeting will be published soon.—E. L. Banta, Chairman.

CONVENTION NOTICE.

A Pentecostal Missionary Convention will be held (D. V.) at Beulah Heights, North Bergen, N. J., May 24 to June 1st, inclusive. Meetings daily—10:30, 2:30 and 7:30.

Friday, May 30th, special service will be held for the graduation of students from the Beulah Heights Missionary and Bible Training School. Missionaries and Pentecostal workers from various States are expected. Special missionary offerings will be taken.

For further information, write to 4741 Hudson Boulevard, North Bergen, N. J.

ROBERTSDALE, ALA.

We are now at Robertsdale, Ala., in a revival in the 40x40 Gospel tent the dear Lord has given us. We have only held one service but it was a good one, and we are trusting God for a great revival. I have seen a goodly number saved in the last four weeks and praise God for them. Have just returned from a trip in North Carolina where I spent five weeks. Had good meetings and a number were saved. Expect to go back there some time, the Lord willing, and hold some tent meetings. Pray that we may be much used of the Lord this year.—O. O. Hughen and wife.

FRANKLIN, NEBRASKA.

Since writing to you last we have held a meeting for Pastor Henry Hoar in this city. God was truly with us. In many ways the meetings were hindered, especially by bad weather. We had a long hard fight, but the God of Pentecost still lives and honors His word. The last few days the power and glory fell, souls were wonderfully baptized in the Holy Spirit and filled with glory. Some fell like they had been lightning struck, some saw visions, etc. We had promised to be in Osborne, Kansas, at a certain time, and had to leave them, but reports of God's wonderful blessing and Presence have reached us this week. God is still working in Franklin. Pray for me. In Christian love standing for the truth and "OUR DISTINCTIVE TESTIMONY."—Fred Lohman.

WESTERNPORT, MD.

We are glad to be able to say that the work in Westernport is in the best condition that it has ever been. We just closed a five weeks' meeting in which God gave us blessed results. Bro. H. H. Cox was with us about ten days, and Bro. Williams was also with us at the same time. We ran the meeting a week, then rested a week, after which Bro. Black and wife came and were with us two weeks. I am glad to say that God gave us the best meeting we have ever held in Westernport in the four years of our abode here. A number were saved, almost every backslider came back, most of them getting victory. I guess twenty-five or better received the baptism, including some who had sought for years. We thank God that He gave us a real refreshing time.—O. P. Brann.

TURLOCK, CALIF.

We praise the Lord for His visitation to us. We called Evang. Frank Lindblad of Portland, Ore., to hold a few weeks of special meetings. The Lord certainly met with us from the very first service. I have seldom seen such a spirit of conviction as rested on the people at the preaching of the Word. Sinners were shaken under the power of God, and the fire of God was seen at almost every meeting going like balls of fire thru the Assembly. Tongues of fire were also seen as the Lord baptized people in the Holy Ghost. Fire fell everywhere on the people. A mighty spirit of prayer and supplication with real travail of soul came on the saints as they gave themselves over to prayer. The result was that fourteen were baptized in the Holy Ghost and a greater number were saved. Nine followed the Lord in water baptism as in Matt. 28:19. The town was stirred and people flocked to the meetings. Three more have received the baptism since, and we believe for a greater revival to follow.

We ask an interest in your prayers for this place. We can recommend Bro. Lindblad to any Assembly for standing in the full gospel truth.—Adolph Petersen, Pastor.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Owing to the many inquiries received by us from people in various parts of the country, concerning our relation with the Y. M. C. A. work in the various military camps, and as to whether we were co-operating with the Y. M. C. A. in the distribution of tobacco, etc., we take pleasure in writing the following for the information of all concerned.

1. The United Prayer and Workers League is in no way connected with the Y. M. C. A., as an organization, however we have accepted the courtesy and co-operation of the Y. M. C. A. in granting us the GLORIOUS PRIVILEGE of entering the Camps, and holding Gospel revival services in the Y. M. C. A. buildings, thus reaching hundreds of the boys that otherwise we could NOT reach with the GOSPEL MESSAGE.

2. The United Prayer and Workers League does NOT distribute TOBACCO to the men in or out of the Camps, and is in no way responsible for same. We use no money for tobacco.

3. The United Prayer and Workers League distributes only such Gospel literature and tracts as are fully endorsed by us, and would meet the approval of the most spiritually minded men and women.

4. All money received by the United Prayer and Workers League is used to meet the expenses of the League in publishing clean gospel literature, the purchase of Gospels, and the conducting of revival services.

5. Funds received by us do not go to the Y. M. C. A.

Asking the prayers and support of all God's people, we remain, Raymond T. Richey, Supt. United Prayer and Workers League, Houston, Texas.

GOD BLESSING IN SAN ANTONIO, TEX.

Upon being discharged from the army, Bro. Wm. F. Hurley held a meeting for the South side Assembly here and God came down and blessed. Something over thirty accepted the Lord and were baptized in water, several were baptized in the Holy Spirit, and the assembly was greatly edified. Bro. Hurley has consented to stay and pastor this work and the Lord is still pouring out His Spirit upon it. We are grateful for this evidence of His favor toward San Antonio. This Assembly is located in the neighborhood of the old shoe factory, where several camp meetings have been held in the past. And we are glad also to say that it is in harmony with the General Council.—F. A. Hale.

AECADIA, KANSAS.

Just closed a five weeks meeting. The Lord was with us from the first service. The enemy tried to stop the progress of the meeting by attacking Sister Ross, but the hand of the Great Physician was present to heal. The Lord used her wonderfully in giving out the Word, and the messages came with such convicting power that men sat in their seats and wept. Bro. Homer G. Wilson had charge of the singing; this was wonderful, the songs bringing real messages from heaven. Large crowds were attracted by the singing and preaching every night, Sunday night especially. The power of God was so great that some of the saints saw great lights rise up from the altar.

Nine were saved, one reclaimed, ten baptized in the Spirit as in Acts 2:4, and others still seeking. The church is wonderfully built up in the faith.—Chas. Woolridge.

WANTED—A blacksmith who believes in the baptism of the Holy Ghost and desires a shop in a good small town to write me at once. W. Rufus Cooper, Fredrick, Kansas.

The Evangel Prayer Band

Pray God to heal my daughter, called to His work, of kidney and throat trouble, and open up a way for her in the Master's work. She plays the piano and does altar work. Above by request of her mother in Great Bend, Kans. E. N. B.

We have no pastor for our assembly. Pray God will send a man on fire for God. A reader, Phoenix, Ariz.

Pray that I may be healed. Mrs. P. J. F. Penn Yam, N. Y.

Pray for me that God will give me health and strength, that I may do more for Him. R. H. S., Dublin, Tex.

Please pray for healing of broken veins in my leg that have caused an ulcer on my ankle. W. M.

Pray that we may be able to sell, and move to where we can hear Pentecostal teaching. Mrs. J. M., Danford Lake, Que.

Please pray for me as I have been sick and need the fullness of the Spirit. G. B. H., Cargile.

Two or three months ago I requested prayer for our son who was bothered with tonsillitis, he is very much improved; and for the whole family who were bothered with skin disease. It is much better. Still pray that we may be entirely healed. Mrs. R. T. L., Sapulpa, Okla.

Pray that my faith be increased and that I may be healed, also that my husband be converted and get right with God, and help me raise up our children in the right way. Pray for my sister-in-law who has lost her mind just lately. Pray that some Spirit-filled minister may come to this district. Mrs. K. W. T.

I am up here on an important mission in connection with my own particular line of work. Pray that God's thought and purpose be worked out and souls be delivered. Mary Hughes, Lincoln, Neb.

I wish to praise God for bringing me safely through a siege of rheumatism and giving me victory over the enemy. I covet the prayers of God's people that God may save souls here and baptize believers in the Holy Ghost. O. P. Mooney, Centerville, Mo.

Please pray for my boy who is quite sick. D. O. M., San Gabriel, Cal.

Please request prayer for our boy, he has lung and heart trouble, has not been able to keep food on his stomach for two weeks. I. E., Tulsa, Okla.

Pray earnestly that Jesus may touch and give back to perfect sight the one and almost sightless eye of a dear sister. Pray for Mrs. G's health, also pray that He, by His power, may open up a suitable way so that a poor girl may earn a respectable livelihood. Reader.

Pray for a Holy Ghost revival in this neighborhood. E. A. L. Pembine, Wis.

We ask the prayers of God's children for the few saints at Union Point and Davenport, Okla., that God will send a special messenger to hold a revival. Shelf Webster, Davenport, Okla.

Pray the Lord will heal my boy of appendicitis. M. E. D.

Pray that the Lord will heal me of several diseases of long standing, that my children may be saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit, and that I may get closer to the Lord. M. H. B., Jenny Lind, Ark.

We ask special prayer for our baby. He seems to have a gathering in his head and high fever. R. H. B., Kellerton, Ia.

Please pray earnestly for a revival which will open on the 6th day of April, at the Union Holiness Church of Paducah, Ky. Bro. Carrell, our pastor, will direct the services. L. R. K., Paducah, Ky.

Pray that I may get to the home of a dear friend at once who prays for the sick and lays hands on them. Reader. Several requests held over until next issue.

OKLAHOMA STATE CAMP MEETING.

The Oklahoma State Camp Meeting will be held in Tulsa from May 15th to June 1st, inclusive, under the leadership of the noted Evangelist Aimee Semple McPherson. J. W. Welch, Chairman of the General Council, and other good workers are expected to be here to assist.

Because of the heavy expenses connected with the camp meeting, it will be necessary for those who come to be prepared to take care of themselves, and we will do all we can to make your expenses as light as possible. Bring your bedding and towels with you. Come praying and expect a wonderful outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

We have secured the Convention Hall located on Bolder and Opera chairs. It seats 3500 people, seated with opera chairs.

Full particulars from Pastor S. A. Jamieson, 1520 East Third St., Tulsa, Okla.

Please pray for a minister, who has a French mission here, and knows the Pentecostal truth, to seek and get the baptism as in Acts 2:4. Pray also for an outpouring of the Spirit upon this city as in Los Angeles. B. J., Montreal, Can.

Pray for a people here that have no interest in Pentecostal work. Pray for my boy, C. A. Hines, that the Lord will make it plain to him where he wants him to go, also pray for me that I may be kept in his will. Mrs. C. V. H., Lovejoy, Pa.

Pray for God to make me what He wants me to be. Pray for my little boy that he may be healed of influenza, also for my husband who has an abscess on his neck, also that my whole household may be saved. Also for my soldier son in France. Pray for us to make a good crop. Mrs. S., San Antonio, Tex.

I have a farm here and it is subject to overflow every time there is much rain, the overflow coming from dredge ditches. Pray that I can sell it in a few days, for my family do not have good health. I want also to get close to an assembly. I expect to give the Lord the tithes of the sale. A. A. W., Paragould, Ark.

Pray for me and my two children. Pray that the Lord will open the way for me to give all my time to the gospel work. Pray that the Lord will touch the hearts of the people to build a church mission too, at Greenville. M. C., Terrell, Miss.

Pray for the work here, and that the Lord will use me for his glory. J. B. M., Danville, Cal.

Pray for my household that they all may be able to meet the Lord in peace when He comes. M. S.

Pray for the building up of the kingdom in this place. Only this one woman to tell the story, but God can use nothings. E. L. L., Lonira, Alta.

Pray for the work at this place, there are only a few saints here. Pray much that the Lord will in some way help that many might be saved. J. L., Great Falls, Mont.

I beg your prayers that I may receive the precious baptism of the Holy Ghost. J. B., Meridian, Miss.

Pray that I may overcome the enemy. T. K., St. Paul, Minn.

Pray that I may be healed of high blood pressure, also that my son be healed of asthma. Mrs. S. W. S., Tappanish, Wash.

Pray for us that we may do more for the Lord each and every day. L. H. P., Puxico, Mo.

NOTICE.

Let all who can plan to attend the State Camp Meeting and Convention at Portales, New Mexico, August 3rd to 24th, 1919, inc. For further information write W. R. Nichols, Portales, New Mexico. I would like to hear from all the saints in New Mexico who are interested in spreading Pentecost and taking this State for Christ. N. R. Nichols, State Evangelist.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

A series of monthly week-end Pentecostal meetings has been inaugurated at the Highway Mission Tabernacle, Oxford St., Above Ridge Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. These meetings start on the Thursday before the first Sunday of each month. These meetings continue every evening, including Sunday an all-day meeting. Special speakers will be present.—Frederick Reel, pastor.

CONVENTION.

There will be a convention and Bible study at the Assembly of God church, May 4th to 12th. Bro. A. P. Collins of Ft. Worth, Tex. will be with us, also Bro. John Goben of Lucas, Ia., and Bro. Hardy Mitchell of Chicago is expected. We extend an invitation to all to come and seek the Lord together. Roy E. Scott, pastor, 1964 N. 27th St., Kansas City, Kans. The church is on 16th and Virginia Sts., Kansas City, Kans.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.

From March 25th to April 7th.

\$402.00: Bethel Assembly, Los Angeles, Cal.
 \$222.54: The Pentecostal Church, Cleveland, Ohio.
 \$200.00: J. S. S., Olympia, Wash.
 \$130.80: Full Gospel Mission, Houston, Tex.
 \$101.07: B. F., Philadelphia, Pa.
 \$100.00: C. B. C. and H. C., Glad Tidings Hall, New York City.
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 \$22.00: Assembly of God, Malvern, Ark.; Assembly of God, Hartford, Ark.
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 \$20.10: Sparks Assembly, Sparks, Okla.
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 \$15.00: C. W. S., Los Angeles, Calif.; P. W., Fresno, Cal.; L. M. C., Hoy, La.; L. S. L., New Castle, Penn.
 \$14.75: E. G. B., Terral, Okla.
 \$14.00: A. S. P., Dermott, Ark.; Assembly of God, Quanah, Tex.
 \$13.00: L. M. P., Montreal, Canada.
 \$11.25: S. C. R., Houston, Tex.
 \$10.00: Assembly, Butler, N. Y.; W. J. K., Cambria, Wisc.; E. M. & O. J., Broken Arrow, Okla.; A friend in North Ga.; Mrs. J. A. H., Thayer, Mo.; Mrs. M. W. G., Compton, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. B., Kewanee, Ill.; F. F., Salt Lake City, Utah; M. E. C. and G. B., Water Valley, Miss.; Mrs. C. H. P., Selkirk, N. Y.; J. J., Colfax, Wis.; C. J., Colfax, Wis.; H. K., Dallas, Tex.; O. A., Le Grange, Ill.; Assembly, Couch, Mo.; J. & H. S., Jasonville, Ind.; S. R. E., Malvern, Ark.; H. H. Lake Tahoe, Calif.; Two Sisters, Stuttgart, Ark.; N. J. & H. A. L., Citronelle, Ala.; Mrs. C. W., Elba, Ala.; P. K. P., Eldora, Ia.; J. G. V., Nymore, Minn.; P. P., Eldora, Ia.; Mrs. B. C., Mulberry, Ark.; Y. P. Bible Cass, San Francisco, Calif.
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