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This thirteenth chapter of Revelation is a marvelous chapter. I had supposed that it could not be understood. I did not know that God intended it to be understood. Since God let me dream my dream, see my vision, I believe that it is His will that we should understand what is here revealed. The chapter is full of truth for these last days. "Here is wisdom." Not the wisdom of the world. That is foolishness with God. But the wisdom of Him of whom it has been written, "Wisdom and might are His" (Dan. 2:20). We have no wisdom of our own, but we can have His wisdom. Jesus Christ desires to be made unto every one of us "wisdom and righteousness and sanctification and redemption." Thank God! There is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known . . . what shall be in the latter days" (Dan. 2:28). Hear what God's book says:

"And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy."

The rendering in the Revised Version is more correct. It was not John who stood upon the sand of the sea. It was the dragon. The Revised Version correctly connects the last verse of the preceding chapter with the first clause of the first verse of this chapter. Listen: "And the dragon waxed wrath with the woman, and went away to make war with the rest of her seed, that keep the commandments of God, and hold the testimony of Jesus: and he stood upon the sand of the sea." Who was the dragon? The ninth verse of the preceding chapter answers the question: "The great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him." John saw him standing upon the sand of the sea. A very fitting place for the devil to stand. The Church of the Living God has been built upon the Rock of Ages, and if we have been born again, born from above, we belong to that Church, and our feet are upon the Rock. You remember what Jesus said about the house built upon the sand and the house built upon the rock. The house that

was built upon the sand fell. The house that was built upon the rock stood. The storms were not able to dislodge it; the tempests were not able to overthrow it. Thank God! The kingdom of Satan is doomed. The storm of Divine wrath will burst upon it in awful fury, and it will fall. But the Church of God will abide forever. Jesus said, "Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." I am glad that I do not belong to the kingdom of Satan, the kingdom that is doomed, but that I belong to the Church of Jesus, the Church of the Firstborn, the Church that will outlive the storms and outlast the tempests, and shine throughout eternity. Praise God!

John saw a beast rise up out of the sea. The waters of the sea which he saw represented "peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues." I believe that the beast symbolized the League of Nations to be formed in the last days. A second beast is later introduced, and I believe that the second beast symbolizes the personal Antichrist.

The first beast John saw had "seven heads and ten horns." The ten horns correspond with the ten toes of the image Nebuchadnezzar saw in his dream, and with the ten horns of the fourth beast Daniel saw in the night visions. See Dan. 3:31-45; 7:1-7.

The beast had seven heads. In Rev. 17:9 it is said, "The seven heads are seven mountains," and some have thought that this settles the matter and that Rome, the city of the seven hills, is meant. But you will notice that we are told that one of the heads was, as it were, wounded, to death, and the deadly wound was healed. How, I ask, is it possible to wound a literal mountain or a literal hill, to wound it unto death? I believe that the mountains symbolized nations. Certain it is that, in other places, world powers are symbolized by mountains. Turn to Jer. 51:25. God is speaking to Babylon, the greatest world power of its day. "Behold, I am against thee, O destroying mountain, saith the Lord, which destroyest all the earth: and I will stretch out mine hand upon thee, and roll thee down from the rocks and will make thee a burnt mountain." In Ps. 72:3 we read, (and this psalm is recognized by all students of the Word as a Messianic psalm), "The mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the

little hills, by righteousness." Certainly literal mountains are not meant, for literal mountains have no moral character. They can be neither righteous nor unrighteous. The people who live among mountains are just as likely to be warlike as are the people who live in the plains. Literal mountains have no power to bring peace to the people. But when Jesus shall have come and shall have taken the reins of human government into His own hands and shall have established righteousness everywhere among the nations of the world, there will be peace. The nations cannot bring peace to the world by forming themselves into a league, a world federation, and declaring that there must be peace, but they can bring peace to the people by submitting to Jesus Christ, placing the reins of power into His hands where they rightfully belong and letting Him reign. He is the only fit world ruler.

The World Federation is to be composed at one time of ten leading nations. But there will be war within the League. A man will rise up who will succeed in placing himself at the head of the nation in which he will rise, and he will lead his nation in war against three of the other nations of the League. The three will be overpowered by the one and will be incorporated into it. (Read the eighth and twenty fourth verses of the seventh chapter of Daniel.) So John describes the first beast he saw as having ten horns and seven heads. There will be ten nations in the League at one time, but the time of the full manifestation of Antichrist there will be but seven. These seven, however, will control the whole world. The power of Antichrist will be universal. One of the seven nations will, in my opinion, be Germany. One of the heads John saw was, as it were, wounded unto death, and the deadly wound was healed. Germany has received what appears to have been a deadly wound, but the nation will recover. Germany will again become a world power, one of the leading nations of the World Federation in its final form.

The morning is coming. Yes. But also the night. And what a night it will be! It will be a night in which humanity will exalt itself, a night in which the world will blaspheme as it has never blasphemed, a night in which

devil worship will be sanctioned and established. The time is coming when there will be a federation of churches, and later, federation of religions. Men will argue that it is foolish for people to have different religious systems, that there ought to be just one religion. Doubtless a great conference will be called and representatives of all the different religions of the world will be there, and they will agree together to discard all points of doctrine and belief that they cannot agree on; they will take a few good points that all these religions have in common and they will make them a basis of a great world religion; and the man at the head of the League of Nations at that time will be given the authority to compel men everywhere to submit to the one universal faith. Having been invested with such great authority he will develop into the greatest autocrat of all the centuries. He will appear in his true character as Antichrist. Talk about evolution. The world is to be afforded a most striking example of devil-ution in its most devilish form. The world religion in its final analysis will be devil worship. You tell me that the time will never come when men and women will actually worship the devil. That time is already here. There are people in this state, in this city, who worship the devil. A professor in San Jose some time ago, before beginning a debate with a Christian gentleman, stood before his audience and prayed this prayer; I almost feel like apologizing for repeating these words in your presence:

"O Devil, prince of demons, in the Christian hell; O thou monarch of the bottomless pit, thou king of scorpions, having stings in their tails, I beseech thee to hear my prayer, bless thy servant in his labors before thee. Fill his mouth with words of wisdom; enable him to defend thee from the false charges about to be made against thy sulphurous majesty, and triumph by truth and logic over his opponent, so that this audience may realize that thou art a prayer hearing and prayer answering devil. Amen."

You express astonishment. Why, there is a place of devil worship in this city. And there is a big motto hung up for the people to read: "IF YOU DO NOT LOVE THE DEVIL, YOU WILL SINK DEEPER INTO HELL." And it may be safely said that Christian Science, so called, is of the devil. And the miracles that are performed through it, and many of them are real miracles, are performed through the power of the Prince of Darkness. I would rather be an invalid all my life, a sufferer every moment, and die at last and go to glory, than to be healed through so called Christian Science and live without an ache or a pain the rest of my natural life. And why? Because the miracles that are performed through Eddyism are performed through demon power. It is claimed that they are through Divine power, but the time will come when the mask will be laid aside. Devil worship will be uppermost in the religion that the Antichrist will declare is the one religion for the whole world. This devil worship may be under some nice, high sounding name, but it will be

Christless. Any system without Christ and the blood is of Satan. Devil worship having been declared to be the one universal religion the decree will go forth from Antichrist who is represented in this chapter as having "two horns like a lamb," the two horns indicative of political and ecclesiastical power; the decree will go forth that all shall worship as he has decreed they shall worship and that those who will not conform to his system shall be put to death.

And in order to demonstrate to the people that his system is the true system, he will perform miracles, real miracles. The people, having rejected the Gospel of the Son of God, having repudiated the true, will be allowed by God to be deceived by demon power. Fire will be pulled down out of heaven in the sight of the people, and an image will be given life and caused to speak. When men and women, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, have spoken in other tongues, and when people beyond the help of earthly physicians have been wonderfully healed, the world has refused to listen, has refused to believe. But when the image is made to live and to speak, through demon power, the world will cry out that this is indeed the great power of him who controls the destiny of individuals and nations, and that, therefore, all men should become adherents of this great system. Every man who fails to love and stand for the truth will thereby prepare himself to be deceived by Satan.

(To be continued.)

◀◀ Knowing God and Knowing His Name ▶▶

There is abundance of revelation, abundance of truth and wealth untold to be given to the saints if we will only have grace enough to receive. And it is all hidden in the Word.

Jesus said unto His Father, "I have declared unto them Thy Name, and will declare it."

Whenever God was going to do a greater work He revealed Himself in a fresh Name. Abraham had first a revelation of God as the Most High, Possessor of Heaven and Earth, but He had a further revelation, "I am El Shaddai—the strong, all-sufficient One, the One who will be to you as a breast to nourish and strengthen you." Moses had a further revelation, "I AM THAT I AM," the self-existing One. Time after time there came further unfoldings, a little here and a little there.

And the Son of God, He unfolded and made known the Name in the fullest measure, "Emanuel," God with us. Adam was separated from God, but God goes after the sons of Adam through His Son. God with man! God going after man! God reconciled to man!

A further revelation. "God is Spirit!" God reaching out to the spirit of man. Revelation again. "God is Love!" The essence of God—the essence of love. "I have declared unto them Thy Name,

and will declare it!" God's nature declared in one way and His Name in other ways. It is the Son's special work to unveil, unfold, reveal the Names of God and the Names will show His nature.

His revelations are not exhausted. "O Thou that hearest prayer!" "Father!" "The King Eternal!" Seek to get the meaning behind the revealed Names. There is more to be revealed than has been revealed. And the revelation all comes through the Son. "I have declared unto them Thy Name, and will declare it." He told Mary Magdalene to go to the brethren and say to them, "I ascend to My Father and your Father; to My God and your God."

Flesh and blood hath not revealed these things and flesh and blood cannot have these revelations. Jesus asked, "Whom say ye that I am?" "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God!" A spiritual revelation direct from the Father. But the cloud came over immediately after and Christ said to Peter, "Thou savorest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men." It is the natural attitude of man to fall back, and to fall backwards to his own plane again. Savoring not the things of God, in spite of revelations! The Blood is the remedy against falling back

into the natural. It brings the natural to the place of death and keeps it in that place, and it leads to further revelations.

There is much land to be possessed. The King Himself is our inheritance. Jesus said, "This is life eternal, that they might know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent." Knowing God and knowing His Name, this is the heritage. That is a part of the plan of redemption. This is eternal life, knowing God through the One He has sent, the Revealer of the Revealed.

Your present knowledge of God entitles you to know more. Eternal life is conditioned on knowing God and knowing His Son. The Holy Spirit also does His part, for He takes of the unsearchable riches of Christ and shows them unto you.

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PRAYER CONVENTIONS.

It is encouraging to know how God by His Holy Spirit is moving in various parts of the world, simultaneously, in stirring His people to pray for a greatly increased measure of the Holy Ghost power and supernatural revival, world wide in extent. Brother Thomas Myerscough of Preston, Lancs, England, wrote upon receiving announcements for "the Call" for April 3rd, that he was also in receipt of a letter from a brother in China concerning the need of united prayer for the same object in view; while for weeks previous to his receipt on the same day of communications from China and America, he himself had been encouraging the members of the Preston Assembly to expect much greater spiritual visitation from God than had yet been received.

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Truly we need to exercise faith for the manifestation of much more of God's presence and power to counteract the furious onslaughts of the devil. In less than twelve month's time, Spanish influenza has caused the death of human beings, in multitudes, simultaneously, in all quarters of the globe. In India alone, literally millions have succumbed to this deadly pestilence. Since the demon powers have been permitted to create destruction of human life by millions and on a world wide scale, is it not reasonable that believers should exercise faith for the regeneration of millions of souls to be accomplished in a short time and throughout the length and breadth of the world? Surely God's resources are greater than the devil's.

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It is expected that names of places where Prayer Conventions will be held and full particulars will be printed in a later issue of the Christian Evangel and in other Pentecostal papers. It is designed to enlist the prayerful and hearty co-operation of the Pentecostal Movement in this holy enterprise which is not restricted to any single section of the Movement.

"Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain; so the Lord shall make bright clouds, and give them SHOWERS of rain, to every one grass in the field." Zech 10:1.

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PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

To the Pentecostal saints throughout the world, we announce with great joy and in humble dependence upon our crucified, risen and living Redeemer, the Lord Jesus Christ, that

Prayer Conventions

will be held in various sections of the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Europe, India, Ceylon, Africa, China, Japan, Central America, South America and Alaska. These Prayer Conventions will be held simultaneously,

June 10th to 13th, inclusive.

The object of these Prayer Conventions is another and mightier outpouring of the Holy Ghost than the Church has yet experienced. It is designed that in the sessions of these Prayer Conventions

that the major part of the time shall not be given to addresses but to the worship of Jehovah and to united and importunate intercession for the main thing in view, namely, a fresh and mighty outpouring of the Holy Ghost.

The call to the Day of Prayer for April 3rd has met with a general and very hearty acceptance throughout America; and saints in increasing numbers are being moved by the Spirit to cry with earnestness and importunity to Jehovah that He will in tender mercy speedily shake out a plentiful rain to confirm His weary inheritance (Psalm 68:9).

While we praise God with thanksgiving that the Latter Rain has been falling in recent years and Pentecost has in a very real sense come according to Acts 2:4, it is our deep conviction that the Pentecostal Movement has not measured up to the degree of apostolic power recorded in the Book of Acts, for in apostolic times God's power was manifested in the salvation of sinners in great multitudes (Acts 2:41; 4:4). in miracles of healing, and in the gracious exercise of all the nine gifts of the Spirit (1 Cor. 12).

Since the close of the war Bolshevism has greatly increased in influence and power. Bolshevism is anarchy pure and simple; its religion is atheism, and its principles are destructive of social order and of marriage as a divine institution; and its cherished purpose is the overthrow of all existing governments of the earth.

Bolshevist leaders in our own country boldly declare that the political government of America shall be overturned by bloodshed and revolution. Doubtless Satan's advance agents have come down to earth in the shape of demons who are back of the Bolshevist propaganda.

Judgment in the form of pestilences has made it increasingly difficult to maintain health and resist demon powers back of disease. The advance of the spirit of apostacy in many of the religious organizations is another characteristic of these dark days. Do not present day conditions constitute a challenge to the saints to stand heart to heart and shoulder to shoulder in praying down a fresh outpouring of the Holy Ghost to enable us to stand and not only stand, by resisting evil, but to bring in

A World Wide Supernatural Revival which will sweep millions of perishing souls at home and in heathen lands into the Kingdom?

In the year 1917, the American Bible Society issued upwards of 4,800,000 Bibles, Testaments and Scripture portions; and in the four years which ended in 1918, the British and Foreign Bible Society has issued 40,000,000 copies of the Scriptures, and has printed the Gospel in some fresh language once in every seven weeks. It is written, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my Word shall not pass away," and in another place, "I have exalted my Word above my Name." May we not be en-

couraged to believe that our faithful God will energize these millions of Scriptures by His Holy Spirit, and cause them to be instrumental in the regeneration of millions of souls dead in sin.

On May 31st, 1918, a national day of Prayer was appointed by the President of the United States to pray for the closing of the war. Canada followed by a Day of Prayer for her Dominion June 30th; and early in August a Day of Prayer was observed by Great Britain. Speedily God began to work and the tide for victory set in strongly for the allies and several weeks later the war ended.

Since God has so signally answered the prayers of His believing children by ending this war, may we not be encouraged to believe that He will answer united supplications for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all flesh which will speedily bring back the Person of our Heavenly Bridegroom to catch away His waiting and longing Bride.

Signed:

- Pastor Charles Orville Benham, Winnipeg, Canada.
- Pastor Frank M. Boyd, Bethel Bible Training School, Newark, N. J.
- Pastor Robert A. Brown, New York City.
- Pastor G. N. Eldridge, Los Angeles, Cal.
- Pastor D. W. Kerr, Cleveland, Ohio.
- Mrs. E. A. Sexton, Atlanta, Ga.

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TIENTSIN, NORTH CHINA.

I would be glad to get in touch with a married couple or young man who feels called to North China. A great need is to also have a work among the women and I should be glad should the Lord lead a couple to come and help in the work.

The Bible Class continues with good interest. I have been without a teacher or native worker for the past four months. I am trusting the Lord to lay it upon some one to support a worker for me with ten dollars a month. It is very needful for me to have one. I request your earnest prayer as I open the chapel here that souls shall be saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit.—Lloyd G. Creamer.

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COMING, COMING, YES THEY ARE.

Coming, coming, yes they are
Coming, coming, from afar;
From the wild and scorching desert,
Afric's sons of color deep,
Jesus' love has drawn and won them,
At His Cross, they bow and weep.

Coming, coming, yes they are
Coming, coming, from afar;
From the fields and crowded cities
China gathers to His feet;
In His love Shem's gentle children
Now have found a safe retreat.

• Coming, coming, yes they are
Coming, coming, from afar;
From the Indus and the Ganges
Steady flows the living stream
To love's ocean, to His bosom,
Calvary their wondering theme.

Coming, coming, yes they are
Coming, coming, from afar;
From the steppes of Russia dreary,
From Slavonia's scattered lands
They are yielding soul and spirit
Into Jesus' loving hands.

Coming, coming, yes they are
Coming, coming, from afar;
From the frozen realms of midnight,
Over many a weary mile,
To exchange their soul's long winter
For the summer of His smile.

Coming, coming, yes they are
Coming, coming, from afar;
All to meet in plains of glory,
All to sing His praises sweet;
What a chorus, what a meeting,
With the family complete!

J. Wakefield MacGill.

EXPECT REVIVALS IN THE UTMOST PARTS OF THE EARTH.

Two saints look at God's kingdom from two different view points. One asks, "Can God?" The other says, "God can." The children of Israel said, "Can God furnish a table in the wilderness?"

Moses stood on God's side; he spake unto the rock and the waters gushed forth. Paul had the same attitude. Paul said, "My God shall supply all your need

according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:19). God could supply the need of the individual, because God had supplied Paul's need and also the need of the Church. These two men stood on God's side, and saw God's dealings with the church and with His people.

Aaron sided with the unbelief of the people. "Where is this Moses?" Aaron acquiesced in their cry, "Where is this Moses?" He was with God, getting God's mind and seeing things from God's standpoint.

Aaron was so low that his view point never got higher than the top of the golden calf. Moses was so high that God said, "Get you down."

God wants people to take the same position today. God can send revival. God can send conviction. God can get blasphemers to be prayers.

Can God make great merchants humble disciples and cause them to spread their wealth at the feet of the disciples? The man of God says, "God can." God can bring Pauls out of Sauls. He can make tender nurses out of Philippian jailers; men who had been cruel brutes now wash the stripes of God's saints.

God's people need to change their platform. Don't look at revival from man's point of view, for if you do you despair. Get God's point of view. Men are as grasshoppers. He holds all in the hollow of His hand; and He can control and move on them as easily and as readily as He moves on the stars.

Change of platform gives change of viewpoint, and changes "Can God?" into "God can." "All things are possible to him that believeth."

The Holy Ghost was sent to make men witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, and the uttermost parts of the earth.

The 120 were not to be witnesses in Jerusalem only, but in the uttermost parts of the earth. When you see local revivals, think of Jerusalem and Judea, but expect revivals in the uttermost part of the earth to be the complement.

God only can put you from one platform to the other. Moses when he went down from Pharaoh's palace to his brethren to release the Hebrew from the grip of the Egyptian, thought he would be a deliverer. He failed, and he thought God's promises failed. When he got on God's side, and saw from God's point of view, then deliverance was speedy and complete.

Moses saw more of God in the desert than he did in Pharaoh's palace,—more of God's majesty, purposes, and resources: and that vision stayed with him to the end of his life.

A LITTLE CLOUD OUT OF THE SEA, THE SIZE OF A MAN'S HAND.

An Easter Day Prophetic Message.

(In the evening meeting in Fredonia, N. Y., Brother Bender's precious letter on Revival, contained in "Evangel" of April 19th, was read; saints encouraged to continue in prayer for God to pour out of His Spirit upon all flesh.

After the message from the Word, a brother gave the following message in tongues and interpretation by the Spirit.)

"God's arm is not shortened that it cannot save, nor His ear heavy that it cannot hear." God's arm is not withered either. God is on the saving hand as well as on the giving hand. "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?" That is Holy Ghost reasoning. That is Holy Ghost questioning. "With Him freely give us all things." Have you got Him? Is He your Saviour and Redeemer? Then you have the right to all things.

Desire the things of God. What is God's desire? It is His will and desire that none should perish, but that all should come to repentance and the knowledge of truth. God's grace is going to eclipse His wrath for the time being. His wrath is mighty and terrible; but in the meantime it is going to be screened and obscured by His grace. There will be thunders of blessing before thunders of wrath.

Elijahs can bring down thunderstorms of blessing. There are the Elijahs and the servants of Elijah. The servants do the watching and the looking. The Elijahs do the wrestling. No let up. Elijah on Mount Carmel was looking to God, and he hadn't time to look to the heavens. Wicked Ahabs will have to flee or get drenched.

God's arm is not shortened, neither is His ear heavy. Some people pray to God as if he were an idol, that hears not and handles not. God is active in the physical universe, and He wants to be active in the realm of grace. The prayers of His people incite Him to activity. "For thus I will be enquired of by the house of Israel." It's the same today. God wants to be enquired of. He will work when we enquire of Him to do it.

In the material world you see abundance of activity, especially in spring-time. God wants to be just as active in the spiritual realm. He wants the spring to bring in the harvest; because He does not want the Husbandman to wait longer than is necessary. "The Husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth and hath long patience for it, until He receive the early and the latter rain."

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Questions and Answers

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

649. Will God answer my prayers while I continue in sin and disobedience to Him?

Ans. Prayer without a desire to obey God is an abomination in the sight of the Lord. The Psalmist says, "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me." Friend, the only prayer you should make to God is that He will give you grace to yield your will to Jesus, that He may break the power of sin over you. If you honestly pray for this, He is ready to answer, but He does not promise to give you whatever you want in answer to prayer unless you want to be delivered from sin and be conformed to His will. Yet as a sovereign act of mercy He may do what He sees is best for you. But you must cooperate with God in order to have any claims in Him or on Him.

650. Please explain how Jesus could say He was the only man who had ascended to Heaven as in John 3:13? Did not Elijah ascend to Heaven?

Ans. The verse before makes this clear. He is talking about things He has "seen" in heaven and can make "KNOWN" on earth. So it means, "No man hath ascended up to heaven (to see and come back with a message from God about these things seen), except He that came down from heaven." Elijah did not go to get a message, he has not "come down" yet. Jesus is the only one.

651. Who is "the son of man" in Heb. 2:6?

Ans. First it is mankind or redeemed mankind; but since Jesus has become one of us in a fleshly body, he has become the head of redeemed mankind. He has inherited the title "Son of Man" and in Him all these promises made to man will be fulfilled. Jesus is now "the son of man" in Hebrews.

652. According to Hebrews 6:1-6 is there any chance for a backslider to be reclaimed?

Ans. There is a blessed chance for what we call "backsliders" to be reclaimed. Hebrews 6:1-6 does not apply to the ordinary backslider. It applies to the totally apostate who deny the possibility of salvation through the blood of Christ.

653. Explain Matt. 12:19.

Ans. This means Jesus in His humility on earth, as He was when here, would not fight, not contend for His rights, would not be rowdy; but would be meek and merciful.

654. Was it right for a preacher 33 years old to steal away a girl only 15 years old and marry her against the wishes of her mother and his mother and he having a living wife from whom he was divorced before he was saved?

No, I don't think it was right under the above circumstances and conditions.

655. Does God require the service of our whole heart, soul, mind and strength?

Yes, rightly understood. He wants whole-hearted service and full allegiance to the true God only. Whatever we do we should have, in doing it, an eye single to the glory of God.

656. If we knowingly damage our bodies, the temples of the Holy Ghost, by wrongful indulgence in food or drink, do we not thereby rob God of service due Him?

Yes, we should be temperate in all things.

657. If the true Church is to be taken up as the Bride before the great tribulation, who then are the "elect" in Mark 13:20 for whose sake those awful days are to be shortened?

If you will read verse 14 before this, you will see the scene is in the temple (the abomination standing where it ought not, namely, in the holy temple), and in Judea. The elect that will be in Jerusalem and Judea in those days are the Jews the chosen people.

658. We work with the Methodist people who have elected me as secretary and who want us to join their church. I do not feel free to do so. Tell us what you think of it.

Put them to the test of the truth, by testifying to what God has done for you and by preaching to them the whole truth. If they will accept the truth and leave you free to declare the whole truth, then I would not care about their name. I would work with any clean people and join a church with them, too, if that church will obey God and walk by the Word. Not otherwise.

659. When Jesus breathed on the disciples in John 20:22 and said, "Receive ye the Holy Ghost," were they not then and there wholly sanctified, as Jesus prayed they should be in John 17:17? They certainly received something when Jesus breathed on them.

John 15:3 says they were already clean through the Word, but they were still dull and slow to understand. But after His resurrection Jesus opened their understanding so they might know the Word, Lu. 24:45. They were put in doubt by His death as to His Messiahship, but His resurrection and appearances established again their faith, etc., etc., etc. Any unbiased mind can see a great change in the apostles between His death and Pentecost. Before Pentecost they were steadfast with "one accord" in obedience to the last command of Jesus to tarry. Acts 1:14. They had great joy and praise, Lu. 24:52-53. All of their contact with the resurrected Christ combined to make this great change.

But if they received anything in John 20:22 more than at these other times, it would have to be the Holy Ghost, for this is all that is mentioned, not sanctification. Sanctification is not even referred to. Why should we add this at

this point to God's Word? If they got any experience, it was receiving the Holy Ghost. Did they then get this?

The passage does not say they did. They are given the command or commission to receive the Holy Ghost. This they got at Pentecost, as Acts 2:1-4 shows. If they had gotten Him at John 20:22, then we never would have had Acts 2:1-4.

660. If a person gets baptized simply in the name of Jesus Christ and then afterwards sees his mistake, should he then go and be re-baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost?

There is no warrant either in example or in the teaching of the New Testament for re-baptizing a true believer who has after believing had Christian baptism. If you were buried with Christ in all good faith, the act of baptizing does not need to be done over. The act is all right. But if there were errors and wrong teachings connected with that act, then repent of these errors and turn away from them. Don't get re-baptized every time you see some new truth associated with baptism.

661. Explain the words propitiation, atonement and reconciliation as they occur in the New Testament.

In Rom. 3:25 the Greek for propitiation is HILASTERION, "place of propitiation," the mercy-seat. In 1 John 2:2 and 4:10 the word so translated is HILASMOS, "that which propitiates." The mercy-seat was where the atoning blood was sprinkled. Jesus is both the HILASMOS who by his blood propitiates, and also the HILASTERION, the place of propitiation. He is the mercy-seat sprinkled with His own blood. This was not to placate a revengeful God, but to satisfy and honor God's righteous law, so that God could be righteous when He showed mercy to the sinner. To propitiate is to satisfy. The New Testament idea of atonement for sin is expressed in HILASMOS, that which propitiates. God is not reconciled to sin or to the sinner. God is propitiated, and the sinner is reconciled to God.

The word atonement in the English in Rom. 5:11 is reconciliation in the original Greek. The word atonement in its true sense is found in the Old Testament. See Scofield's Bible with notes on atonement for this.

Reconciliation is not an Old Testament doctrine. It belongs to the New Testament. The word means a "thorough change" on the part of the sinner from enmity towards God to love and trust in Him. Reconciliation, or change in the sinner, results from the atoning blood on the cross which satisfies God's righteous demands in the law, from the propitiating blood which enables God to meet the sinner in Christ, the mercy-seat.

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Jesus' Plea For Unity



Jesus prayed, "Sanctify them through Thy truth; Thy Word is truth. Neither pray I for these (disciples) alone, but for them also which shall believe on Me through their word; that they all may be one." (John 17:17-21). He said, "I and My Father are one, (John 10:30; 17:11), and the glory which Thou gavest Me, I have given them, (why?) that they may be one, even as we are one," (John 17:22). Here Jesus makes a strong plea to the Father for unity amongst His disciples, yea, "that they may be one," even as He and the Father are one. Now, the unity Jesus prayed for is possible, for the Scriptures teach us that we are not redeemed with corruptible things as silver and gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, who verily was foreordained (foreknown) before the foundation of the world, (1 Pet. 1:18-20). In Col. 1:15-18, (& 2 Cor. 4:4), we read, "Christ is the image of the invisible God * * For by Him were all things created * * and by Him all things consist." In going back to Genesis 1:26, we read, "And God said, 'Let us (note "us" is plural), make man in our (plural) image, after our likeness.'" We read in verse 27, "And God created man in His own image; male and female created He them; and God blessed them and said unto them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and replenish (fill again) the earth.'" If we turn to the first chapter of John, we find the Genesis of the New Testament; it starts with, "In the beginning was the Word, * * and (verse 14) the Word was made flesh * * ('A body hast Thou prepared Me.'—Heb. 10:5.) and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father." Now, "The Word (that was made flesh) was with God, and the Word was God. All things were made by Him;" He "was the true light which lighteth every man that cometh into the world."

After the resurrection we see Jesus by the right hand of God exalted; Peter said, "We all are witnesses," Acts 2:32-33. In Romans 8:33-34, Paul strongly exhorts us to unity, by way of sounding a strong note of warning, "Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea, rather that is risen again, who is even (where Paul in his epistles so often tells us) at the right hand of God, who maketh intercession for us." If God's people would take heed to the Word, and seek those things which are above, (Col. 3:1), how much contention and strife would be avoided. Stephen so had his affections there, that even when being stoned to death, the vision became brighter and brighter, until he exclaimed, I see the heavens opened; I see the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God. A marvelous sight! (Acts 7:55-56). What a wonderful transforming power took hold of Stephen. Paul reminds us of the mighty power of "the God of our Lord

Jesus Christ, the Father of glory * * * which He wrought in Christ when He raised Him from the dead, and set Him at His own right hand in the heavenly places," (Eph. 1:17, 20).

If we humble ourselves, the Lord will help us, "For Christ is not entered into Holy places made with hands, * * but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us," (Heb. 9:24). Aaron and Miriam did not keep humble when God was doing mighty wonders in their midst. They allowed strife and jealousy to come in; they murmured against God's servant Moses, the meekest man in all the earth. God was so displeased that He actually caused the cloud of glory to depart from off the tabernacle; not only this, but Miriam became leprous. How often in our day has the cloud of glory departed, when strife, jealousy, and murmurings have come in. "Judge not, that ye be not judged, for with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged." May God help us! In the 4th of Ephesians, Paul beseeches us to "walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, with all lowliness and meekness, with long suffering, forbearing one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." "There is one body, one Spirit, * * One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."

These Scriptures clearly teach that there is one Spirit (the Holy Spirit), one Lord (Jesus Christ the only begotten of the Father), one God and Father of all, who is above all. The three spoken of here are not three Deities or three Gods separate and distinct one from the other, but they are one in nature, with the one Divine essence in each personality, the one Deity in each of the three—one triune God—Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Note the following:

1st, God, (who begat the only Begotten) was manifested as the Father of creation, above all; Jesus said, "My Father is greater than I." "In the beginning God."

2nd, God manifested as the Saviour of the world in the person of Christ, (1 Tim. 3:16), who being "the express image of His person," and "being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God," (Heb. 1:1-3; Phil. 2:6-7; Col. 2:9). We read in 2 Cor. 5:18-19, "God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself."

3rd, As the Holy Ghost, who in Jesus' name "proceedeth from the Father, He (the Holy Ghost) shall testify of Me," (John 15:26). In Luke 3:22 we read, the Holy Ghost descended in bodily form (R. V.) as a dove upon Him, (Jesus) and a voice came from heaven which said, "This is My beloved Son;" (Matt. 17:5 adds, "Hear ye Him.") What harmony, at Jesus' baptism, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, all manifested.

Oh, that we may be one as Jesus prayed. "I and My Father are One."

We see this oneness from Genesis to Revelation: in Genesis, in the creation of man; in Revelation, in the description of the Holy City, the New Jerusalem. "The Lord God Almighty, and the Lamb, are the temple of it, * * for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof," (Rev. 21:22-23). Paul on his way to Damascus saw something of this light. It was brighter than the noonday sun, so bright his natural eyes were blinded three days, and three nights, (Acts 9:3, 26:13). On the Mount of Transfiguration, "His face did shine as the sun."

"Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! * * for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life forevermore," (Psa. 133). When the 120 trumpeters and singers were as one, the house was filled with a cloud of glory, (2 Chron. 5:13-14). The 120 in the upper room were of one accord, when they were filled with the Holy Ghost, (Acts 2:4). They were all of one accord in Solomon's porch and God wrought many wonderful signs and wonders amongst the people by the hands of the apostles, (Acts 5:12). Paul prayed for the Ephesians "to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge." In 1st Cor. 13, he exclaimed, "Though I * * understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; * * and have not charity, (love) it profiteth me nothing." Here is where so many fail, and the result is strife and division. "Charity is kind, envieth not, is not puffed up, is not provoked." (R. V.) All other things may fail, but thank God, charity never faileth. In Col. 2:1-2, Paul again exhorts to unity, "For I would that ye knew what great conflict I have for you, and for them at Laodicea, * * that their hearts might be comforted being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ." Jesus said, "Learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls." "The meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace." The three Hebrew children stood together in unity, and when cast into the fiery furnace, Nebuchadnezzar was compelled to exclaim, "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God." Surely "God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble."

May the saints stand as one, that Jesus' prayer may be answered. May we submit to all the will of God, "And when all things shall be subdued unto Him, then shall the Son also Himself be subject unto Him, that God may be all in all." (1 Cor. 15:24-28). "A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another, as I have loved you." (John 13:34). "Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they

may have right to the tree of life, * * I. Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches," (Rev. 22:14-16).

Note the following Scripture quotations: "If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man." "A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong city." "Only by pride cometh contention." "Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth: Keep the door of my lips." "Follow Peace (note peace) with All (all) men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." "May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all, Amen."

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✕ The foregoing scriptural emphasis of the dear Lord's call and plea and prayer for unity to the point of oneness among God's people, calls for a response from every true child of God in all the whole world. If this can be realized among us who are of like precious faith, there will result a mighty coming forth on the part of God I am sure. The lack of unity among His people is hindering God from showing forth His power among them and must continue to hinder so long as it exists. My heart cries out to God that the lack may be made up and that HIS people who have received His Spirit may all determine to resist every influence that would cause serious divisions and make a determined effort at keeping the unity of the Spirit, clearly intending to come constantly closer and closer to that unity of faith and knowledge which will result in making us one even as the Father and Son are one.

It is a bitter mistake to think that divisions and separations are features of the divine plan for developing the body of Christ or for establishing the truth. Let us look lovingly and longingly toward each other and up to God. The true vision includes not only the Master's face, but His body as well. If we shall learn to "love one another with a pure heart fervently," we will "consider one another to provoke unto love and good works" and will "be at peace among ourselves."—J. W. W.

THE SEVEN SPIRITS OF GOD.

Rev. 1:4.

By W. V. Kneisley.

"John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from Him (Ex. 3:14) who is, and who was, and who is to come; and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne; and from Jesus Christ who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the Prince of the kings of the earth." This is a most wonderful message to all the churches represented by "the seven," and from the Godhead in all its fulness, to-wit: He who is, was, and is to come.—God the Father, and from the seven Spirits who are before the throne—the Holy Spirit in His equality, and in His continual procession from the Father and from the Son, Jno.

14:26. The Holy Spirit in His sevenfold action by which He works upon the souls of men; the Holy Spirit taken distributively in each church, in each angel—pastor, in every saint of God. He is omnipresent,—one in the Godhead in heaven, 1 Jno. 5:7; and the chief one of the three witnesses to testify in earth, 1 Jno. 5:6, 8. "And from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the first begotten from the dead, and the Prince of the kings of the earth." It is both a Divine and a perfect message,—**Threefold and Sevenfold.**

"And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write: These things saith He that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars (angels); I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead." Rev. 3:1. The Holy Ghost taken distributively—the seven Spirits of God, bestows the divers gifts, wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, miracles, prophecy, discerning of spirits, divers kinds of tongues, and interpretation of tongues, "dividing to every man severally as He will." 1 Cor. 12:4-13.

"And there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are seven Spirits of God." Rev. 4:5. A door was opened in heaven. The saints are caught up in the rapture. Jesus had said, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto Me." Jno. 12:32. He is the magnet and we have the Holy Spirit in us. "For thru Him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father." Eph. 2:18. The sevenfold Spirit "over there" is stronger than the onefold Spirit in us, and we are drawn right up to the throne of God and walk in the light of the seven lamps or Spirits of God. "And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light, and they shall reign forever and ever." Rev. 22:5.

"And I beheld, and lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth." Rev. 5:6. Unity in heaven and in the body of Christ. Eph. 4:3-7. There are Father, Son and Holy Ghost, but one Lord. The seven horns represent Almighty power, and that is in the Lamb. "All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth." Matt. 28:18.

The seven eyes are the seven Spirits of God, sent forth into all the earth. Nothing can be hid from Him, "Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in His sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of Him with whom we have to do." Heb. 4:13. "They are the eyes of the Lord, which run to and fro thru the whole earth." Zech. 4:10. Connect with this also Heb. 1:13-14.

The Holy Spirit in His sevenfold operation as the seven Spirits of God:

1. He reproves the world of sin, righteousness, and of judgment.
2. He teaches you all things. Jno. 14:26.
3. He abides, comforts and dwells within. John 14:16.

4. He testifies, guides and reveals things to come. Jno. 14:26; 16:13-15.
5. He sanctifies. 2 Thes. 2:13; Acts 15:18.
6. He intercedes for the saints. Rom. 8:27.
7. He seals the soul. Eph. 4:30. Jno. 16:8.

The seven are one and the one are seven. Amen.

"Upon one stone shall be seven eyes." Zech. 3:9. Jesus when here in His corporeal body could only be present in one place at the same time, but in the Spirit to each saint everywhere on earth. He declares, "Lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the world." Matt. 28:20. "I will not leave you comfortless, I will come to you." Jno. 14:18. "If a man love Me, he will keep my words, and My Father will love him, and we will come unto him and make our abode with him." Jno. 14:23. He is with us sevenfold.

THE VERY SAME JESUS.

I want to praise the dear Lord for His wonderful love to us, and want to tell for the glory of God how He healed our little boy. I went away early in the morning before he was awake. When I returned in the afternoon my wife said he had been sick all day. We prayed, which we always do, and is our only resort in times of trouble, yet he seemed no better, and we were up with him the greater part of the night. However, we held on to God in prayer and believed that He was able who had promised. We prayed for him again and anointed him with oil in the name of the Lord and we felt that the work was done. About 3 A. M. the little fellow got out of bed and came to me and said, "Papa, what do you s'pose Jesus has done for me?" I asked, "What did he do, son?" He said, "Why, He has healed me. I felt him do it." and from that very moment he was healed. Oh glory be to God! It is truly wonderful to take Him at His word, then let God do the rest.—Pastor J. S. Stuart, Citica, Kans.

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A Glimpse of Pentecost in Japan.

By Mildred Edwards.

Having spent nearly two months in different Pentecostal missions in Japan I feel Jesus will be glorified in my giving forth a little testimony of the work as I have found it.

At Yokohama, Oct. 3rd, I was met by two dear native evangelists and taken at once to Mrs. Bernauer's work in Tokio. Here I was much blessed in my stay of five weeks. Dear Mrs. Bernauer's work is largely with university students who, eager for knowledge of English, come to her Bible Classes for that; but many find far more, the Knowledge of Him, whom to know is Life Eternal. The results of this work can be best represented by a sample testimony from one of these dear boys after leaving Tokio. He wrote:

"Dear Madam, I have now pleasure to write you about my thoughts. First of all I must thank you for your kindness through which I could return the high road of human being and enjoy very happy with persons who are walking in the same road, or the light. I believed before that this exquisite and capacious universe was necessarily created by a great and mighty power, but I could not understand what that power was. Whenever (however) at the fine day I visited the spacious field called Toyamanohara near my house, as you know, and gazed the firmament with the heart of an innocent child, I would feel something of inspiration and to be in the firmament, but I could be still then unconvinced what the inspiration was. My closed heart with a question is at last opened by precious and only one God of me. The power and the inspiration is God Himself. When I heard these words from you, I could not help joyful. Oh! I am now very happy because I can believe Him, and God is always with me. Trusting that you are making efforts for the spreading of Gospel more and more. I beg your pardon; if any, for my bad manners and your guidance. Yours truly, M. Motoshima."

Do you wonder that I "could not help joyful" when this splendid soul burst forth from its dark prison of ignorance and idolatry into the light and liberty of the True God and Saviour? Besides the Bible Classes, Mrs. Bernauer has a Sunday School for children and evangelistic services for older ones on Sundays.

Then I spent a very precious week with the dear Juergensens in the heart of Tokio. Dear Brother and Sister Juergensen and their two little girls came out to Japan five years ago in the face of much opposition and suffering, but "following the Lamb whithersoever" and believing God who said, "I will make thy daughter thy mouthpiece," and today God has given them three live wire missions, and little Marie of only sixteen years speaks, reads and writes the language, and is, I believe, one of the busiest and most faithful missionaries in the world.

This is a sample of her busy life.

Saturday afternoon a Sunday School of some forty children gather into the home mission. Little Marie is the superintendent and teacher and everything all in one. Saturday night a meeting in the home mission, Sunday morning a large S. S. at a second mission, the little ones filling all the seats and sitting on mats on floor and standing in aisles, over one hundred, but O how the Holy Spirit controls and brings forth the Word of God as our little missionary ministers to these precious jewels for Jesus, and how their little faces light up and their voices sing out in the songs and responses of their teacher.

Following this S. S. comes a preaching service to the older people. Now dear Bro. Juergensen preaches, and by his side stands this dear faithful little interpreter, intently catching not only the words but the Spirit of the message, giving it forth by "that same Spirit" for an hour or more. Then home for dinner and soon they are out again to another mission and a larger S. S. of 150 children, followed again by a preaching service interpreted.

Then home for supper and again we go forth to the harvest field, another evangelistic service followed by souls seeking God and finding Jesus precious. Home late, tired? Yes, indeed, after five whole-souled services. But for the Master's sake these precious laborers prefer their mission halls to a comfortable home, and little Marie, coming in from five services, must have a cot set up in the mission hall, or empty the dining room for a place to sleep. But not a word of murmuring, only a broken spirit that she may thus share her Lord's lowliness.

Monday is rest day, but Tuesday meetings begin every night in the different missions, taking turns with the native evangelists, and one afternoon Marie has a woman's meeting when she teaches them English for the privilege of giving them a message about Jesus following the English class. Beloved, this child and this dear family are burning out on the altar of Japan in their fiery zeal for precious souls.

After six weeks thus spent in Tokio came a call to Kobe to visit Brother and Sister Taylor's work, but what shall I say now, "Surely God hath enlarged my borders?" I am taken back to a few years ago when I saw a picture of "The Door of Hope" on an Evangel cover and the Spirit so marvelously witnessed to me that I wondered then if some day I was to be in this work. Then as I read Bro. Taylor's account of the poor fallen girls of Japan the Spirit fell on me in weeping, and it seemed my heart must break. I had always felt a great longing toward rescue work, and now here I am right in it, and how I do praise God for this wonderful privilege to be with these blessed followers of our precious Jesus even for this short time.

These dear ones are conducting missions in Kobe, Osaka, Okayama and other towns. They have their home base in Kobe. Here the dear children, Hudson and Esther, are in school and

Bro. Taylor spends five days in the week with the different missions and his large correspondence and publishing work, sandwiching in every kind of help for every one, from individually entertaining missionaries held over in Kobe, (over twenty this year), many a time giving up his own room and sleeping on the floor, to cooking or washing the dishes to help out in the kitchen; anywhere there is a need of any kind, you can find this practical man, from the pulpit and prayer room to the office and kitchen, and the beautiful messages the Spirit gives him find their illustrations in every day life.

But I had only been a short time in Kobe when dear Bro. and Sister Taylor called me to join Sister Taylor in Okayama with her band of rescued girls, which she is leading into the full baptism of the Spirit and training in evangelistic work. God had called them to Okayama, some five hours' ride from Kobe, a city of 100,000, where this last summer in five months' campaign in tent work with dear Bro. Thornton, He wonderfully blessed in the salvation of souls. And now Sister Taylor felt, the tent being taken down because of cold weather, they were to go on with work and gather up the converts into bundles, teaching, instructing and leading on into the Holy Ghost baptism.

So here we are living in a Japanese house in largely Japanese manner. The day begins with a six o'clock prayer meeting at the mission hall, the dear girls rising very early and skipping out under the stars to the place of prayer. Dear Sister Taylor herself often rises long before this for prayer and the Word. Sunday we have S. S. at 9 A. M., communion and preaching at 10:30 lasting till one or two P. M. We have two meals thru the day in the home, so we can stay on in the meetings without inconvenience to anyone. Meeting again in the evenings both on the street and in the mission.

Again Monday night and Tuesday night we walk several miles, holding a meeting in a mission hall at the farther end of the city; children's meetings first, and then an evangelistic service for older ones, and last night after these two services we went up stairs to a dear praying invalid's room and held a prayer meeting. Four girls went up from the service and during the prayer surrendered to Jesus. Wednesday evening again at the near mission. Thursday fasting and waiting on God by Sister Taylor and those led. Thursday night mission meeting. Friday we go with a band of the girls to Si-Digy (a town some ten miles away), and here we give out tracts, do house to house visitation and in the evening hold a street and mission meeting.

Last week while Sister Taylor and some workers had gone up to a factory, the girls and I went to Bro. Miller's little tent and here the children were so many. I said to the girls to have a meeting right there and so we did, these dear rescued girls singing and talking to the children an hour or more. Then we all marched through the street, singing

as we went, and finally held a street meeting for one hundred or more people in the rain, but they gathered and stayed to hear the gospel, many for the first time. Sister Taylor has a blessed Spirit-filled Jap sister for interpreter, so that it is easy to give our messages through interpretation. This dear sister, Mrs. Nikka, is a very blessed preacher herself. Saturday we again wait on God and keep as a rest day for all.

What a blessed work, and so perfectly balanced in "prayer and the ministry of the Word." I would say the leading characteristic in the work here to me is the blessed unity and love in the workers and converts. Jesus, the Lamb, is in the midst. I wish there was space to tell of these different girls dear Sister Taylor has rescued. She has given them all Christian names that seem to suggest the very character of the girl named: Grace, Peace, Joy, Love, Patience, Dorcas, Mercy and Truth. Some of them have received the baptism and others are waiting on God. I wish you could see the light on their faces and hear their ringing testimonies.

LAST WORDS OF GODLY MEN AND WOMEN.

"Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace." Psa. 37:37.

"God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from hence.—Joseph, son of Israel. Gen. 50:25. (See Exo. 3:6-10.)

"Happy art thou, O Israel: who is like unto thee, O people saved by the Lord, the Shield of thy help, and who is the Sword of thy excellency! and thine enemies shall be found liars unto thee; and thou shalt tread upon their places."—Moses, the lawgiver of Israel.—Deut. 33:29. (2 Sam. 7:23.)

"Father, into Thy hands I commend My Spirit."—Jesus Christ, the Son of God.—Luke 23:46. (See Psa. 31:5; Acts 7:59.) Note, Jesus uttered these words, after He, as the great sin-bearer, had cried: "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me," and after He had said: "It is finished."

"Lord Jesus receive my spirit." . . . "Lord lay not this sin to their charge."—Stéphen.—Acts 7:59, 60. (See Luke 23:34 and 6:27-29; Matt. 5:44; Rom. 4:12-13; 1 Pet. 2:33.)

Saint Paul's last testimony to Timothy: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."—2 Tim. 4:7. (See 2 Tim. 2:3-4; Eph. 6:11-18.)

"I thank Thee that Thou hast graciously vouchsafed, this day and this hour, to allot me a portion amongst the number of martyrs."—Polycarp, pastor of the church at Smyrna. Died at the stake.

"Death to me for Christ's sake is welcome."—Bishop John Hooper, (1555). Burned at the stake. (See Acts 21:13; Rom. 8:35.)

"O Lord! give me grace to persevere unto the end; and pardon those whose sentence is now to separate my soul from my body; they are not unjust, but

blind. O Lord! enlighten by Thy Spirit this people who are around me, and bring them very soon to a knowledge of the truth."—Bartholomew Hector, 15th century. (See 2 Cor. 12:9.)

"Welcome the Cross of Christ, welcome everlasting life."—Laurence Saunders. Suffered at the stake in the reign of Bloody Mary.

"O Lord, receive my soul! O Lord, receive my spirit!"—Rawlins White, in the reign of Mary.

"This soul in flames I offer, Christ to Thee."—Jerome the Martyr, as he perished in the flames for the truth of God.

"Jesus Thou son of David, have mercy on me." sang John Huss, the Bohemian martyr at the stake.

"Glory be to the Father, to the Son and to the Holy Ghost."—Bede.

"I have kept the faith."—Bishop Bedell, A. D. 1692. (See 2 Tim. 4:2.)

"O what unspeakable glories do I see; what joy beyond thought or expression am I sensible of; I am assured of God's mercy to me through Jesus Christ."—John Wilmot, Earl of Rochester, 1680.

"I now commend my soul into Thy hands."—John Knox, the great Reformer of Scotland. (See Luke 23:46.)

"I shall enter into the desired haven, toward which this frail vessel of mine has been a long time steering."—Jane, the Protestant Queen of Navarre.

"I would not change my joy for the empire of the world."—Sir Philip Sidney, 15th Century.

"Youth I forgive thee. Go unhurt."—Richard the Lion-hearted, to his assassin. (See Matt. 6:14, and 5:44; Col. 3:13.)

"See how calmly a Christian can die."—Adison. (See 1 John 4:18; 1 Cor. 15:55.)

"Blessed be God, all is well."—Daracott. (See Isaiah 3:10.)

"I thank God I have done my duty."—Lord Nelson.

"The best of all is God is with us."—John Wesley. (See Rom. 8:31, 32.)

"Into Thy hands I commend My spirit. Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord God of truth."—Martin Luther. Ps. 31:5. (See Luke 23:46; Acts 7:59; 1 Pet. 2:23.)

"We shall meet ere long to sing the new song, and be happy forever in a world without end."—John Bunyan, author of "Pilgrim's Progress."

BENARES, U. P., INDIA.

We now have full and complete charge of the Pentecostal work at two stations, Benares and Bahaich. On the two compounds we have, all told, fifty-seven native Christians, who look to God, through us, to supply all of their needs. The spiritual and the financial work is entirely in our hands. Of course we have very efficient help from our eleven good preachers and their wives, all native. We also have associated with us one young American missionary, who has not yet been in India a year.

Besides the above we have five orphan boys, ranging in age from two years of age to about fifteen. Also three old widows, who would be cast out to die if we did not keep them, and a blind man and his wife.

Our work at Benares consists mainly of preaching and distributing literature to the thousands of pilgrims who throng the streets of Benares at all times. I suppose you know that Benares is one of the oldest, if not the oldest, city in the world. It was an old city when Ninevah and Babylon were built, and it has always been the sacred city of the Hindus. Stoddard, who is pretty good authority, says that a continual stream of pilgrims has been going to Benares for thirty centuries. They come here to bathe in, and worship the Ganges river, and to worship the idols in the thousands of temples here. They come from all over the world, every Hindu wants to visit Benares at least once in his life. If a Hindu commits a serious sin, which to them means killing a cow, or something similar, he cannot hope to have the sin washed away unless he will come to Benares and bathe in the river. They teach that to die here insures salvation even for a Christian.

The important point in connection with these pilgrims is that they go away again to the most remote corners of India, where we can never hope to go, and if we can get the Gospel into their hands and hearts they will take it with them. It was through them that Mrs. Besant spread Theosophy all over the world, and if an evil thing like that can be spread in this manner, why not the Gospel? We have six men constantly engaged in preaching on the streets of Benares to the pilgrims.

Our work at Bahaich is of a different nature. It is there that we have our orphan boys, and we expect that the Lord will give us many more to train for his glory if Jesus tarries. Evangelistic work is also being vigorously carried on there.

Mrs. Norton and I live at Benares, but we frequently visit Bahaich, and stay for weeks at a time to see the work there. Mr. Nicodem, our young missionary is living at Bahaich. There are also several good native preachers there, with their families.

W. K. Norton.

PEKING, CHINA.

The Lord has led me after nine years of continuous service in the foreign field to return to the U. S. on furlough, joining my wife, who left China for her home last April on account of ill health. God has graciously led Mrs. S. Anna Bush and her daughter to us here in Peking, and they will have full charge of the work during my absence. All money should be directed to them.

The work here is very prosperous. Large crowds gather at the street meetings at every service, and the Chapel is well filled with eager listeners, and always some remain to seek the Lord. We are believing for great things for God in this land. Pray for us.—H. E. Hansen, Home address, 1823 Sixth St., Berkeley, Calif.

Send 20 cents for a large sample package of tracts.

In The Regions Beyond

MISSIONARY OFFERINGS

At this season of the year there is frequently a falling off in Missionary offerings, but we trust that the Evangel family who have responded so generously to every appeal for funds during the past winter months, will continue to send their liberal support for our missionaries during the coming summer months. There are now over 120 foreign missionaries associated with the Council, and a minimum income of \$6000.00 per month is needed. We must also bear in mind that the final payments on Bro. Kelley's South China Home have to be met. Our brother will need several thousand more dollars.

One hundred per cent of funds contributed are sent to the field, without deductions whatever, even for postage. Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps can be utilized and are gladly received into the Missionary Treasury. Bequests of funds and property can be left to the General Council of the Assemblies of God for missionary purposes. Address all offerings, Stanley H. Frodsham, Missionary Treasurer, 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Missouri. Will Canadian friends please send either New York drafts or Post Office Money Orders, as Canadian checks and currency are very heavily discounted.

GOING TO INDIA.

As soon as the Lord opens the way, my wife and I will join our brother, James Harvey, at Nawabganj Mission, Gonda Dist., India. I am now free from the army and we are ready to set sail as soon as the way is open. Brethren, pray for us.—Clifford S. Harvey and Wife, Stanway, Essex, England.

EST. 25 DE MAYO, ARGENTINE.

I have been weeping for joy this week as I have learned of how the gospel is transforming the lives of a good number. Among my neighbors, men, women and children are coming under its influence more and more, are leaving off their vices, and are reading their Bibles eagerly. Three dear young women told me last Tuesday that they are now convinced of the truth and want to be saved. Pray for their conversion.

I recently made a trip to De Valle and Bolivar again. Hilda Lucanguloli, a girl of not quite seven years, accompanied me. She is one of the best workers in the mission. She sings the gospel wherever she goes; she invites others to come to the services, and teaches her little brothers and friends to pray. We distributed tracts on the train, and in the railway station, which were eagerly received. We found some earnest believers where we visited. Native Christians in this country greatly need your prayers for they have to meet the scorn, opposition, and persecution of the world and of the false system of religion established in this country.

Pray for one in this city who years ago was a great drunkard, but who when he heard the gospel, quit the vice and was baptized by the missionary who then had a work here. Through disobedience to the gospel in one way or another he began to backslide, until now he never comes to meeting and tries to prevent others from coming, and this week he was seen reeling in the streets intoxicated. His poor wife was sick in bed over the affair.—Alice C. Wood.

SISTEE LOU PAGE ASLEEP IN CHRIST.

Your letter received today, just six days after dear Sister Page fell asleep in Jesus. She had influenza. As soon as Bro. Page died she sent for me to come and stay with her, but I was unable to go at that time. But Sister Page sent for me again, so I was with her, held her in my arms and comforted her, and later closed her eyes and prepared her for burial, as there is no undertaker here. I am now staying on in the house caring for the children. There are four of them, the eldest will be six next month, and the youngest is thirteen months. And, God willing, I will take care of them until the relatives send for them, carrying water a long way, splitting wood, doing all the washing, cooking and housework. The washing is something startling in all this heat. But I know it is what the Master would have me do at present.—Sarah L. Dowle.

SAINAM, SOUTH CHINA.

Could you be in China today you would wonder if we were not having a "Fourth of July," for at midnight last night an incessant boom, boom, boom of fire-works announced to us that it was the Chinese New Year. It is the most celebrated day of all the year. All business is discontinued and the people feast and worship several days. At the door of every home is posted a hideous picture which looks very much like the devil, and is posted there for the purpose of keeping him outside the home during the New Year. Poor deluded souls! They cannot see that he has already moved in and has taken up his abode, not only in their homes, but in their hearts. How deluded the human mind can become when it is out from under God's control and is given over to the devil to operate at will.

On either side and above the door is posted a panel-shaped strip of bright red paper, the characters on which mean "The five blessings." Evidently the Chinese must have known something about the Mosaic law thousands of years ago, but alas, today the densest darkness reigns. Robbing, killing, kidnapping and even selling their own children, are the gross sins committed at the close of the old year to obtain money to meet their obligations and to settle up all their debts before the New Year dawns.

It is hard for us who have been raised in a Christian country to realize in the full sense of the word what it means to be a heathen. It came over me with new meaning last Sunday when I was trying to teach an old grandmother how to pray. We had spent a great deal of time explaining to her the way of life before she was at last willing to tear down all her idols. She wanted to learn how to pray. We had to teach her to kneel down and close her eyes, then she would repeat the sentences after us in prayer. Her home is several hours' walk from the Shin Kong Mission, but she promises to return every seventh day (that is our Sunday), and receive more instruction. In the meantime she promised to kneel down at least twice a day and pray the prayer we taught her, and to pray another prayer thanking God for her food before eating each meal. It takes patience and perseverance to bring the gospel to China, but, praise God, inch by inch we are gaining ground.—Willa B. Lowther

MISSIONARIES LEAVING FOR AFRICA.

Bros. Wm. H. Johnson and Edgar Perseoneous, Sisters Macey Boddy, Ruth Erickson and Sophie Nygaard, five Council missionaries, with Miss Eustace of Elim, expect to sail for Cape Palmas, Liberia on April 28th. Let us follow this party with our prayers, that God will keep them wrapped up in the 91st Psalm. Bro. Harry Bowley has returned to this country from Liberia, and can be addressed at Zion City, Illinois.

CAPE PALMAS, LIBERIA.

We praise God for His loving kindness to us these days; while the people in many parts of the country are almost starving, He is wonderfully supplying our needs. He has greatly blessed our corn patch and we are eating some of the finest corn from it at this time. God is faithful, and He says, "I will abundantly bless her provision, I will satisfy her poor with bread." I don't know whom this refers to, but I take it that it means us. Hallelujah!

Sabbath before last I took our native evangelist and wife, also several of our mission boys and walked to Klooka, a town about four miles distant. We did not have a very large crowd, but we had a good service in front of the King's house. The King's wife cooked dinner for us which consisted of rice and palm butter with some dried birds cooked in it.

This is surely a great and whitened harvest field but the laborers are few. Most everybody prefers to work in the home vineyard but Jesus says, "Go ye into all the world." Pray with us for more spiritual workers to be sent here.—Bernice L. Pottorff.

TOKIO, JAPAN.

We have just closed a week of special meetings which we held at our Fujimal Mission Station. The Lord did wonderfully bless, as we by His grace threw out the life-line to the lost souls drifting away in utter darkness.

One of my dear little Sunday School girls who I know loved Jesus and never failed to come to Sunday School whether it rained or snowed, died with influenza the other day. I remember so well her bright face as she told me how she prayed to Jesus every day with her little sisters, and I feel deep down in my heart a blessed assurance that she has gone to be with Jesus. I am rejoicing in the blessed privilege of leading these little lambs to Jesus. Oh how I do love them all, and love the sweet gatherings we have together! It makes me greatly rejoice when I think that this dear little girl has gone to be with Jesus, because she learned to pray and love Jesus in our little Sunday School. I remember a few Sundays before she was taken sick, asking the children, "Who is Jesus?" One tiny fellow said, "Teacher, He is the one with the white clothes on." (Many times in the picture rolls Jesus is dressed in white.) Then another one said, "He is the One who heals sick people." Then I saw this little girl raise her hand, (the only one who had her hand up in the whole room), and she answered, "He is the true God of Heaven."

When I saw the love gift from the Lord enclosed in your letter I said from the depths of my heart, "My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit rejoiceth in God my Saviour." The tenth of this love gift from the Lord goes to get mother a new dress. All the six years we have been in Japan mother has not had a new dress, and needs one badly. How we do praise the Lord for His loving kindness to us.—Marie Jurgensen.

KOMATIPORT, TRANSVAAL, S. AFRICA.

On Sunday last two men openly took their stand for the Lord, one a man with whom the Spirit has long been striving. For sometime past he has been practicing medicine, and is in no small sense a witch doctor. His heart wants God, but the enemy has a strong hold on him, for he desires to be famous, loving show.

Another we want you to pray for is Alusahola. This boy took a stand for the Lord sometime ago. When we first came in touch with him six years ago he was a helpless cripple. When but a small boy he had run a thorn in his knee which had put him in this condition, but when he heard that Jesus could heal him he at once asked us to pray and prayed himself. In a short time he was walking and soon left our part, and so was lost to us for sometime, but not to the Lord. A few months ago he came asking us for work, saying he wanted to serve the Lord, for He had healed him. He has been here ever since and is doing well in the school, but he needs prayer.

Fifteen young women and girls came forward for prayer on Sunday last. There is real desire in many hearts to know the Lord. Large numbers continue to come, filling the church at almost every meeting.—Bertha Sutley.

WAIALUA, OAHU, HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

We have been encouraged lately by seeing a new awakening among many of these dear people. On Sunday night three came to the front of the little mission and knelt at the altar and gave their hearts to God. Since we came to Waialua quite a number have been blessedly saved and set free from sin and are living lives that prove to others that they have found Jesus. Soon after we came here there was one young man blessedly saved and filled with the joy of the Lord. He would go into the fields and tell of the wonderful things that the Lord had done for him, and soon others got hungry and he was instrumental in the Lord's hands in leading eight or ten other young men to the Lord.

The Spanish influenza has been very bad here for the past few weeks and a number have died with it. It has been all around here in the Spanish camp, but we have kept pleading the blood and claiming the 91st Psalm. Whole families have been down with it and we have gone in and out among them, pointing them to Jesus. One man (a Filipino) who was seemingly dying, sent for me to go and see him. I went and found him in a very weak condition and bleeding terribly from the nose. He could hardly speak above a whisper but told me he thought he was dying, and asked me to hold his hand while he died. He lived that night, and the next day I went to see him again, but he was still very weak. I asked him if he wanted me to pray with him. He said he did, so I told him to pray and ask God to save him. The Lord met with us as we called upon Him. The man was so weak that all he could say was "Jesus, Jesus." But thank God, that was enough for it is written, "Who-soever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." From that time he began to get better and today he is well and strong.

Our Sunday School has an average attendance of from 80 to 100 and many of these children have been saved.—Clarence and Mary Johns.

ORGAN FOR SALE.

I have a large sized Bilhorn folding organ with a trunk made for it, all in first class condition, for sale. For further particulars address, Mrs. W. A. Mercer, Waukegan, Tex.

CONCERNING ARMENIA AND THE EAST

We have been asked to make a statement as to whether there is any Pentecostal work in Armenia and the East. The Zion Orphanages, erected by Sister M. Gerber, in Armenia, have not been reopened; but the trustees of this work are earnestly praying for the right parties to be forthcoming, who may proceed to Armenia to reopen this work. We have sent all funds contributed for Armenia to the trustees of this orphanage work.

Sister A. E. Brown, a missionary of the General Council, has returned to Jerusalem, and the Missionary Treasurer will gladly forward any funds for relief work in the East, to this most trustworthy worker.

CARACAS, VENEZUELA.

There are some things concerning the growth of this mission during our 22 years' labor in this land, that would, I am sure make a little chapter in the mystery and miracles of missions. I received the memorable experience nearly twelve years ago, that broke up the inner depths, and transported me for a season into realms of unspeakable realities. The former things have never been the same since, the latter things have never ceased to hold the principles and power expressed in that experience.

The two or three initial years of our missionary labor on this field revealed errors and failures, starting us in the right direction, but costing years before reaching the maturity of today, which gives us a Margarita as an example, the latest and best, with the Apostolic hallmark (perhaps better called the Apostolic birth-mark), the genuine evidence of the Holy Spirit's energy, bringing forth almost independently of man's agency, an infant church of the primitive type. We do not discount the instrumentality of our dear Bro. and Sister Eddings, but, with them, magnify the Lord in the recognition of the power of the Word, watered or quickened by the Holy Spirit. There are about 50,000 souls on that island, the majority illiterate, illegitimate, and miserably deluded by Rome's pagan superstitions. Our entrance into that island began years ago, by the Gospel entering into the heart of one of its sons saved in our Caracas mission; later a visit to his family gave us some of the first fruits. Thousands of copies of Scriptures have been sold at various intervals, and now we were privileged to hold several gatherings, at various points, they flocked as doves to the windows, many hearing for the first time. But the most manifest work of the Spirit is a group of men gathered into a band, like as the chosen twelve, eager in their effort to see the Gospel a palpable reality in the island, who are now counselling with us how best to erect a chapel at once (offering to do this themselves), as a permanent testimony that Christ and His Gospel have come to Margarita. Some of these are pearl fishers; we believe all are pearls for the Master's crown.

This island, with the ports on the mainland, could well employ three native workers, besides the missionary to supervise. Bro. Eddings must return to the States at this time, for a while, and we have but one native to hold the fort, and he borrowed from another station.

The vision carries, but we wait for it, the goal is reached, when the Indians of the Orinoco are reached. Our Indian boys are in training for this, in Hebron. Moral and material forces must co-operate in leading these objectives of the mission to their culmination. We are sure you will be helpers in prayer.—Gerard A. Bailly.

BARBADOS, B. W. I.

I am well and happy in the Lord, doing all I can to win souls for my blessed Lord. I have been in Barbados since the 3rd of February and held services in Ecksteen Village, Welches, Sergeants, Zion Hill, and Crab Hill, one week in each place. I have still three or four more places to go to. Bro. Jamieson started the Pentecostal work in this place years ago. They were glad to see me. They are good people; many souls have been saved, and pressed through and received the baptism in the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. Since I came I have written Bro. Jamieson to come over here soon for they all like to see him. I have helped them to pay the rent in two places, and done what I could to help them along in their works for God, besides preaching.

At Crab Hill they worship in a place 12x20. On Sunday morning the 2nd of March as I got to the place the place was packed inside and outside, and there were 36 of them seeking the baptism and the blessings from God. At night as I got through there were more than twice as many outside as there were inside, it was completely packed. They are very poor people, working on the plantations for 12 and 14 cents per day, and everything is extremely high, so I told them that I would ask some of the good people in the United States if they would help them to get a larger place, by having a little extension put on to the house. They love to sing and praise the Lord. God bless them is my prayer.—C. J. Hanson.

SAHARANPUR, U. P., INDIA.

I must tell you how much I enjoy the Christian Evangel. I have watched with great interest the reports of the gatherings of the Missionary Conferences, and the General Council at Springfield. How my heart was made glad to see that there was no change in the decision arrived at formerly regarding the speaking in tongues as the initial physical sign of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. We find that this is the chief stone of stumbling and rock of offence among the nominal Christians in this land, but we also feel that it is God's appointed way for us, and that this way of the cross leads home by the road of power. May we never become ashamed of this way and try to shirk it. Some indeed have felt this cross too heavy, but instead of getting rid of the burden, they have received many burdens that have come through getting out of the will of God.

We can report the Lord blessedly working here. During the year 1918 the Lord blessedly poured out His Spirit here on the work, and several were baptized in the Holy Ghost. Shortly after that we came and joined Miss Herron and found a blessed spirit of unity and love which is still manifested. Those who came into the experience are going on blessedly as a whole. Several have been healed also, and a number have followed the Lord by immersion. Others have consecrated their lives fully to the Lord for service. We have had the joy of seeing others come in from other places and be blessed and go forth to do and live for Him.

Last Friday, Jan. 10th, we went to see the body of Bro. Paul Van Valen laid away to rest. He died from typhoid fever which he evidently contracted while in camp.—A. A. Blakeney.

CAMP MEETING AT PORT LAVACA, TEXAS.

Camp meeting will begin June 13th. Everybody cordially invited. Come and bring someone with you. Pray for this meeting.—Pastor C. D. Smalley.

Sunday School Lesson

FROM A PENTECOSTAL VIEWPOINT

SIN AND ITS CONSEQUENCES.

May 11. Gen. 3:1-24; Rom. 1:18-23;
Jas. 1:15.

Read Gen. 3:1-13. Golden Text: Rom. 6:23

The Fact of Sin. Although the results of sin are apparent on every hand, those who call themselves "Christian Scientists," the followers of the unchristian and unscientific cult of Eddyism, deny the fact of sin. But in spite of all the camouflage the enemy is putting up to endeavor to hide his own existence and work, the fact of sin remains; and the Word of God tells us of its origin, its consequences and the only cure for it. Those who deny the existence of sin also deny the need of the precious blood of Jesus, the only cure for sin, and thereby cut off from themselves the only hope of salvation. To the law and to the testimony! The popular cults of today speak not according to the Word of God, and there is no light in them. "A lack of sense of sin," wrote Gladstone, "is the most perilous omen of today."

The Author of Sin. In Gen. 3:1 the serpent appears on the scene. In the Revelation this being is described as "that old serpent, called the devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world." Into the mind of the weaker vessel, absent from her protector, the serpent first injected doubt, "Yea, hath God said?" and then he who is the father of lies gave a direct lie to her. Poor Eve, misquoting the word of Jehovah, was no match for the subtle deceiver, beguiling her with the promise, "Ye shall be as gods" and yielding to the lust of the eye, to the lust of the flesh and to the pride of life, she took of the forbidden fruit, and gave also unto her husband. When lust hath conceived it bringeth forth sin; and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death. Jehovah had declared that "in the day thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die," and on that day our first parents forfeited their life from above. The New Testament scriptures teach us "that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life." John the Baptist made this very strong when he declared, "He that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him."

The Promise of a Saviour. God loved the companionship of that first holy pair, and in the cool of the evening He came down to commune with them as usual. But sin had severed the fellowship, and Adam and his wife had hid themselves. This is the sinner's principal occupation, hiding from God. No refuge of lies, however, can hide a sinner from the all-seeing eyes of Him with whom we have to deal.

God is still questioning, "Where art thou?" and when we respond, He comes down and deals with the situation. He

did not leave it to Adam or to Eve to rebuke the serpent, He undertook to do that Himself. It is always best to turn that gentleman over to the Lord. And at that even tide Jehovah gave forth a gleam of radiant promise as He told of "the seed of the woman" who should later bruise the serpent's head. The Lord clothed Adam and his wife with coats of skins. This involved the shedding of blood, an earnest of the blood of the Lamb that was later to provide for us a covering of righteousness.

Universal Sin and the only Cure. Thus came sin and Romans 1:18 shows God's condemnation of sin. Man is absolutely without excuse, for God hath made Himself known from the creation of the world, the invisible things being clearly seen and understood by the things that are made. But man, even when he knew God, glorified Him not as God, and we see the downward course, praiselessness, ingratitude, vanity, darkness and idolatry, with all the unspeakable sins that are associated with it. The race has become utterly depraved, bent on sin. Is there any way out? Yes, praise God. "For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of One shall many be made righteous." The Seed of the woman, the Son of the virgin became obedient even to the death of the cross, and at Calvary He received the wages of sin, even death. And now God offers us the gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Have you accepted this priceless gift, or are you trying to find some other way out? The Seed of the woman declared, "I am the Way." He is the only way out of a life of sin. The angelic messenger told Mary, "Thou shalt call His Name Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins." His atoning blood cleanseth from all sin, but apart from the shedding of blood there is no remission.

THE GRACE OF GOD.

May 18. Gen. 6:8; Ex. 34:6, 7; 2 Cor. 12:9; Eph. 2:4-10; Titus 2:11-14.

Read Eph. 2:4-10; Tit. 2:11-14.

Golden Text: Acts 15:11.

What is Grace? Grace is "the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man." It is the free gift of God bestowed upon us, not on the grounds of our merits, but on the grounds of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. When Israel failed God, and the tables of the law were broken, the Lord revealed His Name (or character) to Moses. "And the Lord passed by before him, and proclaimed, The Lord, The Lord God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth." And so, even in that dispensation of law, God provided an ark, in which the law should be kept, (type of Jesus who perfectly kept the law for us,) and the propitiatory sacrifices of blood,

earnest of the all-cleansing, ever-efficacious blood of Jesus, God's Lamb, who bore away the sin of the world. Our God has always delighted to be gracious, and Peter calls Him the "God of all grace." He was gracious to Noah, or Noah would never have survived the evil of that terrible generation. And He loves to bestow His grace on you and me through Jesus Christ our Lord. We need the grace of God in this dispensation as much as Noah needed it in his.

Whence comes Grace? The law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. It was the grace of God that arrested the persecuting Saul, as, breathing out threatenings against the saints, he journeyed to Damascus. It was the grace of God that transformed the 3000 of those who had murdered Christ into a band of Pentecostal saints, continuing steadfastly in the apostle's doctrine and fellowship. It was the grace of God that changed the idolatrous Ephesians into saints of the most High God, to whom Paul could write the most spiritual of his epistles. It is the Lord who promises grace and glory, and you can have all you want without money and without price.

Saved through Grace. In Ephesians 2 the apostle tells us, "By grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God." What is back of this gift so freely given? "God, who is rich in mercy!" Our God delights to be merciful. And here is the secret of all we get in the spiritual life: "For His great love wherewith He loved us." Back of the incarnation, back of the atonement, back of the resurrection, back of all His blessed operations, is that intense, inestimable love of God. Oh that we realized it more! Say it to yourself a hundred times a day, "God loves me!" And then respond to His love and in turn tell Him, "I love Thee!" Love is the one thing that counts.

There is something that we shall miss when we get to glory; we shall not hear any more boasting. The apostle tells us here that it is God who works through us all our good works, so He must have all the glory, for none whatever is due to us. We have been created in Christ Jesus unto good works which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. The apostle Paul accomplished much for God and was able to declare, "I labored more abundantly than them all," but he was careful to add, "yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me." Do you want to be like Paul? He says, "By the grace of God I am what I am." The grace of God will make you what God wants you to be.

Grace Abounding. Grace is the most practical thing on earth. It is the grace of God that teaches us to deny or withhold our consent to ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live sober, righteous and godly lives. It ever points to the great antidote for all evil desires, the purifying hope, the glorious soon appearing of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ. It is the grace of God that makes

us value aright His blood atonement, by which He has purified us unto Himself a people for His own peculiar treasure, and it is His grace that will make us zealous of good works.

You cannot earn anything from God by your own merits, by your own money or by your own wisdom. But the "exceeding riches of His grace" and also "abundance of grace" are always available. For whom? "He giveth grace unto the lowly" (Prov. 3:24). Take the humblest place you can find, you will find that is the place where our God lavishes the most grace.—S. H. F.

TRINITY, TEXAS

Bro. O. H. Thornton and wife, Bro. A. C. Denison and myself have been holding meetings at Pagoda, a place five miles from Trinity. The dear Lord set His seal on the meetings from the first service. The Lord gave us liberty in giving out the Word, and at times the power would fall and we would have a time of rejoicing in the Spirit. One was saved, and one baptized in the Spirit, and many interested. Good crowds, and conviction upon the people. The revival spirit is still on, and we are expecting many souls to get thru to God at this place. Bro. C. N. Wells was called as pastor. Evang. J. W. May.

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 Zuspann, O. E. Kemp.

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.

OVERTON, TEXAS.

A camp-meeting will be held at the Assembly of God Tabernacle, R. 2, Overton, Tex., July 12-25. Bro. S. A. Jamieson of Tulsa, Okla., has promised to be with us, and will have charge of the Bible lessons at the day services. Evangelistic services at night. For further information write the secretary, M. K. Flager, R. 2, Overton, Tex., or the pastor, T. D. Thompson, R. 7, Box 83, Tyler, Tex.

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 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.

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. If the preachers bring their bedding and towels we will do our best to put them up.

We have secured the Convention Hall, located on Bolder and Brady Sts. It seats 8500 people, seated with opera chairs.

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

ETERNAL REVENUE STAMPS.

120 Stamps suitable for envelopes, etc. Postpaid, 11 cents. The Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.

GOD WORKING IN SAN FRANCISCO.

It was a glad day for the Kingdom of Christ in this place when the Lord of the Harvest directed Sister Aimee Semple McPherson to hold a series of meetings in San Francisco. Mountains of prejudice against the Pentecostal movement have been swept away under the sane, candid and forceful presentation of the claims of the full Gospel Message. How many, many times Church people have said:

"This is just what we wanted and is just like the power fell fifty years ago, except for the speaking in tongues."

Scores who had grown faint of heart over the coldness and indifference of the denominational churches have had their hearts gladdened and their spirits refreshed and warmed at these Pentecostal fires. Many church members, and among them many dear Scandinavians, have been swept thru into their baptism.

Many Salvation Army people touched by the power of the Spirit's wooing have come and received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit as in Acts 2:4, among them several officers and ex-officers.

From every possible angle the work of the Lord at Glad Tidings Mission Auditorium has been greatly strengthened, deepened and settled for which we praise our Heavenly Father.

One splendid Baptist minister, who will now devote his life to the Pentecostal ministry received his baptism as did also Evangelist A. C. Stevens whose testimony now rings clear and strong for Pentecost.

Just how many have been gloriously converted in these thirty-three days, eternity alone will reveal.

The healing power provided in the Atonement has also been graciously manifested. Quite a number of city ministers came to listen, wonder and view the marvelous work of God in the large prayer-room strewn light after night with the slain of the Lord, and hear them burst into new tongues.

It became necessary to enlarge our borders so that our Hall would accommodate one thousand people. Truly our hearts rejoice at what God wrought in our midst notwithstanding the disintegrating influence of Satan thru the re-baptizers. God has graciously overruled and is definitely showing the people "to mark them which cause divisions and offenses contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned and avoid them," for by good words and fair speeches they seek to deceive the hearts of the simple. The wolf nature which habitually appears in sheep's clothing seems always to desire to steal, divide, and destroy. But truly they are known by their fruits.

Sister Baer's afternoon meetings should also have mention. All who have been so privileged to be present rejoice greatly in the living Word.

We rejoice to announce that the Campaign begun in Glad Tidings Auditorium will continue.—Robert J. Craig, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL., BETHEL TEMPLE.

Ashland Blvd., West Monroe St., and Ogden Avenue.

A Pentecostal revival meeting will be held June 5th to 22nd, inclusive, Aimee Semple McPherson, evangelist, in charge. For further information address Pastor Andrew L. Fraser, 3748 Forest Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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.

Send 20 cents for a large sample package of tracts.

A PLEA FOR IRELAND.

Dear members of the Evangel Family:—

It is very heavily laid on my heart to ask you all to join in special prayer for Ireland in this her time of great need. This is written with no political end in view, but solely with the object of stirring up God's children to pray for their brethren in that land which is attracting so much attention in these days.

Beloved, the devil is most subtle in his workings, and more than ever in these last days he transforms himself into an angel of light. The reports and the appeals directed by Romanism make so much noise and attract so much attention, that even good people are often completely taken in. Go to Ireland itself, and ask one of the Protestant Irish in Ulster if they want Home Rule. He will tell you **No indeed**, but they are willing to shed the last drop of their heart's blood rather than be separated from England. In 1914 the Protestant Irish did actually take up arms against compulsory Home Rule; but then came the great war, and other issues were laid down that they might fight for a common cause.

Now it seems as if this Home Rule were to be forced upon them again, with the additional pressure from the Romanists and misinformed people in this country. The Protestant Irish know very well that **Rome Rule means Rome Rule**; for three of the four provinces are largely Catholic, and Protestant Ulster will be entirely outnumbered in everything. We hear that "Ireland has been groaning for centuries under a yoke of tyranny." That is true, but it is the yoke of Rome, and the tyranny of the priests, not of England. Ireland has been treated with greater indulgence and patience than any other part of the British Empire; but nothing will satisfy the desires of Rome but supreme power, such as she had in Spain centuries ago—power to crush out Protestantism altogether, to burn at the stake and to torture with all the horrors of the Inquisition, for it is Rome's boast that **she never changes**. It is one sign of the great power to which the Romish Church has attained in the United States and England, that so many thousands are being deceived by this "plea for help from a struggling and down-trodden nation seeking to free herself." The Sinn Feiners with their Irish Parliament and Republic are those who would subvert all law and order, like the I. W. W. and the Bolsheviks; and what they do not do the priests of Rome accomplish for the oppression of the true Christians.

Shall we not band ourselves together in a covenant of prayer for our brethren in Ireland at this time? There are scores, nay hundreds of faithful Christians in Ulster who have received like us the Pentecostal Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Let us pray that our God will protect them from all the machinations of the enemy, and that through the fires of persecution their testimony may become ever brighter and more powerful, and that many thousands may receive the Comforter in all His fulness.

Yours in the bonds of love and prayer,
A lover of Ireland.

WANTED—Those who have tents for sale to communicate with the undersigned. W. Rufus Cooper, Frederick, Kansas.

TENT WANTED.

I am at Haskell again and expecting to set the battle in array. We would be glad, if anyone feels led, to come over and help us. If anyone has a tent or knows of one for sale, I would be glad to hear from you. I want a tent that will stand this windy country.—Sargent B. C. Condron, Haskell, Texas.

Reports From the Field

DAVENPORT, OKLA.

I have just closed a meeting at Warwick, Okla., with six happy souls saved. We ask the prayers of the Evangel family for the few saints at Warwick that God may fill them with the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4. Pray for the writer.—Shelt. Webster.

PIERCE, MISS.

Praise God for victory. We had a good meeting at Pierce last Sunday. The saints rejoiced, shouted, talked in tongues, danced and prophesied. God was in power. Amen. We begin at Moss Point, Miss., next Wednesday night. Pray for the meeting there.—Geo. H. Hicks, Hurley, Miss.

LONG BEACH, CALIF.

We had a great day Sunday. The saints stayed and prayed and praised God until 3:20 p. m. One little girl laid out under the power, and the blessing of God was on all the people. We are in great need of a real old time Holy Ghost revival and we are praying the Lord to send it. We expect Sister McPherson with us in the summer.—W. R. Potter.

PORT LAVACA, TEXAS.

We have had a wonderful tarrying meeting at Sweet Water, a country school house, seven miles from Port Lavaca, Tex. There were twenty or more who were saved and received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Praise God, Jesus is working in this country. There were some healings and other manifestations of the Spirit. Pray for us.—Pastor C. D. Smalley.

SEMINOLE, OKLA.

I have just got back home from a little evangelistic trip, and found the saints in good order. I held a three weeks' meeting twelve miles north of Stewart, Okla., where three were saved and many others seeking the Lord. Three were buried with Christ in baptism and are seeking the Lord for the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Pray much for these people.—E. M. Adams and wife.

SANDY, ARK.

Just closed a three weeks' meeting at Sandy School House, near Paris, Ark. Brother J. N. Redden assisted. God wonderfully blessed the preaching of His Word. There were eighty-five souls saved, twenty-three baptized in water, and seventeen received the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. We set the assembly in order with something like forty on the roll. Brother Ab. Fruman has taken charge of the work and will preach for them Saturday night and the first Sunday of each month.—L. L. Riley, Pastor, Assemblies of God, Havana, Ark.

DAYTON, OHIO.

I wish to sound a note of praise to our dear Lord. The fire is surely falling in Dayton. After a hard pull the Lord has graciously met with us in saving many precious souls, and ten have received the blessed Holy Spirit lately according to Acts 2:4. We are planning for a great tent meeting this summer and covet the prayers of God's people for this campaign. Our rent, fuel and lights have run us over \$100.00 a month, but God has supplied our every need. There are good crowds every night and much conviction. Six new ones at the altar Sunday night.—Bilder A. B. Cox.

WICHITA FALLS, TEX.

The Bible school has just closed. Brother Fitzgerald was wonderfully anointed, the saints were built up in the faith, the revival was good, there was a deep conviction over the audience, and some at the altar. There was splendid interest. My wife and I will be on the field for awhile, Brother Newby having taken our place, and desire the prayers of the saints.—Oscar Jones.

LAUREL HILL, FLA.

Since the first of this year there have been quite a number of young people saved from sin and some backsliders reclaimed. Their faces fairly shine with the glory of God. Twelve of these have already obeyed our Lord's command in Matt. 28:19, and there are others still to be baptized. Please stand with us in prayer for a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit.—Wm. J. Hurst.

BROTHER FITZGERALD LEAVES RUSSELLVILLE.

After almost five years of very successful pastoral work at this place Brother E. R. Fitzgerald has resigned his position, to go to other fields to which he feels called. We have enjoyed these years of unbroken unity and fellowship together, and can recommend Brother Fitzgerald as a faithful servant, giving his entire time to the work, and we take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation both to God and to our brother for this blessed ministry.

He leaves the work here in fine condition and we are expecting our part of the latter rain harvest. Truly the grain is ripe and ready. The Lord has been good in sending Brother Fred Lohmann to fill the vacancy, and we expect to move forward as one man in the Lord. Pray for us.

Unanimously adopted by The Assembly of God, Russellville, Ark.—Alex. Lemley, W. C. Turner, Deacons; Ernest M. Lemley, Clerk.

WOODWORTH-ETTER REVIVAL, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

The old time gospel is going forth in the revival here, backed up by the power of the Holy Ghost, and being confirmed by signs following. People lie under the mighty power of God, dance in the Spirit, see visions, get wonderful revelations. People are coming from many states and receiving power from God and healing for their bodies. Mrs. Robert Teasdale came from Arthur, Canada, to the revival. She was suffering from a dreadful goiter. She had gone to the best specialist of this disease in Canada. He told her that an operation was the only thing that would save her life and that it would have to be done at once, and even then it was doubtful whether she could recover. She has hardly been able to sleep for four or five months without taking drugs, and would have to have her head propped up very high. Sister Etter laid hands on her, and prayed for her, and that night she slept in peace. The goiter is going down and she can sleep with her head anywhere, her nerves are better and she is a happy woman.

People are also being healed through handkerchiefs sent from here hundreds of miles away.

Sister Etter is planning a big meeting here for June and July and will welcome all who can come. For further information, address her at 2114 Miller St., Indianapolis, Ind.—Lillian H. Hardister.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

God is pouring out His Spirit on the South Side Assembly here. On Saturday and Sunday Evangelist C. E. Maness from Portland, Ore., was with us. God is using him. Two received the baptism of the Spirit on Saturday night and seven on Sunday. Also a number of good cases of salvation. Saints revived. Some healed. Some baptized in water. Pray for us.—W. M. F. Hurley, Pastor.

GOD IN JOPLIN.

Had a few days at Joplin, Mo., where I was last pastor. God has been working there, and the Lord certainly was with us in the three day's services. On Sunday we had baptizing in a stream of living water. Brother King Murphy did the baptizing for us, and buried five happy converts for the Lord. They write me since that eight have been baptized.

Pray for Joplin. The saints are expecting Bro. E. L. Banta to begin a special series of meetings there about May the 4th.—E. N. Bell.

PORTLAND, OREGON.

The Lord is blessing us here in Portland with old time showers. The street work is doing fine. Brother Swanson is in charge. We have two open air meetings every night during the week and four on Sunday. One Sunday night recently we had such a big crowd filling the sidewalk and street, and there was such a crowd of saints, that all could not hear, and so two testified at one time, one at one end of the ring and one at the other.

One Sunday morning recently when the power of God was falling and the saints were almost all of them on their feet in worship, the Holy Spirit spoke through the pastor in tongues. A brother jumped up and the Spirit spoke through him in thundering tones these words of interpretation, "Flee to the blood, flee to the blood, the Lamb of God is coming." There was such a rush to the altar of both saints and sinners crying for God to have mercy and the saints weeping for the sinners.

We are making our plans, led by the Spirit, for our seventh annual camp meeting this summer. Pray much for us.—Sister Carrie Pride, 43½ First St., Portland, Ore.

CALEXICO, CALIF.

We came to Brawley last fall and did what we could for the poor Mexicans in and around that town. God blessed us in the work and we came here some weeks ago. We could not get a house for three weeks and the dust storms were awful. My wife took cold and it looked as if she would have the flu, but we kept trusting God to deliver her and He did. A sailor moved down to Mexico and he had his rent paid for nearly half a month, so he let us take his house and pay him. In that way we got a house of two rooms, and it cost us fifteen dollars a month.

Later we secured a lot and a party loaned me \$300.00 and that gives me a 20 x 24 foot house at about \$10.00 a month. We could get no place to have meeting but now can overcome that trouble as soon as the Lord gives me money to buy some lumber. I can build a tabernacle or shelter of lumber for \$150.00. The lot is 50x170 feet. God is helping us in the work. Several children are coming to our house to sing and study the New Testament. We need a goodly number of gospels to give out. A merchant has invited us to go to his store to talk to him. I had a good time talking with him the other day, explaining the Word to him. Pray for us.—M. M. Pinson.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y.

I was privileged to attend a convention at "Sunnyside Chapel," Chicago, of which Bro. Ross is pastor.

The Lord came forth thru His children in a wonderful way. Messages in tongues and interpretations were given in which the Lord called us to a closer walk with Him. The Spirit fell, souls were revived and baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire. The interest grew to such an extent that the meetings were continued over another Sunday. Many took a new and firmer stand for the blessed testimony of Pentecost.

After enjoying blessed fellowship with the saints of "Sunnyside Chapel," and seeing the Lord work in such marked ways, confirming His Word with signs following, I was led to stay one week with the German speaking Pentecostal people.

Here a great need for the Word of God appeared and the Lord, who loves His people, fed them with the finest of the wheat. Souls were saved and His people strengthened. The last meeting was glorious. Six raised their hands for salvation and others to be restored to their first love. They rushed to the altar where God met His people in a wonderful way. I had to cry out, "The Lord is here." All went down before God both saint and sinner. I never saw a meeting under the control of God more than this.

*Shortly after this we felt led of God to call a little Convention here in Binghamton. Bro. Ross of Chicago, Ill., Bro. Birchall of Los Angeles, Cal., Sis. Johns of the Hawaiian Is., Sis. Sarah Coxie of India, and Sis. Garrison of Endicott, N. Y., were with us ministering to us of the things of God.

One afternoon during song service the glory of the Lord so filled the Temple that the priests could not minister. People rushed to the altar without invitation. Hallelujah! Blessed unity prevailed among the saints.

Two were saved, two received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost and others were healed by the great Physician—Jesus. Many were made hungry by Him who came forth in such sweet ways and various manifestations, among which were messages in tongues and interpretations.

One of our number was set aside for the work of God in the Hawaiian Is., Sis. Annett Hutchinson, who has been a student at the C. and M. A. Institute at Nyack, N. Y., and at Elim Faith Home, Rochester, N. Y. She expects to leave in June with Sister Johns. This is very near, so pray God that every need shall be met that our sister may fulfill the will of her Lord.

The missionary offering of our small assembly was over \$200.00. All the glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Amen! John Kellner, Pastor.

PREACHER WANTED.

We want a good preacher who can come out here and help us. A brother who has a family might like to come out here and be one with us. We know about twenty that are out on Pentecostal lines. This is a healthy location and a good place to live. Farming does very well here for the Middle West and a man can live here if he is willing to use his hands at least part of the time, when not preaching. We would like to hear from anyone who will make a sacrifice for Christ and who can come recommended by the General Council.—O. J. Knight, Dill, Okla.

PREACHER AT LIBERTY.

I would like to correspond with pastorless assemblies, or communities desiring meetings. I cannot sing and would like to secure a good consecrated singer. I hold credentials from the General Council and can give references if desired.—F. C. Johnson, Marion, N. C.

HOKIE, ARK.

I want to report victory, to the glory of God. Brother F. S. Clayton from Houston, Ark., and also Sister Little from Portia, Ark., have been greatly used of the Lord. Great conviction has been on the people. Four have received the baptism of the Holy Spirit and four have been saved. The meeting has been going four weeks and we have not closed it yet. Pray that God will get glory out of these towns and that a host may be ready to meet Him when He comes.—F. L. Doyle, Pastor.

GALENA, KANS.

We are all praising God for the way He is blessing us here in the meeting which has been going now for three weeks. Nine or ten have been saved, and one has received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Many others are seeking salvation and the baptism of the Spirit. Twelve or fifteen were at the altar last night, some of them new seekers. Brother and Sister Barker, who are soon to go to South America as missionaries, joined us the first of this week, and God is using them in giving out the Word and in building up the saints. We are to have a water baptismal service soon. Many of the denominational people are getting hungry for more of God. Some are wanting the baptism and some healing. Pray much for this field. This is one of the oldest assemblies in the whole Pentecostal movement.—Carl O'Guin.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

Nearly eight months ago the Lord led Sister Maggie McCaslin and myself to this place to begin a work among the Spanish people, and we are praising the Lord for the way He has worked. We have given out quite a number of tracts and papers, and several have been saved and are seeking the Holy Ghost, and the people seem interested.

I also praise God for the way He has worked in the other mission.

When my brother and wife came to take charge, the mission was all divided, but thanks be to God for His love that will melt down hearts and bring unity. There is now no trace of division, and three have been saved and two received the baptism recently. You dear ones pray for this place that we may soon have an old time revival at both missions.—Mrs. Evelyn Campbell.

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.

**STONE CHURCH CONVENTION
May 11th to 25th, 1919.**

A fire having destroyed our place of meeting, the Spring Convention of the "Stone Church" Assembly will be held at Corner of 70th St. and Stewart Avenue. Special preachers and workers. Hardy W. Mitchell, Pastor, 4229 Ellis Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

**EIGHTH ANNUAL CAMP MEETING
Of the Southern Missouri District Council,
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Camp will be held in a beautiful grove. Tents and cots for rent on ground. Meals on free will offering plan. Bring bedding and toilet articles. We are expecting a corps of evangelists and teachers. If you are coming or want further information, write W. T. Workman, Essex, Mo.—W. T. Workman, W. J. Higgins, and L. W. Clark, Committee.

SARATOGA, TEXAS.

Brother O. H. Thornton and wife, Brother A. C. Denson and I held a two weeks meeting at Magnolia. The dear Lord blessed our efforts and we had much liberty in giving out the Word. There was much opposition, but thanks be to God who always causes us to triumph, there were about eleven who wept their way through to victory. We left the assembly in good order.

We were called from there by Pastor C. N. Wells to Stutts. We held a twelve days' meeting where the Lord wonderfully blessed, and the saints were much helped in the Lord. There were some filled with the Spirit of God according to Acts 2:4, some reclaimed and some saved. We had a baptismal service the last Sunday we were there and four were buried with Christ in baptism (Matt. 28:19).

Pastor Arthur Lindsey invited us to Saratoga to hold a meeting where we are at present. The dear Lord is blessing the meeting and some are getting salvation. This is an oil field and there is much wickedness here. Please pray the dear Lord to save souls.—J. W. May.

LAKESIDE, OHIO.

We are praising God for the Holy Ghost. If we truly want to save souls for Jesus He will help us to do it. The Lord told us one day that He would search out the hungry hearts and lead us to them. I said one day to the Lord, "We do not know where to go. You will have to tell us." He instantly spoke to my sister and me and said, "Go to Mrs. F's." I wondered why we had to go there, but we obeyed, as we ought always to do. While there a sister said, "I wish you would call on my neighbor. I think you will be able to help her." Well, praise Jesus, we found a young woman who had once been a Christian but had lost out and was very worldly. We had prayer and she got back to God. It has only been a few weeks since the Lord led us to that home and oh how rapidly God is working. She has received her Baptism and is a power, and I feel that God has a special work for her to do. Pray that her husband will be saved. He has a sweet spirit and does not oppose.

Oh friends it means so much to obey when God says do a thing. I trust that our readers will pray for our band here. We are pressing on to higher ground. We need more of His power in order that signs and wonders might follow our ministry.—Mrs. Frank Shirley.

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The Evangel Prayer Band

Pray that a consecrated premillennial preacher may be sent to the Presbyterian church at Brook Haven, just 25 miles from us. K. W. G., Union City, Miss.

Pray for me. Reader.

Pray for two boys, out in the world without any protection, love or care, may be saved and blessed. Pray that another may be healed of stammering. Reader.

We have a small band of Pentecostal brothers and sisters but no house to hold public services in. Pray for us that we may be able to build a little mission here this summer. Mrs. A. R. A., Alton, Kans.

Remember me in prayer that the Lord may give me special power as a witness unto Jesus and that I may be baptized into Christ. Mrs. E. A. P., Williamsport, Pa.

Please pray that God will send us a preacher, as we are building a new tabernacle. Bertha Owens, Mayflower, Ark.

Pray for us, we are doing our best for God and need help, as we are few in number and weak in the Lord. J. T. B., Floydada, Texas.

Pray that God will pour out His power and love upon our whole community and on my family, too. Mrs. M. V. B., Pueblo, Colo.

Join in prayer for my backslidden husband, that he may be brought back to Jesus. He is so dear to me. Pray earnestly. Mrs. P. O. B., Santa Rosa, N. M.

Pray that the Lord will restore the joy of salvation to my soul and that I may be ready and watching when Jesus comes. Evangel Reader.

Please have special prayer for my family and the people at this place. We surely need some Spirit-filled preacher to come here and preach. Mrs. Belle Maddox, Bayou Meto, Ark.

Please pray for my daughter who lost her husband from the flu, she seems to be a nervous wreck and she has a bad inward goiter on her neck. Pray for our little mission that the Lord will give us a pastor and a revival. Any one of good report passing through will be welcome. Pray for a gambling den here which is causing trouble. Pray for me that I may be healed. Stella Haskett, Gilmore, Ind.

Please pray for me as my household is against me. Pray that God will get them under the blood and in peace and unity. Pray for me that God may reveal His will to me. J. L. P., Rosboro, Ark.

Pray for this place, Commerce, Texas. H. B.

I ask prayer for husband and children that they will accept Christ and be saved before it is everlastingly too late. Mrs. E. D. J., Perrin, Tex.

Pray that God will give a revival here in Douglas, Ariz., also at Bisbee. Pray for some men who are in sin who are working against those who are saved. N. P., Douglas Ariz.

Pray for the healing of my body, I am suffering with my side and stomach and my right limb gives me trouble. Pray that I might receive the baptism as in Acts 2:4, and for my husband and his daughters that they may be Christians. Pray much for me and mine. Mrs. L. E. H., Houston, Tex.

Having asked the prayer band twice for prayer, and both times the prayer was answered, emboldens me to come a third time in need. Please pray for mother who is suffering with a severe pain in her right side, and who is not satisfied about her salvation. Pray that she may be healed and saved, and that both of us may be filled with the Holy Spirit and be ready when Jesus comes. Also pray that my teeth, which are very bad and give me much pain, may be made alright. A subscriber.

Pray that I may be healed of several diseases, some of long standing.

Pray that my family may be saved. L. H. Will all who believe in Divine healing pray for a colored woman who has tuberculosis, that she may be healed and receive her Pentecost.

Pray that God will send a pastor to this place. Mary Hendrix, Anguilla, Miss.

Pray that I may be strengthened in body. M. C., Greenfield, Mo.

Pray for two afflicted sisters. Mrs. G. W. Pray for my son's healing. P. J. J., Glenwood, Ia.

Pray for a boy who has been in bed four weeks with rheumatism, with one limb perfectly stiff. Mrs. J. C. M., Benton, Ark.

Pray for my complete healing. M. E. S., Chandler, Okla.

Pray that I may be healed and receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost. C. V.

Pray for the healing of my eyes and that I may be restored to health. Pray for a crippled friend's healing. Mrs. M. C. R., Houka, Miss.

Pray that I may be healed of throat catarrh and lung trouble. Pray earnestly. Mrs. I. M. J., Seattle, Wash.

Pray I may be healed and be an over-comer, for my husband that he may be saved and baptized and healed, for my two sons in the army that they may soon return home and God will baptize them in the Holy Ghost, and that my daughter be reclaimed. N. J.

Pray for the Lord to heal my daughter. Mrs. I. C. J., Silverton, Tex.

Pray for our baby. He has sores all over his head. T. N. M., Huntsville, Tex.

Pray for my healing, that I may be led aright, wholly sanctified and baptized in the Holy Spirit. S. L., Bertha, Minn.

Please pray that the Lord will open up a mission here and that He will send a leader after His own will. Mrs. C. Bredesen, Box 399, Two Harbors, Minn.

Pray for the salvation and healing of an inmate of the Milwaukee County Infirmary. Mrs. F. F. P.

Pray for my three children, age 16, 12 and 9. I put them on the altar for missionaries when young babies. Mrs. F. F. P., Milwaukee, Wis.

Pray for my family and the people here. We need Holy Ghost preachers here. Rachael Whitehurst, Heber Springs, Ark.

Pray for a young woman who is very sick with consumption that she may be healed. She is the mother of two little baby girls. Also for a young man who has been suffering all his life with sick headaches. He has taken the Lord as his healer, but has not gotten victory. Also for a dear mother who has a badly sprained arm, that she may be healed, and her son and brother saved. Reader, Houston, Tex.

I have a little boy 11 years old, who has pyorrhea or something that is eating his gums. I want to ask prayer for his healing. H. C., Ozark, Ark.

I have been threatened with what seems to be appendicitis. I have taken it to the Lord but, symptoms seem to come. Pray the work to be completed. Pray I may be reappointed. Pray for the salvation of my son in the navy. Mrs. W. H. A., Chicago.

Pray for the work here in Waukegan, Tex. Pastor W. A. Mercer and wife.

Pray that God will send workers and a revival to Vickery, Tex. Pray for my family that we may be filled with the Spirit. Mrs. M. J. H., Vickery, Tex.

I ask special prayer that my eyesight be restored. M. E. T., Hobson, Tex.

Several prayer requests are held over for lack of space.

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