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Laying Up Treasures in Heaven.

By George Muller.

In Matt. 6:19-21, it is written: "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal; for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

It is the Lord Jesus, our Lord and Master, who speaks this as the law-giver of His people, He who has infinite wisdom and unfathomable love for us, who therefore knows what is for our real welfare and happiness, and who can not exact from us any requirement inconsistent with that love which led Him to lay down His life for us. Remembering then who it is who speaks to us in these verses, let us consider them.

His counsel, His affectionate entreaty, and His commandment to us, His disciples is: "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth." The meaning obviously is, that the disciples of the Lord Jesus, being strangers and pilgrims on earth, neither belonging to the earth nor expecting to remain in it, should not seek to increase their earthly possessions, in whatever these possessions may consist. This is a word to poor believers as well as for rich believers; it has as much reference to putting small sums into the savings' bank as to putting thousands into bonds, or purchasing one house, or one farm after another.

The Disciple's Duty.

It may be said, Does not every prudent and provident person seek to increase his means, that he may have a goodly portion to leave to his children, or to have something for old age, or for time of sickness? My reply is, It is quite true that this is the custom of the world. It was thus in the days of our Lord, and Paul refers to this custom of the world when he says, "The children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the

children" (2 Cor. 12:14). But whilst thus it is in the world, and we have every reason to believe ever will be so among those who are of the world, and who therefore have their portion on earth, we disciples of the Lord Jesus, being born again, being children of God not nominally, but really, being truly partakers of the divine nature, being in fellowship with the Father and the Son, and having in prospect "an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled and that fadeth not away" (1 Peter 1:4), ought in every respect to act differently to the world, and so in this particular also.

If we disciples of the Lord Jesus seek, like the people of the world, after an increase of our possessions, may not those who are of the world justly question what we have to say, when we speak about our inheritance, our heavenly calling, our being children of God? Often it must be a real stumbling block to the unbeliever to see a believer in the Lord Jesus acting in this particular just like himself.

No Contradictions in Scripture.

I have more than once had the following passage quoted to me as a proof that parents ought to lay up money for their children, or husbands for their wives: "But if any provide not for his own, and especially for those of his own house (or kindred) he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel" (1 Tim. 5:8). It is, however, concerning this verse, only needful in child-like simplicity to read the connection from verse 3 to 5, and it will be obvious that the meaning is this, that whilst the poor widows of the church are to be cared for by the church, yet if any such believing widow had children or grandchildren, these children or grandchildren should provide for the widow, that the church might not be charged, but that, if a believer's child, or grandchild, in such a case did not do so, such an one did not act according to the obligations laid upon him by his holy faith, and was worse

than an unbeliever. Not a word, then, is there to favor the laying up treasures upon earth for our children, or our wives.

Our Lord says concerning the earth, that it is a place "where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal." All that is of the earth, and in any way connected with it, is subject to corruption, to change, to dissolution. There is no reality, or substance, in anything else but in heavenly things. Often the careful amassing of earthly possessions ends in losing them in a moment, by fire, by robbery, by a change of mercantile concerns, by loss of work, etc.; but suppose that all this was not the case, still, yet a little while, and thy soul shall be required of thee; or yet a little while, and the Lord Jesus will return; and what profit shalt thou then have, if thou hast carefully sought to increase thy earthly possessions?

The Words of Our Living Counsellor.

My brother, if there was one particle of real benefit to be derived from it, would not He, whose love to us has been proved to the utmost, have wished that you and I should have it? If, in the least degree, it would tend to increase of our peace, or joy in the Holy Ghost, or heavenly-mindedness, He who laid down His life for us would have commanded us to "lay up treasures upon earth."

Our Lord did not merely bid us not to lay up treasures upon earth. If He had said no more, this commandment might be abused, and persons find in it an encouragement for their extravagant habits, their love of pleasure, and their habit of spending everything they have or can obtain, upon themselves. It does not mean, as is the common phrase, that we should "live up to our income;" for, He adds: "But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven." There is such a thing as laying up in heaven as truly as there is laying up on earth; if it were not so, our Lord would not have said so.

Just as a person puts one sum after another into a bank, and it is put down to their credit, and they may use the money afterwards, so truly (the sum given for the Lord's sake, and constrained by the love of Christ, to poor brethren, or in any way spent in the work of the Lord, He marks down in the book of remembrance, He considers as laid up in heaven.) **The money is not lost, it is laid up in the bank of heaven.** An earthly bank may break, or we may through unforeseen circumstances, lose our earthly possessions; but money thus secured in heaven, **cannot be lost.**

Eternal Profit.

Treasures laid up on earth bring along with them many cares; treasures laid up in heaven never give care. Treasures laid up on the earth never can afford spiritual joy; treasures laid up in heaven bring along with them peace and joy in the Holy Ghost even now. Treasures laid up on earth, in a dying hour can not afford peace and comfort, and when life is over, they are taken from us; treasures laid up in heaven draw forth thanksgiving, that we are permitted and counted worthy to serve the Lord with the means with which He is pleased to entrust us as stewards; and when this life is over we are not deprived of what was laid up there, but when we go to heaven we go to the place where our treasures are, and we shall find them there.

Does not your soul long to be rich towards God, to lay up treasures in heaven? The world passes away and the lust thereof! Yet a little while, and our stewardship will be taken from us. At present we have the opportunity of serving the Lord, with our time, our talents, our bodily strength, our gifts, and also with our property; but shortly this time may cease. Oh! how shortly that may cease. The very next day after you have read this, dear reader, you may fall asleep, and therefore, whilst we have the opportunity, let us serve the Lord. I believe and therefore I speak.

My own soul is so fully assured in the wisdom and love of the Lord towards us His disciples as expressed in this Word, that by His grace I do most heartily set my seal to the preciousness of the command, and I do from my inmost soul not only desire not to lay up treasures upon earth, but believing as I do what the Lord says, I do desire to have grace to lay up treasures in heaven.

And then suppose after a little while you should fall asleep, some one may say, your wife and child will be unprovided for, because you did not make provision for them. My reply is, the Lord will take care of them, as He now abundantly provides for us.

The Lord lastly adds: "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Where should the heart of the disciple of the Lord Jesus be, but in heaven? Our calling is a heavenly calling; our inheritance is a heavenly inheritance; our citizenship is in heaven. But if we believers lay up treasures on earth, the necessary result of it is, that our hearts will be upon earth; nay, the very fact of our doing so proves that they are there! Nor will it be otherwise until there is a ceasing to lay up treasures upon earth.

The believer who lays up treasures upon earth may, at first, not live openly in sin; he may in measure bring some honor to the Lord in certain things; but the injurious tendencies of this habit will show themselves more and more; whilst the habit of laying up treasures in heaven would draw the heart more and more heavenward; would be continually strengthening his new, his divine, nature, his spiritual faculties, because it would call his spiritual faculties into use, and thus they would be strengthened; and he would more and more, whilst yet in the body, have his heart in heaven, and set upon heavenly things; and thus the laying up treasures in heaven would bring along with it, even in this life, precious spiritual blessing as a reward of obedience.

troy him, and he knew not what to do. He was in utter despair.

In his despair he seemed to lose sight of the terrible creatures that were menacing his life. Then he looked around, and behind him he saw Jesus, the immaculate Jesus, the fairest among ten thousand, the One altogether lovely, and the hyena had leaped upon Him; the tiger had fastened its claws upon Him, and the serpent had sprung and struck Him with its fangs. Then the young man seemed to hear a voice which said, "The Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all."

Realizing as he had not been able to realize before that Jesus had borne all the sinner's sins in His own body on the tree, and that it was not necessary for the sinner to bear them any longer, he declared himself free, and **he was free.**

Thank God for a Christ who took our sins upon Himself, our sins and our sicknesses, and who paid the price for our redemption. We have been redeemed, not with corruptible things as silver and gold, but with the precious blood of Christ. He died for our sins, and rose for our justification.

This Christ expects our allegiance. It is not enough that we believe that He died and rose again and that He is alive today and that He ever liveth to make intercession for the saints. We must accept Him as our Saviour; we must receive Him into our hearts; we must permit Him to be enthroned there.

Some time ago a speaker was addressing a great crowd of working men in Chicago. In the course of his address he took occasion to criticize Christianity, but he said that Jesus Christ was undoubtedly a good man. Somebody proposed three cheers for Jesus Christ. The proposal met the approval of the crowd, and all joined heartily in giving three cheers to Jesus Christ, and some of the papers made a good deal of it. That a crowd of working men should join heartily in cheering Jesus Christ was regarded as a good omen. Some of the ministers of the city spoke in the highest terms of their readiness to cheer Jesus. But it may not have meant much. It may not have meant anything. If somebody had proposed three cheers for Colonel Ingersoll the crowd might have responded just as enthusiastically. What do cheers amount to? Jesus does not care for our cheers. You can give Him cheers every day, and He will not notice them. He is not a mere man that He should desire and appreciate flattery. He wants, expects, demands the supreme place in your heart and life. He will not be satisfied with anything else. The cheers without the surrender mean nothing.

Some years ago a young man, the only son of his mother, and she a widow, graduated from a medical college and began to practice in London. He became a famous physician. He accumulated money and built for himself a fine residence out in the West End. He lived the life of a bachelor. There were

LET HIM IN.

I have heard a minister tell about a conversation he had one day with his friend, Dr. Jowett. He said that Dr. Jowett told him about a young man who came to see him one day. The young man was greatly disturbed by his sins, and he wanted help. Dr. Jowett talked with him about the atoning sacrifice of Jesus, and quoted promises, and prayed with him, but the young man did not seem to be able to get any relief from the burden that rested upon him and seemed to be crushing his very soul. There seemed to be nothing that he was able to lay hold of. He went away with a heavy heart.

That night the young man had a

dream. He dreamed that he was in a jungle and that beasts of prey surrounded him. There was the hyena showing its teeth and just ready to leap at him, and there was the tiger with its savage eyes fixed upon him, and there was the repulsive and poisonous serpent uncoiling itself and getting ready to strike with its fangs. He was greatly terrified, and did not seem to be able to move. Then suddenly he became conscious of the fact that these fearful creatures represented his sins. The hyena represented his lust, the tiger his unmanageable temper, and the serpent the deceitfulness of his heart; and he saw that these sins were about to des-

many social events at his fine home. Society came and went. His mother lived alone in a little village, and one day the house in which she lived was sold, and she said to herself, "I will go to London and live with Laddie." She always called him "Laddie." So she got ready and went to London. She did not send him any word that she was coming. When she reached London she went out among the fine homes, and she found his. His name was on the brass plate on the door. She rang the door bell, and a servant responded. She told the servant that she wanted to see the doctor. The servant said that the doctor's office hours were past and that she would have to come back the next day. She insisted that it was necessary for her to see the doctor at once. She persisted until finally the servant went to the doctor's room and told him that there was an old woman at the door with a shawl over her head and that she insisted that it was necessary for her to see the doctor. The doctor said, "Tell her that my office hours are past and that she must come back tomorrow." "I have told her that," replied the servant, "but she will not leave." "Well," said the doctor, "show her up to my room."

The old lady came up the stairs, and the servant was greatly surprised when the doctor threw his arms around her neck and kissed her. "Why mother," he said, "why didn't you send me word that you were coming, and I would have met you?" She said, "I wanted to surprise you." And then she went on to tell him that the house she had been living in had been sold and that she had made up her mind that she would come and live with him in the city, spend the rest of her days with him; she knew that he would be so glad to have her come; he had such a fine home and was living all alone, and she could be a comfort to him. He said, "Well, mother, you know it is not very healthful here in London. There are so many fogs. I don't think this is a good place for you. I think it would be better for you to have a little home by yourself out in a little town somewhere. I will see what I can do for you." And she sensed the situation as a woman always does. She saw that it would upset all his plans for her to stay there with him. And so she said, "Well, we will not talk about it any more tonight."

After a while she was told where she was to sleep that night, and the doctor said, "Now, mother, I am going to sleep in this room right next to yours, and if you get sick or want anything in the night, just call me." And then he kissed her and they retired to rest.

A little while afterwards, with a candle in her hand and with her white nightgown on, and her night cap on her head, she came to his door and pushed it open. He looked up in surprise, and said, "Mother, are you sick?" "No, Laddie," she said, "I just came in to tuck you in your bed like I used to when you were a little boy." And then she tucked the clothes in around him, and

she kissed him again, and she said, "Laddie, I love you," and she went back to her room.

The next morning when he got up she was gone. He looked for her and he could not find her. For twelve long months he searched for his mother in London, and he had others searching, and he advertised in the papers, but he could not find her. Then one day he was in a hospital, and a physician said to him, "There is an old lady here that we do not seem to be able to do anything for. It looks as though she is going to die. I wish you would come in and see her." So he went into one of the wards and there lay his own mother. He knelt by her side, and he sobbed, "Mother, can you ever forgive me?" "Never mind, Laddie," she said, "don't cry! I knew it was going to upset all your plans for me to stay, and so I thought it would be best for me to just quietly withdraw. I didn't want to spoil your plans, Laddie. I love you so! Of course I forgive you. It is all right. And I am so glad you have found me here. It is such a joy to see you, Laddie, before I die."

In a few days she died. She had forgiven him, but he never forgave him-

self. With a heavy heart he followed her body to the grave, and, going back to his fine home in the West End, he threw himself upon his bed and sobbed. Oh, if he had only treated his mother as she was worthy of having been treated! He loved her. Of course he did. Oh, that he had just shown her that he loved her! How he wished that he could call her back! He would be so glad to have her live with him. He would give her his choicest room. He would introduce her to all his friends. He would try to make her happy. But his opportunity had gone. It was now too late.

Listen! Jesus is asking for a place in your heart and life, such a place of supreme recognition as you have never given Him. Refuse Him not admittance. If you do you will be the loser. He may quietly withdraw, and you may search for Him afterwards in vain. Let Him in! Give Him the choicest room. Give Him the right of way everywhere, and He will flood your heart with joy and your soul with gladness, giving you a foretaste of the glory which will be yours after a while, and bliss ineffable in that world which is to come.—J. Narver Gortner.

The Disinfectant Psalm.

A sister who was well grounded in the truth of the Lord's healing for the body once went into a house of a friend and found three people lying sick in different rooms. If our memory serves us right, they were all suffering with typhoid.

This sister looked up to the Lord for instructions and then went to the bedside of the first one and read to them the 91st Psalm. Every word of it went home. The word of God always works effectually in the hearts of those who believe it. The word of God is living and powerful, and every word given by the Holy Ghost is like the words of Christ, spirit and life. When the sister finished reading the psalm, the first patient got up and dressed.

She then went to the bedside of the second one. She read the same psalm to this sick one, and it had the same effect. She then went to the third room with the same "medicine," and it produced the same result. As she left the house triumphantly, this sister remarked, "That psalm is surely a fine disinfectant!"

Our protection does not lie in the doctrine of divine healing, but in God Himself. Our only place of safety is to dwell in the secret place of the Most High, to abide—or as it is in the literal Hebrew, to rest—under the shadow of the Almighty; making the Lord, as Moses put it, "our dwelling place." Have you slipped away from the dwelling place and gotten out of victory? The Lord wants you back "home" again. The fattened calf, the robe, the ring, the shoes, the joy and the song are all waiting for you.

A loving Father sends you a gracious invitation, and He even provides the grace to make you desire to get back to Himself. As Moses put it, "Thou return man to contrition, and sayest, **Return ye children of men**" (Psa. 90:3 Leeser). You can look up right now and tell Him, "Lord, I'm coming home."

What is meant by the secret place? The secret place of the tabernacle was the holy of holies, the place of the mercy seat, the place where God Himself dwelt between the cherubim. Sin closed the way of approach, but the Lamb of God has come and borne away the sin of the world and has opened up a new and living way for us to come and dwell in this once closed secret place. In virtue of His own blood, He bids us boldly enter. Since He has told us that our sins and iniquities He will remember no more, let us draw nigh with a true heart, in full assurance of faith to this peaceable habitation and quiet resting place. A missionary once wrote to us, "My home address is 'The Many Mansions, Heaven,' but you had better send my mail to the address that heads this letter." These bodies of ours may eat and sleep in elegant or inelegant shacks down here, but we ourselves, our real lives must be hid with Christ in God.

I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge. Boldness of testimony must follow boldness of approach. Tell it out with all boldness, "I dwell in Christ and Christ dwells in me." Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world, and He will not only deliver you from the snare of the fowler but will cause you
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THE BUDDING FIG TREE.

All the enemies of the Lord will go down. This was true of Haman and his house. He thought that the Jew would go down and down, and he up and up. But he himself went down and down, and then he went up on the gallows.

Trace right back and see how God can work a mighty plan and purpose through the most insignificant cause. In the disobedience in Queen Vashti, she was peevish and defiant. That woman's action was a commencement of a chain of events. It brought about the downfall of the arch enemy of the Jew. A pure, innocent, virtuous Jewish maid was called in and chosen to be queen. A Jewish slave girl queen of the conqueror of the Jews! The irony of it, and yet it was in God's purpose.

Haman began to go down before the Jew. And his wife was a true prophetess when she said: "If Mordecai be of the seed of the Jews, before whom thou hast begun to fall, thou shalt not prevail against him, but shalt surely fall before him."

He Is a Jew Who Is One Inwardly.

The same thing holds good today. The Jews may be despised, but those who treat them badly will go down before them. This has been the record of individuals and nations. Why? They are beloved for the father's sake (Rom. 11:28). And this is true of those who are of the faith of Abraham, "who is the father of us all" (Rom. 4:16), for we who are of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham, and are the true Israel of God.

God did many things for Israel because of Abraham. Even in the midst of Israel's apostasy, He remembered His covenant with Abraham. Much more, exceeding much more, is God's blessing to believers through Jesus Christ. God for Christ's sake has forgiven us, letting Him be made a curse for us, that the blessing of Abraham might come on us through Jesus Christ (Gal. 3:14).

Paul did not discount the blessings of Israel, to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service

of God, and the promises. But they were small compared with the blessings coming through our Lord Jesus Christ. "I count all things but loss, for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ." The wealth of God emptied into Christ is at the disposal of the saints.

Abraham increased with goods at the natural ratio. But God's blessing to the believer is out of all proportion. Shall He not with Him also **freely give us all things**? No natural increase there, but it is **divine abundance through grace**.

They Are Not all Israel, Which Are of Israel.

Look at Russia today. You say that the seed of Abraham are the dominant factors there. Yes, but they don't reckon themselves the seed of Abraham. They do not boast about it. They do not say, "We have Abraham to our father." It does not mean that because they are the natural seed of Abraham that they are to have blessing on that land. They are apostates as much so as the priests, Pharisees and scribes were when they crucified the Lord of glory. Those apostates were wiped away and their very city was overturned. But the Gospel was preached from Jerusalem outward, in Judea, Samaria and in the uttermost parts of the earth.

There were hungry hearts in Jerusalem and in Palestine and they repented of their action and thousands were converted. The rulers were set aside and ignored. The threats of the rulers were to no purpose. Imprisonment failed. The prisons were opened and the disciples were out preaching in the temple the next morning.

Apostate Jews and renegade Russians are powerless to stop the inflow and the working of the gospel. And, if needs be, God will open up prisons supernaturally.

Not Willing That Any Should Perish.

Jonah only had a partial message. It was wrath and not grace. God had respect unto a city with a limited population. Do you think He will be less partial to an empire of millions when He has a full gospel waiting to come in? The difficulty was not to get into Nineveh, but it was to get the man with His message into Nineveh. God got him in, via the whale. The supernatural, to get a message to heathen people.

Now God can reverse the order. The messengers are willing, but the country is shut up. And He has His way, just as miraculous as it was with Jonah. Pray, look for the supernatural, look for the miraculous, and God will work. God says, "I will overturn, overturn, overturn" (Ezek. 21:27). "I will shake all nations" (Hag. 2:7). Yes, you say, there have been overturnings and shakings already in Russia. That was the pulling down, a clearing of the rubbish to make room for a new structure wherein many righteous shall dwell.

Russia converted? God does not promise it. The world was turned up-

side down by Paul, but it was not converted. A great number were obedient to the faith. That was all God wanted. There must be a complete number in the heavenly ranks out of every kindred, and tongue, and people and nations.

Men talk about the political situation, the European situation, the Russian situation. There is no situation with God. Every geographical situation was settled from the hill called Calvary. It is finished—the problems of man's salvation and redemption, and God's purposes and plans.

They Willingly Are Ignorant.

The enemies of the Gospel in Russia, or any other land, only draw their breath so many times a minute as He permits. Their lives are just held in God's hand. When He puts forth His finger, they cease. Whose breath is in their nostrils. He can fill them with water like as in the flood or at the Red Sea. He can put water in the place of breath, and they won't swim, they will sink, and the fish will feed on them. And if they don't, their dead corpses will be on land, and will be seen by the Israel of God, just as Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore (Ex. 14:30).

The Bolshevik commissars have not put God out of commission, even though they may have inscribed the fact in marble that "there is no God." God, at no distant date, can cause men to put marble monuments, tombstones over the bodies of these men who have defied Him. He can overthrow them in His own time, and He will.

Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? They are raging against God and they are imagining vain things. They think it is Utopian, but it is Satanic. It is vain. God will yet set His King upon His holy hill of Zion.

THE TEACHING OF THE SPIRIT.

The Lord can in one instant do more to lift up the humble mind to comprehend His eternal Truth than if one had studied ten years in the colleges.

He teaches without noise of words, without confusion of opinions and without the scuffling of arguments. He instructs men to forsake earthly things, to seek and to relish things eternal, to endure offenses, to place all hope in Himself, to desire nothing outside of God, and above all things ardently to love his Maker.

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COMMUNION WITH JESUS.

There is a secret source of strength and stimulation for this battle we are engaged in, which we will be wise to avail ourselves of constantly. It is in communing with Jesus, holding a feast with Him within our hearts, worshiping Him, loving Him, adoring Him, conscious of His presence more strongly than of our surroundings. Sweet hallowed walk! Here the instrument is perfectly adjusted to the touch of the Master; the emptied vessel is filled with the constantly inflowing and outflowing water of life. His breath is our breath, the life that flows in the Head of the body is the life that flows in the veins of each individual member of that body, and in this walk of communion this fact is a conscious reality to us. Our eyes are not on the waves below our feet, but they rest on the face of Jesus.

Distractions and distresses come in only when our gaze falls. When we look down at the sea of life over which we are walking, restless, unstable, changing, that restlessness seizes us. We are perplexed, and beaten about by the waves. We are sinking out of our element. We do not belong to that sea. Those waves should concern us little. Our walk is above them. Our goal is meeting Jesus soon.

But other things would creep in to claim our attention. Affairs of this life, cares, activities even for the Lord, would monopolize our time. We neglect quieting our minds, quieting our bodies, to wait on God for a fresh anointing. We see with regret that perhaps we have no special burden for others. We begin to pray and agonize, to struggle and strain for victory in our personal lives. The oil has been growing scarce and we feel friction without and friction within. Looking at our honest efforts we are baffled. So much effort! Like the rapidly growing boy, we feel we are all hands, and feet, tired feet, plodding along a wearisome path.

Meantime the Lord is looking on in yearning pity, waiting just till we reach our breaking point. Then! "And behold an hand touched me which set me upon my knees and upon the palms of my hands." We are quieted before Him. Our strugglings have collapsed. We are subdued!

It is no more straining. It is resting. We relax. We fall back on Jesus. He is just the same as ever. Our hearts rise in adoration in worship.

"Jesus, how sweet Thou art," our heart exclaims, "I love Thee so! I love the path Thou givest. Surely Thou art proving my satisfying portion." Beloved Jesus!

Our heart, like Job's, says, "He knoweth the way that I take. He performeth the thing that is appointed for me;" why, "many such things are with Him." And while we muse thus, the fire burns!

The heart leaps exultantly. The feet begin to tingle, as David said, like hind's

feet. We could dance for very gladness. All within us seems to concentrate itself into a jubilant song of exquisite joy. An adoration almost too intense, too keenly sweet for this poor body to sustain, sweeps over us.

Then, indeed, we mount up with wings as eagles. Then, we run and do not grow weary, we walk and do not faint. Then by our God we could run through a troop or leap over a wall! The meat the angel gave Elijah must have been something like this, when he arose and "did eat and drink and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto the mount of God!"

Notice that this ecstasy that lifts us so does not come from outside sources. It is purely the result of personal communion with our Lord. And He sends it generally, in His wisdom, after we have been most perplexed or most sorely tried. For perhaps then only are we subdued sufficiently to receive it, and that with the recognition of absolutely no personal merit, and then only can we have a keen appreciation of His gracious thoughtfulness. Sweet Jesus! But ever, like a hidden stream, the deep settled peace flows on.

Adoring Jesus! It is our deepest taste of heaven in this old life. It is the beginning of that keenly sweet song we'll sing some day around the throne, "Alleluia; Salvation and glory and honor and power unto the Lord our God,"

Zelma E. Argue.

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CHANNELS OF BLESSING.

I had a very sweet lesson on just the beauty of the fact that our Father uses the most insignificant and worthless to be channels of the greatest blessings—if they are willing to be shaped into service by His hand.

At the end of my sister's garden there is a deep creek. The farther bank is a solid mass of rock, tier upon tier, reaching up from the bottom to the top of the bank above some fifty feet or so. In this rock somewhere, there is the most beautiful spring. Down through the crevices trickles this pure, clear, icy water, but nowhere could you catch this water to carry any away. The rock was wet and icy cold, and the tiny stream was trickling here and there, but really no one was getting any blessing from it.

One day our daughter Dorothea went over alone and studied it out. Someone had been trying to make a little funnel along a ledge by folding a leaf of a tree and doubling it so as to form a funnel, but this was slow and unsatisfactory and not durable. She found a piece of tin lying there, about eight inches long and three wide. It was perfectly free from rust, so folding it so as to form a little trough, she fitted it tightly into a crevice in the rock.

To her great delight and joy, it became a channel for the water coming down through the rock. Now you can place your pail beneath this little, insignificant tin spout, and in a few minutes carry it away brimful of water.

You see the spiritual application, don't you? The water of life is coming today from the great Rock—Christ Jesus—and is He not waiting for us to become channels of blessing?—M. B. Way, Port Fortune, Que.

A WORD TO WEARY WORKERS.

You are casting your bread upon the waters in faith, and you shall find it after many days. There is that scattereth and yet increaseth. You scatter, and you are bound to get the increase. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him. He shall multiply the seed sown.

You look at the apparent waste of labor, at the seeming loss, at that which looks like failure. In His Kingdom there is no loss. That which is sent forth in faith is never lost. His word shall not return unto Him void. Therefore, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord. This is the word of the living God, though circumstances seemingly contradict. Heaven and earth may pass away, but the word of the living God abideth. When the shaking takes place, the word of God, and the fruit of the word, will be the one thing not shaken.

THE REVELATION OF THE GLORY OF GOD.

When our Lord Jesus Christ was upon the earth He showed forth power and glory. He showed forth the glory of the Father in His works and His own glory was shown on the Mount. And the glory of the Lord is going to be seen in these last days, an harbinger of the greater glory that is coming all over the earth.

"I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh" (Joel 2:28). The Spirit of God and of glory! His Spirit was seen in healing and in the raising of the dead.

It will be seen in His judgments.

Yes, Paul commanded one to be blind. Peter could command two to die. Not only mercy, but judgment! Judgment to keep out hypocrites! Yes, judgment to prevent the evil one breaking through to that which was sacred.

Wicked men tried to break into the house of Lot for purposes of evil, but God stopped them and brought blindness. The miraculous, to stop the progress of wickedness! You must look for the two sides of the outpouring of the Spirit. The miraculous, to extend the kingdom of God. Signs and wonders, healings, and fillings of the Spirit! But also look for the miraculous in

Hindering the Progress

of the kingdom of darkness.

God speeded the way of the children of Israel out of Egypt by the cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night, but He hindered the progress of the enemy toward His people by taking off their chariot wheels, and otherwise hindering.

This is an outpouring of grace, but do not expect all smoothness. Yes a good Spirit poured out, but look out for evil spirits.

The glory of the Lord shall be revealed. It has been hidden, kept back, but there is to be an unfolding, a revealing, a withdrawing aside of the curtain, an outshining of, a manifestation of, the glory,

Power, and Might of God.

How? Through His evangel, through His Son, by means of the Spirit, and through His Church. His Church is precious to Him. He has worked through it. He will work through it. He will rejoice in it. He will execute judgment through it. Christ loves His Church. He gave Himself for it. If He gave Himself for it, will He not provide the embellishments for it? Furnished with every grace, every gift, and all the fruit, until it be perfect, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing. Perfect in the absence of that which is imperfect. Perfect in that it is perfectly adorned.

Christ is perfect, and He was perfected through the things that He suffered, through His resurrection and ascension. And His bride must be qualified for and adorned for the Lamb.

A glorious Saviour, a glorious Church!

On the Mount Christ was glorified, transfigured, and the men that were with Him were as dead ones; but those in the

glory, Moses and Elias, could talk with Him, could commune with Him. As it were, they were in the realm of equality with Him. They could talk of His decease, and the death that He was going to accomplish.

And Peter could talk about what he could accomplish. Build booths!

They talked about that which God ordained before the foundation of the world. Peter talked about a temporary booth! But Christ can and did work a change. This very same man was filled with glory and the Spirit of the Lord. He could use Peter in a different realm. The Spirit of God and of glory rested upon him. Christ raised him from

Booth builder to Temple builder,

and on the day of Pentecost, three thousand stones were laid in that temple. He can transform you and all of God's people from booth builders to temple builders.

The glory of God is going to be revealed. In spite of unbelief, and doubt and fear and questionings. Why? The mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. **It shall be revealed.** If He says it, it shall be done, in spite of every voice to the contrary, in spite of every thought to the contrary. It shall be done.

HOLINESS—IN GOD AND MAN.

Holiness hath its source and spring in God Himself. Holiness is the outflow of the heart of God toward all His creatures. It is the stream of expression of the being of God. Man hath holiness only as it is imparted unto him by the Holy Spirit. Without it none shall see His face. All that is human must needs pass away. Only that which is Godlike shall abide forever. Holiness is the sum total of all His glorious attributes—the cluster, dazzling and beauteous, made up of many gems; the beautiful bouquet made up of many different flowers; the bright sunbeam, combining in itself all the rainbow colors. Holiness is the essence of God going forth from a Being that no adjective can adequately describe.

Holiness in man, as holiness in God, is beyond human words to express adequately. Man hath little conception of holiness.

Holiness is being separate from the world, the flesh and the devil; separate not only so far as the outward is concerned, but separate in thought, in purpose, in aspiration. It is a turning of the back upon these enemies of the soul; and a turning of the face toward God, toward the good, the pure, the lovely. The separation that is outward is only the expression of the separation that is within. Holiness can not mix with its opposite. It is as oil upon the water: it never loses its identity.

Though much stirred and much tossed, at the end it is even as it was at the beginning, having lost nothing, having nothing added thereto. Friendliness with this world is enmity toward God. Loving the world is as a pure wife leaving her pure lord to corrupt herself with many lovers. Therefore holiness is utter separation from the world, and single-eyed devotion to the Lord of glory.

Holiness is also that which the Lord of heaven puts upon His own. He cleanseth her; He clotheth her with Himself; and God looking upon the soul, findeth her hidden in His dear Son; and, for His sake, the Father loveth her. He seeth no spot in her, no blemish; yea, she is altogether fair; and He saith, "I find no unrighteousness in Jacob." Thus are men holy for Christ's sake.

Holiness is the inward growth, wrought by the Holy Spirit in the heart, that maketh for character,—uprightness, integrity, stability. It is that inward growth of righteousness, inward wrought by the Holy Ghost, which finds its outlet, its overflow, its expression, in the daily conversation of a holy life. It is genuineness, it is sincerity, it is pure value in the human soul. It is God-likeness, purchased by Christ, inward wrought and wrought out by the Spirit of the Living God.

Now, think ye, that after all this provision of the wedding garment, provided by the Master of the house, that one may come into His presence bearing the stamp of this world, with a love and a leaning toward the flesh, with harlot's ears, that bend to the subtle, alluring whisperings of the adversary? Shall not such an one in all justice be cast out, though it mean gnashing of teeth? Nothing that is sinful, nothing that hath the smell of the world lurking about it may approach unto God. Nothing that defileth shall enter that holy city. Nothing that maketh a lie, or is fearful; only the pure in heart, finding expression in a pure life, can see God.

In that day many shall come forward and argue with the God of heaven, saying, "We have prophesied in Thy name; we have cast out demons; we have done many wonderful works." Then will He profess unto them: "I never knew you."

The Bride must be partaker of the life of the Bridegroom. For very love of Him her feet must needs walk besides His feet, though there be thorns, cruel thorns in the pathway. She leaneth her head upon His bosom; she hideth it from cruel mockers and jeering taunts of other lovers who cry: "Come with me. We offer thee ease, fortune, pleasure." But she will not hear them; she clingeth the closer to her Lord, for He hath loved her beyond compare. He hath given His life to win her; and, for very love of Him, she must needs turn her back upon all else beside. She will choose the thorny way for His dear sake; for will He not bind up the wounds with the very hands that bear the marks of His love for her? And He will lead her

to a place of shelter from all her enemies, from those that set upon her. He will be her shield and defender. She will go all the way, and, in His presence find sweetness every step of the way. This is the Bride, the Lamb's wife, chaste, holy, married to one Lord.

The Disinfectant Psalm.

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to know "the snare is broken" (Psa. 124:7). He Himself is our protection from pestilence and destruction, and with our faithful Shepherd with us, we have no need to fear the "terror by night," nor the "arrow by day."

His truth shall be my shield and buckler. We must be fortified with the Word. We are called to fight the good fight of faith, and faith is supplied through the hearing of the Word. Back of every ounce of faith we have, there is a Thus saith the Lord of Holy Writ. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly and you will be well fortified, and you will have a shield that no fiery dart can penetrate.

Thousands may fall on left hand and right, but the saint is kept in perfect safety. Why? "Because thou hast said, The Lord is my protection, the Most High hast thou made thy refuge" (v. 9 Leaser). Boldness of testimony is always a factor in overcoming.

There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. Some folks belong to Benefit Societies who make a specialty of sick benefits. I know something better than that. Here is an insurance against all evil, and the Lord offers you a paid-up policy. God has Himself declared, "There shall no evil happen to the just" (Prov. 12:21). Experience proves that the seeming evil is ever the conveyancer of the highest good. The trials of faith and tests of our love will not be withheld, for they are just a part of the all things that work together for good to them that love the Lord, but here is a positive guarantee from Him who made the heavens and the earth to keep those who make Him their habitation exempt from all evil. What more can we want?

He shall give His angels charge over thee. If our eyes were opened, as were Elisha's servant's, we would see that God has provided us with hosts of angelic guardians to protect us, not in a few, but all our ways. We heard a friend testify to the truth of this verse. He was crossing a very busy thoroughfare and was just about to be run over by an auto going at full speed, when he found himself literally borne up by angelic hands and it seemed that in a moment he was on the sidewalk. As my friend sat, a few minutes later, having his shoes shined, he had to explain to the fellow who shined them the reason for his repeated ejaculations of praise, and testify to his miraculous deliverance. Back of the angelic interposition, he saw the Lord. Love has provided every provision for the pathway.

The following story of angelic intervention is verified by Dr. F. B. Meyer in

one of his books. A godly Lutheran pastor, Sander, of Elderfeld, had been compelled to rebuke an evil doer for some gross sin, and had thereby attracted to himself his malicious hate; and the man vowed to repay him. One night the pastor was called to visit a house that could only be reached by passing over a plank which bridged an impetuous torrent. Nothing seemed easier to his enemy than to conceal himself on the bank until the man of God was returning from the opposite end of the plank, to meet him in the middle, throw him into the deep and turbid stream, leaving it to be surmised that in the darkness he had simply lost his foothold. When, however, from his hiding place, he caught sight of the pastor's figure in the dim light, he was surprised to see that he was not alone, but accompanied by another. There were two figures advancing toward him across the narrow plank, and he did not dare to attempt his murderous deed. And as they passed his hiding-place, the one whom he did not know cast such a glance toward him as convinced him of the sinfulness of the act he had contemplated, and began a work in his heart which led to his conversion.

When converted, he sought out the pastor, to confess to him his murderous intention, and said, "It would have been your death had you not been accompanied." "What do you mean?" said the pastor. "I was absolutely alone." "Nay," said he, "there were two." Then the pastor knew that God had sent His angel, as He sent him to bring Lot out of Sodom.

Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder. Victory over him who goes about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour! Victory over the serpent and all his evil brood! Satan under our feet (Rom. 16:20). Pastor Paul suggests that the "young lion" mentioned here is the sickness just begun that has not yet developed into anything serious, the "little cold" that if not trodden upon when young may develop into the deadly pneumonia. Tread on the "young lion" and get victory over it before it gets dangerous.

Note the conditions given for a long life of usefulness, and the seeing of His salvation or saving health.

He hath set his love upon Me. The first thing a loving parent looks for in a child is a response to their love. All human parentage is patterned on the divine, and God is looking for a response to His love from us. David, the man after God's own heart, responded to His love, and declared, "I will love Thee, O Lord, my strength" (Psa. 18:1), and he cries out in another place, "O love the Lord, all ye His saints" (Psa. 31:23). A missionary, who always took time, like Mary, to sit at the feet of her Lord, remarked as she saw a number of ministers over-cumbered with numberless religious activities, "The Lord seems to have lots of workers here, but very few lovers." And after all, it's only love that counts. Anything less will fail. Ask the Spirit of God to help you to set your affections on things above,

and above all, to set your love upon the Lord.

He hath known My name. Do you know the name of the Lord? Geo. Muller used to speak of the name of the Lord that he especially delighted in, "O Thou that heareth prayer!" Do you know the Lord experimentally by that name?

But there is another name, a divine name, given in a divine way for a divine purpose. "Thou shalt call His name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins." Joel gave us the gospel in a nutshell when he declared, "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be delivered"—delivered from the guilt, power and result of sin. This JESUS is the Deliverer from sin, and the Preserver from sickness and He is the Dispenser of all the blessings of this psalm. Just Jesus! And there is no other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Stanley H. Frodsham.

A WORD OF THANKS.

We want to thank all our good readers for the way they have been helping us to secure new subscriptions. We have not yet had time to count them, but we believe that upwards of 7,000 new subscriptions have been received during the past two months. The circulation of The Evangel is now larger than it has ever been. Praise the Lord! We know this means more help to our missionaries and we are encouraged.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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1097. In Acts 2:47, speaking of daily adding to the church such as should be saved, does that potentially suggest that some are born to be lost?

No, instead of "should be saved," the better translation should be "such as were being saved." This means that from day to day people were being saved and added to the church.

1098. I would be glad to have you explain the vision in Ezekiel 1.

I do not understand thoroughly the vision of Ezekiel's wheels. Schofield holds that the living creatures are the same as the cherubim, and they are actual beings of angelic order.

1099. Is it right for a Pentecostal preacher to allow the sinners to give an ice cream and cake supper to raise money for him, and for him to get up and tell the people that they are going to have the supper and to invite them to come out and buy?

I would prefer to discourage such a matter. Certainly I would not wish the church or the assembly to sell ice cream to its members to raise money for me. If I deserved it, and they had it, they should give it outright to me. But the principle is somewhat different with the world. We have no authority over them. If they choose to do such things for us, and we feel free to accept the money they have raised, the matter is somewhat different from encouraging the saints to do such things, for we have no claims on the sinners, and we will either have to accept it as an offering, or reject it as they offer it. But saints should be taught to give outright for the glory of God, rather than to expect a cool morsel of ice cream for the money that they are pretending to give to the preacher.

1100. Please explain Col. 1:24—"I now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for His body's sake, which is the church."

Christ only began His work for the church when He died on the cross. Through the Holy Ghost He dwells in the believers and continues His work in behalf of the church. This He was doing in the Apostle Paul, who, recognizing this, gladly yielded his body as a member of Christ, and in behalf of the church, for such ministry of Christ in him through the Spirit. Christ's death on the cross was atonement, and while this suffering in the apostle was not in the same sense, yet through the power of the Spirit it was redemptive and sanctifying.

1101. Can one be sanctified and yet not have the Baptism in the Holy Ghost?

I think so. Sanctification is by means of the blood of Christ and the power

of the Holy Ghost. Just as we are saved or regenerated through the operation of the Spirit, before we receive the Baptism in the Spirit, we may also by the power of the same Spirit be sanctified without being baptized with the Holy Ghost. People have all sorts of experiences when they receive the truth piecemeal, which experiences may be perfectly all right and from God, and yet may not be in detail described in the Word of God. The Scriptures set forth the great fundamental and leading experiences. It would be more Scriptural for persons to be taught the full truth concerning the full salvation, to consecrate themselves to Christ in such a way that they are saved from all sin at once, and then immediately after water baptism to receive the Holy Ghost, or to be baptized with the Holy Ghost. Then after this to walk on under the power of the Spirit and by this power to crucify or to deliver to death every symptom or manifestation of the flesh. Many people are trying to work out their own salvation and to live a sanctified life largely in their own strength, when God has designed that our Christian life should be lived under the anointing and power of the Holy Ghost, such as one normally has only after he is baptized with the Spirit.

1102. Are there more than two works of God? Is there a fourth blessing?

There are many blessings, or experiences, referred to in the Word of God. I am not opposed to a man having any number of blessings, or experiences, no matter how many, so long as the circumstances make it clear that they are really of the Lord, and so long as no doctrine or teaching is set up contrary to the Scriptures or to the effect that everybody else should have the same number of blessings. This is the trouble with the fourth blessing teaching, which in some quarters is called "perfection." The substance of this teaching is that there are four definite works of grace taught in the Scriptures; namely, regeneration, sanctification, baptism with the Spirit, and perfection. This fourth blessing teaching is unscriptural and disapproved of by the General Council. Many people have the idea that they are through with grace when they receive this second experience, but Peter teaches otherwise. He says, "Hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ" (1 Pet. 1:13). He here evidently refers to what Paul calls "the redemption" of our bodies—a mighty transforming work of grace in these human bodies, which will take out of them all human weakness and make them perfect and like unto the resurrection body of Christ. I think

God for this great final work of grace, and am with joy looking forward to it.

1103. Would a divorced woman be to blame if she knew not the Word of God when she married the second time, had been married for three or four years, had a family by her second husband, and then turned from her sin to live for Christ? Or would she be living in adultery just the same when she knew it not at the time of her second marriage?

The directions in the Word for Christian living deal mainly with believers, or Christians, and not the world. What the law says it says to those who are under the law. Christ spoke mainly to those who professed to be the people of God. Paul adapts this teaching to the Gentiles, enlarged to meet the Gentile conditions (1 Cor. 7:10-17). This teaching seems to indicate that the Gospel takes a person in the marriage relation where it finds him. Paul says, "As the Lord hath called every one, so let him walk and so ordain I in all the churches." Again he says, "Let every man abide in the same calling wherein he is called." We do not condemn persons who have had these unfortunate relations in their former lives of sin before they knew the Lord or His Word. We leave them entirely in the hands of the Lord, and advise them to walk in the light thereafter as the Lord shall let it shine upon their pathway.

1104. In this day and age does God require that every member of the assembly live soberly and godly in order for Him to come forth in power to answer prayer for healing the sick, baptizing believers and convicting believers? Or, will failure to live rightly limit God from coming forth in power, as in the case of Achan, especially if the minister knows of strife, envy, malice and backslidden condition of some, and does not take the thing in hand, but just lets it all go, and labors on?

Yes, God does and always has expected every saint to live soberly and righteously. A holy, Spirit-filled life gives God a chance to answer our prayers and to work wonders in our midst. The opposite grieves the Spirit of God and He will not work for us in power. The worse the condition is, and the more who are involved in it, the more truly will this hinder God in working. One or two secret cases which do not affect the spirit of the whole assembly, and whose wrongs are not endorsed may not so hinder God. But even one serious case, if it furnishes a leavening spirit of the whole assembly, and if the case is well known to the pastor and the assembly, and they do not take it to heart, but count it a light thing—even one such case under such circumstances might cause God to refuse to work in such an atmosphere.

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INSTANTLY HEALED OF CURVATURE OF SPINE AND CONTRACTED HIP.

We are living in the last days in which it is claimed that there is neither personal Deity, personal devil nor personal man; also that all is harmony and there is no discord and that all is life and there is no death, and that sickness is but an illusion which ceases to be when the finite gives way to the infinite and we rise to the place where all that is material and subject to disease shall disappear in thought.

These ideas, however, are contrary to God's Word which declares there is sickness and that the real remedy for it is found in the redemption of Jesus Christ. Some say this passed away with the apostles, but James, writing to the churches, tells them and us to call for the elders of the church, who are to anoint the afflicted ones, offering up a prayer of faith, and the Lord declares He will raise them up. Even though this power has been absent from the church for many years, God has declared that He would restore His work on earth, and these facts, to those who assume that the "days of miracles are past," are wonderfully stubborn things. They criticize, but their criticism has no foundation, their theories, therefore, doing no violence to God's work. Let the ministers of the Lord, therefore, set aside these evils of doubts and unbelief and exercise in the power of the Holy Ghost the gifts and offices which become their inheritance when they believe in Jesus Christ, for it is written, "These signs shall follow them that believe. In My name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them. They shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover."

As proof of God's faithfulness to His Word, I wish to add hereunto my personal testimony, which I hope and pray will cause some other afflicted soul to grasp faith in the living Christ and so be healed.

In the month of April, 1916, while taking treatments from a chiropractor for spinal headaches, my hip went out of joint, which because of the chiropractor's negligence or ignorance, was left that way until June, at which time it was set with much suffering, and this because I had walked on it all that time. After ten days in bed I was again able to be up and around, but some weeks later, catching my toe in a carpet, I fell downstairs, again throwing my hip out of joint. This put me in bed for five weeks, at which time my nerves became so weak that St. Vitus' Dance set in, making my life very miserable. I walked on crutches for a time, for my hip and spine were being drawn together, making one leg four inches too short and causing a double curvature in my spine because of continual stooping while walking. In January the following year, I went to the hospital, where they put two plaster jackets on me, but these refused to harden, and I was sent home after six days of intense suffering and pain, for the plaster casts, being wet, were eating the skin off my flesh. They now made a canvas jacket for me, with which to strap me to the head of the bed while a twenty-pound weight was hung on my foot to pull my leg down. I was in bed in this way for twenty weeks, after which time I found that my leg had been stretched one and a half inches. Another jacket was now made to keep my leg in place, this having great steel ribs running from the back of my neck to below my hips. This was to be worn when I was up, but it was of such a nature that I would sooner stay in bed than wear this jacket,

which would continually turn the skin into a mass of blisters.

This continued until June, 1920, at which time doctors were changed, my spine, hip and short leg keeping me in an exceedingly nervous condition. In January, 1921, I was again taken to the hospital for serious operations, with no apparent results. Upon coming home, I took the flu, which continued off and on till March. My leg was now beginning to draw up at the knee and continued until it was impossible for me to walk at all, so I had to be carried around, my leg, instead of being straight, having been drawn up to an angle of about 45 degrees. At this time abscesses formed on my neck, the St. Vitus' Dance continuing all the while.

In this condition I was visited by some of the Pentecostal people who told me that the Lord could heal me, but I was in such a nervous condition that I could not grasp the meaning of their message. Upon being asked whether I wanted to be anointed and prayed for, I said, "No," but finally consented. I really wanted relief, but wanted no one to come near me. Some days later I was, however, again visited, at which time I was anointed and prayed for according to God's Word, but the shock was so great that my nerves went all to pieces, for I could not stand the presence of strangers. Prayer continued to be offered by the church at eleven o'clock each day, and four days later my leg straightened out at the hour of prayer. About a month later I also had the pastor pray for the curvature in my spine and the contracted hip and I was instantly made whole. I can now walk straight, whereas before I had to have my shoes built up two and a half inches. I hadn't eaten a meal for many months, but my appetite was restored and I began to increase in strength and vigor, the Lord having done a perfect work.—Ida May Hamilton Snyder, Edmonton, Canada, in Canadian Pentecostal Testimony.

METHODIST MINISTER PRAYS FOR THE SICK.

Some months ago at one of the healing services at Elim, Rochester, the Holy Spirit spoke to me to request prayers for the healing of a former church member who was terribly afflicted with asthma and had been for years and life was a burden to him. Last spring I drove 40 miles to his home and found him so weak that he seemed almost ready to pass out. He had terrible coughing spells, great weakness of body and very little sleep nights. I spoke to him about healing and prayed a simple prayer that God by the power of Calvary's stream would cleanse and heal his body. Praise God, the following in his own words, written July 17, tells the story:

"I am wonderfully pleased to tell you that I am very much better as far as my health is concerned. Oh my, how I can work now! It really seems very strange to be able to shoulder my hoe and hoe now for my neighbors as well as for myself. For the past three years I had not been able to do my own hoeing. Surely a great change has come to me which I greatly appreciate and enjoy. I really believe the good Lord has taken my case in hand in answer to your prayers and the prayers of others. The asthma does not trouble me but a little now, and I feel so strong and sleep and enjoy it, and I also have a fine appetite. I have no aches or pains and feel perfectly well."—Signed, George W. Reed, Hensonville, N. Y.

I praise God that He is working these days in many wonderful ways. He has heard my prayers in several cases and really astonished me by giving almost an

immediate answer. Praise His holy name that the Holy Spirit manifested Himself in the baptism almost a year ago. My life and work has been so blessed since that eventful day. Glory to God!—D. N. F. Blakeney, Pastor of M. E. Church, Madalin, N. Y.

HEALED OF CANCER.

I feel I must give my personal testimony for I know it will be used to the glory of God. I suffered intensely for two and a half years from tumor, or rather a cancer in the stomach. I consulted two doctors, who promptly told me their only hope for me was to undergo an operation, which was impossible at the time on account of my weakness. While I waited to grow stronger, my friends advised me to ask the prayers of the Apostolic Faith people who believed in Divine healing. After some delay I decided to request their prayers. Some brothers and sisters, including Sister Christine Burger, came and prayed the prayer of faith that saves the sick. It took me some time to realize that medicine hinders God, and, consequently, I had the assurance God would heal me. My prayer was, "Dear Lord give me faith," and Jesus speedily answered it. By degrees the cancer disappeared and the terrible pain ceased. In December, 1920, I was completely healed, cured by God through prayer and prayer alone. Glory to Jesus! No trace of my disease can be found. God's name be glorified.

I wish to thank all the brothers and sisters who united for me in prayer. I also want to tell those who are suffering that Jesus is mighty to heal. Hallelujah!—Mrs. A. Holmes, Jagersfontein, O. F. S., South Africa.

A WONDERFUL CAMP MEETING IN SEATTLE.

We have just completed three weeks of a very remarkable meeting with Pastor W. H. Offiler at Seattle, Wash. We were obliged to rush away from Cleveland, Ohio, in order to get to Seattle the following Sunday. We can say it truly was a wonderful visitation from the Lord. At practically all the night services the large tent was filled to overflowing. On different occasions, particularly on the last night, hundreds were unable to get seats. During our stay about one hundred, or more, received the baptism of the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. Many very promising young people were included in the number; also quite a number who had been seeking for a long while. The power of God truly was in evidence in a wonderful way. The second last Sunday and the Monday following eighteen received the baptism, including Bro. Offiler's son. Of that number about 12 were very promising young people. Truly the power fell like rain and the slain of the Lord were many.

Many were saved and numbers of healings took place, and miracles and visions; in fact, practically all the various manifestations accompanying a real old time Pentecostal revival as recorded in the book of Acts were in evidence. There surely was great joy, and we believe one of the greatest visitations ever visited in that city.

Many from outside points attended. Bro. Fields was a real help and blessing to many. Bro. Offiler has labored faithfully for about seven years in Seattle, his wife standing faithfully with him. They have a large company of saints including a fine band of young people. Their new temple has a seating capacity of about 1,000. A wonderful spirit of unity prevailed. We truly praise God for such a remarkable meeting.

A. H. Argue.

GOD BLESSING IN SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

This assembly is rightly named "Glad Tidings," for it is full of gladness and praise from morning till night. The fire on the altar never dies out. We have never been in a place where the Lord Jesus was more lifted up and glorified than in this beautiful Assembly. It is the greatest miracle we know of that in these days of pleasure seeking, and right in the heart of San Francisco, a city full of all manner of cults, heathen worship and doctrines of devils; where the churches can hardly get a crowd, and many of them close down for the summer; that the revival fires burn on and on at Glad Tidings; the hall thronged night after night the year round, and this, in spite of the fact that hundreds of "movies" and theaters, dance halls, and pleasure parks, invite the people to a good time. Hundreds of people find Glad Tidings the most attractive place in all the big city of northern California.

We have been helping Bro. Craig in special meetings for 3 weeks and getting blessed ourselves. We want to give you a pen picture of just one meeting which is a sample of very many.

Unsurpassed Singing.

Long before 8 o'clock the crowd began to assemble on the outside. A lively street meeting was being held. Promptly at 8 o'clock, Bro. Cannon, God's wonderfully anointed Gospel song leader, who, before he was converted, could not sing a note, mounts the platform. The pianist, organist, and other players on instruments are in their places; one young sister beats the big bass drum vigorously. We have heard singing before; we have listened to the greatest artists in the world; have heard the very best choirs and choruses New York can produce, but we never heard any such singing as this; why these folks are all singing in the Spirit and with the understanding; their whole being is filled with the melody of heaven. It's great! Faces are shining with the glory of God. Some are clapping their hands, bodies are swaying, hands uplifted. The Lord Jesus is in the midst of His people and they are conscious of His adorable presence. The Holy Spirit is making God's Son the center of attraction. The Spirit lifts someone on their feet. It is a young woman; her body swaying under the power of the Spirit. Another, and another are on the floor, eyes closed, dancing in the Spirit.

A Reverent Throng.

The crowds in the galleries are looking down; laughing, making light of the wondrous scene below? O, no, they are not. Wondering faces, full of awe and interest, are gazing on these happy saints.

You say, what a wild confusion there must be. O, but it is not "wild confusion." Everything is being done decently and in order. There are some folks that would quench every bit of manifestation of God's Spirit, and take all the joy out of serving God because they are so afraid that it might be of the flesh. No doubt there is danger, but there is a place for joy in the Christian experience. Paul said, "Rejoice in the Lord always."

Then after prayer and testimony, we give forth the simple Gospel story of Jesus and His love, to the hundreds of lost souls before us.

Now we plead with them to come, earnestly entreating all to come and receive Him for spirit, soul and body.

The Altar Service.

O, that after meeting! How the power rains down from heaven; there are sinners at the altar; the prayer room filled

with those seeking their baptism. All denominations are represented. Bro. Craig has two Methodist preachers on their knees in one corner of the prayer room, his arms around them as he prays the Lord to baptize them in the Spirit. Back under the gallery sits an Episcopal clergyman, pastor of one of the city churches, his heart hungry. A Baptist pastor from Colorado is down before God pleading with uplifted hands that he, too, might receive this glorious fullness of the Spirit. A dear, old Presbyterian minister is telling God that his life seems like a failure. "O, I need this power," he cries. "It is for you, brother," we tell him. "Just step into the fountain."

There sits a Jewish lad. For days the Holy Spirit has been convicting him, but each night he left the meeting unwilling to yield. His face is buried in his hands. "Are you convinced that this Jesus Christ is the Son of God and your Saviour," we ask him. "I am," he replies. "Then will you yield to Him and take Him as your Lord and Master?" "I will," comes the firm answer, and down on his knees he falls. Soon he is rejoicing in the consciousness that Jesus has forever put away his sins and made him a child of God.

The meeting sweeps on until midnight. Unsaved ones linger in the galleries and auditorium while Sister Craig and other earnest Christian workers are endeavoring to lead them into the blessed Christian life.

God is surely blessing this Pentecostal Assembly.—Mae Eleanor Frey.

GOD IS BLESSING ON THE MEXICAN BORDER.

Bro. Francisco Olazabal writes from El Paso, Tex., "We have opened two more places of worship since my return, and more souls are getting hungry for the Word. In one of the suburbs of this city, some of the brethren built a little home, and as they invited us to have meetings there, we dedicated that home to be the Lord's house. There were in the meeting, inside and out, not less than 150 people, most of them Catholics and members of other denominational churches. They were all delighted with the Spirit manifested in that meeting, and as we had another service there last night, they came again with great interest.

"In Ciudad Jaurez, the Mexican town, some of the brethren, poor as they are, are giving every Thursday a dinner to the poor—those who are entirely destitute. A sister, recently converted, is opening her home for this purpose. After the dinner we have some songs and prayer and then a little talk. Some souls have been saved already in these meetings and a poor man who was paralyzed was healed in answer to prayer. I can see that God is approving this kind of work and we will go on with it."

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A LETTER TO THE SAN JOSE PRESS.

Editor Mercury Herald: Under the above caption, Mr. Arthur Dechman of 766 Hedding street, asks some questions, and in these questions seems to express a doubt as to these healings being genuine, and if I mistake not his language raises the question, as he says, "was it miracle or magic; fact or fiction; truth or pretense?" He cites the examination of Floyd Rooney, about 15 minutes after his reported healing by Dr. Froelich, and would seem to discredit all healings of a supernatural or divine origin.

Now I do not wish to enter into an argument on the question, but to state some facts, not magic, fiction or pretense: I am 29 years old. I have been very deaf for 23 years. Last night I was prayed for by Mrs. McPherson, and as I looked in faith to Jesus Christ to verify His promise, I felt an indescribable boring in my ears and I at once could hear the lowest voice or noise, and yet at 5 o'clock p. m. today I can hear perfectly. I know this is, if miraculous, a miracle; if it happened as it surely did, a fact, and above all, I know it is a truth and not either magic, fiction or pretense.

I have doctored with physicians in Chicago, in Michigan, and in Lodi and Fresno, of this state, with no results.

All of the statements I make with regard to my hearing and former treatment I can prove by my mother and many other responsible witnesses.

As to the permanency of my cure I believe it depends upon my close walk with God. And I surely believe it more permanent than some cures made by physicians.

I make no argument that every one, or any definite part of those anointed and prayed for in these meetings, are healed, yet I am a firm believer in the Bible as the word of God, and for myself I rely upon the promises with all deference to the opinion of the writer of the article referred to.

There is one thing that beggars description in these meetings. Whether magic, fiction, pretense or otherwise, that is, the hidden power to draw the thousands who attend, a great part of whom rely upon the gospel as preached in its simplicity, a gospel that will heal both soul and body today.

I do not want it understood that I speak disrespectfully or disparagingly of any honest physician. It is my mind that faith moves this active world. The farmer sows in faith. The miner delves into the bowels of the earth by faith. The business man risks his money in faith. The pilot guides the great ocean liners in faith. The engineer takes charge of the lives of those on his train through faith in his locomotive and all accessories to aid his safe delivery of his human cargo. Jesus said that He was the same yesterday, today and forever. If He healed when here, then, if He is the same—not a dead Christ, He is able and willing to heal today if we through faith meet the conditions.

I am willing to have my case investigated by physicians.

ADOLPH MARKLEIN.

1022 Inyo Street, Fresno Calif.

A socialist orator was holding a meeting a short distance from Kangasala, Finland. It was a hot summer day. He said to the people, "The Bible is only a book of traditions and lies. There is no God; but if there is a God, may He now punish me if He dare." Immediately he was struck by lightning and died.—A Ilmoni, Kangasala, Finland.

SICK HEALED AT PUEBLO.

Firm in their faith that the Jesus who came to earth two thousand years ago to save and to heal miraculously is "the same yesterday, today and forever," and that those who believe shall be rid of their bodily ills now just as were the men and women of that time who were able to actually touch the hem of His garment and beg His mercy, hundreds are finding their way to meetings of those of Pentecostal faith being held at the state fair grounds where prayers are enlisted for them.

Sunday afternoon the county building, which is being used for the services of the Pentecostal denomination, was nearly filled with people of their own church and others who have heard of the demonstrations of divine healing that are being made there and wished to witness the healings or to obtain help.

Long before the hour for the service to open, they began to come, old and young, some scarcely able to walk alone, two on couches, one in a wheel chair—a galaxy of the victims of pain who were in search of the Spirit that would make them whole again. Tottering and feeble, one sweet-faced little old lady with snowy hair and eyes that could not see, was led to the altar by friends who had brought her there. The section of the building which had been set aside for those who desired the prayers of those about them was filled with people who had come for the first time and with those who have already found help and are continuing to come that their faith may deepen and their pain may go.

W. H. Hamilton of Colorado Springs is in charge of the meetings and has about him a group of men and women, earnest and sure in their faith that God in His mercy will touch those who petition Him and set them free.

Sunday afternoon was devoted to a healing service and following the sermon the prayers for Divine help began. As the ministers stood at the altar the long line of sufferers began to come.

Limping, halting, tottering they came, hands held high in supplication and some with tears raining down their cheeks. With faces uplifted and hands resting in benediction on the head of each petitioner as he came, the men who sought divine help prayed earnestly, vehemently, softly and smilingly—sure that the day of miracles is not past and that their prayers would be heard. Mid-way down the line came the frail little, old woman spoken of before. Unable to see her way she was led forward and standing there with face shining waited for the light to come. The people waited breathlessly and rose to their feet with amens and hallelujahs when she declared that she could once more, after months of darkness, distinguish the sky and the trees. The woman is Mrs. Mary DeRemer, who is 69 years old and resides at 1628 East Eighth street. For months she has been blind as a result of cataract.

On and on they came and were received by the men who prayed and who asked that everyone in the house should likewise appeal for help for these people. Finally the line had passed and the two women lying on couches were reached. The first, who did not wish her name made public, rose from her bed and declared that after five years of suffering from tuberculosis and several months when she had been unable to leave her couch, she was growing stronger daily. The other, who was so frail it was necessary to fan her throughout the service, struggled up and declared her faith that she too was being helped. Back of the crowd stood a man who had

been suffering from a dislocated knee. He had asked for prayer and had halted back to his place. In a few minutes he suddenly began to move about and the stiff knee was as agile as the other. He declared he was well but asked that his name be withheld.

Of the many who have visited the camp during the last week no case is more remarkable than a young woman who has been almost totally deaf for a number of years. Last Wednesday night she appealed for prayer and returned to her seat able to hear as well as anyone about her and in the midst of the shouting and singing of the worshippers. One woman who is earnestly working for those seeking health testified that until 21 years of age she had been cross-eyed. She is now 49. At that time she became convicted that prayer alone would help her and went to a group of the people of her church asking for help.

"As they prayed for me it seemed that I could feel something in my head move," she said Sunday. "And my eyes were straight. You know the Bible says, 'the Spirit shall quicken within you' and that was what happened to me. The sensation was like some magnetic power had taken hold of me. That was 21 years ago and I have seen dozens of cures, many of them just among ourselves as we have met to pray for help."

Because of the many importunities that have been received the meetings will be continued throughout this week. Among the workers are Mr. and Mrs. John D. James, missionaries who have spent years in China and have visited 39 states within the past few months since their return to the United States. They will go back to the Orient in about six weeks and with them will go Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Scarborough, who are also in Pueblo at this time. On Sunday the service was led by Rev. Mr. Goes of Denver who took an active part in the meetings held in the auditorium there by Mrs. McPherson and continued the work after she had left.—Pueblo Star-Journal, Aug. 22, 1921.

MADE FOR THYSELF, O GOD!

Made for Thy love, Thy service, Thy delight;
 Made to show forth Thy wisdom, grace and might;
 Made for Thy praise, whom veiled arch-angels laud;
 O strange and glorious thought, that we may be
 A joy to Thee.

F. R. Havergal.

RETURNING TO GIVE THANKS.

Praise the Lord for healing my husband of rupture and my granddaughter of bad eyes.—L. A. S., Sharon Springs.

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Have you learned the precious lesson,
 In the mystery of God's will?
 Do you know the blessed secret
 Just to suffer and be still?
 Oh, 'tis hard for human nature
 In the turmoil and the strife;
 But 'tis healing for the Spirit,
 Cleansing all the inner life.

In the sevenfold heated furnace,
 Through the mystery of Grace,
 He will watch us till reflected
 His own image in our face:
 For a groaning, sad creation
 Waits the Godlike sons of God;
 Who like Jesus, in the Garden,
 Their Gethsemane have trod.

And this glorious new Creation
 From the ruins of the old;
 He has purposed to redeem them,
 Bringing forth His wealth of gold;
 Golden vessels, holy temples,
 Not a wrinkle, spot nor stain;
 Educated for their office,
 They with Him as priests shall reign.

—Selected.

CHICAGO, ILL.

Evangelist J. D. Saunders, of California, will begin a series of revival meetings on Sept. 18, and continue indefinitely, at The Full Gospel Assembly (Old North Ave. Mission), 2836 W. North Ave., Chicago, Ill. Come expecting the old-time fire.—Adolph Peterson, Pastor.

DOTHAN CAMP MEETING.

The annual Interstate Camp Meeting of the District Council of the Assemblies of God for Alabama, Florida and Georgia, will be held at the regular camp ground and tabernacle, Dothan, Ala., beginning October 15th, continuing for fifteen days or longer.

Elder T. K. Leonard of Findlay, Ohio, Superintendent of "The Gospel School," will have charge of the evangelistic meetings, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. John J. Ashcroft, of Merchantville, N. J. Scores of the local pastors and evangelists are also expected to attend. Ministers and saints are invited. We expect this to be the greatest revival campaign ever held in the Southeast.

Bro. Leonard has promised to give Bible lessons each morning during the camp. He says he can arrange these lessons so that they will be equal to a short term in a Bible school. We trust that all who possibly can will come prepared to stay for the entire time of the meetings.

The officers of the District Council have voted a change in the management of the table system. A small price will be charged for meals on the ground. Those who can, should bring provisions and it can be exchanged for meals and camping expenses. All should bring toilet articles, coverlets, etc. A large tent or two will be erected for camping purposes. Those desiring private camp tents will have to bring them or make other arrangements. For the ones that would like to come that cannot pay, we invite you to come ahead. We will trust the Lord with you and do the best for you that we can.

DON'T FORGET! All the saints and ministers in the District should send in the offering as voted at the Council for preliminary expenses. Do this at once! Much depends on this matter! For further information address L. Wooten, chairman, Elba, Ala.

NOTICE.

All missionaries and ministers in fellowship with the General Council of the Assemblies of God, passing this way, are welcome at the Assembly of God church, located at Fifth and Peoria Streets, Tulsa, Okla. As far as possible let visiting missionaries notify the pastor, H. E. Bowley, 115 S. Quincey St., before coming. In so doing we shall be better able to care for them. Signed: O. E. French, J. M. Reeder, E. K. Gray.

PASTORS OR EVANGELISTS DESIRED.

Aurora, Mo.—Write Miss A. E. Benedict, 1073 E. Anderson St.
 Alma, Mich.—Write Mrs. Claud Smith, 308 E. Linden St.

OPEN FOR CALLS.

Evangelist L. V. Roberts open for calls anywhere in the U. S. Note new address, 1635 Ludlow Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.



All offerings for Foreign Missions and for the expense of conducting the Missionary Department, should be sent by Check, Draft, Express or Postal Money Order, made payable to J. Roswell Flower, Treasurer, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Mo., U. S. A.

COMING HOME ON FURLOUGH.

Very few missionaries ever stay on the foreign field longer than seven years. To do so is to endanger their health and to jeopardise their whole future life of service for God. Most Pentecostal missionaries are able to appeal to their friends and relatives, when the time comes for their home-going, and these friends respond and furnish the transportation of the missionaries to the homeland.

All missionaries are not so fortunate, however. Some do not have any home assembly or friends to whom they can appeal, and unless there is a special provision of the Lord for them, they must stay on the field and fight it out somehow, hoping against hope that they will not break under the strain and that God will meet their need and permit them to come home.

A case of this kind has recently been brought to our attention. Our hands are tied or we would help them. To help them out of undesignated funds would mean to take the money from forty or fifty missionaries for a whole month in order that this family of four may come home. The only relief in sight we see for these faithful missionaries is that all our assemblies take up a special offering for them and quickly provide their fares. The matter can easily be handled if we act at once and all do our part.

The following is an extract from a letter just received from Brother Juergensen, which has touched our hearts:

"After much prayer we feel it is the Lord's will for us to go to the homeland for a rest. Eight full years have past and we are entering our ninth summer and feel we are worn out in body and need a rest very much. We feel if we do not obey God in taking a rest we may break down before another year passes. We have already prayed much and are continually praying and believing God to meet this need and send the means for our return. It seems a great mountain before us. We are four in number and rates are high. But there is nothing impossible to our God. It will cost us about \$900.00 for four persons. We would like to come home this fall, so that we would not have to spend another damp, cold winter in Japan. We are praying that God will open some home for us in California for the winter."

Miss Jessie Wengler also writes about this matter and says:

"All the missionaries here feel that dear Father and Mother Juergensen and the girls are greatly in need of a furlough, having been here for eight years with no

change, and each one of them in poor health. Please take them upon your hearts. It costs so much for a family of four to travel across the Pacific. They are very precious people and they must have financial help. They are willing to stay and go on with the battle. Their hearts are in the work and they love Japan, but it seems to me they must have a change."

There is only one thing to be done, and that is for us to bring these dear missionaries home. The Missionary Treasurer will be glad to forward all special offerings for this purpose on to Brother and Sister Juergensen that they may be brought home as quickly as possible.

Miss Macie M. Boddy arrived home from Liberia August 30th. She is with her parents at 31 Elizabeth St., Ossining, N. Y.

B. S. Moore announces that his permanent address in the U. S. A. will be 901 Raymond Ave., Long Beach, Calif. Brother Moore expects to be at the Council in St. Louis, Sept. 21st, D. V.

Bro. Percy Bristow has been down with the dread disease of small-pox. Praise God, the worst is over and he is now on the road to recovery. Small-pox is often fatal on the foreign field, and we have much reason to praise God for sparing our brother's life."

A WEDDING IN SOUTH CHINA.

We were somewhat surprised to receive an announcement of the marriage of John Rutherford Spence and Phoebe Marie Holmes at Fong Chuen, Canton, S. China, Tuesday, August 16th. We join the friends of the happy couple in wishing for them a prosperous, happy, united life of service in the Lord.

THE INDIA DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Announcement has been made that the Third Annual Conference of the North India District Council of the Assemblies of God will be held, D. V., at Bahraich, U. P., India, commencing Tuesday evening, February 21st, 1922. For information address Brother Frank Nicodem, Pilgrim's Mission, Bahraich, U. P.

AMONG THE LEPERS IN VENEZUELA.

The story was recently told of a man found with leprosy who was sent to a leper colony in Venezuela and who feels that the Lord has given him the opportunity to preach Christ to the lepers. Sister Fannie M. Van Dyke, who has recently returned home from Venezuela writes, "This man now has sixteen saved, though his mouth has been closed, and he has been shut in his room and the inquisition almost used on him. Twelve stand true with him." Praise the Lord for this witness among the lepers in Venezuela.

PRAY FOR SISTER KELTY.

Sister H. May Kelty writes that on August 22nd her mother suffered an apoplectic stroke and almost passed away. God has spared her life although she is partially paralyzed on the right side and her mind is very weak. Sister Kelty writes, "She seems filled with heavenly glory and continues to praise Jesus all the time. All who see her are deeply affected and feel they are truly near heaven. God has not shown me whether she is to be raised up or if He will take her. His will be done."

Wm. H. Johnson arrived home from Liberia, West Africa August 30th. He can be addressed at his home, Route 32, Mantua, O.

Miss A. Elizabeth Brown writes, "There never was a time in my 26 years on the field when Jews and Moslems were so open to the Gospel as they are now. .O, for consecrated workers!"

John D. James and wife announce that they are expecting to sail for China from San Francisco on Oct. 5, 1921. They can be addressed in care of C. J. Montgomery, Beulah Heights, Oakland, Calif., until that date, after which their address will be P. O. Box 429, Hong Kong, South China.

Bro. and Sis. Wyns of Mongolia, on the borders of North China, write, "The Lord has given us a dear, little daughter, three months ago, and I want to praise Him for He was our doctor and our all in the time of need. We have much to praise Him for the wonderful way in which He undertakes for us all here in Mongolia."

FAMINE IS PASSING IN CHINA.

Thos. Hindle writes from the Mongolian border, "I am pleased to report that the famine is passing from China. I can receive no more donations for famine relief. The United International Famine Relief Committee in Peking has also announced that they can receive no more funds. As far as I know the prospects of an abundant harvest in Northern China were never brighter. The rainfall is simply profuse. As I write this, God is watering the land here."

Brother Joseph Blakeney and party, who are enroute to the Northern part of Belgian Congo, have been undergoing many difficulties. Prices charged for hotel accommodations and for transportation of the party were exorbitant. Their funds were exhausted before they got out of Egypt and so they were compelled to cable for funds. We got together what funds we could, were assisted by friends in Rochester, N. Y. and in Canada, and were enabled to cable him \$700.00. Even this amount is far too small to meet all the needs and so we are looking to the Lord for further funds which should be sent to the Blakeney party immediately.

Miss Jennie Farnsworth writes from Ouagadougou, French West Africa, "We see Mohammedan teachers increasing and more and more of the heathen donning the little silver cross, many of the little children wearing it on their otherwise naked bodies. How we long to declare unto them the truth and love of the God whom they ignorantly worship. The natives term the Catholic fathers "White Mohammedans," or "Nesarah Mories," and the principal difference as far as we are as yet able to discern is that the Mohammedans are temperance people, while the Catholics use as much of the native dolo and other liquors as the officials. We earnestly solicit the prayers of all of the dear ones that God will give us wisdom and quicken our minds to grasp these languages that are so necessary to our work in reaching these darkened hearts."

ANOTHER MARTYR -- ANOTHER CROWN

Miss Ethel L. Bingham and Ruth I. Erickson write from Liberia, West Africa, often called "The White Man's Graveyard," of the homegoing of another missionary: "We are writing to tell you of the death of our dear sister and co-worker, Esther Sandstrom, after being ill one week with malaria fever. She is a Swedish worker and came to Liberia to join us in the work last October. Ever since her arrival, she has been untiring in her prayer life and in her labors of love for the Master. She was lame but she traveled many miles on foot to preach the Gospel and never missed an opportunity of speaking for her Lord. Her life and death are a loud call to us to prayer and to press the battle with greater faithfulness until our Lord's return."

NOT COMING HOME THIS YEAR.

Miss Alice C. Wood writes from Argentina, South America, "In answer to your inquiry I must tell you that I have no thought of going home at present. The Holy Spirit will guide me if He wants me in the homeland. It is impossible for me to leave for reasons innumerable. Please publish in the Pentecostal Evangel that the report is untrue. Every mail surprises me by a letter from some one inquiring whether I am going home this year, as it has been reported.

"I am going on, trusting the Lord to send me in the thousand dollars needed at present to go on fitting up the two rooms in preparation for greatly enlarging our usefulness. I have no rooms to receive new missionaries at present, nor workers from outside who would gladly come in and give us a lift. Our Father knows the need and let us trust Him to supply it."

Bro. C. A. Hines writes from Guatemala, Cent. America, "Some of the believers have been passing through severe trials and persecutions lately, but the Lord is faithful. A few days ago a new Indian brother came to the house after he had been falsely accused of a crime. He had to pay a heavy fine, pass the day in jail, and suffer other insults for being a Christian. He said to me, 'They tried to take my Jesus from me, but never can they do that. I have given myself to Him till I die.' I believe he has, for this is not the first injustice he has suffered for His name."

SISTER MCPHERSON NOT SUPPORTING BLAKENEY.

Many are under the impression that Sister McPherson was standing back of the Blakeney party with the influence of the Bridal Call. It is true that a statement was published that she had found a good missionary who would establish a Bridal Call Mission in Africa, and the impression was given that the Bridal Call would stand back of Brother Blakeney financially. Before Brother Blakeney left this country, however, he was informed that all offerings received for him would be forwarded to him, but that he must understand that no obligations toward him were assumed by Sister McPherson and the Bridal Call. This true state of affairs is not known generally among the Pentecostal people and so those who could give or who might have given have been leaving the matter to Sister McPherson, with the result that offerings have been curtailed from other sources and the Blakeney party have actually suffered through a lack of means to meet the heavy demands upon them incidental to their getting into the country and opening a mission station. Brother Joseph Blakeney has a large family and his needs are great. We must arise to the emergency and see that every need is supplied.

CONGRATULATIONS.

A cable was received Sunday, Sept. 4th, from Ouagadougou announcing the birth of a boy to Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Leeper. This increases the number in the missionary party in French West Africa to seven. The cable also stated that all is well, for which we praise the Lord.

MONTSEERAT, B. W. INDIES.—After being stationed at St. Thomas or two years we are returning to our former station. We have had the privilege of leading many to Jesus, and seeing many healed and baptized. Pray that God will bless us and use us.—Pastor W. B. Morgan and family.

V. G. Plymire writes that he and his family expect to sail for China about September 14th from San Francisco. May the Lord go with these dear missionaries as they launch out on their journey to the borders of Tibet, which will take them approximately three months before arriving at their destination.

Prayer is requested for our dear missionaries in Sierra Leone, West Africa. Sister Shakley writes, "It seems as if the enemy is making a special onslaught against the bodies of the missionaries at this time. I want you to pray especially for my husband. He suffers a great deal with his head and nerves. The work is going on about as usual. The Kroo people are coming more than ever. Some Sabbaths they can not all get inside."

Miss Jessie Wengler writes from Japan. "God is answering prayer in Yokohama. There are a number earnestly seeking the baptism of the Holy Spirit. It is precious to hear the women testify how God answers their prayers. One woman had prayed for her Buddhist husband for many months and recently he gave up smoking and drinking, and asked his wife to pray for him that he might be saved. He has asked for instruction in the Christian way. Our hearts rejoice to see God's moving."

Miss Mattie Ledbetter writes, "We had five new converts baptized and had a marriage recently—one of our Bible women and one of our young preachers. I told Miss Bailey we were getting to be quite an old experienced mission, though only two years old. God is blessing us much in our souls and we are getting time to wait at His feet and commune with Him and hear His voice in a special way. We are looking forward hopefully for China's future ingathering of souls and for an outpouring of the Spirit. He gives us intercession for it."

Miss Marie Stephany and Miss Grace Kenning write from China, "We have had a week's special meeting with Brother W. W. Simpson and the Lord made him a great blessing to us and also to the Chinese. At first there seemed such an opposition from the enemy, but as the Word was given forth and the cross of Jesus lifted up, praise God, He broke through. We believe it is but an earnest of what the Lord is going to do for us here.

"Our Chinese Christians have been severely tested with disease and plague. About fourteen have been sick with Typhus fever and four have died. Most all were very, very sick, but the Lord heard prayer and now all are on the road to recovery. One of those that was sick received his baptism during his sickness. Please pray that each one of the workers will go forth with greater zeal and power into the whitened harvest field, for the needs are so great all around us."

Bro. F. Harland Lawler writes from Shanghai, "Please pray for my mother that the Lord will strengthen and encourage her. She has passed through deep waters and surely needs the prayers and cooperation of the saints. Her body is so run down, and this being her fifth year on the field this last time, she really needs a furlough and long rest. Please pray about this."

SPRAINED ANKLE HEALED IN INDIA.

Brother Walter H. Clifford writes from India, "Three days before we left the hills the lady in whose house we were staying tripped over something and sprained her ankle. In the evening, when wife and I returned from a meeting, we found her with her foot bandaged up and not able to walk a step. As she could not put her foot to the ground, we helped her to her room and laid her on her bed. Then she asked us to pray for her healing. So we anointed her in the name of Jesus, plead the power of the blood, and prayed for her. About an hour afterward she said a warm comfortable feeling started from the middle of the ankle bones and worked out all over her foot and she could move it about in the bed. In the night she had to get up to see to her children and she was able to walk about. In the morning she was up and about again at her work with a slight limp. We told her to walk on in faith, believing she was every whit whole, and the next day she was perfectly whole. Glory to Jesus!"

DIFFICULTIES OF MISSION LIFE IN SOUTH CHINA.

Bro. W. R. Williamson writes under date of June 18th: "At this present time civil war is liable to break out any minute. Kwantung (the neighboring province) has rushed thousands of soldiers to the border and we don't know what minute we will have to leave. The magistrate has sent his special messenger telling us to be ready to leave on quick notice. The Kwangsi soldiers have all been withdrawn and the thieves in bands of over a thousand are threatening to come any time, so these are days of great uncertainty with us. But we praise God that He is with us and we are safe while in His keeping."

Writing under date of July 20th, Bro. Williamson says, "The soldiers came to Waitsap and fighting took place and we were forced to flee from our station when we were on the verge of a break and souls were being stirred to seek the face of the Lord. Never was such a seeking after the Lord as then and people who hadn't been coming for months were coming out again and getting so interested. The Lord brought us safely on 'Glad Tidings' through war-infested and thief-infested territory, reaching Sainam in record time. All the way we realized the mercies of the Lord. Since then I have returned once to administer the Lord's Supper and to baptize two new converts at our outstation in Leung Tsuen and God blessed our ministry there, but as the weather has turned so hot, we were forced to return down country.

"We would ask you to remember us in prayer for body if the Lord lays it upon your heart. We are looking forward to our furlough due early next year and we are asking God to give us the strength we need until then and also that He will raise up some one for the work at Waitsap. There is great need for more consecrated workers who will be willing to leave the present centers and get out where the multitudes are dying and without a single witness for Christ. Our hearts are reaching out to God for volunteers for the great inland centers."

-:- Reports From the Field. -:-

SHOOK, MO.—God is blessing wonderfully here. Just closed a 10 nights' prayer meeting; 12 gloriously saved; 4 received the baptism.—Mrs. Charlotte Davis.

EABLE, ARK.—We just closed a meeting at Togo, Ark. Six saved and one filled with the Holy Ghost. Will go to Monette, Ark., from here. Please pray for us.—W. H. Copeland.

BROOKFIELD, MO.—The meeting is still going on here. More than 100 have been saved. I enclose check for 21 new subscriptions for The Evangel.—J. William Bostrom.

JACKSBORO, TEX.—We have just closed a meeting at Pleasant Valley. A good number saved and 4 baptized in the Spirit. Closed with a good number seeking the Lord for salvation and the baptism.—J. L. Jones.

DUSTIN, OKLA.—I am engaged in a meeting here; the interest is good. We are believing God for a good meeting. I just closed a meeting at Hanna, Okla., with 39 saved, 4 baptized in the Holy Ghost and 16 baptized in water.—Wm. F. Hurley.

ANDERSON, IND.—We had a baptismal service Sunday in which 10 were baptized. The church building is almost finished. The house would not hold the people Sunday evening. Souls are getting saved. We organized a Sunday school. This is a new field for Pentecost. Pray for this place.—Sarah A. Dilts.

ATHENS, ALA.—We closed a meeting here last Sunday with about 40 saved and all seeking the Holy Ghost. Pray that God will baptize these hungry souls with the Holy Ghost. We have just started a meeting at Thatch, Ala. The house would not hold the people. Pray for this meeting.—Chas. Williamson.

SALEM, ARK.—My wife and I started a meeting 7 miles northeast of Salem, Ark., July 30, and closed Sept. 3. God saved 32, baptized 18 with the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4, and 21 were baptized in water according to Matt. 28:19. Sister Zella Johnson from Thayer, Mo., was with us two weeks.—Henry Johnson and wife.

MELTON, OKLA.—We just closed a 20 days' meeting here, where 28 received the baptism of the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. Old, gray-haired people came out of the sectarian churches and got the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Thirteen were baptized in water. There were great healings and devils cast out. Pray for us.—Sarah Muncy, Evangelist.

DOVER, ARK.—We praise God for the wonderful work He has done here at New Hope, about 2½ miles west of Dover, during Sis. Nora Journey's 3 weeks' meeting here. About 40 were saved, 38 received the baptism of the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4, and 31 were baptized in water. The meeting closed with great victory. I have never seen this country stirred so before. Large crowds attended. There were about 1,000 people present several nights and they gave good attention to the preaching of the Word; 25 were at the altar the last night and God gave us a shower of the latter rain.—Mrs. J. E. Bonds.

DECATER, TEX.—Bro. Fred Eiting and I closed a meeting here with a crowd of 1200 or more, and many wanted us to continue. Many saved and filled with the Holy Ghost and are contemplating starting a work here, having on foot a move for church building. I am sending 15 new subscriptions for The Evangel.—J. Frank House.

FARMERSVILLE, TEX.—We started a tent meeting here Aug. 6. This is the fifth week of the meeting. About 30 have been saved. One received the baptism in the Holy Ghost, and a great number seeking the filling. There has been a few special cases of healing, which has been a help to us in starting the work here.—O. W. Edwards and wife.

OLIVE BRANCH, ILL.—The dear Lord is giving us great victory here; 16 saved; many coming through with the blessed baptism according to Acts 2:4, among the number, some Methodists and Baptists. Bibles are being read as never before. The Methodist preacher said the meeting was the mighty power of God. I am sending 33 new subscriptions for The Evangel.—W. F. Lankston.

SOUR LAKE, TEX.—We just closed a revival here. About 24 were saved and baptized with the Holy Ghost. People are stirred here as never before. We have accepted the work as pastor here. Pray with us for a greater revival. Bro. A. L. Casey, of Wesson, Ark., has promised to help us in a meeting during the first two weeks in October. We welcome all Spirit-filled workers and will care for them.—Pastor Paul H. Radke, Box 595.

CENTER PARK, L. I.—The spirit of revival is burning in the hearts of the saints here. Good crowds attending. We are looking to God for the mighty signs and wonders to follow the preaching of His Word by the power of the Holy Ghost, and through faith in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. God blessed two evangelistic services on Labor Day held in Lincoln Republican Club House.—Robert W. Schuman.

STIGLER, OKLA.—We wish to sound a note of praise to our Christ for His glorious presence during our 6 weeks' meeting here. Bro. Padgett did most of the preaching. Bro. P. H. Ralstin was with us on the last two nights. There were 125 saved and the majority of that number received the baptism of the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. We ask your prayers, as we are trying to build a mission at this place.—S. V. Smith.

WEWOKA, OKLA.—I helped Bro. Jones in a meeting at Ninnekah, where about 35 were saved and 20 or 25 received the baptism of the Spirit according to Acts 2:4. We also had a good meeting at Wewoka, where about 16 were saved and several received the baptism. From there we went to Chickasha, where we had a wonderful meeting. Several were saved, reclaimed and baptized in the Spirit. We are now at Cement, where the power is falling. Large crowds attending. At Amber we had a good meeting also, where 10 were saved and 5 received the baptism in the Spirit.—James E. Chamless.

CENTER POINT (near Dixie), OKLA.—The meeting here has run two weeks, and will continue this week. Several have received the baptism in the Spirit and 15 were baptized in water Sept. 4. The Lord is working and the Nazarene people of the place are attending. Some are believing. The meeting is being conducted by Bro. Roy Fulsome and Bro. and Sis. Newcome. Pray for a great revival here.—Valeria Hammond.

SAN JOSE, CAL.—Sister McPherson's tent meeting is still going on with two meetings a day. Many are receiving salvation, also the baptism, and numbers are being healed. Three healing meetings a week. Sometimes there are as many as 10,000 at these meetings, if not more, and we are praying that God's work will continue. This revival was organized by the people of the First Baptist Church.—M. A. Heinlen.

CLEVELAND, ARK.—We praise God for His wondrous working power here. We started a meeting three weeks ago. There have been 22 saved and 16 received the baptism as in Acts 2:4, and others seeking God. This is a new field and we desire the prayers of God's people. Bro. Long and wife, from Russellville, have been with us the last few days. We expect to run the meeting on till the Lord says quit. Pray for us.—Arthur Groblebe and wife.

MALAKOFF, TEX.—We closed a meeting here with good results. Some souls wept their way through to Calvary. The truth went forth in purity, and God blessed His Word. We had some remarkable healings. There were two little children healed of typhoid fever; also a sister healed of an afflicted foot. One sister was healed of afflicted eyes. She said she could see better than she had for years. Sister Tennie Smith brought forth a wonderful message. Bro. L. C. Hounsell and wife helped in the meeting.—Maud Anderson.

SPRINGHILL, LA.—God is blessing in this place. A revival has been on for three weeks; 52 saved, reclaimed or baptized with the Holy Ghost; 29 followed the Lord in water baptism; 82 partook of the Lord's supper and foot-washing. The power and glory of God was manifested so that the sinners said they never saw it on this fashion before. The revival is still going on; 15 to 20 at the altar each night. We would like to have some one who is in fellowship with the Council who can give some Bible lessons. There are a number of young people here who feel the call of the Lord out in the work, and they need a better understanding of the Word and how to give it out to others.—C. M. Carraway.

COBSCIANA, TEX.—We wish to sound a note of praise for some precious meetings the dear Lord has given us this summer. After attending the McPherson campaign in Dallas, we went to Burleson, Tex., which is practically a new field. The Presbyterians gave us the use of their church, and God gave us a good meeting there. Some saved and some good healings, for which we praise the Lord. Then we went out in the country and built an old fashioned brush arbor, and God gave us a gracious outpouring of the Holy Ghost. Precious souls were saved and baptized in the Spirit, and the whole country was stirred and blessed of God. People from several small towns around would come out almost every night. We do praise the Lord for His wonderful works.—J. F. Stephens, wife and workers.

REVIVAL AT OSHKOSH, WIS.

Evangelist Harry Long, of England, will conclude his special services with an address this evening at the Pentecostal Mission, corner of Elm Street and Forest Avenue. A large attendance is expected. The evangelistic meetings have been in progress here for a month and those in charge say the results have been highly gratifying. "Many blessings have come from the meetings," said the local pastor, Reinhold Scharnick, and we have won a large number of converts, and have done much to relieve those who have been afflicted by sin and illness."

Up to last Monday the evangelistic services were held in a large tent at the corner of Central Avenue and Scott Street, and the attendance was large every evening. Beginning Monday, the gatherings were resumed at the church in place of the tent. Last Sunday morning thirty-eight persons were baptized by immersion in Lake Winnebago at Menominee Park, Evangelist Long preaching a sermon. It is planned to have another baptism in the lake this evening at 7 o'clock, at which time about eight persons will be immersed.—Oshkosh Press.

JESTER SWITCH, TEX.—Revival meeting closed here with great success. About 25 saved; 2 received the baptism as in Acts 2:4; about 20 seeking the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and 11 baptized in water, as in Matt. 28:19. There were lots of honest hearts converted to the truth at this place. We organized a prayer meeting and Sunday school. The first Sunday there were 71 in Sunday school. We have gotten the cream of the country. People came right along and said this is God's way and we want it. Sister Tennie Smith and Brother Jerry Smith helped in the meeting.—Maud Anderson.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.—Although our labors of love for Him have not been shown as much possibly as some others, still I feel it has not been in vain. A good part of our work is the jail and prison work, also taking in poor, unfortunate girls. Several precious girls have been taken in our own home, and loved, and pointed to Him who said, "Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more." Several precious babies have been born to these girls that the world had cast out, but, thank God, Jesus took them in. Pray especially that God may put this work on the hearts of some of His dear children to furnish a place in the south for this work.—Oscar R. Crews.

PORUM, OKLA.—Bro. Ellis Starr has just closed one of the most wonderful meetings I ever saw, held 8½ miles N. E. of Porum, Okla. The arbor was built by sinners. The revival lasted 19 days; 50 were saved, 36 of whom were baptized in water, and 15 in the Holy Spirit. Grown folks and children came seeking the Lord without a word from any one or without one word of preaching, and sometimes before the praise service began. Wonderful prayers could be heard during the day at homes, in which repentant ones would get saved and seekers baptized with the Holy Ghost. It was noised abroad and people came for 35 miles, some camping on the grounds, and could not leave till the meeting closed. About a thousand people attended meeting. Church members were converted to "the faith once for all delivered to the saints." It was most wonderful, and God in heaven only knows how much more good was done. Pray for these souls.—Dave Harris.

PAMPA, TEX.—Pampa has been one of the hardest places, so far as Pentecost is concerned, in which we have labored for many years. Bro. D. Z. Little and wife helped wife and me the first two weeks, and we all had to stay on our faces and work hard but the break finally came. We are now on the fourth week and Pampa is stirred as it has not been in many years. The glory of God fills the house and the people can't get seats, but stand for hours crowding the windows and doors and sitting in their cars. Truly the power is falling in the old-time way. Seven have been saved and 12 received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, while many others are seeking. Several cases of healing. We baptized 10 in water Sunday. Pray as we continue the battle. I am sending 26 new subscriptions for The Evangel.—N. R. Nichols.

BULLARD, TEX.—We began a tent meeting here Aug. 5, preaching the old-time Gospel of repentance. One night a young man came to the altar seeking God. He continued seeking the Lord the next day, and came into the meeting with a shining face and bright testimony. In the meantime the Lord dealt with his mother. She drew back from the conviction, and the enemy got hold of her mind and made her crazy. They sent for us to come and pray for her, and the Lord delivered her. She came to the meeting and testified to salvation. We received a message from Tyler that my son-in-law was dangerously ill with appendicitis. He refused to be operated upon. The doctors said they could do him no good. So we went and prayed with him according to James 5:13, and the Lord raised him up. He is now working. We went back to Bullard to resume the fight. A 15-year-old girl came to the altar crying out to God for salvation, and the Lord wonderfully saved her. A young man under conviction came to the altar and sought the Lord and testified to the blood of Jesus that cleanses from sin. The last night of the meeting the power of God fell in sheets, and after preaching the farewell sermon warning sinners to flee the wrath of God, two sisters came screaming to the altar. One got gloriously saved, and the other said she would seek God till she got salvation. One dear, old man, 60 years old, is seeking the baptism in the Holy Ghost along with all the rest that are saved.—C. C. Kirkland, Tyler, Tex., R. 4, Box 34.

PENTECOSTAL BIBLE SCHOOLS.

Mid-West Bible School, Auburn, Neb. (1301 Nineteenth St.), owned and operated by the General Council of the Assemblies of God. School term opens Oct. 4th. Send for application blank to Prin. S. A. Jamieson at school. Each student is expected to pay \$5.00 per week in advance for board, lights and steam heat. Tuition free. Funds are badly needed at once for this school and should be sent to the Treasurer, Geo. W. Hawley, Auburn, Neb.

Bethel Bible School, 61 Fourth Ave., Newark, N. J., Frank M. Boyd, Prin.

Southern California Bible School, 5038 Echo St., Los Angeles, Calif., D. W. Kerr, Supt.

Glad Tidings Bible Training School, 1536 Ellis St., San Francisco, Calif., R. J. Craig, Prin.

The Gospel School, West Park, Findlay, Ohio. Eld. T. K. Leonard, Supt.; Eld. O. E. McCleary, Prin. School year begins Oct. 11th. Building ready for students Oct. 6th. Application blanks and full particulars mailed on request. Address O. E. McCleary, Sec., West Park, Findlay, Ohio.

Beulah Heights Missionary Training School, 4741 Hudson Blvd., North Bergen, N. J. New term opens Oct. 3rd. Apply Wm. Faux, Prin.

PAWHUSKA, OKLA.—We wish to report victory in Pawhuska. Bro. A. B. Harmon of Tulsa, Okla., has been with us for three weeks and has proven a wonderful blessing to us all by his way of expounding the truth of the Gospel. There were 30 saved and reclaimed; 8 received the baptism in the Holy Ghost, and 14 were baptized in water. The saints are all much encouraged to continue on in this wonderful way with the Lord. There were a number of cases of healing in answer to prayer. To the Lord be all the glory, for He alone is worthy.—Pastor Paul H. Ralstin.

ATHELSTAN, IOWA.—God gave us a precious time at the Eighth Annual Camp Meeting of the Iowa and North Missouri district, held at Creston, Iowa. We praise God for the unity which prevailed throughout the camp. Elder S. A. Jamieson of the Auburn Bible School was with us part of the time and gave some most precious messages and lessons from the Word. They were wonderful, inspiring and encouraging to every soul, giving a greater vision of the Lord. A number of ministers and workers were present also. Sept. 1st, Missionary Day, was a blessed day. The presence of the Lord was truly blessed. On Friday, Sept. 2nd, officers were elected for the coming year. Seven presbyters were elected as follows: J. Kelley Campbell, of Mt. Ayr, Ia., Chairman; C. R. Dobson, of Davis City, Secretary; J. W. Rilea, of Grand River; D. E. Boatwright, of Des Moines; W. M. Burchett, of Davis City; I. M. Glanville, of Sioux City; W. T. Gooden, of Mercer, Mo.; John Goben, Director, and E. N. Hastie, Trustee, of Auburn Bible School. We truly praise God for His blessings upon this camp.—C. R. Dobson.

STIGLER, OKLA.—We started a battle for our Lord here which was indeed a battle. From the first service God put His approval on the meeting by stretching forth His hand in a marvelous way to save and baptize souls. The meeting continued 6 weeks and there were 130 saved and baptized in the Spirit, and 61 baptized in water. Bro. P. H. Ralstin assisted us in setting the assembly in order with the General Council, with 100 names on the assembly roll. The enemy cut our tent down and cut every rope in it, but we had open air meetings. They tried to get the law to stop us, tried to petition us out of town, sent us word we should not preach another sermon in town or we would be shot out of the pulpit. The crowds were estimated at 2,000 many times. It was said to be the biggest crowds ever seen here. Many came for 20 miles to see the power of God manifested. Many times the power was so great there were bright lights seen. One of many colors was seen standing over the pulpit one night, which hung there for some time and then slowly moved away. Sinners saw one come and rest on the tent pole one night, while they were at home, and they came running to the tent to see what it meant. So God is doing some wonderful things. We have our tent repaired and are now in Jenny Lind, Ark. Have been here 4 days and 11 have prayed through to victory. Bro. Aytes, the pastor, is like a father over his house. He surely has a fine band of saints here.—Evangelist S. M. Padgett, wife and band, Hartford, Ark., Box 641.

OPENINGS FOR COUNCIL WORKERS.

Broken Arrow, Okla.—Write Mrs. Clema Brewer.

Harrison, Ark.—Write Page Passmore.

Ocenee, Ill.—Write John S. Eller.

Douglas, Ariz., where revival is now running.—Write G. E. Blaisdell, Box 86, Pirtleville, Ariz.

PRAYER REQUESTS.

I have lost my joy in God and now have a terrible difficulty to continue in prayer. I am tormented with a gloomy, sad and almost despairing spirit. At times I have feared the loss of my reason. Do pray that I may be delivered from this torment, and restored to fellowship with our dear Redeemer, also delivered from ill-health.—W. E. P., Walton Park.

Pray I may be healed, my husband be delivered from snuff and tobacco habit, and both do the will of God.—Mrs. M. A. B., Newport.

Pray I may receive a fresh anointing and stand firm among these old people in the Old Soldiers Home.—E. B. P.

Pray I may be able to go to Council in September.—D. P. also H. B.

Pray for me in my isolation, that I may be renewed and have a fuller experience.—Mrs. H. R. C., Michland.

Pray the Lord may deliver us from debt and heal my husband's eyes; he is almost blind.—Mrs. F. P., Angleton.

I thought I was sanctified. If I was sanctified then I have backslidden. Please pray for me.—H. C., Unlepolis

Husband and I feel we have been called to the work of the Lord. Pray for us.—Mr. and Mrs. C. B., Versailles.

Pray for my husband who does not believe in Pentecost, for my disobedient daughter, and for my married daughter and her family, that God may save them and get glory out of their lives.—Mrs. J. E., Toyah.

Will the saints pray for me and my family sick with typhoid fever.—Mrs. S. O'L., Crisfield.

Pray we may get a home away from here; that God will save my husband and use me for His glory.—A Reader, Keyser.

Pray my backsliding granddaughter may be restored, my husband saved, and that God may use me for His glory.—M. L. D., Orange Cove.

Pray I may have faith for my husband and family in healing.—C. M. P., Millville.

Pray God may have His full will in me and keep me faithful.—M. N., Oak Forest.

Pray God may undertake for us that we may have work this winter; that He will remove everything that hinders us from doing His will.—Mrs. S. N., Commerce.

Pray God will deliver two demon-possessed people, build up His work here, save four husbands whose wives are already saved, and make a way for one called to get in His work and glorify His name.—L. D., Amafillo.

We are starving for Pentecost. Pray it may soon be brought to us and that we may receive the baptism.—Mrs. H. T., Hutchinson.

Pray for a little band of saints here that God may hold them steady and take them on into Him. Also for a 12-year-old boy in our midst who has the baptism.—G. E. M., Mayfield.

My wife and little girl are sick and we have one dollar which I borrowed. Please pray for them.—A Pentecostal Preacher.

Pray my husband and children may soon be saved and that I may be what God wants me to be.—Mrs. N. C., Dinuba.

Please pray that my spirit be delivered from the oppression of the evil one, and my body, especially my stomach, be delivered from the effects of an injurious drug.—A Brother.

Am nearing eighty, and feel the weight of years. Please pray.—Mrs. M. C. S., Greensburg.

The Lord is wonderfully blessing in this part of the field. Remember we need your prayers.—R. P. B., Logansport.

Pray God for Jesus' sake may save these.—Me and my family. I am living where I never hear the Gospel. Mrs. G. A., Dayton; An invalid. H. L. F., Hasse; A young lady and two uncles. Texas; My children and son-in-law. Mrs. N. L., Lawton; My husband from drunkenness and be restored to me. Also that I may be fully saved. Mrs. H., Calif.; My companion. Mrs. J. S., Tulsa; My two brothers and their wives. A Reader.

Pray these may be baptized in the Holy Spirit.—My husband and I. Mrs. N. L., Lawton; Two preachers, one young man and my son and daughter. Mrs. S. N., Commerce; My husband and daughter. C. M. P., Millville; My husband and I. Mrs. D. D.; S. S., Emelton; Wife and I. R. P. H., Wilmington; My sisters and brother and myself. Mrs. F. E. B., Athens.

Pray these may have the healing touch of the Great Physician.—From disease of the feet. Mrs. R. E. L., Terrell; F. R., fever, asthma and catarrh; Mrs. R. P., results of operation; R. R., cross-eyed and very nervous; C. F. R., high blood pressure, anemia and weak spine, myself from spinal trouble, nearly blind, nervousness and internal troubles. Mrs. C. F. M., Sturgis; My body, O. J. S., Bonifry; My husband

from high blood pressure. Mrs. J. H. A., Sterling; Myself from catarrh and female trouble, also scars from boils; my boy of nine from adenoids and bad tonsils; my boy of thirteen from constipation and catarrh; and my sister from a cut on her spine and other diseases. Mrs. E. L. S., Marshallville; For my unsaved father, very much afflicted, healing for mother and sister. Mrs. E. A., Tulsa; My four-year-old boy of chills and fever, and give strength to our baby that it may walk. Mrs. E. A., Tulsa; From a felon on my hand, that I may lose no bones. Mrs. M. C. D., Arab; Young lady with sore foot, one uncle with heart trouble, one uncle from rheumatism. Texas; Sister Sippord from lung trouble. I. B. C., Appalachia; From female trouble. Mrs. F. F. C., Lufkin; From weakness and deafness, M. C. Z., Santa Monica; A young man "assed in France, a young woman with dropsy, a woman with cancer who also needs salvation. Culpepper; My daughter from trouble in her head; a friend saved and healed of asthma; my husband of blindness. C. M. P., Millville; A man with lost speech from fever; also his sick wife. My body also. Mrs. G.; A sister with crippled feet. Mrs. A. M. H., Hartford; My husband of extreme nervousness. Mrs. D. D.; My wife troubled with cough following flu. F. F. C., Letona; My sister with lung trouble, myself with stomach trouble, and evidently scarlet fever is threatening. A. McC., Houston; My healing. Mrs. J. S., Tulsa; Pray I may get out of this rolling chair for the glory of God. F. S.; Please rebuke Satan who is afflicting with bronchial and catarrhal trouble through the whole channel to bowels; I cough and vomit until it is consuming my strength. Mrs. N. S. R., Jacksonville; My mother is suffering a complete collapse from nervousness. Also pray that her spiritual condition may be deepened. Mrs. C. E. M., Reading; By body. Mrs. M. McR., Booneville; A sister seriously afflicted with diabetes and blindness; the Lord has undertaken, please pray for complete delivery. Mrs. S. S. E., Los Angeles; Bro. A. from tuberculosis of the bone. This is urgent.

Pray that souls may be saved, believers baptized and the community awakened to know God and His love and mercy.—Hollister, Mo. W. W. C.; Gorham, Kan. K. C.; Brainard, Minn. A. J. H.; Hasse, Tex. H. L. F.; Commerce, Tex. Mrs. S. N.; Hartford, Ala. Mrs. A. M. H.; Little Rock, Ark. R. E. G.; South Bend, Ind. W. M.; Dinuba, Calif. Mrs. N. C.; For an outpouring of the Spirit on Rainy River. Mrs. H. S.; Hugo, Okla. G. R. L.

NOTICE TO ALL COUNCIL MINISTERS AND COUNCIL ASSEMBLIES IN SOUTHERN MISSOURI.

Warning is hereby given against one, E. O. Robins, who, according to reports received, has been going around amongst our assemblies. It is alleged that he is claiming that he is one of our regularly ordained ministers, and also that he is a trouble maker in assemblies. This notice is given according to information received and is given without prejudice to the party mentioned.—J. H. Law, Chairman District Council.

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