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Trust Also.

"Commit thy way unto the Lord: Trust also in Him;
and He shall bring it to pass."—Psalm 37:5.

"Commit thy way unto the Lord **and trust!**"
Ah! it is here we fail. We give the wheel
Of our small bark to Him: but then we thrust
Our hand upon His hand,
And dare to stand
Beside our Master, lest He wreck our keel.

"Commit thy way unto the Lord **and trust!**"
Leave all to Him: believe He knows thy course,
Thy dangers, and thy safety—all—then just
Abandon all to Him:
So shalt thou skim,
Borne briskly on before the Spirit's force.

"Commit thy way unto the Lord **and trust!**"
There is an "also" we too oft forget,
And so are plagued and worried. Oh! we must
"Trust also," then our soul
Shall cease to roll
In restlessness and reason and regret.

Commit! and then, committed, trust His word!
Has He not said that He will bring thee through?
Trust His strong arm; and when wild storms are
heard,
Believe He holds them still
By His strong will.
Trust Him, the Wise, the Faithful, and the True.

Trust Him to manage all that thou dost now
Commit to Him; the ship, the sails, the sea,
The sailors, thy strange crew. And ask not how
He will do all for thee,
But trustful be.

Lie down and rest from anxious worry free.
—William Luff.

TRUST

Nothing humbles a man so much as the gospel, for it causes us to realize our own impotence and worthlessness. I would to God that, convinced of the folly of trusting to self-righteousness as a means of receiving eternal life, we might never forget the solemn fact that after receiving, like poor beggars, the gift of life through Jesus Christ, our life is no longer ours, but His; we cannot live it, He must live it in us; we cannot work it out, He must work His will in us. But against that life of God in Christ Jesus which the Holy Ghost would carry out in us there arises a militant body of enormous force within us, resisting the Holy Ghost at every point, so that He must work His way point by point throughout our being. How is this to be obtained? First, by the recognition of the fact, then by the glad submission of faith to the will of God, and then by determinedly throwing overboard anything that would be an obstacle to the life of the Christ, and yielding the whole self to God. Begin by yielding, for trust is the outcome proper of yielding. Your nature is dead; therefore you must give up death to death, and take the life which is His gift and say, "It is Thy life, let it reign; I yield all, but I have Him;" and the life of the Son of God will be manifest even in your mortal body, and of course still more in your soul and spirit.

This idea of trust is illustrated in the case of Paul in connection with the trouble which befell him in Asia (2 Cor. 1:8). There has been much argument as to what was the trouble of which he speaks, but I care not what the occasion was; it suffices to say that in Paul's experience there came a moment when he realized that he was in the very face of death. He said, "We had the sentence of death in ourselves," that what?—"that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God which raiseth the dead." Like Abraham on Mount Moriah, in one instant his gaze goes up to God, and he feels that God can deliver, but no one else can. So this man Paul felt that there was no deliverance in man, no hope in himself, but that this was the moment for trusting God, for giving up his whole being to Him. This trust is far more than faith; faith takes; trust gives; by trust you commit into the hands of God, with perfect certainty of deliverance and blessing, that which in itself brought you nothing but the absolute certainty of death.

This is very humbling, but the Gospel was never meant to pander to man's pride. Men would like to go to heaven by human toil; they would like to do great works for the glory of them; Christian ministers would like to feel that a magnificent sermon had led to great results upon the world at large. No, my brother, my sister, you must learn that you first must come to the point of despair of self and of everything that is human, and then you must look into the face of God and acknowledge that He alone can help you, and then He will give you deliverance. "He hath delivered me from so great a death, and doth deliver," says Paul. But what about the future? "In whom we trust that He will yet deliver us." Past, delivered; present, doth deliver; future, He will deliver.

Men too frequently say to themselves, "Well, I have no one to trust to, so I will say that I trust God. I would take a man if I could find him; I would trust myself if I dared; I would look to the undertaker to keep me out of the coffin if it were possible; but because he cannot I will try to say that I trust God."

Do you think God is going to let you sneak into heaven in that way? Do you think God will give you the place of honor when you give Him the place of humiliation? Give God the glory. How? By coming to this blessed condition Paul describes in himself. When you look in as well as around and see no prospect but death, then look quietly up into God's face and say, "Now, Lord! Now, Lord!"

But there is something further which is meant by this word **trust**. It is very distinct in the original from our word **faith**. Faith is **pistis**; **trust** is **pepoitha**; **pepoithesis**, the noun, comes only six times in the New Testament, and only once is translated **trust** (2 Cor. 3:4). In the other five passages it is translated **confidence**, a very blessed word, but it is not the same as **trust**, because confidence and boldness (*parresia*) are the outcome of faith and trust. Faith takes into the soul what God in His mercy reveals, and believes God against all comers. Trust hands over to God what God has given us and says, "Keep, Lord, and use, for I cannot." Then comes a holy confidence and assurance of soul which prevents from ever being disturbed under any circumstances whatever, and out of that confidence there comes a boldness which enables us to act for the glory of God. Faith, when it has conceived, bringeth forth trust; and trust, when it is finished, bringeth forth confidence and boldness.

These two, faith and trust, will be exercised in different ways. It is a noteworthy fact that in almost every case faith is described as exercising itself to do what is already complete. It takes the word of God, which is already spoken; it takes the work of God, which is already accomplished; it takes the Son of God, who is already provided; it takes the Holy Ghost, who has already come to give life and power to every man who will receive it. Faith is always taking that which is already provided for us by God, and it matters not that we cannot fully understand; we believe God's word, because we believe that He cannot lie.

But now we must go a step further in order to be fully blessed in every part of our lives. We must now evince active trust in God by throwing ourselves upon Him in the despair of self and of everything earthly and human, but with the conviction that as we abandon ourselves to Him He will undertake for us and carry out His purposes in us. You may think that it is very presumptuous for a man to make such a demand of God, especially in connection with earthly business.

A friend went one morning to the house of the great Sir Robert Peel, and found him with a large number of letters lying before him; he was bowed over them in prayer. The friend retired, and returning a little later, said, "I beg your pardon for intruding upon your private devotions." Sir Robert replied, "No, those were my public devotions; I was giving the affairs of state into the hands of God, for I could not manage them. If you will just hand the letter-bag over to the Lord you will find that you can trust it to Him. It may contain matters vital to your firm, to your nation, which you think only you can manage. Try trusting the living God with your letter-bag or your housekeeping; do not ever fret or fidget again; put everything into His hands and say, "Now, Lord, undertake for me." That is quite distinct from faith. For instance, I am in a very difficult situation, and a friend tells me of a very able lawyer. He says, "I forget his name, but I will write to you, giving you his address." I receive a letter from him the next

morning containing the name and address of the lawyer. I have faith in my friend's word and in the letter that contains the name and address of the lawyer. I have not trusted him at all, but now I go down to his office and put my secrets and difficulties into his hands and say, "Take them, and I will leave them without a fret in your hands." He looks at them and says, "I can manage this affair without the slightest trouble. I can win your case without the shadow of a doubt." I go out calm and confident, because I have faith in the power of that lawyer, and because I have trusted my case in his hands.

In the Bible, faith is distinguished from trust in that by faith we take Jesus Christ, and trust takes us to God through Christ. Let us see how it acts. Notice how sin is treated in the Epistle to the Romans. First there is the sense of guilt. Faith takes the doctrine that in Christ God was satisfied in regard to me as a sinner; trust goes to God through Christ and says, "I have no fear of judgment. I walk up to God with perfect confidence as to my guilt, for it is put away." Then faith takes the word of God that Christ is a Saviour from the power of sin; trust steps out into the place of difficulty into which God calls me, believing that Christ will really deliver me. Faith takes the doctrine that I am delivered from the action of death in sin; trust, when I yield myself to God as a man that is alive from the dead, passes my whole being into God's hands for keeping, for power, for service. Faith takes the fact that there is no condemnation; trust believes that there is no separation, and that I am joined to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thus trust is to be exercised in every department of salvation.

God alone knows your trial, and He will help you. Look your trial right in the face and say, like Paul, "I cannot escape; I despair; the sentence is death." A dear one may be dying, or the fell sentence of the physician may be upon yourself; the dark trial of poverty may stare you in the face. You say, "I try to believe in a God of love, but I am greatly troubled; I cannot rest night or day." My friend, faith is not enough there; you must trust. You desired life, and the answer came death. Now trust, trust. Alexander the Great had a physician at his court who was his bosom friend, and we are told that Alexander loved him greatly. One day there came an anonymous letter on a waxed tablet to the king, which read: "O king, thy physician purposes to kill thee; there is treachery in thy court. He will kill thee by the draft which he gives thee tomorrow under the plea of healing thee." The king put that waxed tablet into his breast, and the next day, when the physician came to give him the draft that was for the healing of his body, he put out his left hand and took the cup, and at the same time with his right hand he pulled forth the waxed tablet from his breast and handed it to the physician, and said, "Friend, I trust thee," and drank the potion before he had even stopped a moment to see the effect of that letter upon the physician. That was trust. My brother, I know not what God's draft for you may be, but—

"The great Physician now is near,
The sympathizing Jesus;
He speaks the doubting heart to cheer—
Oh, hear the voice of Jesus!"

How dare you doubt the great Physician! How dare you say, "My God, I cannot, I cannot go forward!" Believe that the Lord can. Despair of self; the Lord comes in when you put out your soul toward

Him. It is not enough to believe that Jesus is the great Physician; you must trust Him. We trust the steamer every time we cross the ocean; we trust the cook every time we partake of food. What fools we are that we do not trust God when He tells us to look up to Him and lean hard upon Him through Jesus!

Lastly, there is service in business, service in the home, service in the church, service in the Sunday School; and you are saying, "I cannot, I cannot!" I one day said to Spurgeon, "Brother Spurgeon, did you ever find it difficult to get a text from which to preach? The Bible sometimes seems a blank wall from beginning to end, and without a text in it." Spurgeon replied, "That is what I sometimes feel. When I was a young lad in Cambridge I lived in a very narrow street where the roofs of the houses were very high. My room was not a pleasant one; there was nothing to look at but roofs. I began one Monday to look for a text. I could not find one. Tuesday came and I had none—Wednesday, Thursday, Friday—and Saturday I was in despair. I said, 'Well, Lord, I suppose that in the country I will get a text.' So I started out to walk; but just then there came a rain, and I had no chance of leaving my room. Four o'clock came and there was not a text in the Bible. All at once I heard a twitter, twitter, twitter, and there were a whole flock of sparrows under the eaves just outside of my window, pecking at a canary. I had my text in a moment: 'My heritage is unto me as a speckled bird, the birds round about are against her.'" (Jer. 12:9). God gave him his sermon; and when you come to despair in yourself God comes to the rescue. My brethren, despair of self, and then trust in the living God, "who hath delivered, and doth deliver: in whom we trust that He will yet deliver."—H. W. Webb-Peploe in "The Life of Privilege."

SORROW

It does not say that we are not to weep or sorrow when the Lord takes a beloved one away from us. A man would not be a man that could not weep. Jesus wept at the grave of Lazarus. But we are not to sorrow "as those who have no hope." We have a source of comfort that the world knows nothing of. It is a libel on what God has done for us if we sorrow as the world. We ought to pity the world in its times of bereavement and sorrow. God's children ought not to sorrow as the world. There are many sorrows besides the loss of friends. Life is full of it. If God did not permit sorrow to be felt while here we would make the world our rest.—J. R. Caldwell.

JUST THE SAME

Few people look forward without foreboding to the future. And we gain nothing by shutting our eyes to the state of the world. But we shall be kept in perfect peace ourselves, and may stablish others if we can lay hold on this greatest of all facts that, amid all the changes of the world, Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today, and forever. If "today" has peculiar difficulties let us join it with yesterday's Cross and Pentecost and with the future glorious reign of Christ. "This same Jesus!"—F. W. Ainsley.

ANYWHERE WITH JESUS

Samuel Rutherford, writing from his prison, which he calls "Christ's palace in Aberdeen," says, "I sat and thought of the Lord Jesus until every stone in my prison-house glowed like a ruby."

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BEHAVIOR AS BECOMETH SAINTS

We are not to suppose that the moment a man is saved, he sees clearly, merely from the fact that he is a saved man, what are the things which are according to the holy and perfect will of God. As to his habits and practice, he has to learn carefully, diligently and prayerfully, from God's blessed Word, how he "ought to walk and to please God" (1 Thess. 4:1). And "by reason of use," his senses become "exercised to discern both good and evil." Such an one is said to be "of full age" (Hebrews 5:14). The converted man, or woman, or child, has to go always as a little child to the Word of God, to learn the mind of God. Natural conscience is not a safe guide. For our thoughts are not as God's thoughts, and our own ideas of what is right and wrong are far below the standard which God has given us. What is that standard? **Christ Himself.**

The study of Christ is not a matter of a day, or a week, or a year. Nor are those parts of the Word of God, which relate to our daily practice, learnt and understood in a moment; and unhappily those parts of the Bible are very often neglected by many who carefully study all that relates to matters of faith. It is quite true that belief must come before practice; that the foundation must be laid before the building can be begun; but if we study the first chapters of the Epistles to the neglect of the last chapters—if we study the prophecies to the neglect of the book of Proverbs, we shall, without intending it, bring a terrible reproach upon the name of Christ, by our evil and foolish sayings and doings.

The truly converted man who, from ignorance of these parts of God's Word, has no better measure of right and wrong than his own untaught conscience, will constantly slip into little habits of dishonesty, selfishness, and untruthfulness; of unkindness, idleness, and folly, which will "cause the apothecary's ointment to send forth a stinking savour" (Eccl. 10:1). In such cases the world will call it hypocrisy, but it is really very often that such a man, sincere at heart, has been trusting to his own natural sense of

right and wrong, and perhaps imagining that he would be "putting himself under the law," by diligently studying the directions God has given for the walk and behavior of His saints.—B.

THE MASTER CHEMIST

In a brilliant company of clever men some time ago, the great subject of Christianity came up for conversation. The manner of Christ's redeeming work was discussed. Many beautiful and wonderful theories concerning this were introduced, but the one admittedly the best fell from the lips of one who is recognized as one of England's great men, great because of his goodness, transcending his greatness. In the midst of a reverent silence he rose and said, "Gentlemen, the manner of Christ's redemption is a wonderful thing. In my humble opinion, Jesus Christ was the Great Master Chemist and Artist of all time." Then, picking up a Bible, he said, "We have heard many strange theories tonight, but this Book tells me that the Great Master Chemist and Artist used a bright red to produce a pure white in a dead black." Then amidst a quietness which was as the hush of God, he read once again the story of the Crucified, and men went out from that meeting feeling that they had been brought face to face with a wondrous reality, and rejoicing in the gift of God's great Son.—The Christian Herald.

OUR WALK

"Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lusts of the flesh" (Gal. 5:16). He who walks in the Spirit never remains in one state. His way is not in himself, but as the Spirit dispenses to him according to His good pleasure, now more faintly, now more eagerly, he forgets the things which are behind, and reaches forth to the things which are before. Distrust not when thou findest weariness and torpor; seek the hand of thy Guide, beseeching Him to draw thee till thou be enabled to run the way of God's commandments.—Bernard of Clairvaux, a Christian of the 12th Century.

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THE RED TERROR

And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon (Rev. 12:3). And I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet colored beast, full of the names of blasphemy (Rev. 17:3).

We are living in the day of the rising tide of color, and that color is red. A recent publication is called the "Red Dawn." Surely we are living in the Red dawn, or rather the Red sunset, for the Bible tells us that when the Reds rule, their kingdom will be full of darkness. It is not without significance that the Russian hordes are called Red. That is their actual color. The flag of Communism is blood red. When the Bolshevik army first appeared, it was said the uniforms of the soldiers were blood red, and even their boots and the scabbards for their swords were red. On May Day, 1919, Budapest had a great red debauch. Everything was red. At that time we clipped the following article:

"May Day has been an orgy of red. Thousands of red troops marched to red music through red bannered streets. The sidewalks were crowded with men, women and girls flaunting red ribbons. Street cars were red, automobiles were red, railway stations and lamp-posts were red. In squares and on street corners were large red wooden stands on which were emblazoned the statement, 'This is the day of freedom and world brotherhood.' There were numerous immense plaster casts of Lenine and Karl Marx, some of them twenty feet high (images). The Red celebration continued all day and night and red electric lights added to the crimson hue after darkness fell."

Not only in Russia and Austria, but all over the world this sign of the Red has been displayed in many forms and ways. All this proves to us that when the Bible says "red" it means red. The prophet Nahum foretold the coming of the Reds in the last days. He describes their garments and even their shields as being red. "The shields of his mighty men are made red, the valiant men are in scarlet." The prophet Ezekiel speaks of the coming Babylonish army as clothed with vermilion, which means red. In the book of Revelation we find that everything connected with the Antichrist is red. The Beast himself, with seven heads and ten horns, is declared to be scarlet colored (Rev. 17:3). He is a Red. His whole kingdom is a red kingdom. His great city Babylon will be a red city. The Bible declares that the "city" itself will be clothed in scarlet (Rev. 18:16). Like Budapest's orgy of red, Babylon the great will be emblazoned in vermilion and illuminated in red. The first beast of Revelation, the red beast, will reign over a Red city, a Red league of nations, and a Red world. This very thing has been the ambition of Lenine, that he might reign over a Red world. But he will never gain that hope. Lenine is simply the awful shadow of the great Red king who is surely coming to reign over a great Red world. Not only will the Beast be a Red, but the woman, the harlot, that rides and controls the Beast, will also be a Red. She will be arrayed in scarlet (Rev. 17:4). This red harlot symbolizes

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the coming world federation of religions. It will be a Red religion that will flaunt the red flag of communism, and drench the world with the red blood of the martyrs. Keep your eyes on the Red religion O man of God. Watch! Its theme is communism, federation, social service and the red light of spirit seances.

But behind the Red Antichrist, the Red religion, and the Red world, stands the Dragon, a monster with seven heads and ten horns. This is the Devil. He, too, is a Red. The Bible says he is a great red dragon (Rev. 12:3). But why is he red? Because red is the color of sin. Sin is scarlet. Sin is "red like crimson." Red is the color of blood. The devil is red because he is a murderer. "He was a murderer from the beginning." And even now he is marshalling his Red soldiers and his red religion, and is getting ready for the greatest debauch in red blood that the world has ever known. Listen what this Red murderer has done in Red Russia since October, 1917. Here is a list of Red murders reported by the Bolsheviks themselves. We copy from the Jewish Missionary Magazine! Bishops murdered, 28; priests murdered, 1,215; professors murdered, 6,775; physicians murdered, 8,800; army officers murdered, 54,650; soldiers murdered, 260,000; police

murdered, 59,000; landowners murdered, 12,950; intelligentsia murdered, 335,250; workmen murdered, 193,350; peasants murdered, 815,100. A total of 1,767,118 murders in six short years. If this is the record of the Red when only his shadow is here, what will it be when the great incarnation actually stalks through the great Red world? Woe! Woe! Woe!—C. J. Waelte in Watch and Pray.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS—From Paris, Ark., to Greenwood, Ark., Box 324. Pray for us and for this place, that God undertake in a mighty way.—Hansel H. Trusty.

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DAILY PORTION FROM THE KING'S BOUNTY

MRS. A. R. FLOWER

Sunday: "I call to remembrance my song in the night" (Psa. 77:6).

My soul, thou art receiving a music lesson from thy Father, thou art being educated for the choir invisible. There are chords too minor for the angels. None can learn them but the children of the cross. There may be heights in the symphony which are beyond thy scale—heights which the angels alone can reach, but there are depths which belong to thee and can only be touched by thee. Thy Father has trained thee for the part the angels cannot sing in the school of sorrow. In the night He is preparing thy song. In the valley He is tuning thy voice. In the cloud He is deepening thy cords. In the storm He is enlarging thy pathos. In the rain He is sweetening thy melody. In the cold He is moulding thine expression. Despise not thy school of sorrow, oh my soul; it will give thee a unique part in the universal song.—Geo. Matheson.

Monday: "I acknowledge my transgressions" (Psa. 51:3).

One of the hardest things for human nature is the acknowledging of our faults and failures. Even the confession of actual sin is often blunted by a certain self-justification that would either put the blame on someone else or condone the heinousness of our own wrong. A bit of contrite confession is a good spiritual purgative sometimes. None of us need fancy we have reached the exalted pinnacle of perfection that precludes the possible necessity of a frank acknowledgement on our part of a fault or a mistake. Refusal to humble ourselves here will close the door, too, for the growth and development of a victorious life in Christ.

Tuesday: "Therefore I will look unto the Lord; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me" (Micah 7:7).

"This waiting is a promise. God's commands are enablers: gospel precepts are all promises, a revelation of what our God will do for us. When first you begin waiting on God, it is with frequent intermission and frequent failure. But do believe God is watching over you in love and secretly strengthening you in it. There are times when waiting appears just losing time, but it is not so. Waiting, even in darkness, is unconscious advance, because it is God you have to do with, and He is working in you. God who calls you to wait on Him, sees your feeble efforts, and works it in you. Your spiritual life is in no respect your own work; as little as you began it, can you continue it; it is God's Spirit who has begun the work in you of waiting upon God; He will enable you to wait continually."

Wednesday: "And I saw heaven opened" (Rev. 19:11).

How good the dear Lord is to open to our eyes an occasional glimpse of the glory that awaits us beyond. And He knows so well just when we most need

such a vision,—perhaps when our dragging footsteps betray the weariness of a toilsome day, or our hearts, grown heavy with the glamour of earth's vain day, yearn for an earnest of our promised inheritance. Dear fellow pilgrims, our portion is most wonderfully sure. That He who left us has been busy in preparing a place, such glimpses of glory assure us; and soon, full soon, we shall enter in to go out no more. Hallelujah!

Thursday: "He considered not . . . being fully persuaded" (Rom. 4: 19, 21).

There were two very mountainous difficulties Abraham might have spent a lot of time considering. Most of us would have been tempted to do so, I fear, for we are all remarkably human and natural. But with a persistence like unto God's own, Abraham refused "to consider," and counting the things that are not as though they were he proved his faith by giving glory to God, until he clasped in his arms the precious fulfillment of God's promise. No wonder he is called the "father of the faithful," "the friend of God." And yet to us God is still the God of Abraham—Hallelujah! If only we could forever settle this "considering" business, perhaps we might all manifest to the world just how mighty today is the God we are serving. Someone has said, "If it is to be a great miracle, the condition is not difficulty but impossibility."

Friday: "As thy days, so shall thy strength be" (Deut. 33:25).

"If you are worrying you are not trusting. Surely one might as well have no God, if after kneeling down and saying, 'Our Father,' it is necessary to fret and worry as though He neither knew or cared.

God hath not promised skies ever blue,
Flower-strewn pathways always for you,
God hath not promised sun without rain,
Joy without sorrow, peace without pain;
But He hath promised strength from above,
Unfailing sympathy, undying love."

Saturday: "And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain" (Matt. 5:41).

It is this compelling spirit that marks the high tide of Pentecost in our life. It takes the fulness of God's power within us to go more than half way in the spirit of divine forbearance. It has cost a life more than once because someone was not big enough to show such a spirit when a wrong or injury was committed. How far we all must be from the Calvary standard. How much we all need that greatness of spirit, that unselfish forgetfulness of our own that will cause us when necessary to be God's bridge across some chasm of division and strife.

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THE SOUL'S REFUGE

We live to rise above the strife
And claim our victory in Thee,
And sing of Jesus and His love—
The precious blood on Calvary;
This precious blood alone can save;
And through His power the storms we
brave.

What though the clouds hang low and drear

And storms arise and foes increase?
"Fear not," we hear Him say to us,
"For I am near, be still in peace."
And through His precious blood alone
We claim the victory our own.

Where is the refuge in this hour
Of dismal night and darkened sky,
When men with their religions fair
Their very God and Christ deny?
We find it in the same old source—
The riven Rock, the blood-stained cross.

Where is the refuge in this hour,
For sin-cursed lives and broken hearts,
For those bereaved through bloody war,
Whose sacrifice no joy imparts?
Again in trumpet tones repeat
"Christ's blood—the sacrifice complete."

Where shall we hide from strife of tongues,

From every stormy wind that blows—
From wickedness that lives and thrives,
From scorn of men that ever grows?
We find our refuge all complete—
The cross of Christ, the Saviour's feet.

Sweet peace have we who love the Lord,
Whose mind on Him alone is stayed,
And thus we raise our battle cry,
Nor fear the foe nor are dismayed;
We fight to conquer through His blood
And rest on His eternal word.

Our foes around us still persist,
And Satan and his hosts press on,
To bring defeat on the elect,
'Tis always darkest ere the dawn;
But light draws near, the daydawn breaks,
The resurrection morn awakes.

Oh, ye who falter by the way,
Look up! take courage and rejoice!
Know ye the Saviour draweth nigh,
Methinks I almost hear His voice
Proclaiming, "They that overcome
Shall sit with Me upon My throne."

The darkness thickens o'er the world,
Men's hearts are failing everywhere,
And faith has well nigh fled away,
And few indeed take time for prayer;
But hear ye now, ye blood-washed ones,
Lift up your heads! Behold He comes!

The blood, the blood, the precious blood,
We cannot tell its fullest worth,
But when at last the trumpet sounds,
And we are gathered from the earth,
We'll sing aloud the victor's song—
We triumph through His blood alone.

—A. E. K., London, Ont.

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EXPRESSING LOVE TO GOD

Did you ever sit down and write a love-letter to Christ? This may sound a very strange question to many people who do not really love Christ personally; yet the fact remains that He loves them, and He longs intensely for some answer of affection. And there are some few who have found Him to be not only their Saviour, but their Lover, the altogether Lovely One who has won their deepest devotion—yea, more than that the One who seems somehow to have created in their cold hearts a tremendous love for Him that surely was never natural there. And so they feel their hearts would burst if they cannot express it somehow: they must write, or speak, or live, or die—but that compelling and intense love in their hearts for the Saviour **MUST** have expression.

Such an one, who loves Christ too much to keep silent, will somehow feel His tender smile stirring their very heart's depths, if they will just take pencil and paper and write a love-letter to Christ. One day I had my Bible open before me, when such a rush of love to Him swept over me, that, seizing my pencil. I wrote to Him, on a blank leaf:

"Lord Jesus, I love Thee! Thou knowest this already, but I must just tell Thee so once more. I know Thou seest me as I am writing these words, but oh, I want so much to say that I love Thee! Blessed Lord, how precious and how glorious Thou art! How wonderful! How altogether perfect and adorable! And here at least is one soul that is altogether and entirely Thine, adoring and loving Thee to the very utmost of her being.

"Why do I write this, Lord?—Just because it is a little love-letter to Thee, my Beloved Saviour, to tell Thee once more how much I love and adore Thee."—Homera Hodgson, in *Friend of Russia*.

Sing to Him:

"Lord Jesus, I love Thee;
I know Thou art mine;
For the follies of earth
I no longer repine.
My Gracious Redeemer,
My Lord and my King,
With love overflowing
My glad heart doth sing."

See a scriptural example of the above in Psalm 18:1, Am. Standard Version.

THE GREAT FANNING MILL

I saw on the plain a huge fanning mill with its five sieves. A little hill at a distance rose from the plain and, on the hill, trees shot up as I looked. Out of the edge of the hill came a tremendous roll like a wheel, and, when it unrolled, it made a bridge between the hill and the fanning mill.

Looking again at the hill, I saw a throng of people bent toward the approach of the bridge. The people crowded upon the bridge, and there was no turning back, for the crowds pressed them toward the fanning mill. All classes were there from all nationalities:—some in the attitude of worship while others were gorgeously arrayed, others

were in plain garments and still others were scantily clad.

But now the foremost of the crowd were at the end of the bridge, and as no one could stop when once on that bridge, they were crowded off the bridge and fell down on the sieves, which were shaking furiously. I saw that the gorgeously dressed ones went off the top sieve. Up to this time I had not noticed that at that end of the mill there was an abyss and that when one went off there, they were seen no more. And as I looked I saw that people were being shaken off from four sieves, and went out of sight into that abyss.

Then my attention was drawn to the other end of the mill; and, to my surprise, I saw that from the fifth sieve, instead of people coming out, WHEAT clean and bright was coming out over that fifth sieve. See Joel 2:24 and Matt. 13:30. And so the vision was over. And when I had really come to myself again, I said, "Oh Lord, what does that mean?" And the Spirit said, "I will sift the nations with the sieve of VANITY." And I said to myself, "If that VISION was from the Lord, those words, at least, are written in the Bible." So I turned to my concordance, and soon found them in Isa. 30:28, "And his breath, as an overflowing stream, shall reach to the midst of the neck, to sift the nations with the sieve of vanity. And there shall be a bridle in the jaws of the people causing them to err."—A Vision, by Geo. W. Ruch.

GETTING AND KEEPING WARM

"What should one do who has received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and then seems to have grown cold?" So writes a young reader.

There may be others who have the same question in their mind, for it is an easy thing to get cold, either physically or spiritually, when we are in an atmosphere that is not as warm as we ought to be; and that is the way it is in this world.

To get warm again go where the atmosphere is warm. This is what babies and weak people have to do. So spiritual babes, and those who are not "strong in the Lord and in the power of His might," must keep in the place where the fires of the Spirit are burning brightly—that is, keep in the company of Spirit-filled people as much as possible; "For-sake not the assembling of yourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhort one another daily, and so much the more as ye see the day approaching" (Heb. 10:25). But above all, "draw near" to the mercy seat, through the blood of the Lord Jesus; and TELL HIM THAT YOU ARE COLD, just as you would tell an earthly friend that your hands or feet or body were cold. And tell Him that you desire to be warm again. Do not be afraid of the Lord Jesus. He is very gentle and full of compassion toward us. "He knoweth our frame; He remembereth that we are dust" (Psa. 103:14). And "He was in all points tempted like as we are" (Heb. 4:15). It is Satan who tries to make us think that our Lord Jesus will scold us. Don't believe it. If your heart wants to do His

will, He knows it, and He understands all about the things which tempt us, and He knows our nature. But He wants us to understand our need of His grace at all times. He wants us to know that our nature must be changed in every way. He knew it when He baptized in the Holy Spirit. So He is not discouraged by anything which comes out; and He wants us not to be discouraged.

Did you ever see a man swinging his arm vigorously on a cold day? He was exercising to get warm, or to keep from getting colder, for he felt that he was becoming cold. People who are robust in health and who exercise constantly in the pure air can stand much more cold than others. But such people also have to eat much and nourishing food to furnish fuel for the inner fires... There must be fire somewhere, inside or outside, to keep us warm; and the best place to have it is on the inside. But fires must be supplied with fuel, or they will burn out. So see what Paul tells Timothy to do along this line, in 1 Timothy 4:14 and 2 Timothy 1:6. He means that Timothy should keep using the spiritual gift that he had received and thus keep the inner fire burning brightly.

And the fuel which God has provided to feed the inner spiritual fires, is His own precious words of truth—all of them not merely the promises. Feeding only on promises is like trying to live on cake and candy. One man of God once said, "Thy words were found, and I did EAT them; and thy word was unto me the JOY and rejoicing of my heart" (Jeremiah 15:16). That is why God said, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by EVERY WORD that proceedeth out of the mouth of God" (Deut. 8:3). And our Lord Jesus practiced it (Matt. 4:4). He even thought that it was of far more importance than bread for his body.

Sometimes people have what are called chills. Then it is about impossible to keep warm by any of the above mentioned methods. These chills are a sign of DISEASE. Something wrong has got into the system; and it must be got out again before they can feel comfortable. So it is in the spiritual life: if we let anything into our heart or life that is contrary to the holiness of the Holy Spirit, it will grieve Him, so that He cannot shed His blessed warmth in our soul until we GET RID of the evil thing. The way to do it is by confessing what is wrong. Confess it to God, if it is something that only God knows; but if it is something which others know about, we must let them also know that we have repented of that evil thing and have repudiated it. And if we have done wrong to anybody, we must do all we can to make it right.

Psalm 51 is the great example in the Bible of how one of God's dear children set about to have "the JOY of God's salvation" restored unto him. And in the New Testament, 1 John 1:9 and 2:1, 2 are the great passages which tell us how to get back into fellowship with God if the fellowship is broken; while 1 John 1:7 tells us how to keep in fellowship, and that will

KEEP US WARM.

"I Am the Lord That Healeth Thee"

HEALED THROUGH A HANDKERCHIEF

Since my wife passed on ten years ago, I have been in regular correspondence with her sister who lives close to Aberdeen, Scotland. About last September her letters ceased coming. Then her daughter wrote that her mother had had a nervous breakdown and could neither read nor write, could not even collect her thoughts. At once we prayed over a handkerchief, anointing it with oil in the name of the Lord Jesus, and sent it, with some Bible verses, to the sick woman. Right now I have on my desk a letter from the healed one herself, telling how the Lord raised her up and she is herself once more. She is now 77 years of age and the letter she wrote telling about her healing is the longest she has ever written in all these years. She also wrote two other letters the same day, which proves her own statement concerning her deliverance. To God be all the glory. Hallelujah to His precious name. No wonder God said His name should be called "Wonderful."—Harry Beal, 1404 Elm St., The Dalles, Ore.

About four years ago I was stricken with rheumatism, which grew steadily worse until it was almost unbearable and I was a misery to myself and to those around me. My husband was Pentecostal, but I was nothing, though I had my name on a church book. My husband talked Pentecost so much that I took to reading the Bible for myself and became convinced that the Holy Spirit was for every one that would accept Him, but that we had to be clean and pure to receive. I went down on my knees and sought God and He cleansed me and baptized me in the Holy Spirit and fire as in Acts 2:4. About two months later, in answer to prayer, He instantly healed me of rheumatism. I felt the touch of the blessed Saviour all through my body and every pain left me, just like a cloud passing from over the sun, and the pain has never returned. Praise His name.—Laura M. Ballard, Armstrong Springs, Ark.

Praise the Lord for healing me. I always had good health until last summer, when I was bedfast most of the time for two weeks. The doctor said I had a bad case of kidney and bladder trouble and was on the road to Bright's disease. The medicine failed to help me. I began to trust in Jesus. He baptized me in the Holy Spirit (Acts. 2:4) Aug. 11, and healed me at the same time. Glory and praise be to God. My husband received his Baptism in the Holy Spirit June 26; and our little girl, 8 years old, received her Baptism Sept. 14 and she spoke and sang in other tongues. Praise the Lord for his wonderful and mighty power.—Mrs. Charles Pyle, Portland, Ind., R. R. 1.

LITTLE BOY HEALED OF RUPTURE

Last September I heard my first Pentecostal sermon. I had not gone to church with any intention of receiving benefit, but just to see what I had heard so much talk about. Praise the Lord, it did not take me long to see they were God's chosen few, and I am thankful to say I am one of them now. Both husband and I were baptized in the Holy Spirit on Sept. 14 and 16 respectively, and we spoke in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Since that time our six-year-old son was badly ruptured. We got a truss, but it did no good. The doctor said an operation would be all that would help him. But we went to God in prayer and did not have him operated on; and today he is sound and well. We do thank and praise the Lord for it. I have had a vision of the gold-paved streets and twice my room has been filled with a heavenly light. We know that Jesus is with us and has promised to be with us to the end. Pray that we may lead lost souls to Christ.—Mrs. Tina McGee, Glen Allen, Mo.

BOY HEALED OF PNEUMONIA

I want to be like the leper that returned to glorify God and not like the nine that went on, not giving thanks to Him. Nov. 30 my son took pneumonia and was seriously ill. We called mightily on God and also sent a telegram to Brother Richey for prayer. Brother Bullock was at Wanchula, about forty miles from here, and we sent for him. That night, while we were in prayer before God, a deputy sheriff came in and told us to stop praying or he would report to the high sheriff, and we would be arrested and could worship God in jail. I felt as though I could count it all joy to go to jail for His sake. I told him the laws of the country allowed us to worship God according to the dictates of our own conscience. God wonderfully heard and answered prayer, praise His name. He raised up my son in spite of everything the enemy could do. The boy was very sick, but there is nothing too hard for the Lord to do. This is a very needy field and the harvest here truly is great. Pray ye therefore that laborers will be thrust forth.—Mrs. Julia Sellars, Lucerne Park, Fla.

HEALED AND BAPTIZED

I had stomach trouble for a number of years, couldn't eat anything without its putting my stomach out of order. The doctors said they could give temporary relief, but could not cure me. Brother Mallory prayed for me and Jesus instantly healed me, and now I can eat anything that anyone else can eat and my stomach never gives me a bit of trouble. I also received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit through Brother Mallory's prayers.—Mrs. Hattie Welty, Reeds, Mo.

HEALED OF LUNG TROUBLE

I began to fail in health, and finally came to the place where I could not attend to my household duties. The first doctor said I had a complication of diseases—both lungs affected, heart trouble, and other troubles so bad that nothing but an operation could help me. After attending me for several weeks, he said that I could not live longer than two weeks; so I changed doctors. The second doctor told me to go to California. Then I went to a lung specialist. I was getting worse all the time. My throat had been ulcerated as far down as you could see and my voice would be gone for weeks at a time. For over a year I had had a temperature of 101½ and had lost in weight, until I weighed only 128 pounds. I was so weak I could do no work and could scarcely walk. Until Sister McPherson came to Dayton, Ohio, I had never heard of divine healing. I could not get to her for the throng and felt all hope was gone till I heard that Pastor A. B. Cox here in Dayton was preaching the same fourfold Gospel. My husband took me to this assembly and they were praying for the sick just as we read in James 5:14, 15. When I went up to the altar I was suffering so much pain I could hardly breathe and my back was so sore in places I could not lean against a chair. But, praise God, when I was anointed and prayed for every bit of pain left my lungs and I could lean back against my chair for the first time in months. In four weeks my throat was entirely healed, all soreness and swelling gone; and in eight weeks I was doing all my washing, ironing and sweeping. My cough was entirely gone. At the end of one year I weighed 170 pounds and was in perfect health. I had worn glasses since I was thirteen years of age; but when the great Physician healed my lungs He healed my whole body, and now my eyes are fine, praise God. It was three years ago last September that I was healed and I am in perfect health and have never worn glasses since that time and can see clearly with both eyes. Hallelujah for such a Saviour, the same yesterday, today, and forever.—Mrs. Minnie Foster, 157 Foraker Ave., Dayton, Ohio.

This case has been a real miracle. Her lungs were almost gone. She looked almost like a skeleton and was the very picture of sorrow and sadness. I have waited for over three years before publishing this; so we are sure the work is done. Sister Foster is now the very picture of health and is a happy woman and one of the most consecrated workers. Her husband and four children have all been saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit, too.—A. B. Cox, her pastor.

Praise God for the wonderful blessing and healing He gave me. Since He healed me I can do work I never could do before. When I was first converted my breast was so I couldn't do anything much, but now I can do anything I want to. I want the prayers of all the Christian people that I may stand true to Him for ever.—Clarence Goodson, Reeds, Mo.

DEDICATION HELD FOR NEW MISSION

Probably one of the most unique assemblages which has ever attended the dedication of a mission in this city was that which was present at the ceremonies held yesterday afternoon at the newly completed Upper Room Mission at the corner of Fourth and San Antonio Sts.

With representatives from various nations and nearly all churches, the event seemed to be an example of the great breaking down of creed prejudices which is gradually being realized.

On the program were members of the following churches and religions: Jewish, Lutheran, Centella Methodist, Presbyterian, Catholic, First Methodist, Baptist and Colored Methodist Episcopal.

Many Nationalities

Nationalities included among those who participated in the program were: Swedish, Jewish, Spanish, Italian, Irish, English; while others on the list were from Canada, Hawaii, Sunnyvale, Watsonville, San Francisco and Pasadena.

Pastors from numerous local churches spoke and the program, which consisted of greetings and musical numbers, with the sermon and dedication by Brother Craig from San Francisco, began at 1:30 and lasted until 5 p. m.

The little building is extremely simple but attractive and was constructed during the past six weeks.

Old-fashioned Revival

During the present month, the mission is holding an old-fashioned revival meeting conducted by Evangelist J. S. McConnell. Meetings are held every afternoon, except Monday, and every evening during January, the aim of the mission being to help people to come into the Kingdom of God. The healing of the sick is a part of the mission's creed.—San Jose, Calif., Mercury-Herald.

Brother McConnell is speaking to good audiences. While sinners are coming and seem interested, not many outside the families of the saints are receiving salvation. But we surely are praising God for saving our Children. The Lord is working here in a wonderful way among the young people in the teen age and younger, many being saved and receiving the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.

We have wonderful children's meetings. The little ones pray for the sick and they are healed. They also work at the altar, lead meetings, and are learning to be regular workers for the Master. Praise Jesus for the wonders He is performing here. Pray for us.—F. C. McGuffie.

A PRAYER

"Give me, O Lord, that quietness of heart that makes the most of labor and of rest. Save me from passionate excitement, petulant fretfulness, and idle fear, keeping me ever in the restful presence of Thy love. Tame Thou my unruly tongue, that I may not transgress Thy law of love. When others censure, may I seek Thy image in each fellow man, judging with charity, as one who shall be judged. Banish envy from my thoughts and hatred from my lips."

DALLAS, TEXAS—Hitherto hath the Lord helped us; and we are truly confident that He which hath begun the good work in our midst will also finish it. The saints of the Dallas Assembly, Fourth and Grand Avenues, sent me as their delegate to the General Council held at St. Louis last September for the purpose of securing a pastor for our Assembly. In a very providential way we got in touch with Brother Eby who was pastor of the Pentecostal Church at Canton, Ohio. On October 9, Pastor Eby and family arrived at Dallas, having visited headquarters at Springfield, Missouri on their way here.

God has been blessing in a very precious way ever since these dear ones came into our midst, and we have learned to love them very dearly. On November 8, we had with us our beloved District Chairman, Brother J. C. Wilder of Fort Worth, Texas; at which time we had our assembly set in order and lined up with the General Council. Owing to false reports, many were fearful of linking up with the General Council, but after the facts of the matter were set before the people in their true light, by Brother Wilder, all fears were swept away, and shouts of AMEN and HALLELUJA: I could be heard from many parts of the old tabernacle.

The full Gospel is being declared unto us by our beloved pastor without fear or favor of any. Truly God is in the midst of His people. Since we have had our assembly set in order, everyone is so well pleased to see precious souls coming through to real, sweeping victory that within the last seven weeks there have been added to our church no less than 115 names. Blessed be the name of our God forever.

On Thanksgiving day we had a special drive to pay off the debt on our church lot, which we had purchased for \$5100.00. Well, praise the Lord, we went over the top and now we are ready to go ahead with our new Temple Building. We will need not less than \$30,000.00 for the erection of this building; and, feeling that it is going to be for the benefit, not only of the Dallas saints, but of many dear ones in near-by towns where there is no assembly, we would say that all outside contributions will be most gratefully received.—Perry A. Sidell, 100½ South Jefferson St., Corn. Main St., Dallas, Texas.

A FRUITFUL HARVEST

Brother J. Rutherford Spence writes from South China: "I spent most of last week at Fat Shan at the opening of the new church. Meetings were held twice a day. Even the new church was too small for the crowds, and every night hundreds had to be turned away. Four hundred and forty-seven gave in their names as inquirers and now Miss Anderson has a big job on her hands. On Monday we had a meeting with those who had given in their names and several hundred attended. So urgent is the need that we have loaned our own preacher, Mr. Lui, to teach the men's Bible Class.

"We are looking forward to welcome

Brother and Sister Morrison tomorrow. Just think, there are over fifty on the field waiting for baptism—some of them for months—and I cannot get time to go and baptize them. In fact, our work here is getting to the place where someone will have to be here to attend to all the business matters—a sort of business manager. It is a shame that with so many stations I am unable to do them justice—like a man with a large family not having enough to feed them. The people are very hungry for God. The last six months we have sold over twenty thousand Gospels and last Sunday at Canton we had a meeting that lasted for four hours. Seven were baptized, one added to the church by transfer, and over sixty sat down to the Lord's Supper; and they were still sitting when I had to get off and run for the train. The place was just packed. They are such good listeners and this could be duplicated at many places, but we cannot find time. How sad it all is."

Q. Please explain the difference between, "the gift of the Holy Ghost," and "Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

A. The gift of the Holy Ghost is an experience such as is recorded in Acts 10:44-47. Note the exact expression in verse 45. The other expression is found in Matthew 25:34. The time of it is told in verse 31, "When the Son of man shall come in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him." And the occasion: "Then shall He sit on the throne of His glory." "Inheriting the kingdom" will be partaking with Him in the kingdom of heaven, which will then be established upon earth; the kingdom which all the righteous of Old Testament times looked forward to, foretold and pictured in Psalms 2 and 72 and many other places. The Holy Spirit is to prepare us for the kingdom.—W. E. C.

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PRAYER

From every quarter of the globe peculiar circumstances, conditions, and situations loudly call us to prayer—prayer to keep constantly under the anointing of the Spirit; prayer to study the Word; prayer to do His will; prayer to witness for Jesus to the uttermost parts of the earth. This means much praying for our loyal band of missionaries, and missionary interests which God has privileged us to assume.

At this time several specially gifted missionaries are eager to go to the field. They are waiting for fares. One who has much training and experience is longing to go to needy Japan. Who will help send this missionary out? Three others are longing to go to a most needy field at this opportune time. This is your privilege. Who will help? How? First, by earnest prayer, and second, by hearty, cheerful giving. Pray ye the Lord of the harvest to send these laborers forth into these respective needy fields.

Then, won't you pray earnestly for the missionaries who are in peculiarly difficult fields? They need our sympathy, compassion and earnest prayers to cheer and spur them on to greater possibilities.

Also pray much that our missionaries may be kept from the subtleties of Satan and preserved blameless unto the coming of the Lord. Many of them are alone in densely dark, heathen lands. They need our earnest prayers. Pray much for them.

Then, finally pray much that we may receive adequate funds to meet the need of every missionary—that they may have suitable quarters to live in, proper food to eat, clothes to wear, and buildings to worship in. Also pray that funds shall be on hand for any emergency that may arise. Pray, O, pray for these needs.

William M. Faux, Missionary Sec.

SAILING

Two newly appointed missionaries sailed for India on Wednesday, Jan. 16, 1924. They are Sisters Katherine and Helen Nethery. The Secretary had the privilege of being at their farewell service. It was very precious indeed. Pray for these new recruits. God bless them. Who else will go?

MUCH NEEDED FURLOUGHS

Funds are very much needed for the return fares of Brothers Barker and Clifford. These two faithful missionaries are very much in need of recuperation of their bodies for greater service in the future. One of them has labored far beyond his term of missionary service. Pray much for them that the need of their well deserved furlough will be speedily met.

VOLUNTEER CANDIDATES

Over ninety volunteer candidates have put themselves on the altar of God as a voluntary offering for Foreign Missionary service. These ninety-odd volunteers are nearly all in training schools, and others soon will be. Many more are yet to register. Any desiring to register may send in their names to the Missionary Secretary, who will gladly give detailed information. This is the highest kind of service in the religious world in which any qualified person may be engaged. Write for information.

ON FURLOUGH

Brother and Sister Andraesen, from India, have just arrived in the homeland and are at present stopping at the Missionary Rest Home, 199 Croton Ave., Ossining, N. Y.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT

Brother and Sister H. C. Ball, missionaries in the Mexican work, on Dec. 27, 1923, welcomed into their home a son, Herschel Cleophas, weighing nine pounds.

WORK IN EGYPT

Brother C. W. Doney of Cairo, Egypt writes: "Our School is doing excellently. We now have about one hundred and five boys and girls, two teachers, and a splendid place for the School. Keep praying for us there, as we do our best here."

TIBETAN ADVANCES

Brother W. W. Simpson writes: "My son William has just secured a lot 200 feet square in Labrang, the largest Tibetan Lamasery in Northeast Tibet and the best location for evangelizing the Tibetans in all that region, and hopes to build next year. He also has prospects of getting a lot in Rongwo, another large Lamasery between Labrang and Kueite, and building a house there, thus connecting all three Tibetan stations. It will take about three hundred dollars to build in both places, but it is very necessary to do so, because houses are both very scarce and not in the least adapted to the needs of the work."

A MISSIONARY BLESSING

Brother and Sister A. Sorensen write from Argentine: "The Lord has saved a good many souls during this past year. Praise His name! On Nov. 25 we baptized four in water, on Dec. 9, four more, and now this Sunday there must be about ten. Praise the Lord! It pays to serve King Jesus. We find ourselves more than repaid as we see precious souls at Jesus' feet.

"We are now planning to build. It is quite a problem as things are so expensive. Pray for us that we may be kept in the will of the Lord."

BEGINNING MY WORK

Sister Mary Rasmussen writes from Canton, China: "I am now attending the Language School in Canton. As I came in late for the beginning of the school term, I am taking private lessons to get caught up with my class. I find the study of the language very difficult, but I do enjoy studying it.

"I feel very much at home here, even more so than I did in America. God has given me a great love for the Chinese people, and I long to tell them the blessed story of Jesus. I covet your prayers."

BUSY FOR THE MASTER

Sister Susan R. Chester, of Bangalore, South India, writes: "There have been many meetings here since we moved, and God has been graciously present. Two cases of chicken-pox have caused a temporary cessation of the meetings here.

"A week ago, Sister Rodebaugh moved to Shooley, two miles from here, where there are some hungry hearts. Sister Dongard, who had waited long for her baptism in the Holy Spirit, received soon after we moved here. Naomi, an Indian widow, has also received. Three have been saved, one of whom was baptized in water. Sister White, who had been one of us for some years, went to North India at the beginning of this year, and has now been called to her heavenly home.

"We praise God for a few hungry hearts and we ask you to pray that there may be 'abundance of rain'."

DARKEST BEFORE DAWN

Brother V. G. Plymire writes from Kansu, China: "For some reason or other thus far in this quarter we have been running behind in finances. Thus far we have received less than during any quarter since returning to the field. But even then the Lord has been very good to us. It very often is darkest before the dawn. We do not trust in this saying, but in God who has never failed and who never changes. We have been hoping to have the deficit all made up before the end of the year and we still expect it will be cleared off the book. We should be getting things in and getting them ready for building as early in the spring as possible. But for the present we must just wait until funds are in hand. We need the room badly, as we have as yet no room in which to receive and entertain our guests.

"Since my last letter I have been on the road for a number of days, and the Lord has been blessing. Of course, all is pioneering and we must wait for the results. It was terribly cold and I was glad to get home again for a few days. The few women that were saved are doing well and we are expecting others to turn from their sinful way unto the Lord.

"The man I wrote you of sometime ago, the fellow with that awful hand, is just about well now. New flesh has nearly covered the hand. This has given us a good name among these wicked soldiers. Yesterday one of them came in with part of the first finger cut off. The former case was certainly an undertaking by the Lord.

"FOR WHOM NOTHING IS PREPARED"

Mrs. Lillie Doll Maltby, from India, writes:

"During the days of pioneer work in Basti, India, we had many tokens of the love of God in stimulating our faith. Among them was the incident we shall relate.

"It was before Christmas, and we were thinking about some way of exalting Christ among the heathen. We then had but two Bible women and were living in a little rented bungalow. The work was still in its infancy. One of the Bible women was prompted to turn to Luke 14:12-14 for our Christmas verses, and we accepted them as from the Lord. 'When thou makest a dinner or a supper, call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen, nor thy rich neighbors; lest they also bid thee again, and a recompense be made thee. But when thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind: and thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.'

"Yes, we would call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind. We sent a man to call all such to come to the mission on the 'Big Day,' or Christmas Day. We gathered up what spare money we and our workers had, and bought rice, lentils, coarse salt (the poor in India cannot afford salt), hot peppers and some sweetmeats. Christmas morning dawned bright and sunny. Early in the morning they began to come: the blind, the lame, the lepers and the crippled. All came to get something to eat. Many knew not what a full meal meant. Expectantly they waited in groups in front of the bungalow until quite a number had gathered. On the front edge of the compound we had a grass-thatched shed for way-side preaching. Beneath this we arranged the food for our guests. A heap of rice adorned at the top with some red and green peppers, and the other things in rough baskets near by, looked quite tempting.

"All now gathered in front of the shed to wait for the service to begin. We sang hymns and gave them the story of Jesus and His love. How wonderful to them this was! We taught them to pray in the name of Jesus and to give their hearts to Him. Finally we told them to praise Him. This they did, though miserable, diseased, sunken and depressed. With thick, hoarse voices they shouted, 'Yeshu Masih Ki Jai' (Victory to Jesus). Truly the presence of the Lord was manifested there.

"Then all were asked to sit in rows and spread out before them some piece of cloth for their gifts. They would not accept cooked food from a Christian, as that would break their caste. Even the sweetmeats would be received only if passed to them by some man of high caste. The feast was prepared for them. They numbered over two hundred. Hungry for food were they; but we knew that their need of the Bread of Life was greater. Each one now received a large cupful of grain, a few pieces of salt, several peppers and two sweetmeats. They were

very grateful, very happy and arose to leave.

The grain that remained we poured into a box which we kept on the porch. During the days that followed we gave from this grain to any poor that came. Each one was first taught the way of salvation, then given an allowance of grain. One day I noticed that the grain had not diminished although we had handed out portions daily for some days. We praised God, and still praise Him, for this token of His love. The time came when we paid little attention to the grain, as we were busy in the work. Then, as we gave any grain, we saw that it grew less and less and we had to add to it if we wanted any to give to such as were deserving (for we did not wish to encourage begging). Thus the Lord set His seal upon our Christmas in Basti.

"How many in heathen lands are waiting for the child of God in the homeland to send them portions for whom nothing is prepared. They rush into Christless graves unless we send. Oh, let us give them the Gospel freely! They need it. Shall we heed the words of Nehemiah 8:10? 'Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry: for the joy of the Lord is your strength.'

"The call to labor among the two million in Basti District lies heavily upon us these days as we prepare to return to India this spring. You may have your share by prayer and by faith that new things may take place in this vast district. There are men of means among them who need to press past the barriers of caste and opposition, boldly step out for Christ and help with their money to evangelize their own land. You may say, 'This is impossible.' 'With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.'

"We have seen Him work in the past in marvelous ways, and shall He, who has blessedly called us to go for Him, not work again? With our little portable house, which can be taken apart and moved on ox-carts to various parts of the district, we can come in personal touch with the class above mentioned as well as all other classes. All alike must get their portion by hearing the Gospel. Pray for us that we may be faithful in our calling and truly believe God for all His purposes to be fulfilled."

Miss Emily DeGroat tells of bringing the Gospel to Liberia: "I know you will be interested to learn that on the first of September I came back to our far interior station in the Pahn tribe to be with Miss Bingham. We are five days in from the Newaka station.

"What a wonderful privilege we have in carrying the Gospel to these poor people who have never heard. Since coming back we have visited several towns where the Gospel had never been preached. We were out from two to four days each time and, although this is the rainy season, we did not get wet once.

"Our station here is about three minutes from town and so we get to town

often and see much of the people. Some come in to our Sunday meetings and to our prayer services during the week. There was a big gathering in town this past week for a yearly play. The day and night were spent singing, dancing and beating drums to please the devil. Great sins, too, were committed at this time. We knew we were living among real heathen people. How our hearts are saddened as we think of their simple minds and superstitious beliefs. Nothing but God's power is able to change their hearts."

PREACHING WITH NO UNCERTAIN SOUND

Brother and Sister E. E. Alger, of Liberia, writes: "The Spirit fell on one of our young men, 'Peter,' last night. He had been seeking for some time. He became drunk with the Spirit and was so overjoyed he could not contain himself.

"We had a meeting in the middle of the heathen town last night, and Peter, 'stood up with the eleven' and preached to the people in no uncertain sound. The people were pricked in their hearts and began to argue with him. But Peter answered them and said, 'Do not palaver with me, you must no palaver. The thing I tell you is God's Word. Listen to God's voice.' Our hearts were greatly encouraged to see the enemy's camp begin to tremble. One thing we notice especially, and that is, it does not seem to trouble a sinner how much a person preaches so long as the preacher does not have the power of the Holy Spirit in him. But let a person be filled with the Spirit and begin to preach, and at once they begin to complain, 'Do not talk so long. Why do you come to preach to us?'"

WANTED—A LETTER TO NAIL TO A TREE

Brother and Sister E. E. Alger write from Liberia of a tribe who are waiting for a missionary: "Gedabo is a tribe about two-days journey from here. They have no missionary, but want one very much. The king and chief people sent two messengers down with a letter asking for a missionary. After being told that missionaries were few, they answered that all they wanted was a letter promising that a missionary would come some day, so that they could take the letter back and nail it to a tree in the center of the king's town. I cannot tell you how much I was impressed by this appeal. There are no extra missionaries here now to go. Do we have faith to believe that enough will heed the command, 'go ye,' so that such a promise may be fulfilled? If anyone at home has faith to write such a letter for this king, let him do so. You may be sure that the letter will be nailed to the tree with shouts of joy.

"When told to ask God to send them a missionary, they answered that they did not know how, but were willing to try. We had a strong feeling that perhaps there were many others even in America who do not know how. Oh beloved, let us pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into His harvestfield. Perhaps the Lord wants some of you to go; so, while praying for others, find out about that too."

REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

FOREST GROVE, ORE.—God is working here. Nine have received the Baptism in the Spirit and a number have been saved during the past few weeks.—F. G. Jones, Sec.

DOCKERY, MO.—We are having meetings in the community church and there are large crowds and good interest. Pray that the meetings may continue and that souls may come into the light of Pentecost.—Andrew A. Russell.

GIRARD, OKLA.—We are having meetings in the schoolhouse here. They have started off fine; 1 at the altar for salvation last night and 15 or 16 there for the Baptism in the Spirit. Pray that God may give us a wonderful outpouring.—Pastor W. F. Burchett.

GAINESVILLE, TEXAS—We can get a good location for a mission if God will lay this place on the heart of someone. If any one will come this way we will be glad to open a mission for them. This town has about ten thousand inhabitants but I am the only one who has the Baptism as in Acts 2:4. Please pray for this place.—Elmer E. Gore, 913 E. Belcher, Gainesville, Texas.

SULLIGENT, ALA.—We are glad to report victory through the blood of Jesus; He is wonderfully blessing His children in this place. We are holding service at Porper's home, Vernon, Ala., every fourth Sunday night. The interest is good and the attendance large. Since we sent in our last report 2 have received the Baptism in the Spirit according to Acts 2:4 and several more are seeking. There have been some remarkable healings. Our baby was very sick from blood poisoning, and the dear Lord wonderfully healed her. Pray that we will do God's will.—L. M. Vaughan and wife.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLED OUT TO QUENCH THE FIRE OF GOD

FORT WORTH, TEXAS—God is surely giving us some wonderful outpourings of His blessed Spirit. Souls are being saved, healed, and baptized in the Spirit in almost every service. We have quite a number of new people with us now, for which we thank God. We are planning on building a new church a little later on, as the old one is not large enough to take care of our people.

At our watchnight service, while we were all at the altar praying and asking God to do for us what He had done for others elsewhere, the power of God fell, and the fire was seen on the top of the building by our neighbors who called out the fire department thinking the house was burning up. One of the neighbors told our missionary that she saw large billowy flames just sweeping the top of the house.—W. W. Hall, Box 19, Hempolia Sta.

FORT TOWSON, OKLA.—We have no place to have service except in my home. There are just two of us who have the Baptism as in Acts 2:4 and we are both poor, but God said the poor would have the gospel, praise His name. On Sunday morning we have our little Sunday school at 10 a. m. and Sunday night we have prayer service. We sincerely desire the prayers of the Evangel family.—Mrs. L. E. Cundiff.

KEOTA, OKLA.—I went to Avant, Okla. for a meeting beginning Dec. 20 and closing Jan. 7. God met us in power. Several were healed, 24 were saved, and 9 received the Baptism in the Spirit with the Bible evidence. The saints were built up and 14 were added to the assembly roll. I begin at Hugo, Okla., Jan. 19 and covet your prayers for the meeting and for myself.—W. C. Aytes.

WOODWORTH-ETTER TABERNACLE Indianapolis, Ind.

"They come from the East and West, They come from the lands afar, To feast with the King, to dine as His guests; How blessed these pilgrims are!" This can be truly said of our Christmas revival which closed Jan. 6. From all over the U. S. and from Canada they came to feast with us and to get more of God. They came till the great Tabernacle was filled to overflowing. Scores of hungry hearts were baptized in the Holy Spirit, and many sinners wept their way through to salvation.

The power of God was manifested in many healings, some of them being hopeless cases where the doctors could do nothing more for them. But Jesus touched them and made them every whit whole.

The watch-night meeting was the most wonderful ever held here. The Tabernacle was filled and most all remained. As the last goodbye to the old year came, all were praising God with uplifted hands; then praises of the heavenly choir came from every precious soul; and then peal after peal of bugle sounded and echoed through the building till it seemed like all heaven opened and the Pentecostal fire swept over the entire audience and the New Year was rushed in upon us amid singing, and shouting, Peace upon earth good-will to men. The beauty of this watchnight meeting cannot be described by tongue or pen. It was surely a Holy place, for God was there in power and great glory.

Many were also baptized in water and some received the Baptism in the Spirit as they came up out of the water, speaking in other tongues as in Acts 2:4. O! Hallelujah! We all feel much better for having attended these wonderful meetings, feasting together with our Lord.

Mrs. Irene Crider.

BEND, OREGON—This is a new field and a wicked place, and, to my knowledge, has never heard the full Gospel. I have been holding meetings in a private house, in which 5 got the Baptism according to Acts 2:4. But we want to get a mission where we can reach souls. Pray that God will open up a place of worship and pour out His Spirit and grant the signs following. I received the Baptism in the Spirit in Pendleton, Ore. in June, 1920, and am in fellowship with Assemblies of God.—Evangelist W. E. Brown.

SILLOAM SPRINGS, ARK.—A good revival is started with good crowds in attendance. The town seems to be stirred. They are having fine Bible lessons in the afternoon. Their pastor, Brother McPhail, has the lessons in charge. I was with them one week and did the preaching. There were 15 at the altar one night, and the last night I was there the altar would not hold the seekers. Though their place of worship has just been enlarged, yet it is crowded every night. We are planning to begin a revival at Chelsea in the near future if it is the Lord's will and He will send us a good man or band of workers. We covet your prayers.—P. P. Owens, Chelsea, Okla.

TAMPA, FLA.—We arrived in Tampa in October and held services in a new Pentecostal church that the saints have erected here. Then we put our tent up at the corner of Buffalo and 15th Sts. and held a four-weeks meeting. Several were saved and some were filled with the Spirit. We also prayed for a good many sick folks, and some were healed, praise the Lord. The Lord willing, we intend to make this our headquarters. This is a growing city, with a wonderful climate; but the people don't have time to seek God, they are so busy looking for pleasure and money. Pray that we may win souls for the Lord.—J. W. Hause.

A WORD TO OUR MINISTERS

Did you receive a copy of the 1923 Minutes? Quite a number of our brethren have changed their address and failed to advise this office of the change, and mail addressed to them has been returned to us. These names have been placed by themselves until such time as they notify us where mail will reach them, when a copy will be sent them.

We very earnestly request all our ministers when they change address to advise us at once of the change, so that we can always reach you with a letter. We desire very much to hear from each one of you at least once a month, and especially those who are engaged in evangelistic work and are moving from place to place. When you move will you kindly, not only notify this office, but also instruct the postmaster to forward your mail to you? I am sure this will be more satisfactory to both you and us.

Are YOU on this list? Come on brethren, let us have a closer cooperation along this line. YOU can always reach US. WE want to be able to reach YOU also.—J. R. Evans, Secretary.

GRASSRANGE, MONT.—This is a new field and as far as I know there has never been an apostolic sermon preached here. I gained my knowledge of the faith through reading. I need water baptism and the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.

A short time ago I visited a family in the country where the man said he was an infidel, did not believe a word of the Bible. Then he and his wife and little girl visited me for a couple of days. I had him read the Pentecostal Evangel and other Pentecostal literature and talked to him. He broke down and the tears flowed freely, and now he says the Lord has called him to tell the world that He is coming soon. We established a family altar there last week. Pray for me and this town.—Monroe Woods.

NORTH CAROLINA—God has continued to bless in our meetings in North Carolina. After the Henderson meeting, we returned to Wilson for a few days. God wonderfully blessed; 6 or 7 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4 and others are seeking it. Our next revival was in Oxford. God wonderfully blessed there and Jesus gave us a splendid orchestra and real good workers to help us. Hundreds came to the altar; we did not keep an account of those saved, but Jesus knows. Christians were stirred to go on with God. The healings were wonderful. One lady, who had been in bed three months with T. B., was so anxious to be prayed for that her husband carried her to the meeting in his arms. Since being prayed for she is doing her house work, driving her car, gaining strength all the time, eating anything she wants. Before being prayed for she could eat hardly anything at all. A man, who had not walked in five years, since being prayed for, can stand alone and walk by holding to something with one hand; before being prayed for he had to lift his leg with his hands to get into bed, but now he can lift them in without putting his hands on them, and he is gaining each day. A man was stiff in his hips, knees and ankles and was sent home from the hospital as a helpless case. They had made X-ray pictures of his joints and said they were cemented together as a broken bone knits together. He was prayed for. Now every joint has loosened and he can take real steps and walk alone with crutches, and is rapidly gaining the use of his limbs. This man was perfectly stiff from his waist down; a stick a half inch thick could just be drawn between his knees. Now his limbs can be moved a good distance apart. He has been to Hot Springs, to Atlanta, Ga., and to Richmond, for treatment.

We have been in different places holding meetings and everywhere God has blessed. Many deaf ears have been opened, blind eyes have been made to see, rheumatism, cancer, goiter, and many other diseases have been healed, or are getting their healing gradually, according to their faith. Hundreds would come to the altar calls; then many times almost the entire congregation would kneel! Pray for us.—Willie Laurel Olive, 111 Hines St., Wilson, N. C.

PINIE, TEXAS—The Lord is blessing here. There are about 15 baptized saints. Wife and I are here for a few days for a meeting, looking for God to give us lost souls. The six-year-old daughter of Brother Smith was out in the yard playing with my children and, in some way, caught on fire. Her parents heard her scream and ran to her. She was burned from her knees to her arms until the skin slipped in places. The prayer of faith was prayed and the little girl is resting now and says she has no pain any place. To Jesus be all the praise. We are located at Marshall, Tex., and will be there for a short time; then we expect to go out in evangelistic work. Expect Brother C. L. Windsor from Plaindealing, La., to be with us. We covet the prayers of God's children.—J. E. Tripp and wife.

CHICKASHA, OKLA.—For months we had prayed, "Oh Lord, send us a revival, a real old-time, Holy Spirit-and-fire revival. We are so tired of formality, Lord, so please let us have a revival where creeds and names will be forgotten and we may all worship together as one in Thee." So at last, one day, as we were walking along Chickasha Ave., the street car came running along and—"What was that?"—a sign announcing an old-time revival, to begin Dec. 6. The words, "Old-time revival," filled our hearts with inspiration, for we were so anxious that the full gospel of our Saviour should reach the multitudes of this city; and, truly, we were not disappointed; for the dear Lord, through his messengers, Brother and Sister Clark, certainly gave us the old-time gospel for soul and body. During the 3 weeks we certainly were blessed with unusually fine weather for a tent meeting in the winter time. Large crowds filled the great tent at almost every service, to behold the workings of the Lord. He surely was working in the saving of many and also in the healing of sick bodies, for there were many glad testimonies to the wonderful healing power of the Lord. Each service was a great inspiration to us; and especially the lectures on Brother Clark's missionary tours in South America were wonderful to hear and were blessed with results, as a few in this city have expressed the desire to go as a messenger of light to that needy field.—A. D. and Jewel Williams.

SHAWNEE, OKLA.—Just closed our meeting in Convention Hall and will begin in McAlester, Okla. Jan. 25. Enroute will stop one night in Holdenville.

In many ways this has been a very wonderful meeting as many who were prejudiced before are now believers. People have been heard to remark in leaving the hall, "I never did believe in this Divine Healing, but seeing is believing."

One miraculous healing was that of Mrs. V. O. Hayes, of Meeker, Okla. who had been afflicted for seven years, was pronounced incurable by some of the best specialists, and had not walked a step for three months. She was brought to the hall and, after hands were laid

on in the name of the Lord, the power of God struck her and she danced in the Spirit for some time; for she was instantly healed. She walked from the hall to her room, nine blocks, for several nights afterwards until she went home. She had a number of diseases, and was just a skeleton when she came.

Another remarkable healing was that of W. N. Hurt, 308 S. Okla., St. He had not raised his arm, on account of rheumatism, for a long time. After prayer was offered, he turned to us and said, as he moved his arms up and down, "Brother Clark, I could not put on my coat or take it off alone before." I said, "Try it now;" and before that crowd, many of whom were unbelievers, he quickly removed his coat and again put it on with apparent ease. A few nights after this he testified that people were saying it was all excitement, and he told them that if that was true, he wished it had come earlier; however, he knew it was the power of God.

Time and space will not allow mention of the many, many other cases of healing, but their testimonies rang out all over the hall in praise to the mighty power of God.

Three missions here united for this meeting; and, although they differed in doctrinal views, yet perfect harmony prevailed in the services and all worked together for the upbuilding of His kingdom.

Mrs. Clark and I were invited to sing at the Lion's Club noon-day luncheon, and through our songs God gave us access to their hearts, and many of them attended our meeting and were convinced of the truth new to them; and the ministers who attended that day, gladly announced our meetings from their pulpits.

We held two noon-day meetings at the Rock Island Shops, where 300 men stood with rapt attention and listened to the songs and sermon. A prominent business man of this city kindly took us in his limousine two miles to the Santa Fe Shops, where another good service was held.

Great numbers professed salvation, and at times the altar services were very impressive, to the onlookers, as many were weeping and crying out for salvation, while others with the shouts of joy were waiting for the Baptism in the Spirit. Numbers, each night, made their way to the platform for the healing touch of the Great Physician.

We covet your prayers for the meetings ahead, in His glad service, —Earl W. Clark.

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KING WELCOMES GOSPEL MESSENGER

Brother E. E. Alger, Liberia, Africa, writes: "The past month has been another season of joy in His service. Early in the month Brother Perkins asked me to make another trip to the Hooyah tribe and offer them a native worker. Accordingly, on November 9, about six o'clock in the morning, I set out, and, after walking a little over seven hours, reached the town of Doyah, twenty-one miles away. After receiving a very cordial welcome from King Teblah, the chief people were called together, and I told them of my mission. They were highly elated and asked me to stay in one of their best huts until the next day, while they sent messengers to the chief people of the other Hooyah towns, requesting them to come and talk the matter over.

"While waiting for the chiefs to come, I visited a near-by town and preached; also held several blessed prayer services in the house of King Teblah. The people were so overjoyed to think that they were going to have a native worker that they requested me to tell them about it again in the morning before the chief people from the near-by town arrived, 'Because it is a sweet word you bring. So, please, you must tell us again.' Finally the people gathered in a large circle in the center of the town and I laid the matter before them. They were to build a house for the native worker with a large room in it for a school. They were to make a rice farm for the native worker. They were to send their children to mission every morning when the bell rang, and buy their own books and slates. Also clean the road to Bwebo so the missionary could pass that way going to Pahn. They said, 'That no be hard. We fit to do all.' Then they formally gave us a beautiful hill where I marked out the place for the house and gave building instructions to the man appointed to oversee the building.

"They thanked me once for coming to their tribe, and, when I acknowledged that, they said, that, because I did not go away and forget them as all who had come before had done, but came again, they thanked me two times. Then they all bowed down and gave thanks to the Lord. One thing that made us especially glad was the sincerity of these people in desiring to know of God. There was no pay and positively no tip or reward offered; no clothing offered to the children, who will come in nature's clothes as a rule; nothing to compensate them for all their labor, except a native man, who can read in the fourth reader, to teach their children 'God way.' And to top it off, the king gave me three men to carry me part of the way home and told me that I must not pay them, but that it was an expression of thanks.

"We praise God for victory thus far and ask the prayers of the saints at home that these dear people may grow in grace and in zeal for Christ. Please pray especially for the native worker, that he will be true to his high calling."

HIS FORTUNE

A dear friend of the writer's—a cultured man, brought literally to the gut-

ter through drink—was converted at a tramp's mission. The day following he boarded a train. The conductor was mystified, for the passenger's clothes told of beggary, while his face reflected heaven. "Why, mate," he exclaimed, "you look as if some one's died and left you a fortune." "You are right there," came the quick reply, "Jesus Christ has died and has given me His riches in glory."

NOT MUCH REASON FOR PRIDE

"Why should the garments made to hide Our parents' sin provoke to pride? The art of dress did ne'er begin Till Eve our Mother learned to sin; And yet her children vainly boast In the sad marks of glory lost." —From an old sampler worked by a Quakeress.

Forthcoming Meetings

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.—Evang. John H. Bostrom will conduct a revival campaign in the Upper Room Assembly, 253 Monroe Ave., beginning January 29, and continuing through the month of February. We are looking to the Lord for a feast of good things.—Rollin M. Severance, Pastor, Apt. 903, Y. M. C. A., Grand Rapids, Mich.

MC ALESTER, OKLA.—A big evangelistic campaign for lost souls, conducted by Evangelists Earl W. and Buela O. Clark and party, in the M. E. Church (seating 1200) in the center of the city, beginning January 25 and closing February 25. Saints in the surrounding community are urged to attend and help in the salvation of lost souls. Bring the sick. For further information address J. W. Hudson, Savannah, Okla.

MIDWINTER REVIVAL, at Philadelphia, Pa. Evangelist Bert Williams of Perry, N. Y., will hold special revival meetings at HIGHWAY MISSION TABERNACLE, Ridge Avenue and Oxford Streets, February 13 to 24. A time of spiritual blessing and salvation is expected. Friends from neighboring communities are invited to share the benefits of these meetings with the local assembly.

BIBLE CONFERENCE, NEAR CALHOUN, LA., beginning February 15, D. V., for ten days, at the Pleasant Valley Assembly. Brother W. J. Walthall, Chairman of the Arkansas District Council, will give the Bible lessons. There will be evangelistic services each night. We especially urge the brethren of this part of the district to attend this conference. Trains will be met on the V. S. & P. railroad on the 14th, 15th and 16th, and the assembly at Pleasant Valley will arrange to take care of all who attend.—E. L. Tanner, Summerfield, La.

KANSAS DISTRICT BIBLE CONFERENCE February 15 to March 2, at the Assembly of God Church, 7th & Riverview, Kansas City Kans. Brother and Sister D. W. Kerr in charge of Bible conference, assisted by other workers. We expect all the Kansas District preachers and workers to come to this conference, that we may "study to shew ourselves approved unto God, workmen that need not to be ashamed." Let each assembly take an offering for the pastor's expenses. Entertainment will be furnished free to all ministers, and accredited workers. This Bible conference is for all the saints. We will have a list of rooms at reasonable rates. For further information write to Fred Vogler, Wakarusa, Kans., Chairman Kansas District.

IOWA AND NORTH MISSOURI CONVENTION.—God willing, we will have our regular winter convention in Des Moines, Iowa, February 7 to 17. We wish that all the ministers in the district would arrange to be present.

Elder D. H. McDowell will be with us for the entire time.

Everybody come, as we have some business to come up; and we want you to be present when it is discussed; also we want your presence, to show your co-operation in the work in the district. Business meeting February 14, 15 and 16. Meals on the free-will-offering plan and the saints will entertain as many in their homes as they possibly can.

All persons wishing ordination, and new workers wishing license, can be present for the business days.

Roy E. Scott, District Chairman, Mercer, Mo., J. H. Bostrom, Sec'y, Brookfield, Mo.

SEDALIA, MO., REVIVAL CAMPAIGN.—Evangelist A. Watson Argue and party will conduct a revival campaign at the Assembly of God Tabernacle, from March 9 to 23 inclusive.—R. Elmer Baker, Pastor.

CANTON, O., EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN. In Bethel Tabernacle, 313 Elgin Ave., N. W., January 28 to February 10, Evangelist Bert Williams of Perry, N. Y., in charge. This meeting will be held in the new tabernacle just erected, which will be dedicated January 27. We are looking to our God for a down-pour of rain in this time of the latter rain. A cordial invitation is extended to any of God's saints who may be able to attend this meeting. Divine healing services will be conducted during the campaign. Come and bring your sick. Pray for us. For further information write Pastor O. P. Brann, 623 Walnut Ave., N. E., Canton, Ohio.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO, PENTECOSTAL CONVENTION AND DEDICATION SERVICES

An old-time Pentecostal Convention will be held in the new Full-Gospel Church, 2823 Hillman St., Youngstown, Ohio, February 3 to 17 inclusive.

We are expecting Chairman J. W. Welch of Springfield, Brother V. S. Mumbulo of Rochester, N. Y., possibly J. Narver Gortner of Cleveland, Ohio, also T. K. Leonard of Findlay, Ohio, and other preachers and missionaries.

Sunday, February 10, will be set apart for the dedication of the new church building.

We will endeavor to provide free entertainment for ministers and missionaries in fellowship with the General Council, but can guarantee financial remuneration only for those engaged as special workers. For further information, address G. E. Smith, pastor, 829 Parkwood Ave., Youngstown, Ohio.

DEDICATION AT ST. LOUIS, MO.

The Assembly of God Tabernacle in St. Louis, Mo., located on the corner of Page and Marcus Ave., will have formal opening services February 3rd, 1924. Chairman J. W. Welch will be the speaker at the afternoon hour, 2:30 o'clock.

It is expected that visiting delegations from East St. Louis, Granite City, Alton, Wood River and Bethalto, Ill., will be present. There will be preaching at 11 a. m., 2:30 p. m., and 8 p. m. Rev. R. E. Baker, first pastor of St. Louis assembly, now pastor of the Sedalia, Mo., congregation, has been invited to be present. Special music has been arranged for. A great day, with the Lord's presence, glory and blessing is the desire of the pastors and the congregation. The building is a modern steel frame, brick structure, with a seating capacity of 1400. A Sunday school of 800 to 1,000 attendance can be cared for. The St. Louis work has grown from a small beginning to its present development. Without special revival meetings there has been a steady growth, many conversions and Baptisms of the Holy Spirit during the past year. The "little church" on McMillan Avenue has been too small to care for the crowds and the new building will make it possible to "launch out into the deep and let down the net."—Morse H. Markley.

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30.72: Assembly & S S Woodston Kans
30.00: Christian Assembly Kelso Wash
28.80: Assembly Canton Ohio
28.77: Glad Tidings Hall S S San Antonio Tex
28.17: Assembly Joplin Mo
26.70: Open Door Mission Reedley Calif
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16.25: Assembly Black Rock Ark
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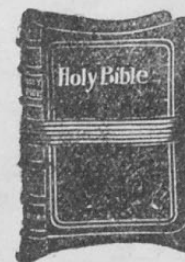
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