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“Nothing Shall Be Impossible to You”

WHEN Jesus came down from the mount of transfiguration a father brought to Him his son, saying, “Master, I have brought unto thee my son, which hath a dumb spirit; and wheresoever he taketh him he teareth him: and he foameth, and gnasheth with his teeth, and pineth away: and I spake to thy disciples that they should cast him out; and they could not” (Mark 9:17, 18).

That father had reason and was justified in coming to the disciples for the deliverance of his boy. They failed entirely and absolutely. The father went direct to Christ; and Christ was grieved, saying, “O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me” (Matt. 17:17). He was grieved that the enemy should triumph over His people, His disciples. “How long shall I suffer you, you faithless ones. Your defeat reflects and brings disgrace upon My name. You know My power. You know the power I gave you before; and the seeming fierceness of the enemy in the boy frightened you and drove out faith. Yet, nevertheless, bring him to Me.” “And they brought him unto him: and when he saw him, straightway the spirit tare him; and he fell on the ground, and wallowed foaming” (Mark 9:20). That no more disturbed Christ than the raging wind-storm on the lake disturbed Him when He was asleep. The most malignant, fearful acts of the enemy never, never perturbed Christ when He was on earth, and how much less now when He is in glory.

When Christ was leaving the earth He said, “All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth, go ye.” He told them “Go ye” commissioned with this power. Again He said, “And these signs shall follow them that believe: in my name shall they cast out demons” (Mark 16:17).

Christ was returning to the glory and thus He commissioned His disciples. And so today

the father and the mother of the demon-possessed ones cannot ignore the disciples of Christ, for Christ has commissioned His disciples, yea, is in His disciples, so that Christ works through the disciples, delivering the son on behalf of the father. What has tearing or wallowing or foaming to do with the matter? Do you think the fisherman is scared of the fish he catches and lands, when it turns and twists and jumps about on the land? He is not scared of the exhibition. He lays hold of the fish, in spite of its twisting, and puts it in his bag. The foamings and wallowings and the tearing up are just the exhibitions of the caged, hooked demon power. And instead of provoking fear in the disciples they should encourage them to lay hold of the scared enemy and hurl him and cast him out from his wrongful habitation, so that thereby the individual shall be freed from that which does not belong to the creation of God, made in the likeness of God; but it shall be turned back to the place from which it comes.

“Behold, I give you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you” (Luke 10:19). Why are there not more deliverances? Because of the unbelief. “If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you” (Matt. 17:20). God wants these mountains removed. Every mountain and hill shall be made low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain.

God wants His power to be seen and manifested that Christ and His name shall be glorified. The distracted one of these days can only look to Christ as He is manifested and works through His disciples. The fault was not with the boy, the fault was not with the father, the fault was with the disciples. The disciples had a partial excuse, the Lord was away. We have no excuse. Christ says, “Lo, I am with

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-:- A GLIMPSE OF OUR FUTURE HOME -:-

Pastor W. T. Gaston

Before He went away the Lord Jesus said to His disciples, "In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you" (John 14:2). Almost everyone believes that there is another life after this. Victor Hugo, after spending fifty years as a writer of romance, declared, "I have a feeling that I've not expressed a thousandth part of what is in me. Surely when our day's labor is ended here, there is a fuller day beyond when we shall continue our tasks." We see in human beings everywhere a yearning, a longing, and a panting for things hereafter.

In Hebrews 11 we have a picture gallery of the great heroes of faith. These were men who confessed themselves strangers and pilgrims down here. Abraham, the father of the faithful, looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God. He knew God had something better ahead for him. "Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompense of the reward." He looked out toward the future. He believed that there were better honors ahead than any he could have in Egypt. "He endured as seeing Him who is invisible," in the full assurance that there was a great recompense of reward ahead for him. It was a wise choice, although doubtless the world thought he was a great fool to turn away from the riches and honor of earth's richest throne to have fellowship with a crowd of slaves. But Moses will be over there in that city. We, too, are strangers and pilgrims on this earth. This world is not our home. We are just passing through to the city of God.

The Lord Jesus Christ the Son of God came from the Father. He stripped Himself of His glory to come down to this earth in order to show us the way back to God and to the glory. We see in Him every attribute of God, and He is well worthy of our confidence as a teacher. It was He who told us that the hour is coming in the which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. It was He who told us that many shall come from the east and from the west and shall sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, but that the children of the kingdom shall be cast into outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. He further caused it to be written to the saints at Corinth by the apostle Paul, "We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad."

The thought of a future life is not merely a theory with us. The Lord is not satisfied to give us the truth in itself. He understands that we are creatures of sense and that we like to have experience of eternal things. And so He has arranged to set up a minia-

ture heaven in the soul down here. We know a little of the joy of heaven because of the way He makes it work in us down here. Before He went back to heaven He told us He would send the Comforter that He might abide with us forever. And He said concerning the coming of the Comforter, "At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you." The disciples had evidence of the presence of Jesus when He was upon the earth and they had evidence of His presence here after the resurrection. They saw Him going up to heaven. And when the Holy Ghost came down on the Day of Pentecost there was convincing evidence that Jesus was at the right hand of God exalted. Peter said on the Day of Pentecost, "This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, He hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear." Since the Comforter has come to us, we know that Christ is in the Father and that we are in Him and He is in us. The Lord Jesus told us concerning the Comforter, "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come . . . he shall glorify me; for he shall receive of mine and shall show it unto you." The blessed Holy Ghost coming down from heaven takes of the things of Christ and the things of heaven and makes them living and vital in the soul; and He verily gives you a foretaste of heavenly things.

Writing to the Hebrews the apostle speaks of their having tasted "the powers of the age to come." If you are filled with the Holy Ghost you will have a foretaste of the glory of the coming kingdom. God makes this real to real Christians. The more you get of God the more you will get of His glory. The sealing with the Holy Spirit of promise after we have believed is just the earnest of our inheritance—a partial payment. The power of heaven has come to seal the individual here and give him a little installment of heaven. To some folks here the things of God are very unreal; but when you come into this full gospel way they are made very real.

We Pentecostal folks are not getting ready to die, we are getting ready to live. The blessed Holy Spirit is making the things of heaven appear in their true bigness, and the things of earth look very small in comparison; and He is causing us to enjoy, not merely a dry doctrine concerning heaven, but a delightful foretaste of it all the while we are on our way to heaven.

The future life! What is it like? Our Lord Jesus said, "I go to prepare a place for you." Mrs. Eddy has told us that there is no place called heaven, that heaven is a condition of harmony. Now, I don't know what you think about it, but I am not willing for any old woman to beat me out of my place. I have had no place here to speak of, but, praise God, He is preparing a place for me over yonder. I know that the place is a **real** place. I don't know all about it, but I know some things about it. I know that that place will be all right, for my Lord created all things. He put the oceans in their place. He planted the stars in the heavens. He painted the rainbow. "He hath

made everything beautiful in his time." I am satisfied that when He starts out to do a thing, He can do it well. He who paints the glory in the sunset can and will, I am sure, prepare a place that will be absolutely resplendent in beauty.

Has anyone seen this place? Yes, some have. Stephen saw it. When the big stones were flying at him he looked up steadfastly into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. He saw the heavens opened. I am sure it was a splendid place to look into. I believe that since that time hundreds of thousands have had glimpses into the glory of heaven.

You may remember how John was banished to the isle of Patmos. It was a very good place to pray. The hardest circumstances yield the greatest blessing if you will go through. As John prayed on that island he heard a voice speak to him. Once again he saw his Lord. A door was opened in heaven, and he was invited to come up hither and take a good look around. The veil was drawn aside and he had a vision of the things of heaven. He was told to write about what he saw. He saw the holy city, the New Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven.

The measurement of the city was twelve thousand furlongs, that is fifteen hundred miles; and the length and the breadth and the height of it were equal. It was a perfect cube. Talk about sky scrapers; this city is fifteen hundred miles high! And the city was pure gold—a gold city! The Lord knows how we like that stuff and He knows that we don't get much of it in this world. Some put a little bit of it on their fingers or on their ears, but the Lord is going to give us a city of it. A city of pure gold, not a city plated on the top, but a city of pure gold, praise the Lord. Folks here like gems, the stones that shine and glitter. Some put bits of them in their ears, and some wear them on their shirt fronts, and they like it. But here we see the Lord has taken millions of them of all kinds and stuck them in the foundation. For we read that the foundations of the walls of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones, and the twelve foundations were composed of twelve wonderful stones.

And the gates, they were made of pearl. Some slip pearls around their neck and think that they are somebody. At the ten-cent store there is a big trade in imitations of them. The twelve gates are twelve pearls, every several gate of one pearl. Let all the folks who want to, wear the junk; we are going to have the real thing over yonder.

"And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb was the light thereof." We know that all the mansions and the gold and gems never made people happy. There are many wretched people who have fine houses, autos, and money; and they don't enjoy life as much as their janitors. Something more than these things is necessary; and over there we shall have more than the material, we shall have the presence of the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb, and we shall be completely satisfied.

There is one thing we are not going to have over there, and that is **sin**. This world would be a good world if it had not been for sin. All around us we have the tragedy of sin. In every city, in every home, we see the marks of it. Everywhere we see blood being spilt, lives being ruined, mothers' girls being damned, their lives soiled and ruined; and the cause is sin, sin, sin. You see some homes where love ruled for a while, but sin came in and there was the tragedy of the divorce court, the children were scattered; and

all because of sin. But, praise the Lord, there shall not enter into this city anything that defiles. Sin cannot enter there. It is one place without sin. It will be a holy place for a holy people. Though the city is fifteen hundred miles long and fifteen hundred miles wide and fifteen hundred miles high, there is not one single place reserved for sin. There will be no danger there, no evil influence, nothing to make you uneasy.

And then there will be no poverty there. In this country we see many of the Lord's people having a hard time. The saints of God have not had the easiest times down here. They have had mockings and scourgings, bonds and imprisonments, they have wandered about in sheep skins and goat skins, being destitute, afflicted, and tormented. They have wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. But everything will be changed over there. We won't have to pay rent, taxes will never come due, and our garments will never be threadbare. We will be young forever. And we are going to be unspeakably rich. Though our Lord Jesus was rich He became poor, that we through His poverty might become **rich**. He has provided for us an inheritance that is incorruptible and undefiled, and it is reserved in heaven for us. We have a reserved inheritance that will never fade away.

Your heart will be filled with blessing and praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ when you begin to realize that He has provided an incorruptible inheritance, and that this inheritance is being kept for you and you are being kept for the inheritance. And, praise the Lord, nobody can cheat you out of the inheritance. Nobody can get it from you. It is being kept for you, and it won't fade away.

If some folks had money they would be more miserable than they are now. They would have an awful time trying to keep it. They would lose all joy in the misery of trying to keep what they had. But we have not to worry about our inheritance, it is being kept for us. Some of us are poor but we will get rich over night, and there will be no trouble about it.

And then there will be no death there. Death is one of the things that makes it hard for us down here. It is rightly described as an enemy. It comes alike to the good and the bad, and we even see the saints in its grip. Here is a man who says, "I am going to work hard and lay up something for myself and family, and then I am going to retire." He fulfils his ambition, and thinks he is comfortably off, and then here comes death along. He may say, "Who ordered you to come? I did not invite you." He may say, "Wait awhile." He may say, "I object to your coming." But death comes right along just the same and puts his cold hands upon the unwilling victim. He brings with him gloom and sorrow.

Sometimes he comes for the little child, just a little dimpled darling. You say, "O don't take this one!" But the icy hands of death are laid on the little one, and the tiny hands are laid cold and stiff. The mother and father may weep and want the little one to come back to the empty chair. The rag dolls and the toys are scattered all about, but there is no one to play with them. How can you live without this little one? Life does not seem worth while to you. Everything is so black and so lonesome. You don't understand it. But praise the Lord, there will never be crepe on the door knob, there will never be any funerals in heaven. Is it not precious? We shall live on and on forever. We have an eternal abiding place, and we shall never go out forever. There will be no

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JOEL'S PROPHECY AND THE PENTECOSTAL OUTPOURING

On the day of Pentecost, Peter quoted a wonderful prophecy from the prophet Joel: "And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of My Spirit upon all flesh." God did not exhaust the resources of heaven at that time, but has greater things for the latter days. On the day of Pentecost, and in the early church we see what Joel speaks of as "the former rain moderately," but there is the further promise of rain, "the former rain and the latter rain" to be poured out at a particular time. Our expectation is being quickened by the Spirit of God and we look for yet greater outpouring of the Spirit, God dispensing His blessings in every land, in every island of the sea, and in every place where they will be received. In Haggai we read, "For thus saith the Lord of hosts: Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens." And He will shake His blessings out of the heavens, as well as His judgments. And then we read, "And the desire of all nations shall come."

Then will the Beloved speak, "Rise up, my love, my fair one; and come away. For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of the birds is come." **But we must have the rain first.**

It is written, "Let it be, when thou hearest a sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself." Have you not heard the mighty rushing wind from heaven during the past few years, and is not this wind the prelude of rain? To the ear of faith, there is the sound of abundance of rain. It was after that the prophet had cried in faith, "Abundance of rain!" that he went to the top of Carmel, and cast himself down upon the earth, and put his face between his knees.

"Do you see the rain? Go up and look toward the sea," he cried to his servant. No sign! He prayed again. "Go up again." And the servant went up and looked and came back and said, "There is nothing." There are many of this sort of servants today. Elijah prayed again, and kept sending his servant. And it came to pass at the seventh time that the servant said, "Behold, there ariseth a little cloud out of the sea, like a man's hand." Some, these days, can see only blank skies, but some see the cloud. And they see in the cloud the Hand that shakes out blessings.

Elijah prayed earnestly and the heavens gave rain. He had no encouragement from natural surroundings to pray, and very little from his servant, but he went on praying in spite of everything. He was so intent

on praying that he had not time to look to see if the clouds were forming. He looked to God and not to discouragements. The servant looked to discouragements and not to God. What class are you in, Elijah's or the servant's? Elijah was a man of like passions with us; and we, with like passions, can be made like unto Elijah. He prayed earnestly that it might rain. He had one purpose, and he was earnest in that one purpose. In spite of the brazen sky he went on praying for rain, and he prayed, and prayed, and prayed; "and . . . the heaven was black with clouds and wind, and there was a great rain."

How are the heavens now? Are they brass? The very dryness, the very need, is one of the first requisites for praying for rain. It must not be ordinary prayer in these dry times, but prayer intensified seven times. The long period of drought, the very circumstances of Elijah's day, demanded special prayer, and prayer was answered with a deluge. Drought and deluge! Prayer bridges them. God wants bridges in these days, and the deluge cannot come without the link.

Solomon conducted water through conduits to water his own garden, but the prophet of God prayed, and he tapped heaven, and he made a conduit, not for his own garden, but for the whole land. God does not want parochial prayers. "God so loved the WORLD that He gave." That includes you and your world, but do not think that you and yours are the only world. Selfishness leads to corruption, fall and decline. It is CHRIST FOR THE WORLD. He tasted death for every man, that He might bring MANY SONS unto glory. The heathen are to be His, for the Father invited him, "Ask of Me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance."

When those to whom the Word of God was brought put it from them, Paul and Barnabas waxed bold and said, "Seeing you put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles. For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldst be for salvation unto the ENDS OF THE EARTH." The heathen in the ends of the earth has to have his opportunity. There is grace and blessing in store for the heathen. They are to throw their idols to the moles and to the bats, and you can look for an epidemic of idol-throwing when God pours out His Spirit upon all flesh. The Dagon's have to go down before the ark of the Lord.

We may expect the missionary to be the most envied person in the Christian Church. Grace is going to be poured upon the heathen; they are to be His because of the asking. And there is to be the asking. North, South, East, West, look for a great ingathering. Pray, pray, pray. Pray for the rain, pray for the laborers to be thrust forth, and pray for the laborers at labor.

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you always, even unto the end" (Matt. 28:20).

Oh that the disciples might realize that the living Christ, the triumphant Christ, the victorious Christ is in him as a mighty power, a living force, to set free those who are bound by Satan. Christ wants to work through His people provided they let Him do it. Amen.

"When in this life the spirit of the righteous man travails most in adversities, he thirsts the more ardently after the beholding of his Maker's face."

POWER FROM ON HIGH

When a lecturer on electricity wants to show an example of a human body surcharged with fire, he places a person on a stool with glass legs. The glass serves to insulate him from the earth, because it will not conduct fire, the electric fluid. Were it not for this, however much might be poured into his frame, it would be carried away by the earth; but, when thus isolated from it, he retains all that enters him. You see no fire, you hear no fire; but you are told that it is pouring into him. Presently you are challenged to the proof; asked to come near, and hold your hand close to his person: when you do so, a spark of fire shoots out towards you.

If thou, then, wouldst have thy soul surcharged with the fire of God, so that those who come nigh to thee shall feel some mysterious influence proceeding out from thee, thou must draw nigh to the source of that fire, to the throne of God and of the Lamb, and shut thyself out from the world—that cold world which so swiftly steals our fire away. Enter into thy closet, and shut to thy door, and there, isolated before the throne, await the Baptism; then the fire shall fill thee; and, when thou comest forth, holy power will attend thee, and thou shalt labor, not in thine own strength, but with demonstration of the Spirit, and with power.—Wm. Arthur.

RENEWING THE POWER

In some of our houses is constructed a telegraphic alarm. Every door and every window, by a telegraphic wire, is connected with a little galvanic battery in a closet, and also with a bell at the head of the sleeper's bed. When a door or window opens, the bell gives a sudden peal. After five or six months, if no precaution is taken, a serious difficulty may occur. The lever may be turned to connect the battery with the bell, and a door may be opened; but no sound will be heard.

What has happened? Every wire in the house can be traced uninjured back to the battery; the platform on which stands the bell, and the lever connecting and disconnecting the wires, are all in place; but there is no response. The **power** is gone. What shall we do? Polish the bell? Increase the number of or renew the wires? Still there would be no sound. Shall we smite upon the bell, imitating the ringing peal ourselves? But then its legitimate office, to give us warning, and to save us in the hour of danger, is gone.

There is only one course to be pursued. The trouble is in the battery. It has only to be charged again as it was at first; and then the fire will run through all the lines of wire, and the response will be given at the point of contact. So also the heart must be again filled with the Holy Ghost; and every point of contact with our fellow-men will illustrate the power of God.—Dr. Curry.

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death, no sorrow, no crying there. It is a wonderful home, a wonderful place that the Lord has prepared. May He help us to get ready to go there.

Another thing, we are going to be very happy there because of **what we are**. Let this sink into your soul. Most of us have troubles here, and most are inclined to think that all their troubles are due to what the other fellow does. But the truth is that most of our troubles come of what we are in ourselves. When we find a people who are what they ought to be, and

when we are what we ought to be ourselves, we will have a good time in any place as we live in the perfect will of God. The Psalmist said, "I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with his likeness." And I, too, shall be satisfied when I awake in the likeness of my Lord Jesus.

An infidel was once asked what he considered it would take to constitute heaven. He replied, "A perfect being in a perfect environment." We will surely have a perfect environment over there and will be surrounded by everything that is pure and holy and righteous; and best of all, we shall be perfect in ourselves. When Jesus comes for us He will take the last bit of imperfection out of us. He shall change our vile body—the body of our humiliation—that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body (Phil. 3:21). We shall be like Him (1 John 3:2).

What a beautiful thought it is that we shall be in a perfect world, having been made perfect, like unto the Son of God, and will enjoy His presence forever and ever. There is coming a day when, having fought a good fight of faith, we shall lay our armor down and we shall be like our Lord. What a joy it will be when He says to us, "I have nothing against you." To the Ephesians He said, "I have somewhat against thee." If we have left our first love and the Lord has something against us, we must remember from whence we are fallen, and repent and do the first works, lest He come quickly and remove our candlestick out of its place.

It will be wonderful because of the reunions. There are some with whom we have had happy association and we shall reunite with them. That little darling that slipped out of your arms, you can meet over yonder if you live for God. Those who sleep in Christ we shall meet again. We sorrow not as those who have no hope. We know that those who sleep in Christ shall rise, and we with them, and so shall we ever be together with the Lord. That husband of yours that is gone before, that wife, that baby, that mother. I missed my mother so much that even when I was a boy I wanted to go to heaven. Perhaps you have a precious mother over yonder, or somebody dear to your heart. David said of his little one, "I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me." The knowledge of this takes all the sting out of death. There will be no more separations. May God help us to have our whole family together on that other side.

But there is One that is sweeter than all. We want to see the Lord more than anyone else or anything. We will be face to face with Him who is altogether lovely. Do you know this Jesus? You can come to know Him. He can remove all the stains of sin from your life and fit you up for that heavenly place. He died to save you. He is the One who bore the nail prints on your behalf, the One who suffered, the One who went down to the cold tomb, who went through the experience of death for you. Let Him wash you in His own precious blood and prepare you for that place. He is coming for the prepared ones and will take them to that prepared place, that where He is, there they may be also.

"On the boat coming from America a man said to me, 'My Church is **the** church.' I replied, 'Go and fill your bathtub with salt water and say, 'This is **the** ocean.'"—Gypsy Smith.

The truly humble Christian does not inquire into his neighbor's faults: he takes no pleasure in judging them; he is occupied wholly with his own.—Athanasius.

PERILOUS TIMES — A SURVEY

There are recent and most noteworthy developments in the signs of the times which I wish to bring before you.

Second Timothy, chapter 3, declares, "Know this also, that in the last days perilous times shall come." In the verses following we see that men will be involved in practically every known sin: "For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, . . . fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness but denying the power thereof." "Men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith," are also mentioned. A terrible condition! Yet what a true picture of what we see today. Perilous times are now surely on the earth.

The Last Decade

During the past ten years, we have seen the judgments of God fall heavily. If we had looked ahead ten years in 1914 our minds could not have comprehended what has taken place in that period. Wars and rumors of wars, famines, plagues, and pestilence, taking millions, sweeping in upon humanity to such an extent that the people of the world should surely be startled. But nothing seems to move the masses toward God. This world is doomed, and continues to be filled with unrest, resentment of authority, universal selfishness. No government can cope with it. Man is proving a failure, as a world ruler, to better conditions. The devil is raging on the earth today, knowing his time is short. Only Christ, whose right it is to reign, can bring in peace.

World Wide Expectation

It is said that Moslems, Hindus, Buddhists, and Druses are all looking for some great teacher and leader. The first expect Mahomed and Christ; the second, the tenth Avater; Buddhists anticipate another Buddha; and the last, Hakem!

The closing periods of all previous dispensations have all been marked by the testimony, the God-sent warning, of impending judgments. There were Enoch and Noah before the Flood. There were the prophets before the Jewish dispersion. There was the testimony of the Lord and His apostles before the destruction of Jerusalem.

A Java Tradition

It is said that the inhabitants of Java, have a tradition that the world will come to an end "when vehicles move without animals to draw them, when light is produced without oil or fuel, when the earth is encircled with a thread, and when women behave as men," all of which we have seen come to pass.

The prophetic signs, spoken of in scripture, of aeroplanes, submarines, automobiles ("in the day of His preparator"),

of under-sea cables, wireless and radio, are here.

Women Behave as Men

How often we see them even on the street, dressed like men, and trying to act like men! "The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment; for all that do so are an abomination unto the Lord thy God" (Deut. 22:5).

Women of today, many of them, have surely put their head into the lap of Delilah (the World). Their locks are shorn, their glory is gone. "If a woman have long hair, it is a glory unto her" (1 Cor. 11:15).

The Bible Rejected

Recently my youngest daughter came home from school saying their lessons had been on man's descent from an ape. The Word of God tells us, "God made man in His Own Image." But we are told "there shall come in the last days, scoffers." Mere suppositions of science are accepted while the Bible is rejected.

Centralization

This is a day of "unions." Church union is being advocated. There is a move on for Jews, Catholics, and Protestants to get together on a platform on which all can unite, "The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man," but no need for the atoning work of Jesus Christ, is the cry today.

In even greater measure trade is being unionized. The Right Hon. Cecil Rhodes predicted that in a hundred years all the trade of the world would be in the hands of a single individual. This is remarkable. In January, 1918, a manifesto was issued suggesting that "all parties to the League of Nations must undertake not to carry on any trade or intercourse, either directly or indirectly, with any nation that is not a member of the League!"

Foreshadowings, these are, of the time when no one can buy or sell, without bearing the Mark of the Beast.

Mussolini

Bible students have long watched for the first signs of the revival of the old Roman Empire. Mussolini, Premier of Italy, who is probably the strongest character in world politics today is working with a large number of Italians back of him, for the restoration of the old Roman Empire in a greater glory than it formerly possessed. The climax is near.

General Blindness

In the face of all this there is indifference, and a mad race after pleasure seeking. "And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men because they have sinned against the Lord: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung. Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of the Lord's

wrath; but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of His jealousy: for he shall make even a speedy riddance of all them that dwell in the land" (Zephaniah 1:17, 18).

We can discern the face of the sky, but we cannot discern the signs of the times. Yes, perilous times are upon us, and God's people need to be careful. We are exhorted, "Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition" (2 Thess. 2:3) Apostasy is here.

John tells us in Revelation 12:9, "And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him." There is no doubt that Satan's time to be cast out on the earth is near. Surely he is deceiving the whole world. Thank God if we are true and kept clean by the precious Blood, purifying ourselves, "even as He is pure," we can claim our inheritance. While Satan deceives the whole world, God's true saints are not to be deceived, for, "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world" (John 17:16). No, he will not deceive God's true saints. May we do our duty in warning the people.

In Sight of the Ark

Noah faithfully warned the people in his day, yet they failed to heed his warning. They perished in sight of the ark. As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be at His coming. Men will perish because they failed to accept Christ.

Our God will deliver His people as He delivered Noah and his family; as He delivered Lot, as He delivered the children of Israel from the Egyptians, and the three Hebrew children from the fiery furnace! Thank God, He is able! When He delivered Peter from the prison, the great gate swung open of its own accord, and so will our deliverance come—a gate into the skies!

Our Shelter

"When I see the blood, I will pass over you."

The Jewish Nation is God's timepiece. Their "seven times" of punishment (Leviticus 26:18, 24, 28), for their unfaithfulness, that is, 2,520 years, is near the close. The winding up of this age is in sight.

Of old, these people of God found shelter beneath shed blood in the night of the destroying angel. Today we find shelter in the shed Blood of the Lamb.

The Jews tell a story about that dreadful passover night. A Jewish father had one little daughter, about 10 years old. She was his only child, and he was very fond of her. As the first-born of that family, she would be the one to die, if the angel's stroke should fall on their dwelling. Before going to sleep she asked her father if the blood had been sprinkled on the door posts. He said it had, and she fell asleep. But her sleep was disturbed. Shortly before mid-night she awoke in great alarm. She asked her father to take her in his arms and carry her to the door, that she might see the

blood. He did so, but found to his horror, that there was no blood on the door posts! It had been left to his servant to attend to, and he had neglected it. Her father hastened, slew a lamb and sprinkled the blood on the door post with his own hand. Then he took his child and showed her the blood there, and knowing that she was safe, she went sweetly asleep—just at the mid-night hour.

When we are protected by the blood, we are safe.—A. H. Argue.

"A USELESS SACRIFICE?" NAY

"A word in your letter—'Sacrifices . . . that produce only negatives',—made me think how the great, great Artist takes a perfect picture of something—some bit of love sacrifice to Him, that is dear to His heart. But He doesn't want any one to see it, so He hides it away in His 'dark room,' a seemingly useless 'negative,' unattractive, hidden; but there with only the crimson light of Calvary—the light shining through His very life-blood—there He develops it, unknown perhaps to all but Himself, into a picture of priceless beauty. But while we are in the dark room, He is there too, and the thrill of His presence just makes our hearts glow—Oh, it is sweeter to be with Him in the dark than alone in the light! And it is the 'negatives' that a true photographer prizes more than anything else, for they are capable of being developed to an almost infinite extent.

"I sometimes think, when God shuts up His children in the dark, it is as if He prized them very much,—and as a jewel is put into a box, so He takes care of them. . . . And I am glad. But sometimes I feel as if He lines His jewel-boxes, not with velvet, but with thorns. AND I AM GLAD!"—Extract from a Letter.

HELPED THROUGH THE PAPER

I praise God for the Evangel. We received our experience under Assembly of God ministers, but were left without a pastor. While others have drifted away, I have been kept close to God through reading the Evangel.

I have been giving my paper, and also tracts, to a neighbor, a colored woman who had an experience with God. As a result of reading them she began to cry to God for a deeper experience, and one day she had a vision of myself in a garden of flowers, picking a handful, which I handed to her. Later the Spirit said to her that the flowers were the papers and tracts I had been giving her; and she came to my house shouting and praising God and telling what the Lord had done for her.—Mrs. Nancy Berg, Pharaoh, Okla.

An aged minister, advising a young man who was just entering upon his life-work as a shepherd of God's flock, said, "My son, feed the sheep, do not beat them. If a sheep is well fed, he can endure, and will submit to some harsh treatment, but to starve and beat him at the same time is likely to prove fatal."

"I Am the Lord That Healeth Thee"

A REMARKABLE HEALING

From three months of age until twenty-six years of age I suffered with chronic ear trouble. My left ear would gather and break, and in twenty minutes there would be a black discharge. Several examinations were made by eminent physicians who stated that a bone was rotting and an operation would be the only relief. I was a regular attendant at the Methodist Episcopal church but never heard of divine healing until one day I met a band of people who believed that Jesus Christ is "the same yesterday, and today, and forever." One day while Brother McConnell was preaching in the Upper Room Mission a voice said, "Why don't you have your ear prayed for." I had always thought it was too hard a case for the Lord to heal, knowing that a bone was rotted. But as I rose to go forward to be prayed for I felt the power of God surging through my ear. Brother McConnell laid hands on and prayed for me and I was instantly healed. That was a year ago and I am still healed. To Jesus be all the glory.—Mrs. Z. P. Miller, 532 E. St. James St., San Jose Calif.

I can vouch for the truth of this case.—Max Freimark, pastor.

HEALED THROUGH HANDKERCHIEF

In August a boil formed under my left arm, which grew to the size of a small egg. My temperature rose, and I could not work my arm pained so. I had written for an anointed handkerchief. When it came I applied it in Jesus' name. On the following morning I could use my arm with ease, my fever had cooled and I could go about my work. By six o'clock that night there was no sign of a boil. Some of the neighbors had advised me to have it lanced, but praise God I did not have to call on any one except the blessed Master.

About two years ago I got some lye in my left eye. I thought at the time it would put my eye out it hurt so badly. It continued to give me trouble and I was persuaded to see an eye specialist, but he only gave me temporary relief and I kept on having trouble with it. It would be so swollen and inflamed at times that I could hardly see out of it. I went to a camp meeting and Brother Simms anointed my eye and prayed for it to be healed. And praise the Lord, it was healed!—Miss Eva Head, Dermott, Ark.

HEALED OF MANY TROUBLES

In 1896 I gave up all remedies, after suffering for three years with stomach and heart trouble, with nervousness, impoverished blood, and a bad case of chronic catarrh. I began to search the Bible to know what was God's will concerning

the sick, and I saw that Jesus bore our sickness as truly as He bore our sins (Isa. 53:4-8), and that if I would do my part as in James 5:14, 15, God would do His part—which was to heal me.

The first difficulty was to find elders or ministers who believed this scripture enough to obey it, but after two failures (in which I was set back by thinking I was reading the Bible wrong, for these ministers ought to know better than I) word came to me of a people who believed the Bible as it had been revealed to me in my search after truth.

One night in 1897, while I was praying alone in my house and a little band of saints was remembering me in Toronto, I felt the touch of the Lord Jesus and I realized my body was as healthy as a babe's and as light as air. My soul was in glory. I realized I was a well woman. There has never been a return of the chronic catarrh although that is 28 years ago. Jesus has been my only Physician through many tests and sicknesses, and He has always healed me.—A. Wissler, Salem, Ont. Canada.

HEALED OF PELLAGRA

Just 18 months ago Jesus wonderfully healed me in both body and soul. For nine years I had suffered from that terrible disease—pellagra. Doctors told me that there was no cure for me, that the serum treatment would only keep me a little longer. Then I heard of a specialist in Alabama, and took that treatment with but little results. Then the Lord began to show me visions. The first one was of a large white hand just over my head. A fear came over me, for I thought it meant death. Then Jesus began to appear. I would move, but still I would see Him with His hand stretched out toward me. From that time I came under deep conviction. I was so hungry for Jesus that I might be ready when he would call for me. God knew my heart, and He sent a Pentecostal paper to my home. It contained many testimonies to healing. I read and believed that Jesus is the same yesterday, and today, and forever. I sent in a request for prayers, and was healed and saved. I also praise God for the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.

Oh, there is praise in my heart every day and hour for Jesus; He is so real to me. My heart yearns for others to know Him and to take Him as their Physician. I have loved ones who need Him in their life, and I ask prayer for them that God will save and heal.—Mrs. T. L. Acree, Box 37, R. 4, Okmulgee, Okla.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

THE CALL OF ABRAHAM

Genesis 12:1-8

The Call to Separation. "Get thee out" (vs. 1). Separation is the first law of the kingdom. We must separate from all that is unclean if we would have the Lord receive us and be a Father to us (2 Cor. 6:17). We must further be willing to separate from our father's house and kindred for the sake of the kingdom of God (Luke 9:61, 62). The Lord will recompense such, a hundredfold in this life and give eternal life in addition (Matt. 19:29).

The Prospect of an Inheritance. "I will make of thee a great nation" (vs. 2). The natural seed of Abraham became a great nation in the days of David and Solomon, but the spiritual children of Abraham have become a still greater nation. They are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, who are called to show forth the praises of Him who hath called them out of darkness into His marvelous light.

The Covenant of Blessing. "I will bless thee, and make thy name great" (vs. 2). There is a blessing attached to every command of God. The builders of Babel had said, "Let us make us a name." And God blew upon their petty schemes. Abraham left things with the Lord, and He has surely made his name great. All who are of faith honor Abraham as their father (Gal. 3:7).

The Obedience of Faith. "So Abram departed" (vs. 4). "By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went" (Heb. 11:8). God had spoken. It was enough. The word of Him who upholdeth all things by the word of His power, is enough, and faith always delights in obedience to that all-powerful word.

The Reward of Obedience. "The Lord appeared unto Abram" (vs. 7). All friendship with the world had been cut off, but Abram entered into a new friendship and became the friend of God. Obedient discipleship leads to eternal friendship with Him who "sticketh closer than a brother" (John 15:15; Prov. 18:24).

The Promise of the Seed. "Unto thy seed will I give this land" (vs. 7). "To Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, and to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ" (Gal. 3:16). All the blessings are in Christ, and outside of Him there is nothing but eternal poverty and shame. He is our Inheritance. The Lord is the portion of his people.

The Altar of Worship. "And there he builded an altar unto the Lord, and called upon the name of the Lord" (vs. 8). The altar prefigured Calvary, which is the pivot of eternity. He called on the Lord, the only source of salvation. It is writ-

ten, "Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Rom. 10:13). "The same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him." Have you called?

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING

Subject—The Word of God

What Are We To Do With God's Word?

1. Meditate therein day and night, and "observe to do," then shalt thou make thy way prosperous (Josh. 1:8).
2. Make it your delight (Psa. 1:2).
3. Hide it in your heart so that you sin not against the Lord (Psa. 119:11).
4. Take it as a lamp to your feet and a light to your path (Psa. 119:105).
5. Receive it with meekness, for it is able to save your soul (James 1:21).
6. Let it dwell in you richly (Col. 3:16).
7. Continue in the things it teaches, for they are able to make you wise unto salvation through faith that is in Christ Jesus (2 Tim. 3:16).

The Westminster Assembly of Divines who met together in 1647 wisely said: "All things in Scripture are not alike plain in themselves, nor alike clear unto all; yet those things which are necessary to be known, believed, and observed, for salvation, are so clearly propounded, and open in some place of Scripture or other, that not only the learned, but the unlearned, in a due sense of the ordinary means, may attain unto a sufficient understanding of them." "The entrance of thy word giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple" (Psa. 119:130).

Dr. Torrey says, "First of all make up your mind that you will put some time every day into the study of the Word of God. The forming of that resolution and the keeping of it has been the turning point in many a life."

Read the Book through consecutively. It is good to read it through on your knees as George Muller used to do. One of the simplest systems of Bible reading is found in the Daily Bread Calendar, published by the Gospel Publishing House at 5 cents a copy. This system takes you through the Old Testament once a year and the New Testament and Psalms twice a year by reading four chapters each day. This should be the minimum of reading. If you can, read the Bible through every three months.

Read the Bible as the Word of God. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." Learn not only to study but to feed on the scriptures, for man cannot live by bread alone but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. Hudson Taylor, in counseling a continuous reading of the Scriptures, said, "Take heed lest you get your spiritual

constitution destroyed by feeding on the imaginations of man rather than on the verities of God."

Get to know the Author of the Book. There is only one way to understand this Book and that is to get acquainted with the Author, the Spirit of God (2 Peter 1:21). A young lady once examined a book and thought it was very uninteresting. She became acquainted with the author and as she reread it she thought it was the most interesting book she had ever read. The once dull book became fascinating because she knew and loved the author. The Author of the Book can give you understanding concerning what He has caused to be written.

Seek always to find the Lord Jesus Christ there. The scriptures testify of Him (John 5:39). "Beginning at Moses and all the prophets he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself" (Luke 24:27).

Put what it teaches into practice. "Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only" (James 1:22). It is only as we do what the Word teaches that we grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. "If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine" (John 7:17). This is one of the greatest secrets of Bible study.

Read the Scriptures prayerfully. Never study the Scriptures without praying that God will open your eyes to see the wondrous things in His Word. When you have thus prayed, look in faith for the wondrous things He has hid away, which He has promised to reveal to those who seek and search for hidden treasure (Prov. 2:1-6).

Commit parts of it to memory. In the night watches, and on other occasions, you can meditate on these scriptures that you have learned. In memorizing verses it is always well to memorize where they are found. This saves much time in hunting them up when you need them to prove your point.

One way of Bible study is to take a book at a time and thoroughly master its contents and teachings, so that as you sit down to meditate on the book you can call up the different chapters and know what they teach. Chapter study is much used in our schools and Bible classes. Study a chapter and put down on a sheet of paper its leading thought, its leading lesson, its best verse. Find out the personal application, and if there is a special prayer in the chapter make it your own. Follow any right example that the chapter may give you.

Dr. James H. Brooks wrote, "Remember that by the Word of God you are begotten (James 1:18); you are born again (1 Peter 1:23); you grow (1 Peter 2:2); you are cleansed (John 15:3); you are sanctified (John 17:17); you are built up (Acts 20:32); you are prepared to be presented to Christ (Eph. 5:26, 27); you are defended amidst the perils of the way (Eph. 6:17); and you patiently wait 'until the day dawn and the day star arise in your hearts' (2 Peter 1:19). The blessed Bible is the only lamp which God swings out in the darkness of the future."

In a recent issue of the S. S. Times there is the testimony of a native of Brazil. Since he was converted 20 years ago, he has read the whole Bible through 75 times, and he reads the Psalms and Proverbs through once a month. He writes, "Proverbs has been a fountain of untold blessing to my soul. It is the Wisdom of God (Christ) applying to earthly affairs, and I am yet to find the trial, condition or experience common to man not dealt with in this book." Again, "My habit of reading God's Book is so inveterate that more readily would I go without my morning meal than the Scriptural ration from the Word."

BAPTIZED AT A PUBLIC SALE

I praise God for free and full salvation. A year ago in July I was living in Coffeyville, Kans., when I was taken with a severe spell with my heart and thought that I was about to die. I was a backslider, very low in sin. I asked the Lord to spare me and promised to give my life to Him. He heard my prayer. Next day, August 7, we moved back to Humboldt, Kans. The following Sunday morning I went to service at the Pilgrim Holiness church and saw them pray for a blind boy. That made me think of the way God had once used me. My whole heart and soul went out to the poor, blind boy, and, as I sat in my seat, I began praying in secret for God to restore to me again the joy of His salvation that He might use me to pray for the blind boy. I almost forgot where I was and tears coursed down my cheeks.

That night I did not get into town in time to go to this church, but I did not care which church I went to just so I could go to an altar. So we went to the Pentecostal church. Soon the altar service was opened and I was the first to go. I could hardly wait. That night the Lord saved and sanctified me, blessed be His name forever.

On Nov. 15, a year ago I went to a public sale. While there Brother Robert Ashworth's baby had a spasm. He came out on the ground and asked mother and me to come in and pray for the baby. I had taken only a few steps when the power came on me, and I started on a run for the room where the baby was and laid my hands on it with the rest and began to pray. I had said only two words when the Lord laid me out flat on the floor and baptized me right there. I surely had a trial with Satan. My mother did not believe in "tongues" as she called it. I talked about an hour. I felt as if the heavens opened up right there. God cleaned me up right there. God surely cleaned me up from the world, taking shows, dances, cigarettes, immoral life out of me, and making me over.—Mrs. Verna Williams, Humboldt, Kans.

A high official once went to Eardly Wilmot in great wrath, and told the story of an insult he had just received. He closed by asking him if he did not think it would be manly to resent it. "Yes," said the judge, "it will be manly to resent it; but it will be God-like to forgive it."

THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

HER GIFT

The minister's eyes swept, with intense searching, the faces of his congregation. He had made an impassioned appeal for help in the support of a little mission church among the mountains—a section where rough men and women knew scarcely anything of God and the religion of Christ. He had hoped to inspire the people with the spirit of giving, to make them feel that it was a sweet, blessed privilege, and he had failed. A deep sense of desolation crept over him.

"God help me," his lips murmured. He could not see the bent figure of little crippled Maggie in the rear of the church—a figure that was trembling under the fire of his appeal.

"Lord Jesus," the little one was saying brokenly, "I ain't got nothin' ter give; I want the people of the mountains to hear 'bout my Saviour. O Lord, I ain't got nothin' ter"—

What was it that made the child catch her breath as though a cold hand had taken hold of her heart? "Yes, you have, Maggie," whispered a voice from somewhere. "You've got your crutch, your beautiful crutch that was given to you, and it is worth a lot of shining dollars. You can give up your best friend that helps you to get into the park where the birds sing, and takes you to the preaching and makes your life happy.

"Oh, no, Lord," sobbed the child, choking and shivering. "Yes, yes, I will! He gave up more'n that for me."

Blindly she extended the polished crutch and placed it in the hand of the deacon who was taking up the scanty collection. For a moment the man was puzzled; then understanding her meaning, he carried her crutch to the front of the church and laid it on the table in front of the old pulpit. The minister stepped down from the rostrum and held up the crutch with shaking hands. The beauty of the gift unnerved him so that he could not speak for a moment.

"Do you see it, my people," he faltered at last; "little crippled Maggie's crutch—all that she has to make life comfortable? She has given it to the Lord, and you"—

There was a moment of silence. The people flushed and moved restlessly in their pews.

"Does anyone want to contribute to the mission cause the amount of money this crutch would bring, and give it back to the child who is so helpless without?" the minister asked gravely.

"Fifty dollars," came in husky tones from the banker.

"Twenty-five."

"One hundred."

And so the subscribing went on, until papers equivalent to \$600 were lightly piled over the crutch on the table.

"Ah! you have found your hearts—thank God! Let us receive the benediction," almost whispered the minister as

he suddenly extended his hands, which were trembling with emotion. Little Maggie, absorbed in the greatness of her offering and the love that prompted it, knew nothing that had taken place. She had no thought for the future, or how she would reach her humble home, or of the days in which she would sit helpless in her chair, as she had done once.

Christ had demanded her all, and she had given it with the blind faith of an Abraham. She understood better when a woman's arms drew her into close embrace, and soft lips whispered in her ear, "Maggie, dear, your crutch has made \$600 for the mission church among the mountains, and has come back to stay with you again. Take it, little one."

Like a flash of light there came the consciousness that in some mysterious way her gift had been accepted of God and returned to her, and with a cry of joy the child caught the beloved crutch to her lonely heart. Then smiling through her tears at the kind faces and loving eyes, she hobbled out of the sanctuary.—The Standard.

LITTLE BOY HEALED OF PNEUMONIA

Our little boy, Paul, was taken sick on Dec. 14. We prayed for him and he appeared to get all right. Later, on returning from a service about three miles away, we found Paul with fever and his back hurting him. When we came together for service he had a high fever. We prayed, and before we quit, he was sweating. He got all right and slept well that night. The next morning our pastor left for another church about 16 miles away. Just after noon I received a message from a brother who had pneumonia. I went to him—about 50 miles distant. I left Paul feeling all right. On Tuesday morning he was taken just as he had been on Sunday. He continued real sick Tuesday and Tuesday night; and as he was no better Wednesday morning, my wife sent a car for me. I arrived at home after five o'clock. We began to pray. His cheeks were red. He rested somewhat better that night. Next morning I sent a car for our pastor. He arrived about 2 o'clock. We had prayer for Paul and in a little while the fever left him and he became all right. A number of outsiders had seen the condition he was in and knew that he had pneumonia, and then they saw how quickly he became all right. All the praise belongs to our God.—E. Sparks, Provencal, La.

A little boy on his death bed, urging his father to repentance, said, "Father, I am going to heaven, what shall I tell Jesus is the reason why you do not love Him?"

OUR MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES

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BLAKENEY NEED PROVIDED

We are glad to announce that the Blakeney need has been provided for and that the money for transportation from the field has been cabled to the Congo for them. This need has been supplied through the cooperation of our Pentecostal family, the Canadian brethren and an offering which was sent to us from our friends at Elim, Rochester, N. Y. The prompt way in which our friends have responded to this urgent need has been a great encouragement to us. It shows that our people are keen to realize the need and that they are ready to respond liberally. We will be expecting to hear momentarily that the party has started for home, and they should arrive in America within two months.

Any extra funds that may be sent in for the Blakeney's will be reserved until their return home. They will need funds to settle down and provide a home until such a time that Brother Blakeney is sufficiently recovered to enter active ministry once more. All offerings that have been sent in to us, over and above the amount actually needed for transportation, will be used for this purpose.

AMONG THE NOMADS OF TIBET

Brother W. E. Simpson, who is devoting himself to the Tibetan work, and who is stationed at Labrang, Western China, tells of his trip among the Nomads in November:

"I do praise Him for another opportunity to witness for Him again among the nomads and untouched monasteries to the West and South of Labrang. I was away for two and one-half months and had the privilege of visiting sixteen tribes and eight monasteries where most of the people had never heard the Name of Jesus. I was also able to distribute half a Yak's load of Gospels and tracts. I thank God for His gracious protecting care over us the entire way and for the manner in which He opened the doors for us everywhere.

"At Lhamo, about four-days journey to the south of Labrang, the authorities of the large monastery there gave us a small piece of ground on which to build a station. At Raja, five days' journey slightly south of west, our request for a similar site was met very favorably, although the affair was not quite settled on account of the absence of the head of the monastery. These two places are the next important points that we long to occupy for God in the near future. We praise our God that the doors are certainly wide open, as we were received very cordially in both places.

"We are trusting God that He will lay it on the hearts of those in the Home-

land to obey His call and to come out here over land and sea enduring all hardships joyfully, that they may occupy this field. There is a great opportunity for young men from the Central Bible Institute and other Bible Schools to follow Him even to the wilds of Tibet.

"On returning to Labrang and looking over our accounts, I found that I have been plunged rather deeply in debt owing to building operations here in Labrang. Naturally, this at first caused me quite a good deal of anxiety and discouragement but now, by His grace, I am enabled to cast my burden upon Him, relying upon Him to lay this need on the hearts of His people and to provide the necessary funds to lift the debt and to continue building operations next year. Pray for us."

MISSIONARIES HELP MISSIONARIES

Some people think that missionaries on the field make their sacrifices for God in time and labor while those in the Homeland make their sacrifices for the Lord in money. But oftentimes missionaries on the field will give their last penny to help some others who are in need. When the missionaries in Venezuela learned of the need to bring Bro. Blakeney and family back home they were deeply moved. Some of them had received special gifts for Christmas and they offered this money to the Lord for the Blakeney family. One woman gave five dollars, then another offered five dollars, a brother and his wife gave ten dollars which they had received as a special gift from a friend, another one gave two dollars and another five. One of the little missionary children who had been listening quietly at the table to the story of the need came with one dollar, and her older sister followed with a dollar also. Before the money could be sent off the faithful cook and helper, who receives the handsome salary of four dollars per month, came and brought an offering of one dollar also. The total money sent by this group of missionaries was \$30.35. If we would know what sacrifice is we can learn from our missionaries. The spirit of this group of missionaries is greatly appreciated and we are sure that God's blessing will abide upon the offering.

Mrs. Zella Mussen, formerly Miss Zella Reynolds, who for a number of years was associated in the General Council office at the time the office was located in St. Louis, is now permanently located at Box 535, Shanghai, China. This information is given for the benefit of friends who may desire to correspond with her.

REVIVAL IN SOUTH CHINA

Recent letters from South China indicate that a revival spirit is sweeping through certain portions of the work. Brother Spence writes:

"Quite a wonderful revival has begun in connection with the Canton church. One of the members, Mrs. T'so, has opened her hotel on the Bund for services, and several hundred attend daily. Over one hundred come for prayer every day and a dumb man has been healed who had not spoken for ten years. At Sainam, the work is picking up and seventeen were baptized recently. The chapel is filled for prayer services. At Lo Pau five received the Baptism. We should feel encouraged to believe for victory in South China. Hallelujah!"

THREE WEEKS IN INDIA

Mrs. Esther B. Harvey writes us from India on December 16, as follows:

"We arrived in India just three weeks ago and we had a royal welcome. All Sharannagar was out to meet us and the boys and women all carried colored paper flags which they had made. When the train pulled into the station we heard a great report. The station master had placed torpedos on the track. As we stepped from the train, the Nawabganj brass band began to play, and they went ahead of us and played as we walked to the house. The teacher stopped them while the boys sang a chorus which they had composed for the occasion about their Mama Jee, how God had preserved her and brought her back in safety, and this was their day of rejoicing. Then the women sang one which they had composed about their Mama Jee. It was nice to be in America, but it is far nicer to be back home again with my family. Here we have a mud house and we are terribly crowded, but there is no place like home.

"Miss Cooke, my girlie and I are living in a tent and Mr. McClay is living in a room of the new school building which has been finished. The bungalow is small and we are terribly crowded. We hoped to have a new bungalow erected before this, but funds did not come in fast enough, and they were not able to do very much. We are looking to the Lord to undertake and to give us a house soon; for we cannot live in a tent after March, on account of the sun."

SOUTH CHINA MISSIONARIES RETURNING HOME

On February 20 a group of South China missionaries will be coming home on furlough if all works out well. This group will consist of Brother Spence, whose wife and children are already in this country, Miss Ella Finch, Miss Louella Morrison, Miss Emma Daab, and John D. James and his two small children. Word was received that Brother James has been very ill, and his friends in Evergreen, Alabama, immediately responded by providing the money for his return fare. Pray for this group of missionaries that they may be able to return to the Homeland, as they are very worn in body and in great need of rest.

THE WATCH-NIGHT SERVICE IN VENEZUELA

Miss Fannie M. Van Dyke writes from Caracas, Venezuela as follows:

"Since I last wrote the Lord has heard us and wonderfully raised up our native pastor who was so very low early in November. His strength returned in a wonderful way and at the first service he took he talked one and one-half hours in the power of the Spirit, while we all marveled.

"Wednesday night of this week we had our watch-night service. Gathering at ten p. m. we sang some of the most spiritual hymns of consecration. Then our pastor, Don Rosendo, gave us a precious message on the "Latter Rain," in Deut. 11. Then precious testimonies as to the Lord's dealings with us during the year were heard; then one-half hour of prayer, the New Year finding us on our knees all broken up before Him."

THE NEED OF WORKERS IN JERUSALEM

Miss A. Elizabeth Brown writes from Jerusalem, Palestine, as follows:

"Miss Radford's coming has provided a very necessary co-worker, and the work, instead of choking out as it must otherwise have done, can develop naturally in its various departments. She has charge of what we call 'headquarters,' which means the mission hall, reading and book-room, prayer-room and rest-home. Am so glad that Miss Boyes has come out to help her as her work involves too much for one person to accomplish.

"But while their coming provides very necessary help in the work, I personally have more to do than before they came. I have moved to a place on the outskirts of the city—a large quarter hitherto unevangelized. The Lord showed me very clearly to take up the day school which the Alliance dropped. They did no evangelistic work here, but with the school we have started a Sunday school (27 present last Sunday) and a Sunday morning service. Our older girls have begun house-to-house visiting and are cordially welcomed everywhere we go. We hope to have evening services as soon as I can possibly attend to them.

"Now, upon me devolves housekeeping for a family of twelve, directing the day school which includes many interviews with the parents and patrons of the school, directing the girls in their Bible and visiting work, directing their studies and taking several classes with them in their preparation for their work as Bible women; two services in our Jerusalem prison each week, with one in Serafend prison camp, thirty miles distant, each alternate week; and a three-days trip to the northern prisons and camps. My regular Sunday work is morning Sunday School and adult service (Brother Samuel, our native pastor, helping in the latter); evening prison service with visiting the men awaiting the death penalty and the prison hospital ward; our Assembly service in town for which I am the pianist; and sometimes the night service. I also try to be in town to at least one night service per week.

"Although better in health than when Miss Radford came, I am not well nor strong. A good bit naturally devolves upon me also as the senior missionary. If the work I carry were divided among three people, each would have enough to keep a strong, well missionary busy. Cannot some young woman (or better, two), baptized with the Holy Spirit and equipped with a knowledge of God's Word, see the need and hear the call and 'Come over and help us'?"

"I am asked to be present at a meeting of the heads of the different missions to consult about a division of the villages of the land that all may be ministered unto with the least possible overlapping. I intend to accept for our mission the proportion that we ought to be responsible for, trusting that some one will accept God's call to this fruitful field for service for Him, and to this opportunity to gather out souls for Him in Jesus' name.

"God is blessing in the work and we praise Him. I also praise Him for the inflow of His life and strength many times when I have been ready to faint, and I know His grace is sufficient. But I feel someone must be failing Him, or I would not be so overwrought."

A PRAYER REQUEST—FOR THREE HUNGRY HEARTS

Again our workers have been giving out the Water of Life to a great throng of weary pilgrims as they passed through Basti on their way to worship the false gods at a place forty miles from us. On—ON—that deluded multitude passes, foot-sore and weary. Old men and old women, bent over with age and hardly able to walk, the blind, the lame, the sick and infirm, and even little children, make up the crowd. Young and old, they go, carrying loads of food to eat by the way, their brass vessels for cooking, bedding, and gifts for the gods, but saddest of all they carry the awful load of sin and guilt on their souls. Many came from a great distance and from our place they still had a long way to go.

There were many in that great crowd who stopped to listen to the Gospel Message, as it was given in song and preaching. Many also received the printed Scripture.

I want to tell you about three whose hearts were especially drawn to Jesus. Our Indian evangelists told them how, for very love of sinners, Jesus had given His life's blood on the Cross to save them. As His agony and love were described to them, their hearts were broken by the thought of His love and they wept. Then our preachers asked them what they wanted, and they said, "We know that we are sinners; oh, do please pray for us." So, there at the river-side, they prayed for them. Then when they told them, from Rom. 10:9, that they must confess Him, they said, "Jesus suffered so much for us and we believed that He has forgiven us." As the men went away our preachers rejoiced at what God had done in their hearts.

Who shall say that three names that day were not written in the Book of Life as those five men stood at the river-side in dark India?

Pray that God by His Spirit shall fan the spark of life in God, which entered the hearts of those men, that He shall fan it until it shall become a mighty flame for His glory in this dark land and throughout the eternal ages.

Please pray for a great REVIVAL in this district and all over India. PRAYER will BRING IT.

REMEMBER THAT INDIA IS SUFFERING FROM WANT OF JESUS! O, dear ones, DO ALL you can to bring India to Jesus before it be too late! Who will say, "Here I am and all I have for Jesus and DARK INDIA"—Bessie V. Gager.

MISSIONARIES PASSING THROUGH LONDON

Any of the Council missionaries, when passing through London, will receive a welcome at Peniel Chapel, Kensington Park road, Elgin Crescent, West London. Brother Ben Griffiths, the pastor, has been in fellowship with the General Council for many years but has seen very little of our Council ministers and missionaries, and he extends a hearty welcome to them. Meetings are held every day except Fridays and Saturdays. The young people of this assembly have fifteen separate open-air meetings each week, and over one hundred that have been saved have been added to their assembly.

Miss Jessie L. Eustace announces that she will return to her field of labor for the Lord in March. Miss Eustace has been working in Liberia, West Africa for a number of years and is now returning to the field as a missionary of the General Council.

AN ARCHEOLOGICAL FIND

A find of great interest is that of an ancient hymn-book which was in use as early as the lifetime of the apostles; indeed, as one scholar suggests, this may have been one of the collections referred to by Paul in Eph. 5:19 and Col. 3:16. Here we find reference to the "dove of baptism" (Matt. 3:17), Christ the "Rock" on which the Church is built, frequent references to Christ as the Head, to the living Crown, and to Christ as the "Redeemer" of the Gentiles.

It is clear that these early Christians were firm believers in the doctrine of the Trinity, the virgin birth of Christ, His descent into Hades, His pre-existence, His pre-eminence in the Church, and His final complete victory over death.—Selected.

"What can Jesus Christ do for you now?" asked an inhuman slave-master when in the act of applying the lacerating whip to an already half-murdered slave. "Him teach me to forgive you, massa," was the reply.

Martin Luther, when once asked by his friends what his plans for the following day were, answered: "Work, work from early until late. In fact I have so much to do that I shall spend the first three hours in prayer."

THE WORK AND WORKERS

McALESTER, OKLA.—Sister Mable Wilson reports that Brother and Sister Horn have just closed a 2-weeks revival in which 30 were saved and 36 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit as in Acts 2:4.

HECTOR, ARK.—Brother A. W. Tanner writes of the blessing of God upon their meetings. The people are seeking God and the Sunday School is in a healthy condition. He has also been called as pastor at London, Ark., and will give half time to Hector and half time to London.

CANAAN CENTER, N. H.—A member reports, "We had two nights prayer preceding the watchnight service. We believe much was accomplished during this time of waiting on God. One brother was healed of stomach trouble of a number of years standing. Two came forward for salvation and demons were cast out in Jesus' name."

LAUREL, MISS.—Pastor T. C. Anderson writes, "We have perfect unity in our midst. The saints are few in number but all are true to God and loyal to their pastor. Several have been saved and 4 have been filled with the Holy Spirit since Christmas. The saints are learning to trust Jesus as their Saviour, and several have been healed."

WOODRIVER, ILL.—Brother W. J. Higgins sends a note of praise for what the Lord is doing. He says, "We just moved the first of the month; and 4 have been saved and 1 received the Baptism. Last night in our regular prayer-meeting 2 were saved and 1 received the Baptism. We are planning on beginning a revival Feb. 1st. Continue to pray for us."

DES MOINES, IOWA.—Brother W. F. Kirkpatrick reports victory here. They have been having a week's meeting, which built up the saints. He writes, "I was unanimously elected pastor for a year and will move here next week. They were without a pastor when I came and I feel I am in the will of God. Unity prevails and we are looking for a prosperous year in the Lord. Pray for us."

NORTH TULSA, OKLA.—Pastor C. E. Shields writes, "I am now pastor here and will say I feel as though I had a tub of honey turned over in my soul. We are having fine meetings, a good Sunday School, and prayer meeting is well attended. Every Holy Spirit minister passing this way will find a welcome at our home and assembly. Remember us at the throne of grace. Our address is 1247 N. Cincinnati St."

YBOR STA., TAMPA, FLA.—Pastor I. J. Bolton reports that many souls have been saved and filled with the Spirit during the past year. This year already 12 have been saved and 3 have received the Baptism. Their Sunday School has 144 on the roll, and last Sunday 168 were present.

PRATT, KANS.—Sister M. J. Ackley writes of a revival which began on Jan. 1. She says, "This is a new field and the battle has been a hard one, but God is working. Thirteen have been saved, two filled with the Spirit, several have been healed, and twelve or fourteen are tarrying for the promise. The evangelistic party is made up of Evangelist R. U. Freeman, Brother and Sister John Wyckoff, Sisters Hebb and Sears of Caldwell, Kansas, and Sister Lola Lichlyter of Sharon, Kans. The Lord has graciously blessed our efforts and we covet your prayers."

TAFT, CALIF.—Brother and Sister Nelson write of a 2-week meeting in November with Brother J. C. Jeays, whom God made a great blessing to the saints. Brother W. T. Gaston was with them one week in December and his ministry was mighty to both sinner and saint. They write, "There has been a precious spirit in our midst since the brethren left. Wonderful unity prevails. In the first 14 days of the new year 14 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Our prayer-room is crowded on tarrying nights. Many are being saved right along and the sick are being healed; some incurable cases have been healed. Our church is now set in order and we are expecting great things for 1925."

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

—Pastor R. J. Craig writes: "During the holiday vacation God has given a gracious revival at Glad Tidings Tabernacle and Bible Institute, San Francisco, under the ministry of Evangelist John Bernhard. A good many were swept by the heavenly gale into the kingdom of His love, and on into the real Pentecostal Baptism. One was filled with the Holy Spirit the next instant after being baptized in water, speaking in tongues in the true apostolic fashion right in the water. In a comparatively short time Brother Bernhard has become a wise minister of this full Gospel. Following this, Evangelist Frank Lindblad gave one week of gracious teaching ministry in the Institute and Assembly, both students and Assembly profiting immensely by sitting under this faithful teacher. Eight buildings have recently been removed to make room for a large, new tabernacle to accommodate at least 2,000."

CANTON, ILL.—Mrs. Emily Pascoe Tink writes of an all day praise and worship meeting in December. The Power fell on one young man, and the next day he was baptized in the Holy Spirit and fire (Acts 2:4). Pastor Charles Gray has been opening to the people the scriptures concerning the Baptism, and they have started tarrying meetings. "Since Dec. 11th over 60 have received the Holy Spirit, among them the pastor and his wife. Souls are saved nearly every service, many are prayed for and healed. Our mission has come up through great persecution, but we have 170 members inside of two years. We trust God for finances and He does not let us lack."

NOTICE

This is to inform those who are identified with the Assemblies of God and others who may be interested that Ralph Ballard, last operating on the Pacific coast is not in fellowship with the General Council of the Assemblies of God, and that we have letters in the office alleging that the story he is telling concerning his life is false, and it is further alleged that he is very unreliable.

SPECIAL NOTICE

We are being asked if we know anything about the activities of what is designated as "The Pentecostal Census Bureau" and if the General Council of the Assemblies of God are in any way identified with this Bureau. We beg to advise our friends that we know nothing of this Bureau whatever. We might add that we are always reluctant to enter into any fellowship which does not publish with its literature the official designations or offices. It simply signs itself, "The Pentecostal Census Bureau" of Brooklyn, New York.

HUNDRED AND ONE YEARS OF AGE

January 11, 1925 was the birthday of Mrs. Sarah Carr of Rhonerville, Calif. It was grandma's one hundred and first birthday and there were five generations gathered at her home. She attends our meetings quite regularly. We say, "How are you, grandma?" and her answer is, "Just as fine as can be, only a bit lazy sometimes, but I am looking for Jesus to come and He is coming sooner than some people think He is."

Grandma has fasted every Saturday for so long that no one remembers that far back. She never danced. She believes in "early to bed and early to rise." Her parting words are, "God be with you till we meet again."

I consider it an honor to be the pastor of one I believe the oldest Pentecostal saint in America.—J. D. Wells, Eureka, Calif.

TACOMA, WASH.—Special evangelistic meetings will continue at Normana Hall, South 15th and K Streets, Tacoma, Wash., Evangelist John Gobin in charge. We invite all those seeking the Lord for healing and the Baptism of the Holy Spirit to come. We covet the prayers of all the saints for this city-wide revival. God is working.—Frank Gray, pastor.

A PREACHER SAT IN HIS STUDY CHAIR

(From Houston, Texas Chronicle)

"For do I now persuade men, or God? or, do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ."—Saint Paul.

(Slightly Altered)

A preacher sat in his study chair,
Engaged in serious thought;
He ran his fingers through rumpled hair,
His brow was furrowed by lines of care,
There were truths he long had sought.

He arose, at last, with a heavy sigh,
Had firmly made up his mind;
"The time has arrived," he thought,
"when I
Must cease from fearing to think, and try
To enlighten and lead mankind.

"I will preach the truth as it comes to me,
Will make my conclusions clear;
The words I utter henceforth shall be
Untinged by the time-worn sophistry
That the people prefer to hear.

"For what is the good and what is the gain
Of sermons that bring no light?
The preacher's efforts are all in vain
Who babbles away in a threadbare strain,
While the people still grope in night.

"I will seek to open the people's eyes,
I will give them a clearer view;
For the preacher is false to himself who tries
To please by uttering welcome lies—
I'll make my words ring true!"

So, facing those who had sat asleep,
Or lolled in their pews at ease
He preached with conviction strong and deep,
No longer holding to old and cheap
Half-truths that were sure to please.

The men sat up; their alarm was keen,
Their pulses began to throb;
There are those who will never forget
the scene;
But the preacher, whose conscience was clear and clean,
Had to look for another job.

Ah, true! for the age is waning fast,
Thick darkness draws on apace,
And Laodicea holds her sway at last,
And thinks of her treasures and riches vast,
With never a thought of grace.

But the dawn of a newer day will come
And the ancient hill-tops gild
With a light that shall spell the final doom
Of philosophies old, and in their room
Leave prophets' dreams fulfilled.
(Last two verses by Wm. B. McCafferty)

ONLY A MISPLACED BRICK

Some workmen were building a large brick tower, which was to be carried up very high. In laying a corner, one brick either by accident or carelessness was set a little out of line.

The work went on without its being noticed; but as each row of bricks was kept in line with those already laid, the tower was not put up exactly straight, and the higher they built the more insecure it became. One day, when the tower had been carried up to about fifty feet, there was a tremendous crash. The building had fallen, burying the men in the ruins. All the previous work was lost, the materials were wasted; worse still, valuable lives were sacrificed, and all from one brick laid wrong at the start.

Think of what may come of one bad habit, one brick laid wrong while you are building a character.—Edith Freeburg.

A TESTIMONY

I am only a babe in Christ Jesus. It was only a year on the 16th of November since He came into my heart; and on the 8th of last March I received the Baptism according to Acts 2:4. Dear saints tell me that they get no vision in prayer. I stay in prayer long enough to get one—not five or ten minutes, but 60 or 80, or still longer if the Spirit tries to hold, then the blessing comes in such a shower there is no hurry to close. If every soul that knows God and how to pray would spend much time in prayer, we know not the good that would come. He has answered many for me; also has healed me instantly.—M. B., Galena, Kan.

THE MIGHTY POWER IN TRACTS

Only pieces of paper, sometimes worth less than a fourth of a cent! Some are destroyed, others fall upon good ground and bring forth thirty, sixty, and a hundred-fold. The salvation of a million souls has been traced to one of them. Silent messengers with an unlimited ministry! They go aboard ships and carry the good news to the uttermost parts of the earth that Jesus saves, heals, and baptizes with the Holy Ghost.

They go into opium dens, tea-houses, and into places where missionaries cannot go. They are read by Jews, Mohammedans, Buddhists, and others that would not go into a Christian church. They encourage tired and weary pilgrims to press on. They visit hospitals, minister in prisons, and comfort in alms-houses.

So effective are they that if Satan sees one of them lying on the sidewalk with its title preaching to scores of passers-by, he will endeavor to get people to discourage their distribution and printing. And often, like the early church, the more they are mistreated the greater their power.

Pieces of them are known to have been the means of the conversion of the very persons that destroyed them. They have varied uses, and, like anointed handkerchiefs, have been laid upon the sick and they have recovered. Some of them, like Stephen, have short lives; others, like Paul, have long ones. Some have continuous ministries; others are put aside as book-marks and are not seen for years. But all of them that God uses will bring stars in someone's crown. Anyone can preach the Gospel with them and bring out the talent that is buried in a napkin, and everyone can speak a good word for them.—By Earl Cripps, New York City.

Everybody can be a soul-winner for Jesus. We need you. Won't you start today. Sign the slip below and return to us.

Gospel Publishing House,
Springfield, Missouri.

Attention J. W. Sitton.

Dear Brother:

I want to take a part in this great soul-winning campaign and help spread the Gospel literature. God being my helper, you may depend upon me for the duties which I have marked X. Distributing tracts..... Prayers..... Contributions.....

You may depend upon me for many hours of prayer in this coming year.

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Forthcoming Meetings

Notices for this column must be sent in so as to reach this office two full weeks before the date of issue of the Evangel in which the senders desire them to appear. For instance, a notice for a paper dated the 15th of the month should be in Springfield by the first of the month; or for a paper dated the 30th of the month, should be here on the 15th of the month.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—Dr. Chas. A. Shreve and party will conduct a series of meetings beginning February 15 and extending to March 1, in Elmhurst Tabernacle on William St., near East Ave.

BARTLESVILLE, OKLA.—Pastor J. N. Kerr will open a two-months Bible school at 945 W. 3rd St., beginning about the middle of January. This is for the benefit of the workers of our church.—J. M. Kerr.

TRENTON, N. J. SPECIAL MEETING at 69 Grand St., January 30 to February 9. Evenings 7:45, Sundays and afternoons 2:30. Brother Joseph Tunmore of Pittsburgh, Pa., Chairman of the Eastern District Council, will be with us. We invite the saints from everywhere to co-operate with us in prayer.—Pastor David F. Raroha.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Evangelist John J. Ashcroft and party of New Jersey will begin a campaign at Humboldt Park Assembly, Cortland St. and Nebraska Ave., the first week in February, and will continue for three weeks. Brother and Sister Ashcroft are accomplished musicians and singers. Evangelist C. M. Hanson of Dalton, Minn., is also expected to be present.—A. Blix.

CONNEAUT, OHIO.—Special evangelistic meetings will be held at the Assembly of God mission, 450 State St., Conneaut, Ohio, beginning January 30 and continuing over three Sundays, closing February 15. Evangelist J. Clark Soules and party will be in charge. An invitation is extended to the friends that may live close enough. "Come over and help us." We request the prayers of the Evangel family, that God might give us a gracious revival at this time.—R. M. Shearer, pastor, 448 Broad St.

OPEN FOR PASTORATE.—Are you in need of a pastor? If so, let us hear from you. Please state size of assembly (approximate number of saints), and whether you have a parsonage. We hold papers with the General Council and an up-to-date fellowship certificate.—Wm. Burton McCafferty and wife, Overton, Tex., R. 2, Box 44.

OPEN FOR PASTORATE.—I have been 14 years in active ministry, most of that time in evangelistic work. Spent 7 years in Iowa and No. Missouri and was on District Presbytery during that time. Have been in full fellowship with General Council ever since chartered. Am Acting Pastor at Baker, Ore., until May or June. We have no choice of field, will go anywhere the Lord leads. Would be glad to correspond with any assembly in need of a pastor.—J. Kelley Campbell, R. 5, Nampa, Idaho.

FOREIGN MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS

January 16 to 22 Inclusive
This does not include offerings given for the expense of the Missionary Department.
\$.25 A McC Los Angeles Calif; .40 T S Vernon Texas; .50 Mrs R K S Winnipeg Canada; .75 Mrs M E M St Louis Mo; .90 O H Emery Ark

1.00: Mrs J L Fairport Harbor Ohio; Mrs R Bell Calif; C L S Boss Mo; Mrs M E E Mercedes Tex; Mrs W N P Cleveland Ohio; L L Pangburn Ark; M J H Sullivan Mo; Mrs C E P Coloma Mich; Mrs M E W Boswell Pa; H H Lynden Wash; Mrs L H Milton Fla; C D New Effington S Dak; Mrs J F Ticonia Iowa; Mrs H A R McCook Nebr; Mrs J A B Mt Sharp Texas; Mrs E J S Fredonia Kans; Miss M C Childress Texas; Mrs W A T Morgantou N C; A B M Louisville Ky; L N D Monson Mass; 1.25 Mrs M H Garland Tex; 1.50 M B Miami Okla; Mrs M S Jacksboro Tex; Mrs I L Brawley Calif; 1.90 Mrs St E Norwood Ohio
2.00: Mrs F M F San Antonio Tex; Mrs S C Whitetail Mont; M O L Everett Wash; E C P Scottsbluff Nebr; J R V Old Forge Pa; Mrs I A Ledbetter Tex; R C E Anthon Iowa; Pisgah Missionary Prayer Band Los Angeles Calif; J A C Picher Okla; Mrs I S Woodmen Colo; Mrs S U Gooding Idaho; Miss P T Salinas Calif; E K Corona N Y; V C Okemah Okla; J M F Boonville Ark; W T W Springfield Mo; 2.05 Sunday School Waldron Ark; 2.30 Assembly of God Van Buren Ark; 2.50 Assembly of God Whistler Ala
3.00: Mrs J D C Alareud Tex; A D Camp Point Ill; Friends Santa Cruz Calif; Mrs J H H Tor-

rence Calif; Elbethel Church New Brockton Ala; Girls' S S Class Bethel Temple Dayton Ohio; Miss G S Mellville Pa; B B League Jasonville Ind; P S H Salem Ore; Mrs R W G Eugene Oregon; A E C Penns Grove New Jersey; 3.10 Upper Alton Assembly (Young People's Society) Alton Illinois; 3.50 Miss R E W Canton Ohio; Mrs W D Winnipeg Man Canada; A G Eagle Lake Fla; 3.74 Assembly of God S S Bridgeport Tex; 3.90 C P Princeton Mo
4.00: C A B Woodston Kans; Mrs E B Sturgis Mich; Mrs O T S Los Angeles Calif; Mrs T C Osgood Ind; H E J Marion Ohio; M H Pogue Iowa; O G R Carlow Mo; Mr & Mrs J G Chicago Ill; Miss E S Chelsea Okla; 4.60 J O F Newton Iowa

5.00: C E C Dallas Tex; Mr & Mrs J. M. L Bucyrus Ohio; Mission Tabernacle S S Kilm, N Dak; Mrs C F S Seattle Wash; North Canaan S S Canaan N H; Friends Woodland Calif; C M C Pillager Minn; W H Centerville Mo; Miss E C Sacramento Calif; J P B Brooklyn N Y; C B Eagle Bend Minn; Upper Alton Church Alton Ill; Mr & Mrs B F S Charlotte Mich; J S Conneaut Ohio; Mr J N R Brooklyn N Y; Mr & Mrs H N Petrel N Dak; Mrs J B Muskogee Okla; Mrs L T Alton Ill; Unknown San Leandro Calif; M H S Clarinda Iowa; K M G Osborne Kans; 5.35 Mr & Mrs F K Homer Nebr; 5.50 J D Z Kansas City Mo

6.00: Pentecostal Church of Christ Inc St Louis Mo; W T L Seattle Wash; R E F Springfield Mo; Fostepco Heights S S Ft Worth Tex; C B D Lincoln Calif; 7.00 Mrs D H M Ont Canada; D W Portland Ore; 7.48 Assembly of God S S of Prichard Okla; 8.39 Assembly Gooding Idaho; 8.50 S S Class Y People's Class Hammond Ind; 8.68 Pentecostal S S Paonia Colo; 9.00 Mrs J C M Almna Kans; 9.75 Bethel Assembly Ariton Ala
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