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-:- THE REST OF THE REIGNING LIFE -:-

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Ruling

"Ruling" follows as the result of being "joint-seated" with Christ in the heavenlies.

We are told that "he that ruleth his spirit is better than he that taketh a city" (Prov. 16:32).

All the discipline of spirit to which we are subjected is in order that we should be fitted to rule; first, over our own spirits, and then over our circumstances and in the sphere of service where God has placed us.

What Does It Mean to "Rule Our Own Spirit?"

It means the exercise of self-control.

The teaching that self-control is in itself of the flesh is wrong.

Christians are loth to recognize their true self, with the result that they are afraid to put forth any effort for fear it would be evil self-energy. They have been taught to leave the control of their life to the Holy Spirit, and to passively submit to being controlled. The result is that they have less self-control in their lives than they had before they were converted; having given up exercising the control which they did formerly; hence they have become weak and characterless. If they only knew it, the Holy Spirit cannot control them without their co-operation; and they, failing to give that co-operation, are neither controlled by themselves nor by the Spirit.

In Galatians 5:24, we see that "temperance" (or self-control) is part of the fruit of the Spirit. It is produced by the Spirit, and manifested in the lives of those who are prepared for the necessary pruning and purging.

Spiritual self-control is obtained by the same process of discipline and training as natural self-control; but so many of God's children make the mistake of expecting it to be given to them without any effort of their own.

What Does It Mean to Rule Over Our Circumstances?

Christians so often fail to see their duty **Godward** regarding their circumstances; and consequently they are failures in the place where God has put them.

There are two causes from one or other of which this failure may arise.

Firstly, their inability to walk in the Spirit in the common duties of life; and secondly, their passive attitude, in throwing upon God **all** responsibility and taking **none** themselves.

In the act of surrendering their circumstances to God's control, they automatically take their own hands off the reins.

I well remember when God revealed this truth to me, and I changed my attitude and said, "O God, I take my place in the midst of my circumstances, and I choose to rule and reign here for Thee." Gradually chaos gave place to order, as I began to co-operate with God.

There are thousands of Christians whose homes and circumstances are absolutely in disorder through this passive dropping of their concerns.

Domestic affairs go wrong, and business affairs get into confusion; and all the while probably the Christian is trusting God to keep things right, and falsely reasoning that his troubles have been permitted by

God for his own spiritual good. This trend of mind leads souls to anticipate evil rather than good, and thus paves the way for **the devil** to go before them; whereas an intelligent faith in God, accompanied by their own active co-operation, would pave the way for God to go before them.

"**Rule** thou" remembering that God does not do for you what you can do for yourself; and that much that He does do, He will do **through you** rather than **apart from you**. Only if and when circumstances are too much for you will God work apart from you.

What Does It mean to Rule in the Sphere of Service

Where God Has Placed Us?

There is no doubt that our training for future ruling is the service which God has given us to perform now.

In the parable of the talents recorded in Matthew 25, we have clearly shown to us the test as to fitness for **future** ruling.

The Lord's word of commendation to the faithful servant, "Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord;" teaches us that future ruling is dependent upon faithful and diligent service now.

Faithfulness consists in putting Christ's interests before our own.

It is principally through prayer that we learn to rule in the sphere of service where God has put us; and to gather the reins of our work into our hands and control it for God.

Prayer makes the Christian watchful and sharpens his spiritual perception; and enables him to discern the approach of evil and pray it away. His very sense of responsibility turns him to God; and from the watch tower of prayer, he learns to observe the approach of evil.

The powers of darkness assail a man in order to dethrone him from the place where God has placed him; and it is absolutely necessary for him to maintain his ruling position in spirit.

Christian workers are continually being defeated because they fail to recognize that they must hold the ground for Jesus Christ against the foe, until they are called to give account of their stewardship.

Prayer and **action** go hand in hand; but there is a passive attitude amongst many of God's children regarding their service, which weakens them, and which the enemy uses to attack them. The enemy does not like the Christian to assert any individuality of his own; and will combat every kind of suggestion that he must stand and withstand in the sphere of service where God has placed him.

"Rule Thou"

This is purely a spiritual attainment, and cannot be arrived at until the conflict between the natural soul life and the divine life in the spirit is **over**. If the soul life is stronger than the spirit life, it is more difficult for the believer to control his spirit. The strong activities of the soul life have the effect of weakening the spirit life, and bringing the spirit into bondage to the soul; with the result that when there

is need to be strong in spirit the person fails in the test.

When a believer is "soulish" he goes by feelings, impulses, emotions and intellect; but when he becomes spiritual, he is controlled by spiritual understanding and faith.

The Cross is the place where the natural life that governs the soul is brought to its termination, and the soul shorn of its strength becomes a servant of the spirit.

But before this can happen the believer must be **willing** to part with the old life in its various manifestations.

It must be remembered that the soul life has its virtues as well as its vices; and these are more difficult to deal with than its **evident evils**. Its zeal for God and its untiring energies are amongst its most difficult traits of character. Doing the work of God in the energy of the flesh—plenty of "go"—full of plans and schemes for making the Word of God prosper; in some natures, **never still**, mind always active, nothing restful in their character. There is a marked absence of spirit in it all; for the Holy Spirit can only work in an atmosphere of REST.

The effect of all this natural activity in Christian work upon the spirit, is to bring it into utter bondage and dull all its faculties, with the result that the person becomes very satisfied with his state; insensible of the need of his spirit; utterly deceived as to the final results of his labors, and **void of all control of his own spirit**.

There is no rest or harmony in the being until it is brought under the Spirit's control; and let me repeat it, Calvary is the place where that harmony is brought about.

Reigning Is More Than Warfare

It means that you have accomplished your warfare, and are ruling over the subjects you have subdued. "Having overthrown . . . all . . . stand" (Eph. 6:13, Conybeare).

There may come a time in your experience when wrestling will cause you to make no further progress, and will be a weariness to the spirit; this may be an indication to you that the hour has come when you are **to rule** in spirit, rather than to wrestle. Ruling does not **exclude warfare**; but as the Church draws nearer to the time of the end, the forces against her will be so stupendous that the only way to advance will be by **RULING** far above all principalities and powers.

Therefore let us finish our personal warfare quickly, that we may enter into union with Christ in reigning in spirit with Him over all the power of the enemy.

FLOODS

"Fear not, O Jacob, my servant; and thou, Jeshurun, whom I have chosen. For I will **pour** water upon him that is thirsty, and **floods** upon the dry ground." (Compare John 7:38, "He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.") "I will pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring; and they shall spring up as among the grass, as willows by the water courses. One shall say, I am the Lord's; and another shall call himself by the name of Jacob; and another shall subscribe with his hand unto the Lord, and surname himself by the name of Israel" (Isa. 44:2-5).

"Prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour

(or empty) you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it" (Mal. 3:10).

Floods is just the word to express the dire need in seasons of prolonged drought; not only the parched, sun-cracked earth thirstily moans, but the very springs of the ground fail; and the deep, deep cry of the heart is for floods, floods, poured out, yea emptied out. A wide rent in the heavens, and Almighty God, as it were, "emptying out" His buckets, without stint, upon the parched, thirsting, gaping, bare land, in such quantities, such torrents, floods, great rivers, that there is no containing the waters. "He shall pour the water out of His buckets" (Num. 24:7).

It is a lovely thing to picture God pouring the water out of His buckets, no stint there, no shortage. What buckets? The buckets of God! An almighty down-pour, almighty floods, enough, amply sufficient; not man's puny buckets, or supplies, no—divine energy, royal supplies, flung out of the buckets, emptied out to the last drop, out of these enormous buckets of God, through the gaping heavens, upon the perishing, seared, outcry, parched earth. "Fear not" indeed, man could never do it, nor attempt it, "but . . . God!" "I AM" has promised, and He will do it. Are God's people thirsty, are they dry, well then, that is where God will empty out His buckets, in sudden, prodigious quantities—let the thirst and the dryness be sufficiently felt, and realized, until it becomes intolerable; then it will be expressed with a sense of "unutterable" need, expressed and expressed again—"I will not let **Thee go until Thou bless me,**" will be the grim cry and determination of the heart, and the floods will come, the heavens be rent; "there **will not be room enough to contain it.**" "They shall spring up as amongst the grass, as willows by the water courses. One shall say, I am the Lord's; and another shall subscribe with his hand unto the Lord, and surname himself by the name of Israel." Converts shall multiply extraordinarily; "the earth shall (begin to) be filled with the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." "Is it not yet a very little while, and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be esteemed a forest" (Isa. 29:17). The converts shall be past counting, thousands and ten thousands.

Is it not time for God to work? It is not time for men to be in earnest? How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight? Is it not our own fault—this thirsty, barren, desolate condition? What are we doing? How casually we take it, how little the fighting instinct of Jacob-like prayer is aroused in us. Are we not lethargic to a degree?

Why are the floods not here, the heavens rent, God pouring out, emptying out of His buckets? There is **no man that stirreth up himself to take hold of God;** we are otherwise engaged, otherwise interested, our energies are elsewhere.

Whereas God's world is dying, in the grip of spiritual famine and desolation, no man careth; whereas God is waiting for a man, one man, to fill the gap, one man to wait before God, Elijah-like, until floods fall. May God raise up a man for this. My reader, what will you do?—C. P., in "Flames of Fire."

Grace at Table Saves

An old father went with his son to a city restaurant and asked the blessing at the table as he did at home. Two young men present were so reminded of their Christian fathers and convicted of their sinful lives that they were led to Christ.

Remember July 2 to 4. Make them days of prevailing prayer. Pray for world-wide revival.

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WORLD-WIDE REVIVAL

"In the last days," and "before" the arrival of the day of the Lord (Acts 2:17-20), God says: "It shall come to pass," no uncertainty about it, "I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh," a God-sent, world-wide revival. Don't our hearts long that He may hasten the time?

It is Joel's prophecy (Joel 2:28-32) referred to by Peter, under the direction of the Spirit of God. A careful reading of Peter's words makes it clear that the great manifestation at Pentecost was not the final exhaustive fulfilment, for he purposely quotes it without leaving out the reference to miraculous signs in sun, moon, and earth which did not take place at Pentecost.

Nevertheless the final fulfilment was to be identical in kind. "This is that," he says. It was not something of interest to Jews only. The pouring out is to be on all flesh. This is in full accord with the present dispensation, a calling out from all nations.

But in Joel, having described a condition of full restoration of Israel he goes on to say, and it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh. However, the Spirit, who alone knows how to apply prophecy, puts "in the last days" for "afterward." So that we gather, that either the passage has a double application, or the word rendered "afterward" might be rendered "hereafter."

What most directly concerns us now is that this is to take place "in the last days." That we are now in this period the Lord's servants continually remind us. We are more or less familiar with the signs of these times. So, because it is promised, tens of thousands of saints are praying for it. It shall come to pass. God says so.

It is not a promise that all flesh will be saved; but all flesh shall experience a manifestation of the Gospel, in the miraculous power of the Spirit, of the like kind as at Pentecost, but far greater. Only a fraction of the witnessing public surrendered in response to the unanswerable testimony at that time, but it is most encouraging to learn that in these last days God is going to see to it that all shall see the Gospel in power, unhindered by the weakness and unfaithfulness of a lukewarm church.

In the account of the flood in Genesis 6, the expression "all flesh" comes several times (Gen. 6:12, 13, 17, 21). As it is the first mention, it is, as generally owned, a safe criterion as to the meaning of the expression. And we may be sure that the promise of blessing will not be more limited than His threat of judgment.

We can also perceive a powerful moral reason why God should fulfil this promise. It is this: The enemy is coming in like a flood. The bulk of men is ignorantly and helplessly at its mercy. The evil one is thus pouring out his spirit on all flesh. Can we therefore wonder that God will come miraculously to the rescue, leaving not a stone unturned to disillusion the masses? And it shall come to pass that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved (Acts 2:21; Rom. 10:13; Joel 2:32). May He hasten the time.—D. Treharne, in the Morning Star.

DOES GOD ANSWER PRAYER?

THERE ISN'T A Surer THING IN ALL THE UNIVERSE THAN THAT HE DOES—**provided the conditions are met.**

But "he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea." Read the next verse—James 1:7. This may explain why some answers are not "received." Read also Luke 18:1. And then the second sentence of James 5:7.

The other day a letter came from a terribly discouraged correspondent. The substance of his letter was, "I've tried it, and it doesn't work." But the very next letter had the shout of victory, "It DOES work!" And the next one after that, another shout. And then another.

One big reason why some of the Lord's children get so few answers is because they spend so little time on the Word, and less on their knees. One of the important conditions is FAITH, but there's only one way of obtaining faith, and that's the Rom. 10:17 way, coupled with Luke 18:1. This is why George Muller, of Bristol orphanage fame, received over 30,000 answers to prayer—he asked in GOD'S way, and KEPT asking.

"Oh, but that's 'teasing' God," said a woman to us the other day. Call it "teasing God" if you like; Christ called it "importunity" (Luke 11:5-10). If a thing that God wants you to have for the asking isn't worth asking for until you get it, it isn't worth much.

THERE ISN'T A THING IN THE UNIVERSE, WHICH IS ACCORDING TO GOD'S WILL FOR ANY SPECIFIC CHILD OF HIS, THAT THAT CHILD CAN'T HAVE BY MEETING THE CONDITIONS—NOT A SINGLE THING!

The more important of these conditions are: A right heart and motive (Psa. 66:18; Mark 11:25; James 4:3, 8; 1 John 3:21, 22); according to God's will (1 John 5:14, 15); in the name of Christ (John 14:13, 14; 16:23, 24); in faith (Mark 11:22-24; Heb. 11:6); without anxiety, but rather with thanksgiving (Phil. 1:6); with perseverance (Luke 18:1-7); in the Holy Ghost (Eph. 6:18; Jude 20). With these conditions met, God **must** answer. He **cannot** deny Himself. (See 2 Cor. 1:20; 2 Tim. 2:13, 19; Heb. 6:17-19; 10:23, 35, 36.)

Jewess Converted

A young Jewess passing a church was attracted by the words of the song:

"Not all the blood of beasts on Jewish altar slain,
Can give the guilty conscience peace or wash away the stain."

She became interested, and when the next verse, "But Christ, the heavenly Lamb, takes all our sins away," was sung, she felt that there was something here she needed. She soon after was led to seek Christ as her Saviour.

THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

The following address was delivered by Finis Dake, one of the graduating students of Central Bible Institute, at the Commencement Exercises in Springfield, Mo.

False Predictions. In the past century there have been many days set for the coming of Christ. For example, the Millerites said Christ was coming in 1844, and Mrs. Rowen of the Reformed Adventist Church, in a recent prediction in Los Angeles, said Christ was coming on February 6 of this year. But in spite of these and many other false predictions, God's Word standeth sure. We can say emphatically, **He is coming!**

Old Testament Proof of His Coming. In the Old Testament the second coming of Christ is mentioned twenty times as often as is His first coming. That is, there are twenty times as many references to His coming as a crowned king to sit upon the throne of David, bringing victory to Jerusalem, and peace upon the earth, as there are to His coming as the meek and lowly Jesus, wounded for our sins, and dying upon Calvary. This is the reason that the Jews, who had been looking for a mighty king, failed to recognize the lowly Nazarene, and still refuse to recognize Him. He did come fulfilling all the redemptive prophecies, and soon He is coming to fulfill all the kingly prophecies. "Unto them that look for Him shall He appear the second time without sin (apart from sin) unto salvation."

New Testament Proof of His Coming. In the two hundred sixty chapters of the New Testament, His coming is referred to three hundred eighteen times; that is, one out of every thirty verses of the New Testament is devoted to this glorious theme. The epistles of Paul refer to water baptism only thirteen times, while they refer to Christ's second coming more than fifty times. Each time you repeat the Lord's prayer, you are praying for His coming, "Thy kingdom come." But can there be a kingdom without a king? The last prayer in the Bible is a great heart-cry for His coming: "Even so, come, Lord Jesus." The answer rings back from heaven, "Behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me."

Promise of Jesus. Jesus Himself promised that He would come, saying, "If I go away (to prepare a place for you) I will come again." What could be plainer? "If I go away . . . I will come again." Did He go away? Acts 1:9 answers us, "When he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up and a cloud received him out of their sight." If I go away. Yes, He went away. But listen; "suddenly two men stood by them in white apparel and said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." This same Jesus shall return; not some mystical, invisible spirit, but this same

Jesus. A Jesus, who, after His resurrection ate fish and honey with the disciples.

Paul's Testimony. Also the apostle Paul bears witness to the same great event, saying, "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trump of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first; then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord." Such are a few of the definite references to His coming.

How Is He Coming? But you say, "How is He coming? This event of which you speak, how is it to take place?" There are many theories as to the manner of His return. Some say the coming of the Lord was spiritually fulfilled on the day of Pentecost when He came in the form of the Spirit, comforting the disciples and enduing them with power to preach the Gospel. It is true, a real Person did come on that day, but this Person was not the Lord Jesus Christ, but the Holy Spirit; He of whom Jesus said, "It is expedient for you that I go away, for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come; but if I depart, I will send him unto you." In this passage, it can be seen very plainly that Christ is not speaking of Himself, but of Another, namely, the Holy Spirit, the third Person of the Godhead. **Let us not confuse the office work of the Spirit with that of the Son.** The Spirit has come to the earth to reprove of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment; while the Son is at the right hand of the Father, doing His priestly work just as He was seen by Stephen after Pentecost.

Theories.—Others say that the destruction of Jerusalem, 70 A. D., was the coming of the Lord. But an honest study of the Scriptures disproves this, for His coming is to be marked, not by the destruction, but the restoration of Jerusalem. The Jews who have been scattered to the four corners of the earth will again be brought to their own land, where they will be deceived and brought through great tribulation by the Antichrist. Then they will see the Lord coming in the clouds of heaven to deliver them and set up His kingdom on the earth. Still others affirm that the coming of the Lord takes place at conversion. But neither can this be true, for at conversion the sinner comes to the Lord, and not the Lord to the sinner. And yet others maintain that the spreading of the Gospel to all parts of the earth is the coming of the Lord. A moment's reflection on the subject, however, convinces us that this also is a mistaken thought, for His coming is to be sudden, "in the twinkling of an eye," "two will be sleeping in one bed, one shall be taken and the other shall be left," whereas the sending forth of missionaries to evangelize the world has taken cen-

turies and, as all admit, is a slow and tedious process.

How Is He Coming? The best way to determine this is to search the Scriptures. Acts 1:9-11: "When he had spoken these things, while they beheld, He was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." The same Jesus, visible, corporeal, the same resurrected body which you have just beheld, with the same pierced hands and feet. This same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven.

Coming in the Clouds. He went up in a cloud, He will return in like manner; that is, in the clouds of heaven, "Behold, he cometh with clouds, and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him; and all the kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him." Here is a literal statement in God's Word which cannot be taken in any other way.

He Is Coming Suddenly. "Of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only." "But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be: for as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." There will not be time to prepare. Then those who are ready to go will be caught up to meet Him in the air, but those who are unprepared will be left behind.

He Will Come as a Thief in the Night. A thief comes to a home at an hour when least expected. The inmates of the home are not notified as to the hour of his arrival. A thief comes with a definite object in view, and when it is accomplished he quickly takes his departure, carrying with him that for which he came. He does not seek the furniture, nor the carpets. He comes for the gold, the silver, and the precious stones. The richest treasure in the earth today is the redeemed, blood-washed and Spirit-filled believers who wait for the coming of Jesus Christ. He is coming for the gold—gold that has been tried in the furnace of affliction; for the silver of atonement which has been wrought out in yielded lives; and for the precious stones which have been digged from the mire of sin and crime, and polished by the Master Himself into glittering diamonds to adorn His crown.

Loved Ones Gone. That day many homes will be left desolate; for the godly father, mother, husband, wife and child will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air. There will be confusion and despair in many places—loved ones gone. What does it mean? Where can the missing ones be? Then those who are left will begin to remember the words which they had heard for years, heard unheeding,

words which if they had been regarded would have prepared them for that day.

When Is He Coming? It is no small wonder that the disciples asked Him the questions, "Tell us when shall these things be?" "What shall be the sign of thy coming and of the end of the age?"

These three questions concern three distinct events: the destruction of Jerusalem and its temple, with the overthrow of Jewish rule, and the dispersion of Israel; the coming of Christ for His saints when they will be caught up to meet Him in the air for the marriage of the Lamb; the end of the world (or age), when Satan will be cast into the bottomless pit, and the Lord will begin His reign over the earth as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Can one know the day or hour of His coming? No. "Watch ye therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh. Though we may not know the day or the hour, we are told in 1 Thessalonians 5 that **we need not be ignorant of the times or seasons.** There have been many signs given us to prove that His coming is near. Let us look at a few to see if the time is not at hand. False Christs are to appear. Many have come, saying, "I am Christ." There are over forty people in the world today who claim to be Christ. Among the number may be mentioned Mr. Swinefurth, Dora Beekman of Minnesota, Mr. Heron of Detroit, Mich., who declared himself to be Prince Michael coming to fulfill Dan. 12:1; and the Bab of Persia, whom so many worshiped as Christ. Many today declare the coming of Mrs. Eddy with her "Science and Health, or the Key to the Scriptures," to be the coming of the Lord. Such are some of the blasphemies of the day and such are some of the fulfilments of this prophecy.

False prophets shall arise and deceive many." This is an age when false prophets and false religions spring up over night, and certainly they do deceive many. Christian Science calls itself Christian, yet denies the deity of Christ and the necessity of the atonement. Surely they are deceiving many. Spiritualism, the mother of Christian Science, is even less careful to cover its Satanic origin and power. Spiritualists claim to call up the dead, yet it is nothing but Satan himself impersonating departed spirits.

"But," you say, "these religions perform many miracles, and therefore must be of God." No. The devil has power to perform miracles, for did he not cause the magicians' rod to become a serpent? He is going to display his power more and more in these last days, for Jesus said, "Many false Christs and prophets shall arise, and shall show great signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, the very elect. In the 13th chapter of Revelation, we read that, in order to deceive the people, the devil will cause fire to come down from heaven. So we see from God's Word that he can and does perform miracles.

Love Shall Wax Cold. "Because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold." Today iniquity and lawlessness abound on every hand. Politics are corrupt, the desire for power and money urges people on. The world is pleasure-mad with feasting, and drinking, dancing,

dressing. Yes, iniquity is abounding, and the cup of sin and crime is full to overflowing. Love waxes cold on every hand. Many are falling away from the old faith of the Bible. Everywhere we see the cold forms and ceremonies of apostate creeds. Ministers deny the miracles and the supernatural of the Bible; they declare that only a part of God's sacred Word is reliable and inspired. They not only deny the deity of Christ, but also declare it a sickening shock to refined people to make mention of the blood of Christ. They say, "Let us not have altar calls and weeping for sins, and rejoicing in God for salvation." They no longer believe in these, but do believe in filling the church with concerts, suppers, shows, movies, and pool tables. God help us to tell the truth about this thing. So-called Christian colleges and seminaries teach evolution and modernistic ideas, and so destroy the old-time faith in young hearts that they come out skeptics and infidels, saying, "Where is the promise of His coming?" But praise God! there is a people who are not ashamed of God nor of His Word, but who are looking for Christ's coming, looking for the time when every knee shall bow, and every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Knowledge Shall Be Increased. Why did not our forefathers discover all the wonderful things man has discovered in recent years? The reason is this; that God had set a time for the increase of knowledge; i. e., in the **last days.** During the last two generations we have seen the invention of the steam locomotive, electric trains, trolley cars, and motors, electric lights, the telephone, telegraph, ocean cables, automobiles, aeroplanes, radio, great coal- and oil-burning steamers, submarines, giant cannon, torpedoes, gasoline-motor-driven farming implements, electric motors that do everything from sweeping floors to lighting whole cities, drawing long trains, and lifting hundreds of tons. Such inventions springing from the minds of two generations! What does it mean? It can mean but one thing; we are in the last days, and He, our Christ, shall soon come again.

"Many shall run to and fro" (Dan. 12:4). Never in the history of the world has it been so easy and common to travel as it is today. Trains speed across the country day and night, train after train running within a few minutes of one another; and yet, the depots are always full of thousands of people, running to and fro. Thoroughfares and subways are blocked with automobiles. Aeroplanes are racing through the sky, carrying their passengers. Thus God's Word, spoken more than 2500 years ago is fulfilled, "Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased."

"Wars and rumours of wars." Since these words were uttered, there have been wars and rumours of wars. From the fall of Jerusalem in 70 A. D. to the warring of the Saxons, of Napoleon Bonaparte, the French Revolution, the American Revolution, down to the late wars—our Civil War, the struggle in the Philippines, the Boer War, the Boxer Rebellion, the World War. There has been one international upheaval after another. Then

there have been rumours of wars—rumours of war with Japan, with Mexico, and with many other countries. But Jesus said, "When ye see and hear all these things, be not troubled."

The Cry of Peace and Safety. "But when they shall cry, Peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child, and they shall not escape." "For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there shall be famines and pestilences, and earthquakes in divers places." For many years godly men have been teaching that Christ is coming back to earth, but they declared that certain things in prophecy must be fulfilled. There must first be a world war, the Jews must return to Palestine, there must be earthquakes, famines, pestilences, and blood-shed. The declaration that there was to be the greatest war the world had ever known was ridiculed. People cried, "We are too civilized; what did Christ know about our twentieth century? We will decide whether there will be a war or not. No, we will have peace forever." That a world war was possible for a civilized age, they emphatically disbelieved. So the cry of peace and safety sped around the world. But the nations thought the best way to keep peace was to prepare for war, to build up a larger army and navy, so that other nations would be afraid to speak of war. "Then let us build a peace palace," said all the nations, "where the leaders of every government can come together to settle their difficulties without war." So they built at The Hague a Peace Palace costing several millions sterling. Each nation gave costly gifts and donations for its erection. Then they placed in it a marvelous library of 75,000 volumes dealing with the subject of international peace. A body of eminent judges from all nations was brought together as a permanent jury to settle each difficulty of the nations. Thus everything was arranged. There was to be no more war, for the judges would adjust all matters.

The palace was completed, the flags of the nations were floating over it, bands blared forth the national anthems; soldiers marched while crowds cheered. All seemed peace and safety. But the words of the Bible must be fulfilled. There must be a great world war before Christ could come. Like a bolt of lightning out of a clear sky came the cry of war instead of that of peace. Within one month there were thirteen declarations of war. Six out of the great nations were tearing at one another's throats. The German hordes were sweeping through Belgium, longing to reach Paris. People began to realize that the good old Bible was true after all, "For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom." Wider and wider swept the war tornado, until our own United States of America was fighting with the rest.

"There Shall Be Blood and Fire and Vapors of Smoke." **Blood?** Yes, blood flowed all over the battlefields, till one could see even a deeper dye than that of the poppies. **Fire?** Fire was shot from the cannon's mouth, towns and villages were aflame, forests blazing, men even fighting one another with sheets of liquid

fire. Smoke? The heavens were filled with the smoke of the flames from earth below, from the battlefields, from guns and burning homes. On land man fought with vapor of smoke and poisoned gases; and on sea ships were wrapped in curtains of smoke to hide them from hostile eyes.

"There shall be famines, pestilences and earthquakes in divers places." Critics said before the war that there could not be famines, for our storehouses were all full, and every country well supplied. Who among us cannot see the fulfillment of Scripture in the past few years of awful suffering from famines in Armenia, Russia, and other lands, where thousands have died. Pestilences? "We shall never have another world epidemic with our modern medical system," they said. But just think of the plagues of the last generation. Thousands of children were stricken with infantile paralysis; millions of people were killed by influenza, until medical men could not cope with the situation, and caskets could not be made fast enough to bury the dead.

"Earthquakes in divers places." No one will dare dispute this sign, for earthquakes have increased over forty per cent in the last twenty years. In that time over 300 villages have been destroyed, according to statistics in Washington. Yet we have heard little about them in the daily news. Why? Because Satan wishes to keep the people blind to the fulfillment of the signs of Christ's coming. Recently in Japan there have been 273 quakes in two days; 216 of these were on the day of the great disaster which killed between 300,000 and 500,000 people, and left millions homeless. In many places there are shocks that we know little about. These things should stir us from our indifference to realize that Christ is coming, and coming soon.

Outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Last, but not least, the greatest sign to me is the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Previous to 1906, Christians everywhere felt the need of a revival in their own lives and in the life of the church as a whole. Prayer-meetings were held everywhere, until at last God began to pour out His Spirit as He did in apostolic days. People of all denominations were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance, the sick were healed, the blind were made to see, the deaf to hear, the dumb to speak, and mighty signs and wonders were wrought, and are still being wrought in the name of Jesus Christ. A deeper life and walk in the Spirit, a clearer vision of the whitened harvest fields, and a deeper realization of Christ's coming were the results of this outpouring of God's Spirit. The end has not yet come, for again the church is sending forth the call to pray for a world-wide revival, and the revival is surely coming, for our God is always faithful to our call. But let us heed His Word of warning, "Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh."

For Whom Is He Coming? Since He is coming, for whom is He coming? He is coming not for some denomination, but for His true saints, the true church, His Body, His Bride, for those who are washed in the blood and who are walking in all

the light God has given them. Thousands and thousands of blood-washed saints from all parts of the world will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air, so shall we ever be with the Lord.

The rapture must be distinguished from the revelation. The rapture is His coming in the air for the saints. He will not literally come to the earth at this time nor be seen by the inhabitants of the earth. There will be a period of several years, a period of great tribulation between the two events, "Tribulation such as was not since the beginning of the world, to this time, no nor ever shall be." His revelation is His literal coming to earth to set up His millennial kingdom. "Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken; and then shall appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven, and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of Man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory."

The saints who will have been caught up to heaven will come back with Him at this time and shall for one thousand years reign upon the earth. At His coming He will deliver Israel from the clutches of the Antichrist, and from the armies of the nations who will then be gathered against Jerusalem to destroy it.

World Not to Be Converted First. We can talk about converting the world and getting it ready for Christ's millennial reign, but the Scripture does not tell us that the world as a whole will be converted before He comes. It will not be until the setting up of His earthly kingdom that all will acknowledge Him as King of kings and Lord of lords. Then "The government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace."

CLOSING EVENTS AT CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE

The closing days of our first school year in our new home were precious days with us all. It was with a sense of sadness that we parted, for our school had become almost as dear to us as our own homes. We realized as we parted that some would not return, for they had faithfully finished the three-year course and were now ready to go to their various fields of labor; and of the other undergraduates, there will probably be some who will not have the opportunity of returning.

The student body attended the Missionary Convention at the local assembly and received much good from the missionary addresses.

A few days before school closed, the faculty surprised us by giving us a picnic. We hiked to a beautiful park about two miles away and there enjoyed ourselves all afternoon. Supper was served at 5:00 o'clock and then we hiked back home to our studies for the evening.

Saturday May 16th was "pack-up" day. All studies over, it was time to make preparations for leaving. At the appointed time all trunks were placed in convenient places in the halls and we packed.

Such a busy scene. All rooms were thoroughly cleaned and left in good condition just as we had found them.

In the evening of Saturday, 16th, we gathered in the west dining room and had our Fellowship meeting. The students gave testimonies of appreciation for the training received while in C. B. I. The Senior class presented the school with a beautiful picture of "Christ and the Rich Young Ruler." Brother Pearlman, who presented the picture, said that in an army, when those who had been on sentry duty were about to be relieved by a new sentry, the new sentry asked the old if there were any special orders. So he desired to pass on special orders from the out-going Seniors to those who will be Seniors next year, to "Remember the vision of the cross and remember the vision of the whitened harvest field." Brother Flower followed the presentation of the picture with a talk on sacrificing all for Jesus. At this meeting also, the first year students presented Miss Campbell with three nice gifts as a token of their appreciation to her for untiring efforts during the year in teaching them Panoramics. We closed the service by joining hands and singing, "Blest Be the Tie."

Monday evening the Commencement exercises were held in the Church. Three stirring addresses were given by members of the Senior class. Brother Pearlman, a converted Jew, spoke on the subject, "Israel, the Everlasting People." This put a real desire in our hearts to pray for the peace of Jerusalem, so that the coming of the great King of kings should be hastened. Brother Dake's message on the Second Coming of Christ was inspiring. Sister Wilson's message, "Unafraid," a missionary appeal, was soul stirring. Brother Boyd stated that we were a missionary people, and believed in missions so much that we believed in giving this missionary message a prominent place, so the address was arranged to be given right in the very middle of the program, right in the heart and core of the thing. Needless to say, the power of God was felt in a blessed way and the speakers were anointed in the giving forth of their addresses. Diplomas were conferred upon fourteen students.

So thus ends the first term in our new building, and the third year in the history of C. B. I. The first graduating class has gone from our doors. They have gone forth into the great harvest field. Eternity alone will tell of the results of their labor for the Master. May the Lord richly bless them and make them a blessing wherever they go, and should we never meet again upon this earth, may it be ours to meet, as an unbroken band of students, with our faithful teachers, just over in the glory world as we come in from every quarter of the earth bringing precious sheaves with us to lay down at the Master's feet.—Mollie Baird.

"No one ever wanders where a promise does not follow him. An atmosphere of promise surrounds believers as the air surrounds the globe."—Spurgeon.

God had to smite His only Son to bring you all the joys and all the blessings that you enjoy today.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING

"BUT BELIEVING"

Early this past Easter morning God dropped into my waiting heart these words—"Be not faithless, but believing"—spoken so forcefully to Thomas by our risen Lord. They have been sinking deeper each day as I have asked God to let them become assimilated by every part of my spiritual being. Perhaps God has a portion here for every young heart who reads these lines.

A word of such tremendous scope as "faith" makes an almost impossible subject. But as the Holy Spirit limits and defines its meaning to our individual hearts, by showing us our lack of faith along various lines, we have a more definite understanding of what it means. Its lack, so apparent in young and old everywhere, distinguishes these as the last days. Faith in God goes first, then faith in our fellow men; and in a heaving, turbulent mass we see the world, socially, morally, religiously—slowly disintegrating. Unrest, suspicion, jealousy, strife, backbitings, murmurings are just the beginning of woes resulting from such a "faithless" condition. And are we not there today? Who then but the faithful Holy Spirit sounds in all our hearts the divine clarion call for a "believing" people.

Like a deadly miasma, unbelief creeps over us, unless we are alert in watchful prayer to guard against its oncoming. And how to guard? "Looking unto Jesus, the Author and Finisher of our faith." It is no task to trust one we know. Love begets faith, and the closer we draw to our lovely Jesus, the more steadfast and real becomes our faith. It is so easy to believe when Jesus is real. This is why the mighty outpouring of the Spirit which makes Jesus so gloriously real has stimulated a new, living faith in thousands of hearts the world over. Hallelujah! Living in the Spirit keeps the vision fresh and makes it easy for us to keep on believing in that first-love simplicity of faith. We often consider faith such a profound thing that we fail to see what a simple thing it really is.

"The just shall live by faith," so then it is the vital atmosphere of the growing child of God.

Sadly enough to some, the dimming of the heavenly vision has lowered faith's atmosphere and a lack of spiritual vitality has resulted. We do see souls cramped, and shriveled, and suffocating from an atmosphere of unbelief. "Lord, help us all to believe thee," should be the constant cry from our hearts. Then without strain or struggle let us in childlike confidence walk on with eyes unwaveringly fixed on Him who has promised, and who is faithful.

"Faith is believing, since the Lord hath said,

And is not founded on a wish or whim,
For false belief creates no certitudes;
But faith believes His word, since know-
ing Him.

And when He says, "I give," faith gladly takes,
And when He aught withholds, faith does not fear,
For having Him, faith has no other need,
And does not grope to feel if He is near."

There are four vital relations of faith to our lives. **Faith in everyday living.** Many regard some prominent one in gospel work, greatly used in public ministry, as being especially endowed with mighty faith; but God has hidden ones, filling common, humble places that, if the truth be known, have a faith just as mighty. Whatever the circumstances, environment, or nature of your life and ministry, you have an excellent opportunity to believe God. Have not we all sometimes found it harder to believe God for some apparently trifling thing than for the mountainous need? A kingdom was lost one time—so runs the old childhood rhyme—through the loss of one horseshoe nail. Some great defeats in God's cause have resulted from lack of faith in some hidden corner where God placed somebody, depending on him to believe Him and stand true. In your school, in your office, your factory, your home, recognize the importance of your faithfulness and however ordinary or discouraging your surroundings—"Be not faithless, but believing."

Faith for victory in the midst of severe trial. By faith the three Hebrew children "quenched the violence of fire" so the record runs in Hebrews 11. Go back and read the story in Daniel 3, "Our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not . . ." Here was the challenge of faith from three men who shrank not from the acid test. Their one concern was to be true to God, not plead whimperingly for a way out. Have we not sometimes misjudged God's own believing children placed in a fiery furnace—accusing them of lack of faith for not getting out of their difficulty, not realizing that it took far more faith to hold quiet and steady in that fire. We have yet to learn that there is something bigger, more glorifying to God than the deliverance our natural heart cries out for. It takes a purer, holier faith to believe God and stand still, even though heart and brain and nerves are throbbing, until God's fullest plan is worked out and He opens the door of freedom. This is pure-gold faith, reflecting the very image of Jesus Himself who came not to do His

own will but the will of Him that sent Him. Ponder the life of Jesus at its three great crisis hours, in the wilderness of temptation, in the garden of Gethsemane, and on the cross. See how the greatness of His power and strength is manifested in not choosing an easier way but holding steady to the end. Then lift your heart to Him "not faithless, but believing" for His own matchless victory in your life.

"And so I whisper, 'As God will,
And in the hottest fire hold still."

Faith for victory against over-whelming odds. Read the thrilling story of Paul's shipwreck in Acts 27. Look at Paul—a prisoner on a ship about to go down. No sun, no moon, no stars for many days, no hope of being saved. It was as dark a prospect as any of us ever faced. But how our hearts thrill as he stands forth in their midst with these words of faith, "Sirs, be of good cheer, for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me." Vs. 25. And so it came to pass, that they escaped all safe to land."

"Compass the frowning wall
With silent prayer, then raise
Before its rampart fall
The victor's shout of praise."

It shall be done, faith rests assured, challenge thy mountain in the Lord.

What are you facing, dear young heart? Have you a vision that seems delayed, a longing as yet ungranted, a prayer still unanswered, a dear unsaved one you are striving to win, a God-given purpose hindered on every side, a way hedged about by frowning obstacles? Perhaps there are no words to express the apparent hopelessness of your situation. Look up, and rejoice right where you are if God has really spoken to your heart. The greatness of the "odds" measures the greatness of God's undertaking for you. The message is for you—"Be not faithless, but believing." Hear the words of Jesus again, "Said I not unto thee, that if thou wouldst believe thou shouldst see the glory of God" (John 11:40).

"Faith, mighty faith, the vict'ry sees,
And looks to God alone;
Laughs at impossibilities
And cries, 'It shall be done!'"

Faith for the unknown future.

"Peace, perfect peace, our future all unknown?

Jesus we know, and He is on the throne."

Here is the secret of rest and confidence! You stand at a crossroads perhaps, fearing, wondering, questioning which is God's best plan for you. Friends are advising this way, human reasoning points another direction, and amidst it all you are confused. You wonder if God is interested at all. Fear not—He truly is; but you will have to listen closely to hear His word of direction. Do you not believe He has led thus far? Can you not trust Him for the future? All right then, read what He says in

Psalm 32:8. "I will guide thee with mine eye." Is not that assuring? And how will He guide? By the blessed Holy Spirit who has come to abide in your life forever (John 16:13). He is waiting now in the depth of your heart to speak. Be still, cease from every voice and wait quietly, until He speaks. He may only give enough light for one step, but as

you follow on you will know the heavenly fullness of His will (Hosea 6:3). How gladly you can cry unto Him then, "My Father, thou art the guide of my youth" (Jer. 3:4).

"Only believe, only believe;
All things are possible,
Only believe!"

—Alice R. Flower.

"I Am the Lord That Healeth Thee"

MIRACULOUSLY HEALED FROM BLOOD INFECTION Given up to Die by Doctor and Two Specialists

I wish to relate for the glory of God how He wonderfully and miraculously raised up from certain death my son Ardsley, age 15, in answer to the prayer of faith. God has dealt so mercifully and lovingly in sparing my son from death that I wish to give Him all the praise and glory, and trust it will encourage and strengthen someone's faith to trust God for the healing of the body. God is faithful that promised; and the just shall live by faith.

Ardsley took sick on the night of January 17th with a bad case of earache. As one of his lower teeth was badly decayed and aching, thinking it might be causing some of the earache, his mother sent him to a dentist to have it treated. Instead of treating the tooth or fixing it up to be filled he pulled it out. It was badly abscessed at the roots. On the following day Ardsley took to his bed with a raging fever. A doctor was called and diagnosed the case as some infection, but he said it might be scarlet fever or typhoid as his fever was 105; and I might state that it continued at that or more for about three weeks.

A few days after he took sick he had a severe chill, which puzzled the doctor greatly. He called a blood specialist and had him obtain a blood culture to ascertain what was in the blood. Ardsley continued to steadily grow worse, losing control of his lower jaw and becoming paralyzed. After doctoring him for two weeks and seeing what a precarious condition Ardsley was in and that death was inevitable, he called in one of the best specialists in Pittsburgh. In the meantime the blood specialist advised that the blood culture showed Ardsley had infection in the blood (or blood poison). The doctor, together with the specialist, came and made a thorough examination, and after a short consultation stated that Ardsley was beyond human help and that nothing would do any good, that he was doomed to die, and to give him whatever he wanted. Wife and I both decided if human aid could not save him we would trust Jesus and leave him in His hands to do as He thought best.

Brother Tunmore was called in several times and prayed and talked to Ardsley about his soul's salvation, and he gave his

heart to Jesus. We called for our pastor, Brother Nimrod Park, to come and pray for him, and as soon as he laid his hands on him and rebuked Satan and death, God graciously and mercifully undertook and Ardsley sat up in bed and called for his clothes. With my assistance he walked to the dining-room and sat down to dinner. A few days after, his arm swelled to about three times its natural size. Brother Park prayed for him again and he could raise it straight up in the air. Large swellings came out on both shoulders, but after continuing in prayer they both burst and over two quarts of pus ran out. He had a terrible cough but Jesus took it all away. Today he is as well as ever and has taken on flesh so that he is as well as he was before this awful sickness seized him. To God be all the praise and glory. He is the same yesterday, today and forever. I feel so grateful to Him for all He has done.

I might also state that I had a severe sick spell previous to Ardsley's. I had severe inward hemorrhages, and was doctoring with a specialist for kidney and bladder trouble; but when God so wonderfully undertook for Ardsley He spoke to me about trusting Him and I stepped out by faith. On March 27th I was anointed and prayed for, and today I feel no trouble whatever. Wife has also returned to Jesus as her Healer. All praise be given to Jesus.—Louis M. Emerick, 20 Boggs Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

I know this case to be true, and heartily endorse this testimony.—Nimrod Park, 7103 Kedron St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

A SUDDEN HEALING

I slipped on the fatal peeling and fell on Broadway, San Diego, in February, 1921, and as was afterwards discovered, fractured the coccyx, and so severely wrenched the hips and pelvic bones that I became a great sufferer. As the broken bone was not discovered and set until about two months after the accident, the constant pain and irritation caused a general inflammation of the nervous system; and the long delay in getting the bone set, made it impossible to heal, so that my condition steadily growing worse I was taken to the hospital and the bone removed about a month after it had been set. Though the wound healed readily, the nervous inflammation remained, and so for many months longer I was in constant pain and unable to get around

without assistance. I was taken to the first service held by Mr. Wigglesworth at the Gospel Tabernacle on the 2nd day of Oct., 1922. At the close of the service all those who were sick and in pain and had come for healing were requested to rise if possible. My husband assisted me to my feet, and as those were prayed for by the speaker I was instantly healed. How, I do not know. I only know the Great Physician touched my body and I was made whole, freed from pain. After I got home I showed how I could sit down and rise with my hands above my head; when before it had taken both to push up my feeble body, and straps on my bed to pull up by. No more use for them now. I laid down and turned over for the first time without pain. I shall never cease to praise God for the healing of my body through the precious blood of Jesus and in His name. I entreat you to come to Jesus and thou too shalt be made whole. I walked to the street car alone the next day and attended the next service and have been "on the go" ever since. Can give names of friends who can substantiate all I have written. To Jesus be all the praise and glory.

—Mrs. Sanders, 4051 Bay View Court, San Diego, Calif.

GENERAL COUNCIL FELLOWSHIP

The following names were added to our ministerial list during the month of May:

Burch, Wiley—Eureka Springs, Ark.
Clayton, George R.—Donaldsonville, Ga.
Dahlstein, Alfred G.—Los Angeles, Calif.
Gardiner, Albert Fred—San Antonio, Tex.
Gardiner, Mrs. Clara—San Antonio, Tex.
Heetebry, Mrs. Charlotte—Sunnyvale, Cal.
Lewis, Wm. John—San Francisco, Calif.
Peterson, Rangnar S.—Pelican Rapids, Wis.
Powell, Luther M.—Miles City, Mont.
Richards, Milton W. Jr.—Canton, Ohio.
Terrell, Wm. B.—Eureka Springs, Ark.
Thompson, Mrs. Grace C.—Los Angeles, Calif.
Thurmond, Wm. E.—Buckner, Ill.
Weston, Louis E.—Sebastopol, Calif.
Williams, Ralph D.—San Francisco, Calif.
Williams, Richard J.—San Francisco, Calif.

The following names were removed from our ministerial list during the month of May:

Lawson, George W.—Wood River, Ill.
Lohmann, Fred—St. Louis, Mo.
Schreiber, Thos.—Gideon, Mo.
Waddell, Wm. T.—Somers, Iowa.

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Remember what you soon will be and be joyful.

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MORE ABOUT THE INDIA MISSION STATIONS

From Bara-Banki a hurried journey was made to Nawabganj, stopping a short time at Gonda in order to change cars. Here we met Brother Chase, the missionary in charge. Brother Chase is doing excellent work and is proving to be an efficient missionary. On reaching Nawabganj we were met at the station by the missionaries, the boys from the school and the women from the zenanas, carrying banners or flags which they used in giving a salute of welcome. Before we reached the missionary station or compound we were overtaken by an India band bent upon contributing their part to the notable occasion. At the Mission they played lustily upon their crude instruments, no doubt to give the Missionary Secretary an example of the superiority of the Indian music together with its fascinating and inspiring charms. The more one manifests any appreciation of their beautiful music the more they want to perform. This would be an excellent example for some of our extremely diffident people to emulate. But with it all I love the Indian people.

Our Mission at Nawabganj we may well be proud of. In fact we are much indebted to all the missionaries who had any part whatever in helping to bring about the present work. The four outstanding features at Nawabganj are the Boys' School, the leper work, the zenana work and the evangelistic work. On approaching the station the new school building attracts one's attention. The school is the most prominent work on the station. This school by a recent vote of the Executive Committee becomes the official Boys' School of the Council. Besides the new school is the hostel or dormitory for the housing of the boys, between sixty and seventy in number. This building is far too small for the accommodation of all the boys. Then there is the building for the House Father of the school. This building is near the hostel. The immediate need for the Boys' School is a modern bath house and its necessary complements with modern sanitation. Then there is the need of another hostel for the accommodation of the additional pupils in the future. Hereafter the school will be more or less under the administration of a school committee, thus adding to the efficiency of the work. We were very much impressed with the quality of the pupils, and the work they are doing. In connection with the school is an industrial department where those specially adapted are taught how to weave, do carpenter work and machine work. This affords both intellectual and practical training for the boys.

The next feature of the work was that

of the zenana. Here are women from various conditions in life. Many are widows, or those who have had other unfortunate circumstances in life, and here is a home for those most unfortunate victims, where they can enjoy the blessings of a Christian community and the privileges of religious fellowship and feeding upon the Word. Prayer forms an important part of their life, while the whole serves as an inspiring and uplifting influence.

The work among the lepers is very touching indeed. Here are a number of people afflicted with a most unfortunate and helpless disease. The flesh is slowly but imperceptibly eaten up. Think for a moment of being in that utterly helpless condition. What a blessing to know that some one cares and is willing to make a sacrifice to give you the Gospel, and at least a few of the comforts of life, especially eternal life. How your heart would rejoice. Among the inmates was a woman whose toes, fingers and nose were eaten away. She seemed to be in the last stages. She was a most pitiable sight, but I thank God she knew Christ as her Saviour.

Then, there is the important work of evangelism, which holds a unique place at Nawabganj. They have a native preacher living at a village about twelve miles from Nawabganj. Here excellent work is being done. Besides, there are a number of other preachers who go out to the surrounding villages to preach the Gospel. Thus the Gospel is being preached, and where hearts are not too far steeped in Hinduism the Word evidently takes root and sooner or later Christ is accepted as Saviour, at least inwardly. Persecution in India against those becoming Christians is beyond endurance and almost unbelievable. How these people need our earnest prayers. I have spoken to some about becoming a Christian, and invariably their answer was, "If I become a Christian where will I get my khana (food)," or "if I do they will put me out of my village." Now what would you do under similar circumstances? May the dear Lord help them.

From Nawabganj we went to Fyzabad where Sister Helmbrecht is stationed at present. In going to Fyzabad it was necessary to pass through Ajodhya, a place noted for its many heathen temples and idol worship. Here there are many melas held every year. This year on March 4th to 8th was held one that occurs once every fifty-two years. It was estimated that fifteen million people were in attendance. They came from all over India, to bathe in the river and bring an offering of flowers or sweets to these idols of stone, dead idols who neither hear nor know. The long journeys they

take, the hardships they bear, the sufferings they endure, the time they spend, and the sacrifices they make would be an honorable and noble example, but it is all misguided energy. If we Pentecostal people possessed these characteristics we would soon shake the world. Oh, to be rooted and grounded in Pentecost and the Word. What India needs is a demonstration of the practical reality of Christianity over and above Hinduism. With the Baptism in the Holy Spirit and training that brings obedience to the Word we could do this very thing.

The work in Fyzabad is mostly village work. A vast number of these villages are yet untouched. Here is a great field of missionary effort. More native preachers are needed at once to give these people the Word. Our sister is to be admired for the courage she displays in an attempt to reach these needy fields. Let us pray much for her to this end. I enjoyed a day with her and the native preacher in village work. What a privilege to represent Christ to these poor people that they might know Him as their Saviour. India needs the Gospel very much. Had Christ lived to preach to one village a day until now there would still be 30,000 villages yet untouched.

—William M. Faux, Missionary Secretary.

MEXICAN BORDER WORK PROSPERS

Brother H. C. Ball who is on a trip through Texas, Arizona, New Mexico and California, sends a good report concerning the mission work in all this territory. He writes:

"In El Paso we had a good conference and nice meetings afterwards. There were delegates present from Ciudad, Juarez, Mexico; Anthony, New Mexico; Fabens, Texas and El Paso. Two were licensed to preach. The Assembly in El Paso seems to be in fairly good condition with quite a few new faces in the Assembly since the Convention last November.

"I went from there to Douglas, Ariz. and Agua Prieta, Mexico. The Assembly in Agua Prieta is in fine condition spiritually. I should judge there are between 50 and 100 members. Two were licensed to preach so that now we have seven ministers in the Arizona and Sonora District. I held one service in Pirtleville where we have an Assembly of from 15 to 20 brethren.

"At the Convention in Southern California three were licensed to preach, and we had delegates present from Northern California and from the South, San Diego.

"Brother Serapio Burciaga of Zaragoza, Coah., Mexico has been given a Dodge car for the Lord's work, but he needs new tires and has not enough money to buy them. I feel sure that many of our brethren would be glad to send him slightly used tires if they knew about it. If you feel like doing it, you may send tires to C. C. Garrett, Box 344, Eagle Pass, Texas, and he will hold them for Brother Burciaga."

As many as touched him were made whole. Mark 6:56.

FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH

Brother J. M. Perkins of Cape Palmas, Liberia, sends the last testimony of a remarkable native worker named William, who has just gone to his reward.

A runner has just arrived with news of the home-going of our beloved William. We have not had time to learn particulars, but fear the enemy has poisoned him. It was really wonderful how the Spirit of God had opened up this darkened mind and given him an insight into the deep things of God. Quite often, when a certain truth was brought to his notice in the Word, he would express delight and surprise, saying, "God show me that thing, but I don't know it live in Bible." He used to wear a ring on his finger, till one day Mrs. Perkins asked him why he wore it. He said, "I do not know what I wear it for; two or three times I take it off and throw it away, then I put it on again." When Mrs. Perkins showed him the Word about not adorning ourselves with outward adorning, he said, "I understand now that God want me to take this ring off." It came off and never went on again.

He and Peter had been on the road pretty steady for some time and expressed their desire to remain home awhile and get some more Bible study. While here, a call came for them. One man, whose eyes were partly open to the truth, had persuaded his father to destroy his ju-jues, and wanted William and Peter to come and do the work. On their way they met the king of a large town ten miles away, whose people had once destroyed their ju-jues but had gotten a new supply. The king had come under conviction for this and came down to the mission to confess his wrong and say he wanted all their ju-jues destroyed. He told the boys to go on and burn the ju-jues, but the king himself came on down. The boys went from Gropaka to a point two days farther back, then comes the news of his sudden death.

William used to say, "I thought my body was my own, but this time God got my body." At our Christmas meeting this year he said, "This time I no got any hands, I no got any feet, I no got any eyes or ears. I dead already. Jesus got my hands and feet and eyes and ears. Jesus got me altogether." His love for Jesus was without dissimulation. He hated sin, but loved the sinner very compassionately. Late at night and early in the morning William's voice could be heard in prayer. In our prayer services, when we had William to pray and Peter to sing with a loud voice, in the Spirit, it seemed as if they were a host in themselves.

Almost unhindered he allowed the blessed Holy Spirit to live out the Christ-life in him. It was a treat to hear him testify. He always had something fresh and juicy and good to say. The Holy Spirit convicted him of sin, saved and baptized him in the Holy Spirit while he was down the coast working for a white trader. For four days before coming through to the Baptism in the Holy Spirit he did not sleep or eat. Of course plenty of people thought he was crazy, but he told them, "No, I no got craze, I no got sick.

I just got Holy Spirit." At once he was filled with a longing to preach to his people.

In our Sunday night service about two weeks ago William told us of a vision he had just had. He said, "In my sleep God show me great, great, fine, fine picture. He show me 'ven (heaven). The place be too fine and it be big too much. I see plenty people and plenty, plenty fine house and fine thing. My tongue no fit to tell all the fine thing I see. At the far side and on one high place in the middle I see one bright man. His face shine too much. His face shine past the sun. He tell me to come to Him. I never saw anybody face shine so before. There was plenty green grass in the place and it was too big. My tongue no fit to tell you all I see in that place. I thank God for all He done for me. I don't know how to read, and He teach me how to read. I don't know how to pray, and He teach me how to pray. He never forget me day or night. Before, I always curse people and want to fight and do every evil thing. But God took all the fight and steal and curse far away from my heart. I no like them any more at all. First time when I do all these wicked things it bring plenty trouble for me, but this time when I no do them then no trouble for me again. I know He teach me plenty thing, and show me that heaven be fine place too much."

A NEW MISSIONARY IN INDIA

Miss Katherine Cooke writes her first letter to the Foreign Missions Department after arrival in India as follows:

"After our arrival in India it was Christmas time before we got settled and then I commenced the study of the language. I enjoy the study very much and am getting along nicely, so they tell me. My studies have been interrupted, however, three times by attacks of dysentery and once with flu. The hot weather is here and I find it hard to get back my usual 'pep' but I am looking to the Lord to open the way for me to go to language school in May in the hills where I can study in a cooler atmosphere. It seems impossible to study in the heat on the plains.

"I cannot tell you how glad I am to be here. I am very happy in the work and am enjoying it, but will enjoy it much more of course when I can speak the language fluently.

"We surely need a new bungalow. This old mud hut house is falling to pieces and will hardly go through another rainy season. Then too, we are very crowded. Mrs. Harvey, her little girl and myself lived in a tent when we first came, but it has long since become too hot for that. Mrs. Harvey and Zaida are in a little room that Miss Helmbrecht vacated and I have my trunk on the little veranda off the Nethery girls' room. We all sleep out in the yard at night as it is too hot in the house. We trust the Lord will give us funds for the new bungalow soon."

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above and cometh down from the Father" (James 1:17).

A HEATHEN WIFE

From Liberia, W. Africa comes the story of a native boy who had been trained on one of the mission stations and who had endeared himself to the missionaries. A short time ago this native boy died and the loss was keenly felt by the missionaries and by his friends. Some time before his death the family of the boy had bought a girl for him and had paid one bullock down on her. William, for that was the boy's name, put her in the mission school to be trained for his wife. As soon as William's family heard that he was dead they made a rush to the mission station to get the girl and to carry her back to the heathen town. Three different parties have come to the mission and the last one was the King of the town and the girl's mother. The missionaries are fighting to hold her on the station rather than to allow her to be carried back into heathendom. The missionaries write that up to the present time Martha has taken sides with them and they have been able to hold her on the station. They state it is hard work talking these long palavers with the black men and they ask our prayers that this girl may be spared to the mission station and saved from heathendom.

FOREIGN MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS

June 1 to 4 Inclusive

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- \$.50: F P Loyalty Mo
 1.00: Miss G K Pawnee Rock Kans; H C B San Antonio Tex; M F E Green City Mo; Mrs S T Carrollton Ill; G J D Bath Me; L A Scranton Kans; Mrs N A C Hulbert Okla; J M H Farmersville Tex; Mrs D A J Lincoln N C; 1.50 Mrs M A Springfield Mo; Mrs M E M St Louis Mo
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 7.00: Glad Tidings Full Gospel Mission Cottage Grove Ore; E B Briggs Okla; 7.50 H K Clarkdale Ariz
 8.00: Mrs W D Noxen Pa; 8.80 F G C Monroe Ia; 9.00 Pent'l Church of Christ St Louis Mo
 10.00: F S Coalhurst Can; C H & C W S Houston Heights Tex; Pent'l Church Clovis N Mex; Pent'l Young People Joplin Mo; A Friend Joliet Ill; C F B East Rochester N Y; Assembly Jester Tex; Assembly Mooreland Okla; Assembly Knoxville Tenn
 11.20: Mrs M B Lindsay Calif; 11.25 Assembly Creal Springs Ill; 14.00 Sale of diamond
 15.00: L A D Chester Ill; R C G Clarissa Minn; S S of Edwards St Pent'l Church Upper Alton Ill; A T U Great Bend Kans; Assembly Witherbee N Y; 15.25 S S offering of Collinsville Assembly
 17.00: L P & son Toledo Ohio; 17.50 W A H Toledo Ohio; 17.92 Fifth S S Rally-Fellowship Council Blytheville Ark
 20.00: Young People's Meetings Bethel Chapel Glendale Calif; Mrs R H North Edmoston Can; Pent'l Church Oxford Pa; A F Parlier Calif;

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THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

SAM'S LEADERSHIP

The wind swept keenly through a little, snow-wrapped town on the banks of the Ohio. In most manufacturing towns the sight of destitution is not uncommon, yet the lapse of years has not dimmed the memory of the small barefoot creature, who that morning battled with the snow drifts before a handsome residence.

"Heigh-ho! my lad, are you not frozen?" I queried.

"Ruther," answered the boy, sending the white flakes swirling in every direction.

"Do you go to Sunday School?" I asked. A contemptuous look flashed over the half-famished face, a look unknown to childhood, save where bitter experience has set its seal. Planting his shovel firmly in the snow, he replied, "Don't talk to me 'bout Sunday School."

"Why, my boy, have you and the Sunday School had a quarrel?" I asked.

He gave his ragged cap an impatient jerk, and nodding his tously little head toward the residence exclaimed: "Them's Sunday School people w'at I'm workin' fer. Biggest kind of Sunday School people, and they'll gimme some cold crust for clearin' their sidewalk."

I seized one of the half frozen little hands and said, "See here, boy, don't you want a pair of shoes and some mittens?"

He looked at me incredulously, and replied, "Now you're a-shoutin'!"

"What is your name?" I asked.

"Sam," he answered.

"All right, Sam," I replied, "when you have finished here, come up to my house, and I will give you a warm breakfast," and pointing out a house in the same block I left him.

Shortly after, the half-frozen, ragged little creature presented himself at my mother's kitchen. Under the benign influence that reigned there, little Sam's prejudices waned. He warmed and brightened, and promised that the very next Sunday he would join the school.

True to promise, Sunday found little Sam in the primary class, where were gathered two hundred little children, most of whom were as poor and wretched as himself. During the lesson the child disappeared for a moment, and at its close I explained for the benefit of the newcomers that inasmuch as there were two hundred little ones in the class, they must never go out during the teaching of the lesson.

Sam's criny little hand went up, and he called out, "Please ma'am, I want to tell you what I went out fer. When you told about Him up there—God's Son (pointing upward)—I never knowed before anybody loved me, or cared for me, and I says to myself, 'Here Sam, you'd better d'mp them cigar stumps outer yer pocket, fer if He really loves you

He wouldn't want ye usin' the like of them.' So I throwed 'em all out."

The child was only seven years old, and his little face shone with as much brightness as it expressed scorn a few days before. Truly the seed had fallen upon "good ground" this time, and little Sam was at his post of duty every Sunday morning during the entire winter.

Early one morning the following spring there appeared at my mother's door a bleary-eyed, b'oted drunkard, who asked for me, exclaiming, "Sam is dyin', and callin' for you!" When I reached the wretched hovel, the soul of little Sam had winged its flight from the pitiful body, and a smile of peace kissed the tired face of the little waif of poverty.

The wretched mother caught my hands and wept, exclaiming in broken sobs, "God has taken little Sam, poor little boy that we all—yes, even I—mistreated. Ever since he has been in your Sunday School," she went on, "he knelt down every night and prayed; prayed while we scoffed at him! O God, he was too good for us, and You have taken him!"

It was such a pitiful scene! The debauched, drunken father, the hard-faced mother broken now with remorse and contrition, two or three very small children who gazed in blank wonder upon the solemn scene their childish minds could not comprehend; and apart from the little group, upon a bed of straw in one corner of the room the now familiar face of the dead boy.

No earnest effort is ever lost, and the brief life of little Sam, with its outstretching for something higher, was the guiding star of the entire family. The face of the mother soon grew familiar in "Little Sam's church," of which she afterward became a member, followed later by the father, in whom seemed wrought a very miracle of grace. The "little child" has led them.—Selected.

MR. MOODY AND THE FREE-THINKERS

Amongst the most remarkable scenes I have ever witnessed was one in East London during the visit of those beloved and honored men of God, Moody and Sankey, in the years 1883-84. The hall was pitched in the center of the dense working population of that quarter, where men by the thousand live and work in workshops and factories. One Monday evening had been reserved for an address to Atheists, Sceptics, and Free-thinkers of all shades.

At that time Charles Bradlaugh, the champion of Atheism was at his zenith, and, hearing of this meeting, he ordered all the clubs he had formed to close for the evening, and all the members to go and take possession of the hall. They did so, and five thousand men marched

in from all directions and occupied the whole of the seats.

The service commenced earlier than usual. After the preliminary singing, Mr. Moody asked the men to choose their favorite hymns, which suggestion raised many a laugh, for Atheists have no song or hymn. The meeting got well under way. Mr. Moody spoke from "Their rock is not our rock, our enemies themselves being the judges" (Deut. 32:31). He poured in a broadside of telling, touching incidents from his own experience of the death-beds of Christians and Atheists, and let the men be judges as to who had the best foundation on which to rest faith and hope.

Reluctant tears were wrung from many an eye. The great mass of men, with the darkest, most determined defiance of God stamped upon their countenances, faced this running fire attacking them in their most vulnerable points, namely, their hearts and their homes; but when the sermon was ended one felt inclined to think nothing had been accomplished, for it had not appealed to their intellects, or reasoning faculties, and had convinced them of nothing.

At the close Mr. Moody said, "We will rise and sing 'Only Trust Him,' and while we do so will the ushers open all the doors so that any man who wants to leave can do so, and after that we will have the usual inquiry meeting for those who desire to be led to the Saviour." I thought, "All will stampede, and we shall only have an empty hall." But instead the great mass of five thousand men rose, sang, and sat down again, not one man vacating his seat.

"I Can't!" "I won't!"

What next? Mr. Moody then said: "I will explain four words—Receive, Believe, Trust, Take, HIM." A broad grin pervaded all that sea of faces. After a few words upon "Receive," he made the appeal. "Who will receive Him? Just say, 'I will.'" From the men standing round the edge of the hall came some fifty responses, but not one from the mass seated before him. One man growled, "I can't!" to which Mr. Moody replied, "You have spoken the truth, my man; glad you spoke. Listen, and you will be able to say 'I can't' before we are through."

Then he explained the word "Believe," and made his second appeal, "Who will say 'I will believe Him?'" Again some responded from the fringe of the crowd, till one big fellow, a leading club man, shouted, "I won't!" Great-hearted Mr. Moody, overcome with tenderness and compassion, burst into broken, tearful words, half sobs, "It is 'I will,' or 'I won't' for every man in this hall tonight."

The Atheists Confounded

Then he suddenly turned the whole attention of the meeting to the story of the Prodigal Son, saying, "The battle is on the will, and only there. When the young man said 'I will arise,' the battle was won, for he had yielded his will; and on that point all hangs tonight. Men, you have your champion there in the middle of the hall, the man who said, 'I won't.' I want every man here who believes that man is right to follow him, and to rise and say 'I won't.'" There

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THE WORK AND WORKERS

HIGHT, MISS.—Word comes that God's power has been manifested here and souls are being saved; 3 were baptized in water and there are more to follow.

WEST TULSA, OKLA.—Pastor Brock writes that they have just closed a 3-week meeting. Several prayed through. Brother H. B. Laws did the preaching. They have just begun a new building.

ANADARKO, OKLA.—Brother W. T. Davidson sends a note of praise for the way God is blessing in this place. The saints have been holding on the promise in faith, and now they have a revival. They ask for prayer.

WILS POINT, TEX.—Pastor J. Medley sounds a note of praise for the way God was with them in their fifth Sunday meeting. Their district chairman was with them and gave them helpful messages. After the Sunday morning service they spread their lunch and had all things common; there were about 450 fed.

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.—Evangelists Earl W. and Beula O. Clark report victory at the dedication service of the new tabernacle at 3909 E. Washington St. "Two pastors in the city, Rev. M. Shaw and Rev. L. Stout, gave inspiring addresses. All day the Spirit of the Lord hovered over the place. In the afternoon the saints raised through cash or pledges \$1800 on building fund. God has laid it on our hearts to open a faith home and orphanage for the sick and afflicted. Pray with us."

BOISE, IDAHO.—Brother R. Gillespie sends word: "Just visited the assembly here for one week. Had the shortest, quickest revival I have ever seen. From the start the presence of God was felt. Many fell under the mighty power of God and 6 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire. One colored sister said the Word went through her like a flash of lightning. She tried to hold on to her seat but could not, and fell to the floor. She was saved, and two days after received the Baptism. Some were saved and healed."

ELBA, ALA.—Evangelist F. I. James reports: "Brother A. T. Hickman and wife with myself held a tent meeting from May 1 to 18 at New Brockton. Large crowds came to the services each night, overflowing the tent and grounds thereabout. Some 20 or more were saved, 7 received the Holy Ghost (Acts 2:4), and some instant healings. There were 13 baptized in water. From there we moved to Holloway Church near Coffee Springs, Ala., and were engaged in a fierce battle for 11 nights. God saved 16 or 18 souls, some of whom were backsliders; 3 or 4 received the Holy Ghost."

CALDWELL, OHIO.—Brother V. K. Fries reports that they are in the midst of a gracious revival. Souls are being saved, healed, and baptized with the Holy Ghost in the good old way. This is a new work and needs your prayers.

EUFAULA, OKLA.—Brother J. F. Campbell reports a week's meeting in which 2 were reclaimed and one was saved and baptized in the Spirit; 13 were baptized in water. Brother Wilcocks did the preaching and God blessed.

TRUESDALE, IOWA.—Pastor Minnie Steele writes that Brother and Sister Carmichael were with them for a 3-week campaign, in which 10 were saved, 4 reclaimed, 6 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost (Acts 2:4), and a few were healed. Brother Carmichael immersed 29.

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—Brother J. H. Runcie writes: "Just recently closed a series of meetings in Mt. Zion church, which lasted four weeks. There were 9 healed and 3 received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:4); 6 were saved. I am open for calls in Central District. Am in full fellowship with the Assemblies of God. Address 1271 E. 61st St., Cleveland, Ohio."

EAST PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Sister Hattie Snyder writes of the work that is being carried on here by Sister C. A. Gibson in her Faith Home, which is in the heart of the city and occupies half a city block. In the Faith Home a number of aged and helpless saints are taken care of. A convention was held in the new tabernacle, on the grounds of the Faith Home, from May 27-31. Brother Geo. Phillips of Cambridge, Mass., Brother W. J. Mitchell of Everett, Mass., and Sister Gibson brought the messages, to which the Spirit witnessed with tongues and interpretation.

BALTIMORE, MD.—Pastor E. F. M. Staudt writes: "The Full Gospel Church, May 3 to 24, enjoyed a gracious visitation of the Spirit through the ministry of Brother Jos. S. Hydanus and wife. There was a real revival spirit in the midst from the start. God was present to heal. Some were healed in their homes. One lady who had not been able to leave her room for over a year, a sufferer from arthritis, went to her meals, and has been going ever since. The children also were blessed and a number saved, and some of our young people baptized in the Holy Ghost, with signs following. In all 24 new members were added to the assembly. We recommend Brother Hydanus as an earnest preacher, a man of prayer, who devotes himself unsparingly to the work, a man of one purpose, the glory of God and the cause of Christ."

TRAMMEL, VA.—Brother A. R. Austin writes that they have closed a 3½-week meeting, in which Sister Snyder and Sister Milsaps brought the messages. The Lord blessed wonderfully, giving pardon for sins to about 60, and baptizing about 20 as in Acts 2:4. There were 46 baptized in water by Brother Milsaps and Brother Snyder.

FREELAND, PA.—Pastor J. D. Jones writes of a series of revival meetings. Brother Joseph Tunmore was with them the first part of the time, followed by Brother C. S. Cook, Hagerstown, Md. Souls were saved and believers baptized in the Holy Ghost. Any ministering brother or missionary affiliated with the General Council of the Assemblies of God, passing through this section, is always welcome.

ALPINE, TEXAS.—Brother and Sister Bivins sound a note of praise because the full gospel has at last reached this place. They write: "Pentecost was unknown here except by two families, until Brother Whitlock and wife, assisted by Mrs. C. E. Rodgers, pitched a battle against sin and began to preach the full gospel. Interest gradually increased; there seem to be many hungry hearts seeking more of God."

REEDLEY, CALIF.—Brother Walter H. Smith and wife have just completed a 3-week meeting in which the Lord wonderfully blessed; 17 came to the altar for salvation and 9 received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:4). Many miraculous healings were performed. At the first meeting a young lady was saved, healed of goiter, and received the Baptism. Brother and Sister Smith are both in full fellowship with the General Council. They are now acting as pastors for Dinuba and Reedley assemblies.

TULSA, OKLA.—Pastor J. E. Perkins reports: The May Turner Evangelistic Party just closed a campaign in the Tabernacle in Tulsa. Great crowds attended the meetings. Many times, with scarcely any preaching, the evangelist would give an altar call and great numbers would flock to the altar, 250 in one night. On the last Monday night of the meeting the old time fire of God fell, and 20 or 30 folks went down beneath the hand of God as Sister Turner prayed for the sick. One night about 150 people fell prostrate on the floor as Mrs. Turner prayed for them. Brother Fred Henry rendered wonderful help to the meeting by his marvelous playing. Brother Elmer Muir, until recently pastor of the First Baptist Church of Arkansas City, Kans., conducted morning services several times. The Salvation Army came down and rendered a real inspirational service. One Baptist preacher and one Presbyterian preacher came into Full Gospel light during the campaign. Brother G. F. Garvin, a Presbyterian preacher of this city is the Chairman of the Committee that brought the Turner party here. He and his congregation did splendid work in the campaign. Brother and Sister Garvin both have the Baptism in the Holy Spirit."

WILLIAMSPORT, MD.—Pastor Chas. N. Crone reports: "Just closed a 17-day meeting near here, which has been one in which the saints were fed on the Word rather than numbers of sinners brought into the kingdom. However, a few backsliders were reclaimed. The singing evangelists, Meyer Tan Ditter and wife, of Providence, R. I., were with us 10 days. Brother Tan Ditter is also an excellent Bible teacher. We recommend them to any assembly. Others who rendered excellent service were, Brother A. Miller, Chambersburg, Pa.; Sister Hattie Hammond, of Williamsport, Md.; Brother Melvin Potts, of Waynesboro; Brother Glenn Jones, of Hagerstown, Md.; and Sister Barnhart, organist."

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was perfect silence and stillness; all held their breath till, as no man rose, Moody burst out, "Thank God, no man says, 'I won't.' Now, who will say 'I will?'"

In an instant the Holy Spirit seemed to have broken loose upon that great crowd of enemies of Jesus Christ, and five hundred men sprang to their feet, their faces raining down with tears, shouting, "I will, I will," till the whole atmosphere was changed and the battle was won.

Quickly the meeting was closed, that personal work might begin, and from that night till the end of the week nearly two thousand men were swung out from the ranks of the foe into the army of the Lord by the surrender of their will. They heard His "rise and walk," and they followed Him. The permanency of that work was well attested for years afterward, and the clubs never recovered their footing. God swept them away in His mercy and might by the Gospel.—Geo. Soltau.

THE IMPORTANT THING

The Sculptor in London who built tombs for other people, at last built one for himself, and put the following inscription upon it: "What I was as an Artist, seemed of some importance while I lived; but what I really was as a Believer in Jesus Christ is the only thing of importance to me now." It was placed in Tottenham Court Road Chapel; whereby, "He being dead yet speaketh."

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QUINTON, OKLA.—July 4 to 27, Evangelist W. C. Aytes, of Jenny Lind, Ark., in charge. Entertainment free for workers as far as possible.

PILOT POINT, TEXAS, CAMP-MEETING to convene August 1 to 10, 1925, or longer. Bible lessons every morning; evangelistic meeting every night. Further particulars from L. A. Tollar.

ASHTABULA, OHIO.—Revival campaigns June 18 to 28. Evangelist J. C. Soules will preach, assisted by party of five workers.—Pastor G. L. Phillips.

PECKVILLE, PA.—June 21 to July 5, our eighth annual tent-meeting on the No. 1 school grounds, center of Peckville, conducted by Chas. A. Shreve and party.—Pastor W. L. Couzens.

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CANTON, OHIO.—Old-fashioned revival at 415 Third St., N. E., beginning June 8 and lasting as long as the Lord leads. Evangelist R. Benjamin, of Chicago, will give the fourfold gospel.—Pastor J. F. Johnson.

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CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO.—Evangelist J. William Bostrom and Party will begin a tent-meeting the last of May and will run 4 weeks, D. V. A beautiful place has been arranged for the meeting at the corner of Elm and Sprigg Streets. Neighboring assemblies are invited to attend.—H. E. Waddle, pastor.

NAPA, CALIF.—Special evangelistic meetings will be held, D. V., at the Full Gospel Mission, 937 Randolph St., beginning June 18 and continuing two weeks or longer. Evangelist Edward J. Axup, of Stockton, Calif., will be in charge.—W. C. Anderson, pastor.

EAGLE BEND, MINN., tent meetings from June 7 to 21 inc., and as long as the Lord leads. Brother C. Cardiff and family, of St. Paul, in charge. Other evangelists and workers are welcome. A pastor is needed for the assembly, married man preferred. For further particulars write Charles Berg.

PORT LAVACA, TEXAS.—Old-time camp-meeting, June 14 to July 5, 1925. Evangelist C. A. Lasater of Ft. Smith, Ark. Special Business Council Meeting June 30, July 1, 2, 3, conducted by Chairman Hugh Cadwalder. Special Bible lessons will be given. Missionary talks by missionaries from Mexico and Peru. For full information write Leo L. Cox, Box 344, Port Lavaca, Tex.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.—Second Annual Convention, June 25 to 28, at Germania Hall, cor. Front Ave. and 1st St. All ministers and members within our bounds are invited. Those attending kindly notify us at once so that lodging may be secured. Names of speakers at a later date.—Pastor T. W. Wellard.

READING, PA.—A gospel tent campaign beginning June 7 and continuing five weeks, with Evangelist Ben Hardin as preacher for the first two weeks, followed by Eastern District Evangelist L. A. Hill. Location of the tent—on Lincoln St., between Jamison and Douglass. Any who desire to attend take a Schuykill Ave. car and get off at Douglass, walk up one block, turn to the left one-half block on Lincoln.—J. M. Wright, pastor.

KANSAS DISTRICT CAMP-MEETINGS.—There will be three District Camps in Kansas this year as follows: Ottawa, July 23 to August 3; Woodston, August 6 to 16; McCracken, August 20 to 30. Watch for further announcements.—Fred Vogler, chairman, Burlingame, Kans.

BRIDGEPORT, CONN.—Evangelist Louise Nankivell, of Chicago, will conduct a revival campaign here June 7 to 28 inclusive, at the First Pentecostal Tent on East Main and Putnam Sts. Meetings every night 7:45 (except Monday) and Sunday 10:30, 3:00 and 7:30. An urgent request is given all New England States to join us in this campaign. For further information write Pastor Albert J. Jenkins, 64 Booth St., Stratford, Conn.

WESTERN NEW YORK AND NORTHERN PENNSYLVANIA CAMP-MEETING. at Endwell, N. Y. (near Binghamton), July 10 to August 2 inclusive. Brother Thos. B. Harden will be present from July 10 to 26. Other home missionaries and speakers expected. Tents, sleeping rooms and meals at reasonable rates. For further information write Pastor Ivan Spencer, Box 123, Endwell, N. Y.

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EASTERN DISTRICT CAMP-MEETING.—The Sixth Annual District Camp-meeting for the Eastern end of the district from August 7 to 30, near the beautiful "Pompton Lakes." Pompton, N. J., on the River Dale road. Bus line from Newark to Butler, N. J., will connect direct to the campground. Also bus from Paterson to Butler and Greenwood Lakes. Evangelist M. R. Tatman, of Berkeley, Calif., will be the principal speaker, supported by a good corps of ministers and missionaries. For further information write Edwin C. Sikes, Sec'y, 30 First St., Fairlawn, N. J.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—Special evangelistic services at the Full Gospel Assembly, 930 Pa. Ave., N. W., June 7 to 21. Meetings will be conducted by Evangelist A. Watson Argue, of Winnipeg, Canada. Evenings at 7:45, Sundays at 3:00 and 7:45 p. m. It will be his last campaign before his European tour. Accommodations can be secured near church at reasonable rates. For further information write Pastor Harry L. Collier, 1112 Lamont St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA CAMP MEETING at the Fair Ground, Tazewell, Va., Aug. 1 to 10, D. V. Preachers and workers engaged are, Brother D. W. Kerr, Bible teacher; Sister Mae E. Frey, evangelist; Brother and Sister Geo. M. Kelley, missionaries; and Brother Otto Lunsford, pianist. Tents, 10 x 12, will rent at \$5.50, cots at \$1.25, and orders for tents and cots must be received not later than July 10. Meals on the freewill-offering plan to campers. For further information write H. H. Peek, Secretary, North Tazewell, Va.

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