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The Promise of His Coming

The things of God are hid from the wise and prudent and revealed unto babes. "Where is the promise of His coming?" The "wise" say that. But the babes listen to the angels' message, "This same Jesus shall so come in like manner." "Where is the promise of His coming?" Where do you look for it? If you look for it in the Word, you can find it. If in the world, you cannot. The whole plan is in the Word, the whole likeness, the "LIKE MANNER" in which He is to come.

Jesus opened up the Scriptures concerning Himself to the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. He went as far with them as they could go, and He will open up the Scriptures to you as far as you can go. He took them to the resurrection, which was as much as they could stand; and He will take you as far as you want to go. But you can never go beyond the Scriptures, and He will not take you beyond. We read that He would have gone further but they constrained Him to stay, for they were stopping. If He wants to go further, will you let Him go and go with Him? Do not be afraid of overstepping a Sabbath day's journey. Do not cut short your walk with Him, He has so much to tell you. Do not cut Him short at the resurrection story only. He wants to tell you of His coming. Let Him tell you of His coming. Let Him tell you all. He vanished out of their presence. Retain Him when you have the opportunity as long as He will stay.

"In like manner!" The details are hidden in the Word. He who can make darkness light, can also illumine each sentence from His Word to enlighten you. He says, "Ye, brethren, are not in darkness. . . . Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day." As such you are entitled to light on the Word that that day shall not overtake you as a thief.

Was not the Lord in the boat on the Sea of Galilee all the time the storm was raging? He was asleep, but He was guiding during His sleep.

The calm was there all the time, because the calm was in Him. He saw calm and He spake calm. And though it may be midnight, and though there may be storm, look to Him; though He may seem to you to be sleeping, He will arise and speak the calm and everything will be smooth and plain. He holds the key. Jesus held the key of the journey and at the right moment He spoke. And He will ever speak at the right moment. If He seems to be asleep, trust Him, have faith in Him, for He is in the boat. And if He is in the boat all is well. When He is within there must be safety.

When sudden destruction came upon them, the squall, that may have sunk the other little boats, just manifested Him in their boat. And when the squall comes upon the world, it will only awaken Him within you. And when He speaks, all will be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye. "He spake and it was done." This time it will not be, "Let there be light," or "Peace, be still," it will be THE TRUMP OF GOD. We do not know the nature of it, but we are being tuned to answer the trump. They said it thundered when they heard His voice. They understood nothing, but He has interpreted it for us. Deep answereth unto deep—a deep within us will answer to the deep of God.

"The dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are ALIVE and remain shall be caught up." ALIVE, not half dead! Not those who have a name to live and are dead, neither hot nor cold, half dead; they that are ALIVE, ALIVE to Him! Some are alive to the world and they think they are alive to Him. LIVELY stones He wants, not decayed ones. The stones of the Temple were all approved and fitted and finished before they left the quarry. They were lively stones, sound throughout. They that are ALIVE shall be caught up. Are you alive? Pray God that your whole spirit, soul and body be preserved blameless. The stones in the Temple were alive throughout—no decay in the

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HIS COMING DRAWETH NIGH—SIGNS OF THE END

Pastor S. A. Jamieson

"And as He sat upon the Mount of Olives, the disciples came unto Him privately, saying, Tell us when these things shall be? and what shall be the sign of Thy coming and of the end of the world?" (Matt. 24:3.)

Jesus Christ answered the disciples' question, not by telling them the year or the day of His return, but He told them that when certain signs should take place they might know that His coming back to this earth was near.

When a man is eighty years old we do not know the day of his death, but we know that his end is near. Watching the fulfillment of prophecy concerning the second return of Jesus Christ we know that the time of His return is nigh. Notice the following signs to which He calls our attention.

1. FALSE CHRISTS. Jesus said that in the last days many shall come and claim to be Christ. There are, I understand, forty-four men in the world today who claim to be the Messiah. Perhaps the most notable one of them all is ABDUL BAHA, a Persian, whose home is in the valley of Akka. He is the founder of a false system of religion, which has spread all over the United States. Many of our best educated citizens worship at his shrine and are propagating his creed. It is now founded in all our large cities and millions of people have embraced this false teaching. "Many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ and shall deceive many" (Matt. 24:3, 4).

2. EARTHQUAKES ARE ALSO A SIGN. "And great earthquakes shall be in divers places" (Luke 21:11). Thus spoke the Lord, referring to His return. Mr. Noble, who is a scientist and a Christian, says that in 1915 the whole world had felt three thousand tremors, a thing unknown in the history of the world up to that time. Every nation under the sun has felt the tremors of earthquake in the last five years. Professor Milne declares that they have steadily increased in frequency all down the ages and estimates that about 14,000,000 people have been killed by them.

We all remember the terrible disaster brought about by the earthquakes in Martinique in 1902, in San Francisco in 1906, in Italy in 1914, and the unspeakable ruin and loss of life caused by the earthquake in Japan in 1923. In these earthquakes billions of dollars worth of property was destroyed and over a million persons were killed and injured. So many earthquakes in the last few years is the fulfillment of Christ's words concerning them.

3. FAMINES AND PESTILENCES. Christ also stated that famines and pestilences would prevail in various places in the last days. In 1918 the Spanish Flu swept over the world and took for its toll about 12,000,000 people. In Russia a few years ago over 8,000,000 died of the typhus plague. In 1919 the Chinese famine caused the death of millions. Over 3,000,000 died in India from the famine there. Things are taking place today just as Christ said they would do. When God says a thing is going to come to pass, it will take place.

4. WARS AND RUMORS OF WARS. In the last decade the world was certainly plunged into the bloodiest war it has ever known. The historian well says, "Europe was paralyzed and has not yet recov-

ered." The Morning Post makes the following statement as to the cost of the war. "The total number who died in the late war was about 7,000,000; 12,000,000 wounded and mutilated for life. The total money expended was approximately \$100,000,000,000. The total tonnage sent down to the bottom of the sea was 11,000,000. Property destroyed \$250,000,000,000." To the question, "What shall be the sign of thy coming?" put to Jesus by the disciples, He said, "Wars and rumors of wars." "For nation shall rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom." This is also the fulfillment of prophecy.

5. THE JEWS RETURNING TO PALESTINE. The fig tree is indeed putting forth leaves rapidly. There is today a great awakening among the Jews. Since Palestine was declared the national home of the Jews, 77,000 Jewish immigrants have been received, 21,000 of whom came in the first seven months of 1925. I am told that about 100 agricultural settlements and colonies are established in all parts of the country, especially in the valleys of Jezreel and Esdron. The Jews have a school system from the kindergarten up to the university. Jerusalem is fast becoming a modern Jewish city. Sister Elizabeth Brown of Jerusalem recently said: "Palestine now holds an important place in the air route to Bagdad and the new High Commissioner of Palestine is one of Britain's most noted military men and is making Palestine a potent military base."

A wonderful thing has taken place lately that has attracted the attention of the religious world, namely, the repairs on the Mosque of Omar were stopped because the holders (Islamic) could not produce the title deed to the place. This is very significant as indicating that God has wrested Palestine from Islam. All this plainly shows where we are in the fulfillment of prophecy. The Jewish development in Palestine is one of the greatest signs that bespeaks the near return of Christ. In a very short time the Antichrist will make a Covenant with the Jews for seven years (Daniel's missing week). For nearly two thousand years there was no latter rain in Palestine and the land was barren, but now that the latter rain has returned, the country is blossoming as the rose.

6. THE POLITICAL SIGN. It is very evident that all the plans and efforts of the governments of this world have failed to bring in righteousness and permanent peace such as will be realized during the millennium. Brother James McAlister has truly said, "Democracy will be the last attempt of man to govern the world without God. Monarchy in most countries has admittedly failed. Aristocracy, Militarism and Capitalism all have failed. Self and greed have poisoned the springs of government. Democracy, too, will fail and will fail tragically, because it has no room for Christ in its political program." The world is today living on the edge of a precipice. Lawlessness is daily becoming more daring and violent, reproducing the same state of things that was seen in the days of Noah and Lot. Conditions in the world are such that no mere man can control its destinies. A superman is demanded, a man of Napoleonic genius to handle its gigantic problems. The Bible predicts

that such a man is coming at the end of this dispensation. He will appear on the scene before long. In Scripture he is called the Antichrist or Man of Sin.

Most students of prophecy expect, as one of the results of the last war, the revival of the Roman Empire in a form to fulfill Nebuchadnezzar's vision of the ten-toed image; that is, five kingdoms from the East and five from the West: Greece, Syria, Egypt, Turkey and the Balkan States united in the East; England, France, Spain, Italy and Austria in the West. Germany is to be left out as she did not belong to the original Roman Empire. Clay stands for democracy and the iron, in the vision, stands for monarchy. The little horn mentioned in Daniel 7:8 is the Antichrist. He will confer with these ten kings for the space of one hour and they will co-operate with him (Rev. 17:12, 13). Reginald Naish points out that a Council of ten men of the League of Nations is practically governing Europe. This means the revival of the Roman Empire, after which in a very short time the Antichrist will appear in Europe.

7. THE WORLD IS GROWING WORSE. 2 Tim. 3:1-5 reveals the exact condition of things in the world today. The following figures plainly show the drift of the times. In 1923 we spent in the United States the sum of nine hundred million dollars for amusements, one billion for tobacco, two billions for liquor, four hundred millions for confectionaries, fifty millions for chewing gum and only fifteen millions for the cause of Jesus Christ. We are spending for things either harmful or unnecessary, nearly sixty dollars per capita as against only fifteen cents for the cause of Christ. These figures show the tendency of the times. Plenty of money for pleasure, but very little for Christ. Crime in this country is increasing twenty-five per cent faster than the population. A Supreme Judge called together the attorneys of his State and said, "We are fast becoming a nation of criminals." In 1915, 37,000 people applied for divorce and in 1923 over 50,000 sought marital separation and yet there are ministers who are preaching that the world is growing better.

Religiously the world is fast plunging into the gulf of bitterness. Christian Science, Spiritualism, Theosophy and Modernism are growing by leaps and bounds all over the world. The seducing spirits vitalizing these cults are taking possession of the land in the place of the gospel. They are entering our institutions of learning and are poisoning the minds of our young people to a degree that is alarming. The people are "giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils, speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron" (1 Tim. 4:1, 2). All the churches are losing members to these Satanic cults and will lose more and more as we near the end. Men who deny the virgin birth of Jesus Christ; say that the account of Jonah is nothing but a fish story and deny the miraculous in the Bible are being ordained to the ministry. Great worldliness prevails in our churches. The spirit of true worship is almost all gone. They have a form of godliness but deny the power thereof (2 Tim. 3:5).

8. THE GOSPEL IS PREACHED TO EVERY NATION. This is a fact already accomplished. The Gospel of the kingdom is now preached to every nation as a witness of its power unto salvation to them that believe. Christ said that when the Gospel is preached in all the world for a witness, then the end shall come. So we here see another prophecy fulfilled. Some people teach that the millennium will not be ushered in until the world is converted. But

Jesus did not say the world would be converted before His second return, but God will take a people out of the world for Himself who will serve Him. That is being done now.

9. RUNNING TO AND FRO AND THE INCREASE OF KNOWLEDGE. Another very important prophecy is being fulfilled now. "Many shall run to and fro and knowledge shall be increased" (Dan. 12:4). Never in the history of the world was there as much traveling as there is at the present time. In the United States in 1920, six hundred million railroad tickets were sold at a cost of thirteen billion dollars, and in the whole world during the same year two billion tickets were sold at a cost of twenty-nine billion dollars. The Travelers Association is my authority for the above figures. Think also of the millions who run to and fro in cars, planes, motorcycles and the like.

We also know that knowledge has greatly increased in every industry within the last fifty years. We look with amazement upon the wonderful achievements of the inventor and the new discoveries, all of which testify that we are at the very close of this dispensation.

10. CHRONOLOGY. Computing certain dates will reveal the fact that we are very near the end of the period known as "the Times of the Gentiles." God has given us a program and the question now is where have we reached in this program? God pronounced punishment upon the Jews for "seven times," and prophetic scholars agree that a "time" is a period of 360 years, so that their punishment will be for a period of 2520 years. Miss Elizabeth Brown of Jerusalem is my authority for the following statement. "The 2520 years of punishment doubtless began when Nebuchadnezzar on the 9th of Ab, 606 B. C., destroyed the temple and took Zedekiah captive with many of the nobles of Israel, and 2520 years after 606 B. C. brings us to 1914 A. D. On the 9th of Ab, in 1914 A. D., while the Jews were mourning the destruction of the temple by Nebuchadnezzar, the first shot of our late war, which was to change the map of Europe and release the Holy Land from the rule of the Turk, was fired. In 603 B. C. began Nebuchadnezzar's independent reign, and 2520 years after this (1917) Palestine was proclaimed the national home of Israel. Then in 2 Chron. 36:12, 13 we read of a very marked rebellion against God and Nebuchadnezzar in 593 B. C. In 586 B. C., the desolation of the land was completed. Although we do not want to at all be understood as fixing the date of Christ's return, yet we may very probably expect that 2520 years after this date 586 B. C., Israel's punishment and the Times of the Gentiles will simultaneously end, and the Jewish world Dominion with Christ as King be ushered in—that is about 1934."

It is also worthy of note that the rabbis in Jerusalem are teaching their people to expect their Messiah the Son of David to reign on David's throne in 1934. We know that this world is in a terrible condition, but let us praise the Lord that the stone cut out of the mountain without hands will break in pieces the image of Nebuchadnezzar's vision of the five great Gentile Empires. The Lord Jesus Christ is the only One that can straighten out this wicked world and bring order out of chaos.

HOW WILL JESUS COME? His coming will be personal. "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" (Acts 1:11).

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DID HE MEAN IT, REALLY?

Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35). Now "Blessed" means, "Fraught with happiness; blissful; joyful."

Is it not your experience that if you walk up to a brother and say, "Brother, I want to give you a dollar," he will smile more blandly and give evidence of being more joyful than he will if you walk up to him and say, "Brother, I want you to give me a dollar." Most people will say, just off hand, and without taking time for thought, "As for me, I'd rather receive than give." Did Jesus mean it? Are we all mistaken? Is it more blessed to give than it is to receive?

An evangelist gets up and says, "Brethren, I have been here two weeks now, and I have not taken a single collection. I am sorry to have to do so now. If I could just hop up in a tree and roost like a bird, I'd not have to, but as it is I am compelled to ask you for a good collection." Did you ever hear anything like that? Yes, you all have. Now such a talk is phrased on the theory that it is a hardship and too bad that people have to give to support the ministry. But Jesus said it is more blessed to give than to receive.

In fact the entire financial system of the church has been carried on, on the theory that giving is painful but necessary. It is only an illustration of our tendency to go counter to the teachings of Jesus. He wants us to prosper (3 John 2), but poverty is commonly considered a thing naturally to be looked for in very earnest Christians. A saint gets out and hunts for a job and fails or succeeds as the case may be just as a sinner does. A saint gets sick and sends for the doctor and gets well or dies as the case may be, just as the sinner does. Why? Simply because they lean to their own understanding and trust in the arm of flesh. Saints are entitled to divine, miraculous help when they are in need, whether their need is a job or healing.

Brethren, these things should not so be. God is glorified in our lives by our drawing to ourselves in the sight of men the miraculous assistance of our loving Saviour. That we get a job or get healed in answer to prayer is good, but for the people to see that we do get a job or get healed in answer to prayer is better.

But we shall have to change our views about it being painful to give and its being pleasant and safer to have a doctor, before we can get God's blessing in these things. He said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." We shall have to accept this statement as true, and believe it in our hearts. But how? By taking the long view habitually. Possibly a story will make it plain to you.

A sister sent me two dollars. I was glad to get it

and thankful to God for it and I wrote her as much. But when I had said that to her I went further and said, "But, Sister Humphreys, I want you to know that while I am glad that I **received** the two dollars, I am far happier that you **gave** it. To me it is a very small thing. A trip or two to the grocery and it is gone. After a few days what it bought is gone. A few more days and the remembrance of it is also gone. But with you it is far different. When you get to heaven you will find that two dollars there awaiting you in some astonishing and delightful form of blessing which will not pass away in a week or a year, but will be a joy to you forever." This illustrates what God means by saying, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."—C. E. R.

TEN REASONS WHY EVERY CHRISTIAN HOME SHOULD HAVE A FAMILY ALTAR

1. Because it will send you forth to the daily task with a cheerful heart, stronger for the work, truer to duty, and determined in whatever is done, therein to glorify God.

2. Because it will give you strength to meet the discouragements, the disappointments, the unexpected adversities, and sometimes the blighted hopes that may fall to your lot.

3. Because it will make you conscious throughout the day of the attending presence of an unseen, divine One, who will bring you through more than conqueror over every unholy thought or thing that rises up against you.

4. Because it will sweeten home life and enrich home relationship as nothing else can do.

5. Because it will remove all the misunderstanding, and relieve all the friction that sometimes intrudes into the sacred precincts of family life.

6. Because it will hold as nothing else the boys and the girls when they have gone out from underneath the parental roof and so determine very largely the eternal salvation of your children.

7. Because it will exert a helpful, hallowed influence over those who may at any time be guests within the home.

8. Because it will enforce as nothing else can do the work of your pastor in pulpit and pew and stimulate the life of your church in its every activity.

9. Because it will furnish an example and a stimulus to other homes, for the same kind of life and service and devotion to God.

10. Because the Word of God requires it, and, in thus obeying God, we honor Him who is the Giver of all good and the Source of all blessing.—William Edward Beiderwolf.

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The Antichrist will not be a system but a man in whom the power of Satan will be manifested. How terrible it will be to live under such a ruler. The most fearful suffering the world shall ever see will take place during the great tribulation.

Glorious things are awaiting the people of God. For the unprepared there will be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth, but Hallelujahs for the redeemed host of heaven. Jesus sounded the key note of the whole matter when He said, "Watch and pray, for ye know not the hour when the Son of man cometh." God is thundering His last appeal to the church and the world to be ready. Let us take heed. "Watch and pray."

DIVINE COMPASSION

"Jesus wept" (John 11:35).

Never a trial that He is not there,
Never a burden that He doth not bear;
Never a sorrow that He doth not share,
Moment by moment I'm under His care.

What a revelation of the heart of Jesus these two words contain! The Son of God in tears! Those tears tell us of the reality of the union which exists between Christ and His people. Are they despised and rejected? He also went this way! Are they torn by the teeth of cruel criticism? Was He not also subjected to similar treatment by those whom He came to save? Do they suffer severe privation? He had not where to lay His head! Is it through the bitterness of death that His people pass? He went down into the darkness of death! Yes, there is no phase of suffering with which He is unacquainted; no sharp thorn which has not first of all pierced His tender heart!

He trod the winepress of suffering and drank deeply of the cup of shame, being wounded in the house of His friends, in order that He might identify Himself with you and me in our sorrows. Because of this we remember with joy, that we have not an High Priest who cannot be touched with the feelings of our infirmities. In those moments when most we need Him then is His presence most real.

Is it in the furnace of some heartbreaking bereavement that you find yourself at this time? Someone perchance has gone from your life who was so essential to your happiness! Some light which for years has shone in the home is suddenly extinguished and you are plunged into darkness! Do not hug your sorrow! Tell it to Jesus! He alone understands the anguish of this sad hour! Just here, when you are at the point of collapse, He will draw near and make known to your sorrow-laden heart that in all your afflictions He is afflicted too. He comes not to chide us for our tears, but to weep with us; not to reprimand us for our unbelief, but to gently lead us through the gloom of this cruel crisis to the glory beyond.

To Martha and Mary those tears of the Master were far more eloquent than any words which He had spoken. In them was expressed the fulness of His love; the depth of His sympathy; the strength of His friendship. He shared their sorrow! He became the partner of their grief!

Methinks fellowship is never so sweet as at seasons such as these. Blessed indeed are those moments of need which give to us such gracious manifestations of His oneness with us. They serve as opportunities for Christ to display His power. A careful survey of our past spiritual experience will probably reveal that in these times of tremendous trial we have received the greatest inspiration of our lives. Here it was that we discovered the preciousness of His Word; it came as healing ointment to our wounded spirits; He appeared to us in the Word and touched us until our hearts burned within us.

Herein we learn afresh that Christ is always moved at the sight of suffering. It was to alleviate the sufferings of this poor sin-blighted world that He left the glory of His Father's presence and took upon Himself the form of a servant. When He saw the multitude He had compassion on them. And so it is today. He comes in response to our cry of need; He stands with us in the trying situation; He appears just when the storm is at its height. He is always at hand to succor those in distress!

Ev'ry heavy burden He will gladly share,
Are you sad and weary? Jesus has a care;
Well He knows the pathway o'er life's burning sands,
Courage, fainting pilgrim, Jesus understands.

TRUE HUMILITY

The story of Mary wiping the feet of Jesus with her hair, is a wonderful picture in the Word of true humility.

We read in John 12:3, "Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair."

She made a real sacrifice, and we cannot help noting that true humility and deep devotion were both much in evidence in her doing as she did. The reality of her devotion is the more especially emphasized by what the apostle Paul wrote to the Corinthian saints. Please note this very carefully. He said, "But if a woman have long hair it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering" (1 Cor. 11:15).

Mary made a great financial sacrifice by bringing the large amount of the very precious ointment; and in her love service she uses the most precious thing she possesses, her hair, which is her God-given glory, and with this she wipes the Master's feet.—A. H. Argue.

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interior. We must be alive throughout. They that are alive shall be caught up to meet the Lord in the air, the rejected Cornerstone meeting the living stones, and they will fit to one another and so become a perfect temple, and God will not be ashamed to dwell therein.

Every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself. Like must beget like, like must become like. "We all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord." And those parts that may be defective can be quickened, made alive, by the Spirit. Faithful is He that hath called you, who also will do it. He wants to do it for you, and for every one. Spirit, soul and body preserved! He has done it and He will keep on doing it. Having begun a good work He will perfect it unto that day.

STOP! — LOOK! — LISTEN!

STOP long enough to consider what it will mean to have your money used to advance the devil's kingdom after you are gone, when God's kingdom is suffering for lack of consecrated money to carry on His work.

LOOK all about you on every side and see the destruction that is being wrought by the powers of evil, because money that should have been left to carry on God's work, is being used to carry on this work of destruction.

LISTEN to the cries of misery coming from all sources on account of the failure of God's stewards in whom He has put His trust, not listening to the pleadings of the Spirit until it is too late.

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The Place of Worry in the Christian Life

Mrs. G. F. Engblom

Worry is one of the devil's most successful devices for quenching our spiritual life in and with Christ, thus keeping us from the kingdom of God. Through it he keeps us in the Valley of Tears where we cannot realize the joy of the wonderful, bountiful love of Jesus. Thus we cannot rejoice as He calls upon us to do, but fall far short of meeting His desires for us.

When He was on earth He walked the same paths of shame and sorrow, hunger and nakedness that we have to walk, but was pained thereby to a far more excruciating degree than we ever are. Thus truly He knows all His children have to endure, and so it is that as "He himself hath suffered being tempted, He is able to succor them that are tempted" (Heb. 2:8). But although He knows all we suffer, and is able to feel that suffering as real and terrible; still He says, "Rejoice!" Rejoice in what? Why, in Him! Not in the things of this life; the things of today, nor yet in the things of tomorrow, but rejoice in Him, our King, our heavenly Bridegroom, our Lover divine.

This is the way it reads, "Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Eph. 5:20). Surely no one can worry and give thanks at the same time, and as we are to give thanks always, there is no place left for worry. Do you suppose our blessed Lord wants a tearful bride? or one who is given to spending her time in worrying? Put yourself in His place. That is the way to test it, for we are made in His image. Stopping to think of it, you see how very distressing it would be if you had that kind of a wife. How long could you continue to love her and be happy with her? Would you not be sorely tempted to turn to another for love and conjugal bliss?

How long could you love and cherish her, if she held herself within the room of sorrow and did not come out to meet you with love in her eyes and a smile of greeting on her face? Could you impart to her the fulness of your love and your protection, if she habitually withheld herself from your arms? Then, if you could not do so, why should you expect your heavenly Bridegroom to manifest His love and protection to you?

Would a tearful, worrying, fretting, sorrowing bride be a joy to any of you? Would you want to introduce her to your friends, red-eyed and swollen-faced from much weeping? You know the woman is the glory of the man. But "glory" suggests a smiling, satisfied, glad, victorious appearance. The church is the bride and is the glory of the Lord Jesus. If you have a sad, dissatisfied, unhappy, defeated appearance you take away by that much the glory the church is to Christ.

I was formerly much given to worry, and so God had no chance to show His

love for me, nor to manifest Himself in me nor to me, because of worry. Thus I grieved the gentle Spirit of Christ and drove Him from me. So I became cold and indifferent. But I praise the Lord He opened my eyes so that I saw how my senseless worrying was grieving Him. I repented and He forgave me. By His sweet grace I have been able most of the time since to praise instead of whine, to exhibit joy rather than sadness. Thus I am on Bible lines and in Bible order, for He has plainly said He wants me to be happy in Him and rejoice evermore, thanking Him for everything.

I spoke of my worrying being "senseless." It is, for when one knows that everything, really everything that comes or goes, comes or goes for his good, surely it is a senseless thing to worry about those things that God is controlling for our good. Has He not said plainly, bless Him, that "all things work together for good to them that love God."

His Word says, "Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say, Rejoice" (Phil. 4:4). Dearly beloved, are you going to reward your loving Saviour with tears? Is that going to be the "riches of the glory of His inheritance in" you (Eph. 1:18)?

A tearful saint is of little use in soul winning. Who wants something that will make them sad faced? Therefore I refuse to worry, come what may. He said He would never leave me nor forsake me and I shall take Him at His word. A fretful spirit is an abomination to my Lord. He says, "Fret not thyself in anywise" (Psalm 37:8). If you want anything from God you will have to quit fretting and worrying and get quiet before Him. Give up and let Him do the doing. Hallelujah!

Worry is the beginning of discouragement and discouragement spells failure. Failure is just what Satan wants us to have, for then he soon gets advantage of us. So I say, Stop worrying, stop yourself. Do not say you can't, for you can do all things through Christ strengthening you (Phil. 4:13).

The enemy will be likely to tell you there is no use to try, that you will have to wait till the skies clear a little—till things do not look so somber. That is a lie, dearly beloved. The Lord just waits to pass with you through your "valley of Baca" (weeping) and make it a well—a well springing up unto everlasting life (Psalm 84:6). Just tell Him you are sorry for all your disgraceful weeping and whining and promise Him you will delight in Him, praise Him and rejoice instead of weep. Look to Him very definitely and many times a day for the power to do this. He will make you an overcomer, and give you the overcomer's reward. The valley of depression is a very poor place to buy oil for your lamps if they are go-

ing out, for the kind sold there is mostly tears, and so very unclean, and it will not burn at all.

He is sending you out today to love and to cheer sinners by telling them of Him. He has given you a talent, so use it where you are. Let it work. He has put you here for a purpose. He is keeping you here for a purpose, and that purpose is to shine for Him, to show forth His love, peace, joy, longsuffering, patience, meekness and quietness of spirit. How are you going to do that when you let the devil keep you worried over the lack of material things which God says will be given to those who ask and receive? So long as you keep worrying you are minding the things of the flesh.

I am glad indeed that God hung onto me when I was in that state of mind. He chased me around over three states and finally set me down on these dry barren hills of Montana to teach me this one all important lesson—to be still and wait on Him, trust Him for all things and rejoice when nothing to rejoice over can be seen. I am so glad he has taught me how to let the fire burn until I boil and bubble over. Glory, glory be to Jesus, my ever abiding Saviour and Friend!

TUMORS REMOVED

About four months ago I was taken with a severe pain in my left side. (Three years ago I was operated upon for prolapsus of the right ovary, from which operation I suffered continually more or less since). While this pain lasted it caused vomiting and fainting spells. We were staying at Elim Home at the time, and friends prayed for me; and in a measure, the Lord always seemed to undertake and deliver, for a time. This release would last but for a few days when I would have another attack, proving more severe than the last. I had committed my body to the Lord, and had therefore trusted Him fully for deliverance. I began to grow very weak and would take but very little food. School had commenced on the 12th of September, but I could not study and was feeling quite miserable. Recovering somewhat from a very severe attack, I entertained thoughts of visiting some friends in Canada; but as I began to look at the expense, I gave up the thought, and said, "Unless the Lord provides means beyond what we have, I cannot go."

One afternoon, feeling very miserable, I closeted myself in one of the quiet rooms of the Home and brought my case once more before the Lord. I had not been there very long, when a voice—which I knew to be the Lord's—was speaking with me. He was asking me to do that which I have been failing Him in since five years ago. It was a renewal of a call to my home-town in Newfoundland. During the whole of last year I had felt the call very great upon me. But now school had opened, and I was looking forward to having the year at school. Then, there was my health. I could not do anything, for I had to spend most of my time in bed. So I said, "Lord, what about my health? I cannot do anything unless you undertake. Be not grieved with me, Lord; but, that I may know that this is Your voice speaking, give me a sign." Then He said, "I want you to go to Alliston, take of what

you have to get you there and trust Me for the rest, for I am going to finish up everything at Alliston." Knowing that this was indeed the voice of the Lord, I went to visit Pastor and Mrs. Barnewell at Alliston, Ont. On Friday, the Lord gave me that promise in Isaiah 58:8:

"Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; and the glory of the Lord shall by thy rereward."

At midnight of the next day I was awakened by a very severe pain in my left side. At 3 a. m., the pain continuing, I awakened Mr. and Mrs. Barnewell and asked them to pray. Brother Barnewell anointed me and prayed. The pain was incessant and I continued to vomit. At six, hemorrhage commenced. Brother Barnewell asked if I would have a doctor. I said No, I did not want one. Brother Barnewell said he would "stand with me in faith and prayer for complete deliverance," as the Lord had not told him that I was going to die. A message was sent to my husband and prayer requested of the friends at "Elim." I had hemorrhage all that day with severe pain and vomiting which caused me much weakness. About 4 p. m., a lump rose on my side. Brother Barnewell and a dear sister stood by my bedside silently bearing me up before the Lord. I had not mentioned anything about the lump in my side to anyone; so, the enemy came to me, and said that "blood-poisoning was setting in, and that I should call a doctor without delay," said he, "and you will die before you know it."

I felt myself sinking very rapidly, but I kept looking up to Jesus; and in my weak and feeble way, I laid the whole thing upon Him. Suddenly I felt such strength come into my soul that, whereas a moment before I felt myself sinking beneath the tide, now I felt so lifted above it all that even my feet didn't seem to touch. It was the everlasting arms of God bearing me through the waters: for His Word says:

"When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee."

Then came the voice of Jesus: "Will you grieve Me by calling earthly aid? Will you trust Me?" I cried, "Yes, Jesus; I will trust you to the end. I will not grieve You by calling earthly aid: if an operation be necessary, You can perform it." Almost instantly the Lord removed from my side a tumor about the size of a man's fist. At 3 a. m., Monday, a second was removed; and, in the afternoon, a third; both the size of the first. On Tuesday morning still another was removed, though smaller than the others. All pain was taken away immediately, and on Wednesday hemorrhage ceased. Truly, I say again with the Psalmist: "O Lord my God, I cried unto thee, and Thou hast healed me."

On Saturday I was able to be taken down stairs, and on the following Thursday accompanied by my husband, I was able to leave for Rochester, N. Y. Day by day new life has been springing up in my body, and I have proven His promise to be true—"Thine health shall spring forth speedily."

—Mrs. E. Vaters, in "Trust."

Homely Things from a Pastor's Diary

Chas. E. Robinson

Wednesday May 1.—I have only been in Sparkman two weeks now, and hence I see many strangers. Foreseeing this would be so, as I was coming here I had the Gospel Publishing House send me a quantity of their Scripture cards. The plan I used was new to me, but I found it very effective. I spent all the afternoon on the street. I would step up to a man or boy I did not know and hand him one of these cards. Possibly it read, "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?" or, "My son, if sinners entice thee consent thou not" or "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches." Just a text on one side and blank on the other side. Almost every time, the man would read the short verse and turn the card over. Seeing nothing there, he would turn it back and read the verse again. Puzzled and wondering where the trick was he would then look up at me. When he saw me standing there expectant and smiling my sweetest, he would smile too, and so we were introduced and the conversation was easily and naturally started about the things of which I wanted to talk. It is the best plan I have found by which to get into helpful conversation with strangers. I talked with twenty-eight men and boys. I can tell by counting the cards. Several confessed themselves heart-hungry, and nearly all promised to come to hear me preach. I expect to see excellent results from these friendships thus rightly begun.

As I started home I dropped in on Brother and Sister Needham. They have been recently married and I wanted to make sure they were getting started off right. Newly wedded couples are commonly eager to get started in the way that is best for their future welfare, but so often they forget the family altar. It was so, I found, with Brother and Sister Needham. So, when I read 1 Peter 3:1-7 to them and talked very earnestly on the seventh verse about their being heirs together of the grace of life and showed them that "the family altar is the hub of the spiritual universe," they willingly promised me and each other solemnly as we were on our knees before God, that they would not fail in this grace. We had a melting time together and I came home delighted with my afternoon—twenty-eight strangers spoken to very plainly, straightly and lovingly about their personal salvation and a young couple set right in one of the most important things in our family lives, the community of prayer. A family which habitually submits everything to God morning and night at the family altar, is strongly bulwarking itself against the attacks of the devil.

I didn't have to say anything to them about tithes for they were both fully determined about that. A beautiful future opens out before them now. Paying tithes and the family altar make up a first and second line of defense very difficult if not

impossible for the devil to break through, so long as they are both maintained. I have been carefully watching tithers for more than thirty years and I have never yet seen a man backslide while faithfully bringing in his tithes to the church. Of course the devil is tooth and nail against these two things for this reason. Any pastor knows that in a decaying or lukewarm church a lot of altarless homes can be found. When the devil can get a couple too busy to attend the family altar and too stingy (covetous) to pay in their tithes, he knows he has them hooked.

WHAT WILL YOU SAY THEN?

While Hopu, a young Sandwich Islander, was in this country, he spent an evening in a company where an infidel lawyer tried to puzzle him with difficult questions. At length Hopu said, "I am a poor heathen boy. It is not strange that my blunders in English should amuse you. But soon there will be a larger meeting than this. We shall all be there. They will ask us all one question, namely, 'Do you love the Lord Jesus Christ?' Now, sir, I think I can say, 'Yes.' What will you say, sir?"

When he had stopped, all present were silent. At length the lawyer said that as the evening was far gone, they had better conclude it with prayer, and proposed that the native should pray. He did so; and as he poured out his heart to God, the lawyer could not conceal his feelings. Tears started from his eyes, and he sobbed aloud. All present wept, too, and when they separated, the words, "What will you say, sir?" followed the lawyer home, and did not leave him till they brought him to the Saviour. —Selected.

A NOTE OF PRAISE

I want to thank God for His wonderful goodness to me. Early in June this year I had an attack of fever. Much prayer was offered, and we felt the fever broke at that time. My nerves were in a weakened condition, and for about 5 months after I began to amend I had to come aside. This is my nineteenth year of strenuous evangelistic work, and I feel somewhat like Paul's helper Epaphroditus (Phil. 2: 25-27) who was sick nigh unto death, but God spared him. In verse 30 Paul gave the reason why he was sick: "Because for the work of Christ he was nigh unto death, not regarding his life."

I also want to especially thank God for wonderfully undertaking for my dear wife and daughter who were called aside for a time that their weary bodies might rest. This will explain to numbers of brethren who had so kindly called us for meetings (calls even came from Australia and New Zealand). Three members of our family are now on the evangelistic field, and possibly five of us will be early in the New Year. I thank the dear saints for their kind interest and prayers.—A. H. Argue, 143 Machray Ave., Winnipeg,

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING

Subject — Trusting and Obeying
 "I surrender all, I surrender all;
 All to Thee, my blessed Saviour,
 I surrender all."

(Romans 12:1)

Have you really done it? If so, you have been transported to that hidden place in the heart of the Lord Jesus—the center of His sweet will; and you are safe.

A few years ago a young woman, whom we shall call Louise, was a radiant, happy Christian. She was so free in the Spirit, and dwelt so under the anointing, that when she rose to give her testimony or to speak a word for the Lord, the power would fall on the whole assembly. When she lifted her voice in praise to God, sinners were convicted. But now for two years there have been no praises on her lips, she has rarely been found at the house of worship, and her face is as sad as it used to be glad.

Yesterday she told me her story. She said that the last two years have been so awful in misery that death would have been welcome. Troubles of every kind have rolled over her. Darkness has enveloped her; the heavens have seemed as brass; and she has been at the point of a nervous breakdown. At first she said she could find no cause for the change from a life of victory to one of defeat. But as we talked together she told me of a vision the Lord had given her, in which He seemed to call her to work for Him in the whitened harvest fields. "Did you say yes to the Lord?" I asked. The answer came, "No, I kept putting off the decision. I felt so unfitted for the work and I couldn't see anything I could do."

In the conversation that followed, Louise mentioned other things that had come up. They were just trifles, apparently, but she had wanted her own way about them and had not sought to be yielded to the Lord in these little things. The feeling had come that she ought to do differently, but she had in a sense pushed that feeling aside, preferring her own way. Poor Louise! she might have been spared these last two worse than wasted years if she had learned to sing from her heart—

"I surrender all, I surrender all,
 All to Thee, my blessed Saviour,
 I surrender all."

We talked together about the Lord's will being the sweetest thing on earth, for He is Love; and Louise went home with the purpose in her heart of dropping on her knees and saying, "Lord, I've come to surrender all to You. If You see in me any unwillingness to yield, don't pay any attention to it, for I will to yield." This morning Louise said, "I put my will over on the Lord's side last night, and I'm going through with Him. No matter what comes up, I am determined to yield to Him in it." As she spoke, something of the old joy shone on her face, her eyes were bright. She said, "The more I yield,

the more I feel the return of the old-time Presence of the Lord."

Every young Christian ought to have a definite understanding with the Lord concerning the matter of surrender. If you find any unwillingness in your heart, tell Him you are willing to be made willing. "Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it" (1 Thess. 5:24). This morning Louise said, "After what I have been through, I would be afraid not to say yes to the Lord, or to postpone a decision till another time." When the writer was considering surrendering every detail of her life to the Lord, the thought would continually come, "But what if the Lord asks you to kneel and pray aloud at the corner of Sixth and Broadway, at noon-time, when the crowd is thickest." Unfortunately I did not at first recognize who made that suggestion (for it was Satan himself), and I spent a miserable time for awhile. He is still the same liar that he was in the garden of Eden, and is still at his old trick of misrepresenting God. Many a young soul, facing the decision of full surrender to the Lord Jesus, has been tormented with the possibility of having to do most outlandish things if they should yield to Him. To others Satan suggests that if they yield absolutely to the Lord Jesus, there will be nothing left in life worth living for—the Lord will rob them of all pleasures.

"The Lord will give grace and glory; no good thing will he withhold" (Psa. 84:11). He will not only give grace and glory, but He will give a thousand other things whose sweetness is beyond anything we ever before tasted. He may have to take away something that would hurt us, just as a mother would take from her baby a sharp knife or a hot iron—but no good thing will He withhold. And for everything He takes from us, He will put in our lives something infinitely sweeter. Jesus is our divine Lover, and is eagerly waiting for us to say "Yes" to Him, so that He may shower upon us a multitude of blessings, precious gifts from His heart of love.

Though our consecration (surrender) is made at a definite moment, it has to be wrought out in every-day living. When little things cross us, and we want our own way, it will help us if we keep whispering to the Lord, "Nevertheless not as I will, but as Thou wilt" (Matt. 26:39). Jesus said, "I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me" (John 5:30). If we seek to lay down our own will in the little every day occurrences, we will soon reach the joyful place where from the depths of our being we can say, "In the volume of the book it is written of me, I delight to do thy will, O my God" (Psa. 40:7).

"Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass" (Psa. 37:5). After a full and sweeping

surrender is made, there is need of a daily committing our way unto Him, and then trusting that He will bring it to pass. Failure to do this has cheated many a surrendered soul out of the peace and joy that should be theirs. One young girl, who was very diligent about committing her way unto the Lord, went about with a worried look on her face and a dread in her heart lest she should get out of His will. At times she was fretted with the idea that perhaps she was not in His will at all, though she desired above everything else to be in His will. One day she discovered she was only living on the first half of the verse (Commit thy way unto the Lord), and was entirely neglecting the second half (**Trust also in Him**). Since then her life has been transformed from one of worry and indecision to that of a bright, happy, trustful confidence.

"I will say 'Yes' to Jesus, oft it was 'No' before,

As He knocked at my heart's proud entrance, and I firmly barred the door;
 But I've made a complete surrender, and given Him right of way,
 And henceforth it is always 'Yes,' whatever He may say.

"I will say 'Yes' to Jesus, to all that He commands,

I will hasten to do His bidding, with willing heart and hands,
 I will listen to hear His whispers, and learn His will each day,
 And always gladly answer 'Yes,' whatever He may say.

"I will say 'Yes' to Jesus, whate'er His hands may bring,

And tho' clouds hang over my pathway, my trusting heart will sing;
 I will follow where'er He leadeth, my Shepherd knows the way,
 And while I live I'll answer 'Yes,' whatever He may say."—Sister Beulah.

SPINE HEALED

I sound a note of praise for the wonderful healing power of Jesus Christ through faith. Last winter while at work I injured my back, which nearly resulted in a break. I went to a spine doctor who gave me treatments, all to no avail. Then getting under conviction I gave my heart to God, being saved while in my seat. Praise His holy name! Sisters Clara Arnesen and Jewyl Stoddard, pastors here, had with them Brother and Sister Persing from Serrias, Calif. They called for testimonies. I testified to being saved and requested prayer that I be healed, my spine being 17 points out of line. After meeting I went forward to be prayed for and healed. Brother Persing, praying, laid hands on me, and immediately the pain, intense as it was, left at once, and praise the Lord I was healed. Glory be to God! During the week I again threw my back out of place, and being prayed for the second time, I was healed instantly with the laying on of hands. My eyes were also healed, and later when I hurt my neck I prayed that the Lord would heal me during the night, and praise the Lord He did. I am seeking the Baptism in the Holy Ghost and fire, and request the prayers of the saints that the fire will fall in Maxwell, Calif.—Albert M. Chapell, Box 64, Maxwell, Calif.

JESUS AS SAVIOUR OF THE SOUL AND HEALER OF THE BODY

"Surely He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities, and with His stripes we are healed." Isa. 53:4, 5.
"Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses." Matt. 8:17.

There came to Jesus, while on earth,
Those seeking pardon from all sin,
And such as had diseases, too,
Or having demons vile within.

At Jesus' feet a woman bowed,
And from her sins she sought release;
And while she sorely wept, He said,
"Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace."

A leper sought the healing touch
Of the divine, almighty One,
And by a word from His blest lips
The cleansing was most quickly done.

To one with palsy stricken down
The blessed Saviour kindly said:
"Thy sins be all forgiven thee,"
And, too, "Arise, take up thy bed."

The mother of St. Peter's wife
With burning fever helpless lay,
But when Christ merely touched her hand,
She rose at once and went her way.

The two blind men who cried aloud
That Jesus might restore their sight
Received an answer to their prayer
And joyfully beheld the light.

And to the Lord a man was brought
With deafness, and with speech not right,
Whom, when the gracious Saviour touched,
Both clearly heard and spoke aright.

A woman with a dread disease,
Which lasted twelve long, weary years,
Just touched the garments of the Lord,
And was made whole, with no more fears.

Before the Lord a woman fell,
And of His pow'r she had no doubt,
And for her daughter sought release;
He cast the evil spirit out.

A father asked the Lord to heal
His son, a lunatic, and, too,
The devil often vexed him sore,
But Jesus cured him at first view.

A man with unclean spirits ran
To meet the Lord and sought relief;
The mighty word went forth, "Come out";
The man was saved from all his grief.

And thus from time to time the Lord
Wrought deeds of mercy, love, and pow'r;
He's just the same most gracious One,
And He can save and heal this hour.

"Come unto Me," He sweetly says,
Ye heavy laden souls, for rest.
Oh, happy they who heed His words;
They'll surely be supremely blest.

Then come to Him, ye needy ones,
With all your sins and every ill;
But come with penitence and faith,
That He His promise may fulfill.

Psa. 103:3; 30:2; Matt. 9:35; 10:1; 8:17; Mark 6:13; Rom. 8:11; 2 Cor. 4:10, 11; James 5:14, 15, and others.

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THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

A PERSIAN CAPTIVE MAID

"The Kurds! The Kurds!" The cry rang from the housetops through the village streets and carried terror to every heart: The village was on the plain of Urmia, Persia, and the Kurds, wild robbers from the mountains, were swarming down, bringing death and destruction to all the Christian villages.

They were seen now on the crest of a hill, and the villagers knew they would soon be upon them. Leaving everything, they fled for their lives and in the confusion families were separated and children lost.

Such was the fate of Sherin, the native pastor's little daughter, twelve years old. Where is Sherin? They cannot find her, though they call frantically. Perhaps she heard the alarm and has hurried off with a neighbor's family.

With this hope her father and mother gather the little ones in their arms and, half walking, half running, hasten to join the crowd hurrying to the city.

After weary hours they reached the gate and the first question to all they meet is: "Where is Sherin?"

No one knows! Her mother wrings her hands and falls sobbing to the ground.

But what of Sherin? A Kurd had found her hiding under the hay, and dragged her out, and shook her roughly, "Here, no crying! I'll take you to the shiek's wife. She wants just such a pretty bride for her son, and will give me big 'peshkesh'."

She was lifted up on the horse behind him, a strong leather belt strapping her to him, and they set off at a gallop.

The little girl was numb with terror and grew faint with hunger, but dared not utter a word. They rode all day and stopped at night in a mountain village, where her kidnapper handed her to one of the women, saying, "Keep her safe."

The next day at sunset, after traveling all day as on the day before, they reached the shiek's village. The shiek's wife was a big, handsome woman who ruled her clan in her lord's absence. Her only son was away with his father on his foray. On seeing Sherin with her beautiful long hair, fair skin, red cheeks and dainty hands and feet, she exclaimed:

"You shall be my son's bride. I'll stain your nails with henna and paint your eyebrows and you'll be a beauty."

These words in Kurdish, Sherin could not understand, but as the woman looked at her not unkindly, she fell at her feet and kissed her hand, imploring, "O 'Khanum,' have mercy on me and send me home to my mother!"

Her words were translated, but met with only a laugh from the bystanders.

So Sherin's captivity began. She was guarded carefully, and at night slept by her mistress. The days and weeks passed and Sherin's heart grew heavy with home-

sickness. One day a Kurd rode up from the city and to Sherin's surprise said, "I have something for you. Your mother sent you this book."

It was a little Testament, just what she had learned to read at school. The poor child was overjoyed. She kissed it again and again. It seemed a message not only from her mother, but from her Saviour.

She pored over the precious words whenever she had a chance, and the women would gather curiously about her, for none of them could read.

As she got their language, she could translate some verses to them, and they would exclaim, "Bah, bah!" which in their language, meant admiration and not scorn.

Not only did Sherin read to them words they had never heard, but she was herself a revelation. Her good humor, her gentleness, sweetness and patience made her a favorite. The women would say, "Why is she so different? Our children are wild and rude. They curse and fight like we do and answer us back with impudence. She's a lamb."

She amused the children by telling Bible stories, and as she described the village school and sang to them, they said, "Why don't we have schools and study lessons and learn to be gentle and good like you?"

Her mistress would sometimes try to make her repeat the Moslem prayers, and would threaten her, saying, "You must turn, you must turn Moslem, for my son will marry no dog of a Christian, and it will be great merit for me to make you a true believer."

To her surprise the gentle child looked at her with flashing, fearless eyes and said, "You can kill me, but I shall never deny my faith. I am a Christian now and forever."

The Kurds held the city of Urmia four months, when suddenly news reached the mountains that Persians had returned with a large army and defeated them. The shiek and his followers fled, with what spoil they could carry, back to their villages.

Now Sherin trembled, for she feared the time had come for her to be married to the shiek's son. The day was soon set, and preparations for the feast began, when a messenger from the Persian band arrived with various demands, and one was that Sherin, the pastor's daughter, be returned. The Kurds feared the Persians and dared not refuse.

Again she made the journey over the mountain road, and reaching the city was clasped in her mother's arms. What a shout of thanksgiving arose! "She was lost, and is found! God is good."

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A MISSIONARY'S COUNSEL

I have noticed lately a few articles from your missionaries on the field, which have drawn out my sympathy, referring to the fact that from morning till night they are constantly at the beck and call of natives,—buying in food, attending to wounds and sores, dealing with individuals, interviewing callers, etc. Now I know from some solid experience exactly how wearing all this is to patience and to nerves, and how it hinders one in doing regular solid work for God. But brothers, I believe that a vast amount of it is avoidable; and after ten years here we have found that we are getting fat instead of thin; we are able to do vastly more work for God, and are not suffering any more from "nerves." Perhaps the following hints may be worth passing on.

1. We find that the native has no idea of the value of time, and must be taught to appreciate it. Our natives loved to come and spend an idle hour gazing at the white man, his ways and his things, so that outside we had a continual row of gazing, chattering natives. They would come with things to sell at all hours, and men who had been idling in the village all day would decide to come up to the mission for a chat just when we were settling down to writing or translation. Often the workmen would come for instructions just as we were in the middle of meals, and we had no more sense than to jump up and attend to them so that my first term was a history of seven years, with six and three quarters of it nerves and fever.

Now we teach them from such passages as 1 Thess. 4:11, 2 Thess. 3:10, Rom. 12:11, Prov. 18:9, Eph 4:27, 28; Heb. 6:10-12 that it is a sin to be idle. We will not have anyone sitting around doing nothing. We have a time for buying food, and if the food is not bought then, it has to wait till next day. A time for binding wounds, and unless a serious case, we refuse to deal with it at another time. It is against native etiquette to sit and stare and make remarks, and we will not allow it.

2. There is a fence around our garden, and anyone who wants us or has business is welcome, but we do not allow loafers. We tell them that loafing is theft. It is stealing God's precious time, that should be redeemed by gardening, learning, worship and prayer, etc.

3. We have learnt the lesson that Moses learnt from his father-in-law. Whatever we can delegate to a Christian "capitas" we do. He supervises the work, carries instructions, does petty buying and selling. How many priceless hours the capitas saves one; and he costs one a quarter per week.

Of course, despite all these things,

there are still a hundred annoyances, interruptions, duties, monotonies, that break in on a day's work, but we find that by (1) condemning loafers, (2) having regular buying etc. hours; (3) maintaining some degree of privacy; (4) employing a capitas to relieve us of light jobs—by these things we have much more time for work that really matters for God, and for getting into vital touch with the natives.

We rejoice that we are still reaching out farther and farther into untouched territory, and many are being saved and filled with the Spirit. One evangelist came in last week with a list of seventy who have professed faith in Christ and now wish baptism.—Wm. F. P. Burton, Congo Belge, Africa.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK IN SOUTH AFRICA

Sister Anna Richards writes: "We have been unusually busy the past few weeks, yet in all the rush and hurry, His presence has been so real. Praise His Name! Last Sunday I was out at the Sophiatown native Sunday School, while John took over the one at Robinson. The Sunday School work is really the brightest work we have here. If one can get the children interested, they seem to get a better hold on the parents.

"When we opened the Sunday School at Robinson there were only seventeen children present and very few women who seemed the least bit interested. Now we have over one hundred on the roll and the mothers stand around on the outside in groups and on pleasant days we have had several come in. This means a lot for some of them and we do praise God with all our hearts. Some of the mothers kept their children at home until they saw just what the School was like. One woman told me she would not let her little girl come for fear we would teach her 'evil spirits.' When she came and saw we were teaching them to be good, she said, 'Oh, please put my little girl's name down, she will be here next Sunday.'"

MISSIONARY REST HOME, CHICAGO

An ironing machine has been placed in the Missionary Rest Home, the gift of several kind friends. The Battle Creek Assembly contributed \$66.00 towards this, The Passover Prayer League \$20.00, The Kalamazoo Assembly \$17.00, The Mallet Creek, Ohio Assembly \$10.00, The Muskegon Assembly \$5.00, and other friends \$22.00, making up the total cost of the ironing machine, \$140.00.—Alvin L. Branch, Battle Creek, Mich.

Comfort Boxes, Texts that will help. Sent for 35 cents postpaid.

HAND-PICKED FRUIT IN INDIA

Sister L. H. Parker writes from Cawnpore, India: "The converted Pandit is teaching in a Government School, 24 miles from Cawnpore. He came in last Friday as it was a Holiday. He ate with us, then we read the Word and had prayer. I gave a little comment on it, after which we prayed and when he prayed he said, 'Oh, Lord thank thee for the "Holy Food."' The poor fellow has had a very hard time since he took a stand for Jesus. His wife is bitterly against him and says she will never live with him unless he comes back to Hinduism. He is too happy to do that. He says he works for the Lord out there and tells all with whom he comes in contact of Jesus but he does not understand why they do not understand.

"I have been greatly impressed with him this last time and believe he means to go all the way with Jesus. One thing I did when I saw he was interested in Christianity, and that he questioned about the Bible; I started to translate my old Bible School notes on Dispensational Truth. Well, it worked and he asked questions and we had some good talks about Jesus and the Word. Now, it tells on him. Praise the Lord.

"I now have another young man coming. His father is a preacher but there have been many questions in his mind about the Word. The thought came to me. Read with him and together translate some of your notes. We started and he began to question and we have had together some of the best times with the Word. He says just the week that we have had together has been the greatest blessing he has had with the Bible. I am going to give the preachers some study with this man on the Coming for the Saints. It has helped me also. My translating has helped me many ways. First to fire me again in Spirit and then it helps me in my Hindi.

"Our Parsee neighbor has invited me over to tell him more about the Bible. In His set time, I want to go. Then we have had some Anglo-Indian people coming for prayer and we have had a chance to tell them many things about His love and soon coming."

BUILDING NEEDED

Sister Lena Smith Howe writes from Santurce, Porto Rico: "We are in great need of a building, a church. Only about one hundred can get into my rooms in my house. The congregation are many more. We tried dividing the people and having another congregation in another part under the care of our native preacher who is a good man. But it has not proved very successful so far. That group has dwindled. A number of people from other churches are coming in from the Presbyterian, the Methodist, the Brethren, etc. From these we are getting some preachers. I am very thankful for all this. Only the financial side is dark, and we are believing the Lord will lighten that darkness. Our people are poor. Just now some are coming in who are not so extremely poor. And the pocketbook seems to be the last battleground."

BLESSINGS IN INDIA

Sister Bernice C. Lee located at Uska Bazar, U. P., India writes: "This has been a very busy summer for me and a very happy one. I did not intend going away to the hills as I was not feeling the need of it physically, for praise the Lord, He has given me practically perfect health. However, He began speaking to me of service, and then I was glad to go. I spent six week in Landour and had one of the most blessed ministries of all. I found hungry people everywhere and there was such a lot to do. Besides meetings, there were the personal interviews and only one day during all the time, did I have which I could call my own, and which I spent in the quiet of my own room. I do so praise the Lord for this door that He most manifestly opened up for me and I do want to be faithful in every service.

"Tomorrow I go for a two-week series of meetings among some of our Swedish friends. That is, the meetings are to be in one of the Swedish Baptist missions (also Pentecostal) for the upbuilding of the India Christians. They have these series of meetings yearly for their people. There is much to be done in the Indian church, and ever since I first came to India the Lord has laid this as a special burden upon my heart. Many of the Christians where I am going are just new ones and hence need much grounding.

"Immediately following this will be our annual convention at Rae Bareilly and then I expect to get right out into the camp for a good season among the heathen. Recently, we have been having some very profitable times among the villagers in the surrounding villages and I love this work also, and expect to have plenty of it this winter. Our cool season is so short and we need to keep as busy as possible in order to get out the message while the winter lasts.

"God is indeed blessing in the leper work here at Uska Bazar, and I do praise the Lord for what the enlarging of our borders has meant. The lepers are being sent to us so frequently now and we are full up, for the buildings are by no means completed as yet. We have taken in as fast as we had room and last Saturday a man with his blind wife and little baby came to us, wanting a place in the Home. We had no place to offer them, so told them if they wanted to stay we could make a temporary grass hut under the trees and they answered at once they would stay. So you see we have quite a family and we praise the Lord for every added one. We rejoice that the Lord is graciously working among them too and conviction is being felt. God's Spirit is surely doing something in the hearts of these poor sufferers and though they are so diseased in body, their spirits are being prepared for the Home-call.

"Yesterday, one who has been a great sufferer for some days past died and his poor body was actually rotten, his horrible sores having maggots in them! For days he begged us to put him out of his misery, but now the Lord has taken him to Himself and we know that he is at last at rest and peace. Oh, I tell you it means something to be able to point these poor outcasts to the lamb of God and we

thank Him for the charge He has given us.

"We yet have such a lot of work ahead of us. Much building has yet to be done and we must make room for the many lepers who are coming all the time. We know you remember us in prayer; how we need each other."

MISSIONARY PENNIES

I want to pass along a little word of advice to all the Evangel readers. It is just this. If each one would save their pennies for missionary needs instead of thinking "Oh a penny is nothing" it is surprising how fast they accumulate when dropped into a little receptacle. They are never missed, and they soon count up when taken care of. My husband gives me his pennies, and I save them for missionary money. Please just try it.—Mrs. Orin Wickwire, Seattle, Wash.

FOREIGN MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS

November 6 to 12, Inclusive

This does not include offerings sent in for the expense of the Foreign Missions Department.

- \$.25 L H B Payette Idaho; .60 Mrs O K Simpson Okla; .75 T H Mc De Sote Mo
- 1.00 M W Bruin Pa; Mrs S C H Jesup Ga; U M S Ft Worth Tex; Mrs L H W Huntington Park Calif; Mrs J E C McKinney Tex; S D D Wichita Falls Tex; F W P Davenport Okla; W H Madison S Dak; A Friend Knoxville Tenn; R H L Chandler Tex; D F Vallejo Calif; M C Moody Mo; Mrs T W W Broken Bow Okla; J M G Eureka Springs Ark; The Junior Class Milton Fla; Mrs L H Milton Fla; 1.25 Assembly of God McCoy Tex; 1.50 M C Des Moines Ia; Assembly West Plains Mo; 1.75 Mrs E V A Bloomington Ill; 1.80 Mr V D Springfield Mo; 1.89 Assembly of God S S Bethalto Ill
- 2.00 M M San Antonio Tex; A Friend Rule Tex; Mrs B A P Ft Dodge Kas; J T B Gracemont Okla; Miss E K Miami Okla; D G M Warrne Ill; Full Gospel Mission Dutchtown N Y; Mr J C H Canton Ohio; H C Plattsburg N Y; 2.08 Willing Workers S S Class Redondo Beach Calif; 2.20 Algona Pent'l Mission Algona Wash; 2.31 Assembly of God Zurich Kans; 2.39 Assembly of God S S Paris Ill; 2.35 Assembly & S S Hill City Kans; 2.50 C E J Caruthersville Mo; 2.75 Assembly of God Church Fredonia Kans
- 3.00 Mr & Mrs L W B Hiawatha Nebr; Mrs E L D S Plainfield N J; B H C Coffeyville Kans; Senior Class West Canaan N H; Mexican Assembly of God National City Calif; 3.02 Young People's Band Oswego Kans; 3.23 Assembly of God S S Holly Colo; 3.27 Sigbee Assembly Bethel Mo; 3.50 Mr & Mrs C M Brooklyn N Y; Pent'l S S Perks Ill; 3.65 Polk Creek S S Poteau Okla; 3.83 S S Hornbeck La; 3.86 Assembly of God S S Gracemont Okla
- 4.00 A L R MacDavid Fla; Mrs R C Sidney Ia; Mrs R F B Palacios Tex; J D I Ontario Can; Overton Tab Overton Tex; 4.05 Assembly Baker Okla; 4.30 R A W Winchester Tex; 4.55 M B Dania Fla; 4.72 S S Madera Calif
- 5.00 J H B Alton Ill; Mr & Mrs I T J Clear Lake Wis; L T D Chester Ill; Mrs. C E M E. St Louis Ill; Mr M A Rufe Okla; F O B Johnson City Texas; Mr & Mrs J B M Monroeville Ind; Mrs J M B Columbus Mo; C E L San Francisco Calif; North Side Assembly Ft Smith Ark; N S McLeod Okla Mrs J S Newport Ky; Ladies' Bible Class Houston Tex; B P A Medford Mass; C L K Portland Ore; J W B Graceville Fla; Miss G D Sunnyvale Calif; J F S Tallapoosa Mo; H H Lynden Wash; A C R Reizi Miss; Mrs A H B Norfolk Va; M C C Yakima Wash; W L W Los Angeles Calif; Mrs J C R Alamosa Colo; W L S Port Lavaca Tex; Miss A C Ludlow Pa; Mrs H L I Roseville Ohio; Florala S S Lockhart Ala; Mr & Mrs L S B Coffeyville Kans; MR Fairmount Ind; Mrs W R F Eustis Fla; 5.15 Assembly of God S S Chester Ill; 5.33 Glad Tidings Assembly Paso Robles Calif; 5.42 M S Esparto Calif; 5.44 Assembly of God S S Leavenworth Wash; 5.45 Fifth & Broad St S S Wichita Falls Tex; S S Bell Calif; 5.55 Mr & Mrs H M Bethlehem S Africa; 5.70 Glad Tidings S S Okmulgee Okla; 5.86 Assembly Earle Ark
- 6.00 Assembly of God S S Wright City Okla; Mrs J P B Claremore Okla; Full Gospel Assembly S S Monrovia Calif; Assembly of God Tab Toledo Ohio; Mrs J S Newport Ky; Assembly Perry Ia; 6.15 Flat Wood S S Edom Tex; 6.20 R H W West Canaan N H; 6.37 Assembly Cottage Grove Ore; 6.70 Assembly Ninnekah Okla; O C S Gilroy Calif
- 7.00 W R M South Fork Pa; E K Corona N Y; A Friend Marvell Ark; Assembly of God Creston Ia; Mrs R B S Savannah Ga; 7.18 Assembly Samson Ala; 7.50 Pent'l Mission Rohnerville Calif; 7.51 Assembly Brimston Mo; 7.75 Pent'l Assembly Maxwell Calif

- 8.00 P W Cleveland Ohio; Young People's Class S S Hammond Ind; Pleasant Hill Assembly Mt Ayr Ia; J E C Greenville Tex; Mr P L Marysville Calif; First Pent'l Assembly Harrisburg Pa; C C Bryan Tex; S S Sachse Tex; Assembly of God S S Indian Valley Idaho; A I B San Diego Calif; Full Gospel S S Corcoran Calif; H M S Cyril Okla; 8.50 Full Gospel Mission Woodland Calif
 - 9.00 Assembly of God S S Burkburnett Tex; M H S Norwood Mo; Assembly of God Lamesa Tex; Mrs E N Alton Kans; Mrs L P Avant Okla; 9.22 S S Dunsmuir Calif; 9.75 Full Gospel Church Delano Calif
 - 10.00 Mrs L S's daughter Ithaca N Y; Mrs J S Philadelphia Pa; Mrs A E S Inglewood Calif; A Sister in the Lord New Britain Conn; Mr & Mrs M Y Council Bluffs Ia; W C C Chicago Ill; Dorcas Miss'y Band Ft Worth Tex; R B Munci Ind; H A Mc Bakersfield Calif; M S B Margate N J; M & Mrs C & Mrs C Eckbert Colo; Mrs A H Ft Smith Ark; Mrs M H P Pawtucket R I; N C Larned Tex; Assembly of God S S Chappell Nebr; 1st Pentecostal S S Corry Pa; G B H San Jose Calif; Pent'l Assembly Trenton N J; Lattington S S Milton N Y; Mrs L K V Ironton Ohio; R H Bassett Neb; W A H Beebe Wash; H M J Osseo Wis; Mrs E B Butler N J; J R B & wife Eagle Bend Minn; Assembly Nelsonville Mo; Assembly & S S Bazine Kans; 10.20 Full Gospel Assembly Monrovia Calif; 10.70 Assembly Whistler Ala
 - 11.00 N F B Nordheim Tex; Mrs Z T S Chelsea Okla; Assembly Montana Ark; 11.23 C E T Jacksonville Fla; 11.56 Pleasant Grove S S Tampa Fla; 12.00 S S Classes & Mrs H Watsonville Calif; Assembly of God S S Arkansas City Kans; Mrs J W S Floyds Knobs Ind; L R Y Los Angeles Calif; 12.06 Assembly of God S S Phoenix Ariz
 - 13.00 Mr C S E Wichita Kans; C K T Bucyrus Ohio; 14.33 Full Gospel Assembly Oroville Calif; 14.50 Assembly El Dorado Ark; 14.75 Assembly Hanford Calif; 14.90 Full Gospel Tab Napa Calif; 15.00 Elim Tab S S Endwell N Y; J W Y Fresno Calif; A M W Butler N J; J F Los Angeles Calif; Mrs J R D Hurin Ohio; 15.28 Church & S S Hammond Ind; 15.80 Mrs F H Ashland Kans; 16.00 Atwater-Winton Assembly Calif; 16.01 Full Gospel Assembly Springfield Ill; 16.25 Pent'l Church of God New Haven Conn; 17.00 Glad Tidings Assembly Newburg N Y; C T C Greenville Tex
 - 18.00 Pent'l Bible League Jasonville Ind; Missionary Prayer Band Millville N J; 18.37 Mrs S O N Vurdugo City Calif; 18.65 Assembly Boonville Ark; 19.00 Assembly Sayles Pa; 19.29 Glad Tidings Church San Antonio Tex; 19.65 Pent'l S S Gary Ind
 - 20.00 H M Hope Ark; Gospel Lighthouse Tab Asbury Park N J; C A H Los Angeles Calif; Assembly Smithville Tex; Assembly & S S Spokane Wash; 20.40 Bethel Church Stockton Calif; 21.50 Faith Tab Burlington Wash; 22.75 Bethesda Mission Richmond Va; 23.00 S S & friends Redlands Calif; Evangelistic Tab Medina Ohio; J B G Alta Canada; 24.00 Mr C F S Alberta Canada; 24.37 Mr W W Sioux City Ia; 24.45 Assembly Santa Ana Calif; 25.00 G W H Auburn Nebr; B D A Goose Creek Tex; O I H Bassett Nebr; Mr J M P Liberia W. Africa; 27.25 Gospel Mission Dayton Ore; 27.50 Assembly Live Oak Calif; 28.40 Church of the Full Gospel Richmond Calif; 28.78 Assembly of God Tab Porterville Calif
 - 30.00 Mrs L A W Louisville Ky; J W Tulsa Okla
 - 33.30 Calvary Mission Los Angeles Calif; 34.00 Gospel Chapel Olympia Wash; 34.38 Assembly Wellston Okla; 37.00 Full Gospel Mission Macksburg Ia; 37.60 Assembly of God Miami Fla; 38.00 Assembly & S S Conneaut Ohio
 - 40.00 F M Los Angeles Calif; 42.85 Assembly Joplin Mo; 45.00 Mr I U Great Bend Kans; 47.95 Young People's Soc Glad Tidings Revival Oakland Calif
 - 50.00 Mrs A W Springfield Mass; Mr & Mrs G M R Arroyo Grande Calif; Assembly Shawnee Okla; A Friend Caldwell Kans; H M B Braddock Pa; S N H South Pasadena Calif; Mr & Mrs H L Brooklyn N Y; A Friend Ponia Colo; 55.00 Assembly Chambersburg Pa; 55.56 Assembly & S S East St Louis Ill; 59.00 Assembly of God Terre Haute Ind
 - 72.62 Fourfold Gospel Assembly Wasco Calif; 77.88 Assembly of God S S Paris Ark; 79.00 German Branch Assembly Elizabeth N J; 80.00 Glad Tidings Revival Assembly Oakland Calif; 91.00 Bethel Assembly Pasadena Calif
 - 100.00 Gravity Assembly Ariel Pa; Mr T H Sheldon Ia; 122.00 Assembly Clanton Ala; 150.00 Pent'l Church Cleveland Ohio; Bethany Pent'l Church Springfield, Mass; 236.00 Christ Covenant & Glad Tidings Assembly Chicago Ill; 240.00 A Texas Friend
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| Total amount minus \$317.92 amount given | \$4,177.38 |
| direct | 3,409.38 |
| Amount previously reported | 7,586.76 |
| Total amount | \$11,173.52 |
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- HOME MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS**
November 6 to 12, Inclusive
- \$1.00 Polk Creek S S Poteau Okla; 2.00 A C R Rienzi Miss; 5.00 R H Bassett Nebr
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| Total amount reported | \$ 8.00 |
| Amount previously reported | 10.18 |
| Total amount | \$18.18 |

THE WORK AND WORKERS

DALLAS, TEXAS.—Mrs. Hollis Houston writes: "We have organized a little mission here in West Dallas. Our first Sunday we had 31 present. We appointed Brother Walker our Superintendent. Pray for us. Brother Ferrill of Grand Prairie is holding the meeting."

WYNNE, ARK.—Sister Lula Caster writes: "I just want to sound a word of praise from Wynne. The Assembly at Wynne called Brother J. A. McPhail for their pastor for this coming year. The Lord is blessing our souls, and we are praying the Lord will give us a revival soon."

WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS.—Sister Maggie Holder writes: "The saints of the Assembly of God at Fifth and Broad St. want to thank God for the revival just closed. Brother E. L. Newby and sons Rewel and Joe, were with us 2 weeks. God blessed in a wonderful way. The presence of the Lord was felt in every service. The power of God was upon Brother Newby in giving out the Word. There were about 10 saved and 5 received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Praise God. We believe this is only the beginning."

INGLEWOOD, CALIF.—Brother and Sister K. Stambaugh write: "We wish to sound a note of praise for the goodness of God toward us, and our assembly here. We have enlarged our quarters to twice its size and if the revival spirit continues we might have to enlarge again. May God grant it. Hungry hearts are being filled with the Spirit according to Acts 2:4, and the saints are in a wonderful condition. We expect to have special services in a few weeks. Pray for us. Thank God for old time Pentecostal power in our midst."

CAMP MEETING, DURANT, FLA.—Elder Sam C. Perry, of Miami, Fla., writes: "Our fall meeting has just closed with great victory. Evangelist J. L. Slay, of Biloxi, Miss., the leader in charge, did faithful service. He was assisted by many of the local brethren and sisters. This is an old established camp where the saints have been coming up to worship the Lord for many years. Such a quiet sacred spot, out of the noise and rush of town and city. It is an ideal place for waiting upon the Lord. The attendance has grown so that the old tabernacle was too small. A large new one, built this year, and paid for in full at this meeting, now scarcely accommodates the great crowds that come. This was, perhaps, one of the best meetings held here. There were many seekers at the altar, for salvation, the Baptism of the Spirit, healing of the body and the mighty things of God. The blessing of the Lord came down most wonderfully to satisfy their need. To God be all the glory!"

HOLLY, COL.—Sister Ida H. Bernhardt writes: "We have just closed a two-week meeting with Brother Guy Cooper of Denver, Colo. as evangelist. God poured out His Spirit in a marked way through the ministry of Brother Cooper, and several souls were definitely saved as a result. The saints were also greatly encouraged and refreshed, and we are thanking God for this visitation of His Spirit."

RAYMOND, WASH.—Evangelist M. E. Edmonson and wife send in a report that they are in a blessed revival meeting. "Numbers have been saved, and a goodly number have been healed. This Pentecostal message is burning its way up and down this whole valley, which has been neglected. People of all denominations are hungry for this blessed full gospel. This is a sawmill town of about 5 or 6 thousand. Please pray for this place."

LONGVIEW, WASH.—Brother F. G. Jones writes that he has been here since April, working with his hands for a living during the day, and spending his evenings going from house to house doing personal work. He was invited into a home to pray for a woman who had been sick for two years with rheumatism and stomach trouble. It was the first time those people had heard of divine healing, but the sister touched the hem of Jesus' garment and was made whole. She arose and walked, praising God.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Pastor Morse H. Markley writes: "Having resigned the pastorate of the Gospel Lighthouse Tabernacle at Asbury Park, N. J., I wish to give a note of praise to the Lord for the blessed ministry and fellowship that He gave me there. The work at Asbury Park has a foundation that will stand, and the faithfulness, sacrifice and love of His children will always be a precious memory to me. The field is difficult on this 'playground of the Atlantic' but yields a fruitfulness to patient intensive labor on the part of the ministry and faithful people. The Methodist camp ground at Ocean Grove (which is a part of the Asbury Park, Bradley Beach, Belmar, and Spring Lake communities) had a splendid recreational and inspirational program during the summer. Paul Rader concluded the season's program with a ten-day evangelistic meeting. The congregations were large and many were blessed through his ministry. A good clear note was given all through the summer on the lines of salvation and the Word of God and its authority. My wife and family and I will cherish the memory of God's dear children, their love and friendship, and the blessed privilege of laboring and living among them for a short season."

GONE TO BE WITH THE LORD

Pastor Chas. Otto Curtman of Studheimer, Mo. passed away Oct. 19, 1925 after nearly two years of sickness. God was with him until the end. The Spirit was praying through him just a few minutes before he went to sleep in Jesus. He never failed to give a warning message to the people to flee from the awful wrath that is coming upon sinners. He was the first in this vicinity to receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit as on the day of Pentecost. He fought a good fight and kept the faith as did Brother Paul. We desire the prayers of the Evangel family that God will bless his wife who is to take charge of all the work of this assembly.—The Assembly of God, Studheimer, Mo.

WOODLAWN, PA.—Evangelist Meyer and Alice Tan Ditter write: "We just closed an 18-day campaign here in Woodlawn, Pa. in a colored Pentecostal Church. Right from the beginning God poured out His blessing and many were saved and healed and baptized in the Holy Ghost. It was wonderful to see how the power of God moved. God just stirred hearts. The different churches in the surrounding country were stirred by the fact that a Jew was preaching the old time Gospel. We had very little opposition; it seemed that God had prepared the hearts, for when we began, the people showed a marked interest. We left these dear colored people with the revival fire still burning. Pray for them."

PORTLAND, MAINE.—Pastor Jas. R. Hicks writes: "I have been here since January 5, 1925, and during my stay God has been doing the impossible all along the way. We have two chapels one at 243-245 Cumberland Ave., Portland, Maine, and Oak St., Westbrook, Maine, and souls are being saved, healed and baptized in the Holy Ghost just as they were in Acts 2:4. Brother M. R. Tatman of Berkeley, Calif. was with us two weeks, and many things the Lord did which will be enjoyed not only in this life but in the age to come. Brother and Sister N. Nickoloff of Bethel Bible School, Newark, N. J. were at Westbrook Assembly for a week, and the Lord blessed their ministry."

COLUMBUS, MISS.—Evangelist G. C. Courtney writes: "A meeting just closed 16 miles east of here, conducted by Brother J. D. Courtney, of Kinston, and myself. We found people hungry for the gospel. A large number went to the altar for consecration to the Lord for service, and each service following increased in interest. Some were wonderfully saved, and many cold hearts were warmed to a blaze of glory. On Sunday night we had a special Divine Healing service. One woman afflicted with deafness was prayed for. Her husband had to call loudly to her before she was prayed for, but afterwards she could hear talking in a low tone. Her testimony was a great blessing to the meeting. Others were healed of rheumatism and other troubles, and one brother who could not step on the rostrum before being prayed for, was made to walk perfectly. To God be all the glory!"

PARIS AND BOONVILLE, ARK. HAVE MISSIONARY RALLY DAY

Sister Olga Jean Aston writes:—

"Our hearts are made to rejoice when we see the forward step that is being taken here in Arkansas to carry the Gospel of the living God to the regions beyond. Last Sunday we were in Paris where they were having a Missionary Rally day and the Lord surely met with everyone present. The Sunday School attendance there is perhaps the largest in the town and The Assembly of God Church there was full and "running over" all day. It was an all day meeting just stopping long enough in the middle of the day to spread and enjoy a big basket dinner that was brought in by the saints. After the lunch was eaten we all gathered again in the church for the afternoon meeting and again as we brought the work in the foreign field before them, hearts were moved and souls were stirred. It was truly a day of moving forward for missions. Brother Lonis, the pastor, and Brother Harris, the Sunday School Supt., had made a large sign which read, "Other sheep I have—Go ye therefore and teach all nations," and then just at the right of the motto hung a large map of India with a white cross in the Northeastern part showing where our missionaries are laboring to spread the Gospel. At the close of the day's program, an offering was taken for the advancement of His cause in the regions beyond, and the people gave liberally. Praise God.

"We came on to Boonville for the big Missionary Rally that had been advertised here for sometime, and when we arrived we found a real Rally spirit in the air. The children of the Lord, the children of the Sunday School were rallying to the cause of Christ. The church was full and outside they were still gathering, and as I saw them gathering in until there was hardly standing room, my heart mounted up in praise and I said to Brother Trusty, the pastor here, "The folks in this part of Arkansas are truly 100 per cent missionary." The morning service did not close until one in the afternoon and still everyone seemed hungry to hear more of what was being done in foreign lands. Another big basket dinner was spread and we had a pleasant hour together. Then again we gathered and listened to a program given by the Sunday School. The night service was given over to us and again we told of how the Lord was working in dark India and the great need of those millions. The offering taken up for foreign missions during the day amounted to almost \$250.00. Praise God! We are marching on."

MADERA, CALIF.—Pastor Ernest R. Polhemus writes: "We have just closed our two-week revival campaign. Evangelist Wm. J. Lewis of Wales was in charge. The first Sunday night was a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. One was saved and filled with the Spirit according to Acts 2:4. Several were slain under the power, and many were rejoicing and praising God in other tongues. A number were saved, some were healed and others who have been tarrying received wonderful an-

ointings of the Holy Spirit during the campaign. A goodly number from other churches attended the meetings, and I am sure were favorably impressed by what they saw and heard. Prejudice is gradually giving way in Madera. Brother Lewis preaches the pure, unadulterated Word of God, rightly divided, with the anointing of the Holy Ghost."

KEPT BY HIS POWER IN CHINA

Sister Carrie Anderson writes from South China: "Greetings from Sai Naam in Jesus' name. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness, or peril or the sword? Nay, in all things we are more than conquerors through the blood of Him who loved us.

"Our souls are filled with gratitude and praise to God who hath done great things for us. Our souls can but say, "He doeth all things well." Blessed be His name forever! During the past three months in China there have been none who have not passed through the experience of deepest trials and distress. Dangers and perils, seen and unseen have surrounded us during these months of uprising. It has looked most hopelessly dark for many weeks at a stretch; no ray of hope, no gleam of light to cheer us in this dark night. Only like David of old have we encouraged our hearts in the Lord, and trusted in the God of our salvation. According to His promise He has not failed us, but supplied all our needs.

AN URGENT NEED

Miss Alice Wood in Argentine writes, "We long to be with the Lord that we might escape the hard testings and trials now upon us, but we are glad to be here and suffer for Him who died for us, and to help those here who so need us.

"On Sept. 22 two more were baptized. There is an awakening at Mamaguita. God has healed and saved several from there. The attendance in our Sunday School is rapidly increasing. But we are passing through a dark hour. Our needs are so burdening us. Our brick floor where we eat is wet during the rainy season. Our walls and ceilings let the water in in places. I have been on the field for sixteen years without a furlough. Both last year and this I had a hard attack of grippe, but I had to work early and late just the same, for I have to teach in order to help meet our needs. Living expenses are two-thirds more now than sixteen years ago when I came. Now the natives and home constituency give me less than then. This a. m. I have prayed in an agony of spirit as I went about my work that He undertake. I am making a heroic effort to get a few pesos together to remedy the worst of these needs but it comes so slowly. The dampness is like poison to me after living in such exposure for so many years, yet, He loves and pities, and I trust Him to undertake somehow."

RETURNING HOME

Sister Emily De Groat writes from Liberia: "It seems very hard to leave a work that has burned into the soul. As I am busy getting my things ready, it seems that a new love for the interior

tribes sweeps over me and my heart is heavy with the thought of leaving them.

"My leaving at this times leaves Miss Nygaard alone with about forty children. Knowing how busy the two of us were kept, I know she will be extremely busy and will need the prayer of the faithful ones for strength and wisdom, and for the needs of the station."

Sister Finkenbinder, though somewhat better is in need of much prayer for her complete recovery. Many will remember how Brother Finkenbinder was raised up from death's door through mighty prevailing prayer. Hallelujah.

The missionaries again and again have expressed their appreciation of your earnest prayers. Prayer changes things. We are believing and praising God for victory in this case. By faith we have the victory. Pray, beloved, for our sister.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

THE NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNCIL of the Assemblies of God will hold its annual meeting with the assembly at Minot, N. D., Nov. 25-29, 1925. At this meeting election of officers will take place, and other important matters will receive attention. Those desiring ordination or license are requested to be present. All the brethren are urged to attend, and every assembly is invited to send a delegate. The Minot assembly has kindly offered to entertain all visiting ministers and delegates who send notice of their coming. Please write Pastor Fred G. Frank, 815 Second Ave., N. W., Minot, N. Dak., giving date of arrival, if possible. Come praying that God's blessing may rest upon this meeting.—Herman G. Johnson, Sec.

THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL THANKSGIVING CONVENTION, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Highway Mission Tabernacle will hold its thirty-first annual Thanksgiving Convention in their new church, corner of Nineteenth and Green Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., November 22 to December 6, inclusive. It is with pleasure that we are able to announce that Evangelist J. S. McConnell and Brother Joseph Tunmore will be the invited workers. Meetings will be held twice daily during the week, 2:30 and 8:00 p. m. Sundays 10:30 a. m., 3:30 and 7:30 p. m. Visitors wishing assistance in securing entertainment should write to Mrs. Charles Reinhardt, 2338 Nicholas Street, who will gladly assist in securing such at the best possible rates.

TENNESSEE BIBLE CONVENTION, Dec. 15 to 20, 1925. As Tennessee is now a part of our District, we are very glad to welcome them into our blessed fellowship of Southern Missouri District Council. Our First Bible Convention with the State of Tennessee will be held with the Assembly at Sharrion, Tenn., December 15 to 20, 1925. We will be very glad to have all the ministers of Tennessee to be at this Bible Convention that is those that are in fellowship with the Council work. The Presbytery will be there to examine applicants for Ordination and License. Those desiring to come in with us at this Convention write to the Chairman for an Application Blank. Let the ministers of Southern Missouri and Tennessee District announce this in their meetings. Food and bedding will be provided free at this convention.—J. E. Spence, Chairman, Willow Springs, Mo.

OPEN FOR CALLS.—In full fellowship with General Council for 5 years. References. Am acquainted with a great many of Executive Presbytery. Have held evangelistic meetings several places, and have had good success. Address me: Evang. J. H. Runcie, 1271 East 61st St., Cleveland, Ohio.

OPEN FOR CALLS—as pastor or evangelist, anywhere in Texas or New Mexico.—P. H. Loosier, R. 3, Chandler, Texas.

Pastor Hansel H. Trusty advises that he has accepted the pastorate at the Booneville, Ark., Assembly, and his address is now Box 324, Booneville, Ark.

SONG BOOKS WANTED.—The workers among the Hoopa Indians are sadly in need of song books. Will some assembly that has discarded their old ones for new ones, kindly send 50 or more of the same kind to Mildred Hobart, Hoopa, Calif. Please write to Brother J. D. Wells, 2123 Spring St., Eureka, Calif., before sending the books.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Brother J. E. Spence, Chairman of the Southern Missouri District Council, has moved to Willow Springs, Mo. He can be reached at this address.

Forthcoming Meetings

GOODING IDAHO.—Will conduct a return campaign in the Gooding Roller Skating rink seating 1,500, Dec. 6-20.—A. Watson Argue.

SIDNEY, OHIO.—Nov. 22nd to Dec. 13th. City-wide campaign to be conducted in the large Armory by Evangelist Louise Nankivell and Chorister Alfred Nankivell of Chicago.—Chas. C. Shie, Pastor.

HORNELL, N. Y.—Full Gospel Revival Meetings will be held at the Pentecostal Chapel, corner of Sheldon Street and Madison Ave., December 1 to 13. Evangelist L. A. Hill, of Lancaster, Pa., will be in charge. We ask God's children everywhere to pray with us for a mighty revival in Hornell.—Pastor Ray S. Armstrong.

CHANGE OF DATES

SULLIVAN, MO.—An evangelistic campaign with A. Watson Argue, will be conducted Nov. 15 to Nov. 29 in the Assembly of God Tabernacle. Our brother returned a month ago from across the waters where he conducted campaigns in England and Ireland and toured Europe. He comes here after holding meetings in Alabama where crowds as large as 3,900 attended.—W. H. Boyles, Pastor.

CORTLAND, N. Y.—At our new place of worship, 23 Port Watson Street, Cortland, N. Y., the Bethel Pentecostal Assembly will hold special series of meetings with Ben Hardin as the evangelist, Nov. 20-29 and followed by A. H. Jamieson of Detroit to continue as the Lord leads. Other ministers also expected. Services each night except Saturday, at 8 p. m. Sundays 11 a. m., 3:30 and 7:30 p. m.

KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.—The annual meeting of the Kansas District Council meeting will be held in Wichita, Kans., December 1 to 4. We are expecting one or more missionaries to be present. Entertainment will be furnished for all Kansas ministers, and as many delegates as possible. Rooms and meals can be had close to the church, at very reasonable prices. The church is located corner of Kellogg & Market. For further information write F. L. Doyle, 121 East Kellogg, Wichita, Kans., or Fred Vogler, Chairman Kansas Dist., Burlingame, Kans.

THE NEBRASKA DISTRICT COUNCIL will hold a Convention at Chappell, Nebr., Nov. 19 to 29 inclusive. Good speakers are expected. Suitable accommodations to be provided on the free-will-offering plan. There will be two or more meetings daily with three meetings on Sundays. The forenoon sessions on Nov. 26, 27 and 28 will be devoted to our District Council work, and a good attendance is desired. For further information address Pastor Evang. Otto J. Klink, Chappell, Nebr.—G. W. Clopine, District Chairman.

The Southeastern District Council of the Assemblies of God convenes with the Assembly of God church at Columbus, Ga., December 1 to 5, 1925. The church is located at 3125 Third Avenue, and can be reached as follows. All arriving in automobiles, drive to Second Avenue then turn North to 31st Street, then East one block, then one-half block North to Church. Those arriving on trains get off at Union Station or Broad Street Station, take any car or bus to transfer station, transfer to North Highlands car; get off at 31st Street, walk one block East, then one-half block North to church. We are expecting this to be the best Council Meeting we have ever had and we urge you to be present. For further information write or wire Pastor J. Monroe Graham, 3028 Fifth Ave., Columbus, Ga.

GREAT INTERNATIONAL GLAD TIDINGS CONVENTION at 1441-1471 Ellis Street, San Francisco, Calif., November 29 to December 21, 1925. This holy convocation will meet in the new Glad Tidings Temple and Bible Institute. The Auditorium will seat 2,500, and has a capacity of 3,000. Three hundred voices, plus a forty piece orchestra, under the leadership of Brother G. P. Andrews, will furnish rare music. The Radio Broadcasting Station K G T T, will also be in operation during the Convention carrying this fourfold message in sermon and song to thousands beyond our Temple. Revival fires are burning and the power of God is falling. You cannot afford to miss this wonderful event. Evangelist Charles A. Shreve of Washington, D. C., will be the chief speaker, supported by a large staff of able ministers, students, and workers. Come and hear the soul-stirring messages, live testimonies, and wonderful music for the Lord hath prepared a feast of fat things. Come for all things are ready. Come to hear God speak. Come to hear from Heaven.—Pastor R. J. Craig, Evangelist M. R. Tatman, Conveners. For further particulars write or wire Secretary O. C. Smith, 1556 Ellis St., San Francisco, Calif.

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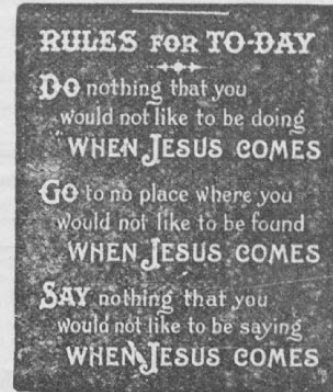
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