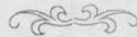




The Blood of Jesus Christ



YE were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold . . . but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot" (1 Peter 1:18, 19). In this scripture we see God's estimate and man's estimate of what will avail for redemption compared. The Holy Ghost calls silver and gold corruptible. Man is wearing himself out trying to obtain corruptible things. Corruptible things will not redeem your soul.

One drop of the precious blood is worth more than all the gold in the universe. Blood redeems the world. Gold corrupts the world. God offers man redemption and he prefers corruption.

Redeemed by the precious blood! Angels cannot fathom its preciousness. It astounds heaven and it confuses hell.

If you want to fathom the value of the precious blood go to the Word. "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." The pouring forth of that precious blood cost God the most precious gift of heaven, namely, His only begotten Son who was manifested on the earth and whose blood was poured out on the earth.

To have a right apprehension of the precious blood you must have the Holy Spirit. It is a serious thing to reject the precious blood. How shall they escape who neglect so great a salvation? How shall they escape who tread under-foot the blood of Christ?

Gold is exalted on the gilded cross seen on the spires of some of our churches; and the blood of Christ is trodden under-foot on the threshold of the same churches, the members of which confess they are rich and increased in goods and have need of nothing, knowing not that they are poor and naked. They are rich in themselves and poor toward God.

Corrupt gold makes princes, beggars; but through faith in Jesus' blood, beggars become kings and priests with God. The blood of Jesus Christ cleansing your heart can fit you for the abode of God.

You think you understand the value of the precious blood, but you never can. Eternity is not long enough to learn to appreciate its worth. Our song in eternity will be, "Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God His Father; to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen." And we shall reign with Him. Men and women in the world purchase favors by silver and gold and get into high positions. The blood of Jesus can purchase the highest position in eternity, where we will live and reign with Him forever.

The power in Jesus' blood not only draws the believer from the earth, but links him to the throne. Redeemed with the precious blood of Christ as a lamb without blemish and without spot! You also may be without blemish and spot as you trust in the efficacy of that precious blood.

Home Missions in the Home

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"For who hath despised the day of small things" (Zech. 4:10).

We live in awful days, in the closing of this dispensation; and I believe the ushering in of a new dispensation is at hand. I look for tremendous days, and look for them shortly. I do believe we have not many years to labor in the vineyard of the Lord, and I believe that we ought to be at our best for God in the remaining days. We are living in an age when everything is carried on in great volume. Things have to be big; we are not satisfied with small things. We find this not only in the business and political world, but in the Christian world as well. And so we need to watch lest we forget the little things, for the little things are the things that make up the great things.

We cannot all be Pauls, we cannot all be such great men as Finney or Moody; but we can take the place for which God has ordained us. God grant us a real contentment in the state in which we find ourselves. You know "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." Did you ever contemplate the love of God? He is "not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." And each Christian has a part in giving the gospel. Every one has a commission to give the gospel to someone. You may not be sent to South America, China, India, Japan, Africa or Russia, but you are nevertheless an ambassador of the Lord Jesus Christ. You are a messenger. Are there any unsaved around you? In your employment, and in your daily walk of life, do you meet any unsaved people? If so, then you have your field of labor. Ask yourself the question, "Am I faithful to my trust, telling dying men that they have been redeemed, that the debt has been paid, that they are free by accepting this salvation?" Are you letting your parish run down for shameful neglect, or are you witnessing for God? You say, "I am so timid, and I do not have that gift of speech." Then ask God to help you to speak the word. All around you are perishing, dying souls. You are not going to free your soul by sending a few missionaries to foreign fields, but you yourself have to be a home missionary, giving out the gospel at home and seeing souls added to the kingdom of God. As the home base grows, the foreign will grow with it. It is our duty to "gossip" the gospel. Don't despise the day of small things. Because you failed to receive five talents, don't think you need not use the one that you have. Ask God to anoint you, and start you out to say a word to him that is weary, and to say it in due season.

When I was pastor of the Tottenham church, before going down town

one morning I said, "Lord God, anoint your servant and give him a word to some dying soul." The first man I met was named Slate. Spontaneously, like a flash it bubbled out of my mouth, "Is the Slate clean this morning?" He dropped his eyes; he could not look into my face. Evidently the Slate was not clean. (Of course I meant Mr. Slate.) If we lay ourselves on the altar as a living sacrifice, God can use us when we least expect it. Are you looking for a great opportunity? Seize the little one first. And as you redeem the time in the little opportunities that present themselves, God will use you in the greater things. If we are faithful in the little things, He can trust us with the greater.

The thought uppermost on my mind is the opportunity that fathers and mothers have. Oh, how carelessly I have seen fathers and mothers treat their children! But I want to tell you that those tender plants that are growing up under their observation and care, will be just what the parents make them. Don't despise the day of little things. Don't turn your little child off when he comes with questions. Have time for that little child of yours. Home missions! They start at the family altar, with that little tot that is just two years old, and maybe not that old. Oh, you have a sacred obligation before God and man. Don't forget that the little ones are the coming generation.

I attended a campmeeting one time in New Jersey, on a little island near Paterson, and if I ever saw disorderly children, it was at that campmeeting. They seemed to belong to no one and to every one. They ran around dirty and filthy, and into everything, and provoking everyone. I remember a woman standing on the platform one morning preaching to the people. And how she was talking! A wise, old, gray-headed man, who had seen some of the tests of life, walked up to one of those dirty children who were disturbing the meeting. He took the child up in his arms and walked right up to the platform and handed it to this woman, saying, "Take care of this first." Some love to preach to audiences, but they fail to call the family circle in the morning, and to train up the child in the way he should go. Looking for something greater!

Oh, how many mothers miss it; how many hardly know what home missions are. Home missions begin in the home, in the family circle. Mother, father, how do you know but that you are raising a real Paul? How do you know but that you are raising a real Samuel, a Peter, a John? It depends on you for the future of the children. Do you turn them off without giving them time? Do you turn them out to play with other children who are ungodly and who will teach them bad habits and evil language in order

to get rid of them that you may not be bothered with them? Children have the first demand on your time; and you will have to give an account to God.

In those days when they hung criminals for murder, before the electric chair was invented, there was an awful happening in Ohio. One criminal was to be hung for a number of murders, and, after they led him to the scaffold, they asked him whether he had anything to say before the black cap was put over his head. He said, "I would like to see my mother." She was brought up to see the son who was there at the scaffold, ready to have the black cap pulled over his face and then the rope placed around his neck. The mother, an old lady, walked up and said, "My son, what is it?" He just took her and embraced her and bit off the end of her nose and spit it out, saying, "Mother, that is your pay for not disciplining me when you had it in your power. You left me to my own will. You let me have my own way in my childhood. You never broke this will of mine, and I have gone on until I have become a murderer. That is your mark for the rest of your life." Then he was led to the scaffold and died.

When is the time to start with a child? We read in 2 Tim. 3:15, "That from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus." Timothy began to learn the scriptures from a child. I just imagine that he attended the family worship when he was on his mother's knee. His mother was very careful that he received all the godly instructions from his youth up. Do you start to train a tree when it is old and the trunk is hard? In Barquisimeto we had a tree that grew crooked, and slanted over on one side. It had a large trunk, but its crookedness spoiled it, and we had to cut off the lower boughs all the time to pass under it. I came to the conclusion one day to cut it down and use it for firewood. In its place I put other trees, and trained them up straight. One day one of these new trees began to lean over; the effect of the winds and the rains. I said to the man who helped me, "Look at that tree growing crooked." He said, "Now is the time to attend to that." He cut a little prop and fixed it under the tree, and the tree grew straight.

Oh, how easily you can train a young plant! Are not your little children young plants? When do you start to bend and form and shape their life? Is it not in youth? If you have neglected your children, and have not had time for family worship, then vow to God that you are going to be a real home missionary. How do you know, if they are well disciplined and well trained, but that you are going to send a mighty missionary to the front? Because of faithfulness to that little girl or boy, your ministry may be a large one, and you may be crowned with great glory. There is not a higher or more noble work than the training of those little tender plants that God has entrusted to you. Be faithful to your trust, and God will bless you.

"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul,

and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up" (Deut. 6:5-7). Oh my! It seems that we must talk the gospel to the children. O parents, have you been a true home missionary? When the Lord commissioned the disciples He told them they should begin at Jerusalem, and then in all Judea, and then in Samaria, and then unto the uttermost parts of the world. Mother, have you time for that boy, that girl? Do you watch over them night and day by prayer and teaching, that they may be mighty men of God? I wish I had power to press this on your soul as I see the world today rushing madly after what they think is lovely, and what they think is up-to-date, and what they think is beautiful. I see so many of God's children caught in the current. I say, "Where is the character of those young people?" That mother and father failed to build character. Let the Word of God and prayer put character into your child. Why do the things of this world look lovely to them? They have never been refined and trained in the depth of the Word of God.

Some teach us today that we come from monkeys. Well of all the monkeys I have ever seen since I came from Venezuela! When I see the opposite sex conforming to this world I say, "Surely in conforming to this world they are making monkeys of themselves." They lack Christian character, solidness, firmness; they don't know beauty. Beauty in the sight of God is adorning the inner man; a quiet, subdued spirit, a loving, tender heart, a broken spirit; these are priceless before God. The Bible says, "Be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind." Do we think as this world, or have we the mind of Christ? Does the fashion of this world look good to you? Then you lack the mind of Christ. Let us not be monkeys, but let us be in the image of God.

I don't blame these girls that walk around with bobbed hair. I sympathize with the girls and blame the fathers and mothers. If the mothers and fathers knew their duty, and what a high and holy calling they have in those little children, if they watched over them day and night and were true to their trust, they would have built character in them that no high school friend or street friend could ever have moved. I believe the Word of God, "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Prov. 22:6). I am a father and I know something about it. My oldest brother has a large family of boys and girls, and these have suffered persecution in the street. Some of these that follow the monkey fashion have taken hold of their hair and said, "Why don't you bob it?" But they know the scriptures, and are suffering for the cause of Christ. Read the latter part of the third chapter of Isaiah and you will find God hates an imitation of this

world. He has no good word for anything of that kind. My heart is stirred as I see God's children conforming to this age.

Recently I was talking to a Christian woman whose daughter had just bobbed her hair. I said, "How old is she?" "She is sixteen." I said, "Has she bobbed her hair against your will?" "Well, I kept talking to her, and talking to her." So did Eli. When his sons made themselves vile he said, "Boys, I hear many bad reports about you. I hear that you are not living a pure life. You are living in sin. Now you ought not to do that. I want you to do better." Did you ever find anyone correcting their children that way? "Now Bess, you must not do that way. I don't think it is best for you to do that way. I would not cut my hair if I were you. What will the pastor say? I don't know what the elders will think. I am real ashamed." Then the girl goes right off and gets her hair bobbed. Why, they know the vacillating character of that mother or father. They know what the results will be. They know there is nothing behind that. But if there is a father or mother who has a God-given character they say "No!" and there is no further word beyond that.

I want to tell you the child knows the father and mother. Don't be like Eli. In 1 Sam. 3:13 we read, "For I have told him that I will judge his house for ever for the iniquity he knoweth; because his sons made themselves vile, and he restrained them not." Yes, he talked to them, but he did not put his foot down. Had he put his foot down, he would have put those boys out of the priestly office and dishonored them publicly. Don't save your own flesh. God wants us to discipline our children, and to do it with love and with firmness. And the rod may not mean a stick, either. You may have to get wisdom from God to find out what the rod is that will chasten the child. If you and I are true to Home Missions we will give this old world Pauls and Samuels and mighty men of God that will shake this old world.

But the child must be broken. An unbroken child brings the parents disgrace. Read Proverbs 29:15. A minister had a boy that was unbroken, and he asked wisdom from God to know how to break his stubborn will. God showed him the rod most effectual and he shut the boy into the attic one morning. When noon came the mother said, "Are you going to give John anything to eat?" He said, "I think not." The time for the evening meal came and the mother said, "I think we ought to give John something to eat." The husband said, "I believe it would be a mistake." So time went on and bedtime came. The mother thought the father ought to fix a bed in the attic for John if he was going to leave him up there, but the father thought not.

So they retired, still waiting for John to break and humble himself for the wrong he had done. Midnight came, then, one, two, three, o'clock. Neither one had slept a wink, but as the clock was striking four, their door quietly opened and in came John sobbing and weeping and pleading

for his parents' forgiveness. What a sweet reunion it was!

Have you ever suffered the agony of breaking that stubborn will of your child? It takes more than a "poodle dog" parent to do it. It takes a parent with Christian character; not one of the modern kind who, on entering the sacred marriage relation determine at once not to be bothered with any children, and so commit Race-suicide, ruin their own health and are given over to strong delusions and unnatural affections, loving and caring for a dog or some other dumb brute more than their own offspring.

The holy women of old wept when they were barren. Read 1 Samuel 1:5-8; Genesis 30:1-2. The modern women do not want to be burdened with children, and so are given over to unholy affections and unholy and unnatural relations. I warn young Christian people against falling into this snare of the devil for the Word says, "I will therefore that the young women marry, bear children, guide the house" etc., (1 Tim. 5:14). "Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord; and the fruit of the womb is his reward. As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate" (Psalm 127:3-5). Read also Genesis 38:8-10.

"Ye are the salt of the earth." Are we going to take the salt from the earth and by our sins lose our savor? God forbid! Let us be Bible Christians, and not fall into the modern errors.

"Children's children are the crown of old men" (Prov. 17:6). What are you going to do in old age, or should you become helpless because of your unholy affections. Go to some poor-house or depend on some of your friends who live lives as unholy as your own? You will find all this a miserable end, but if you have loving, well-trained and God-given children, will not your hoary head come to an end with great honor?

We are not up to the modern times. We don't want modernism. We want Christ. God grant unto us a determination to pay the price. Do you think they will mock and scorn your children because they are not up to date. Mothers have said to me, "You know my girls go to High School, and you know the fashions of this world and how they would suffer if they had not this and that." Are we the salt of the earth, or not? What are we anyway? A lot of jellyfish, carried by the waves and thrown up on shore having to stay in the hot sun until another wave comes and washes us back? God deliver us from all modernism, and from all that savours of this world and of the flesh and of the devil. God set us free! They will respect your children if they do not conform to this world.

My own child was raised by an aunt and therefore I can freely speak of this. I took him out of school and took him to Chicago. I had had to be separated from him so long while on the mission field, and I had just returned. He stayed with me those months that I was in

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THE CONVERGING SIGNS OF THE SOON COMING OF CHRIST

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"The coming of the Lord draweth nigh
... behold, the Judge standeth before the
door" (James 5:8-9).

The signs of the coming of the Lord
are multiplying, till it is hard to find
one foretold that has not been fulfilled
or is not now in process of fulfillment.

Barring signs that have been noted at
different periods of the world's history,
such as wars, famines, earthquakes,
pestilences, and the like, we fix our at-
tention on signs that are just now mani-
fest, for the first time in history. Like
the spokes in a wheel, they converge to-
ward a common meeting place—the hub
of all history—the coming of the Lord
Jesus Christ from heaven with power
and great glory.

The text at the beginning of this article
would have little significance if severed
from its context. But the writer con-
nects it with two signs that have ap-
peared in our day—the strife between
labor and capital, and the outpouring of
the Latter Rain. Beginning with these,
let us enumerate ten signs indicating that
"the coming of the Lord draweth nigh."

(1) **The strife between capital and labor** is of recent origin and is daily
gaining ground, till all Europe is like
a volcano, ready for an eruption. See
what has taken place in Russia. See how
quickly the ruling classes were killed or
crushed, and supplanted with rulers who
may be even more tyrannical. This
leaven is working mightily in all of
Europe, and is even now producing a
revolutionary movement in China. The
apostle James warns the rich to howl
and weep because of the calamities
awaiting them. It is in our day that
great wealth has been amassed and mighty
fortunes built up, such as Solomon and
Croesus never dreamed of. It is in our
day that labor has organized and is
striving to wrest the sceptre of power
from the hand of wealth. Those suf-
fering injustice and oppression are com-
forted with the promise of the soon com-
ing of the Lord. The Lord, the Judge
of all the earth, is coming—He is even
at the door, ready to enter.

(2) **The Latter Rain is now falling,**
another sign indicating that the coming
of the Lord is drawing near. The

Father (the "Husbandman," John 15:1
and 1 Cor. 3:9) is waiting patiently for
the Latter Rain to ripen the harvest,
which the Former Rain (Pentecost) start-
ed to germinate and grow. This corre-
sponds to the season of Palestine, with its
"first" and its "latter" rain (Duet. 11:14),
and typifies the outpouring of the Holy
Spirit (Joel 2:23, 28; Zech. 10:1). This
prophecy is being fulfilled in our day
in a much more wonderful way than in
any previous time in the world's history.

(3) **"Perilous Times"** are here, as pro-
phesied in 2 Tim. 3:1-5. This scripture
indicates that we are now living in "the
last days." These might be enumerated
as separate signs, but we group them
together under His own inclusive head-
ing "Perilous times," when people shall be
particularly (1) selfish, (2) covetous, (3)
boastful, (4) proud, (5) blasphemous, (6)
disobedient to parents, (7) ungrateful,
(8) unholy, (9) loveless, (10) unreliable,
(11) slanderous, (12) incontinent, (13)
fierce, (14) contemptuous, (15) treacher-
ous, (16) headstrong, (17) conceited, (18)
pleasure-mad, (19) keeping up the forms
of religion while denying God's power.

What an arraignment! How photo-
graphically exact of our times!

(4) **Antediluvian conditions are here,**
as our Saviour foretold (Matt. 24:37-39).
People are living in ease and comfort,
gratifying their animal appetites and pur-
suing their business enterprises, exactly
as if they were to live here forever, "mar-
rying and giving in marriage." Could
another single designation be found that
would so accurately describe this divorc-
ing and marrying age?

(5) **Prevalence of Spiritualism,** as fore-
told by Paul, "Now the Spirit speaketh ex-
pressly, that in the latter times some
shall depart from the faith, giving heed
to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils"
(1 Tim. 4:1). With the world war, came
a great revival of witchcraft, which in
our times is called spiritualism. A pas-
tor of a big church in Detroit is only
one of the many who have in very re-
cent times departed from the faith, and
are giving heed to seducing spirits that
float in the air, and know many person-
al and family secrets, and are able to
simulate the appearance of our loved
ones, and answer questions which our
loved ones alone are supposed to be able
to answer. They can imitate their very
voices, and deceive many unwary church-
members, who have failed to take warn-
ing from the Word of God. I want to
say that some of the most awful aff-
lictions I have ever known to fall upon
human beings, have fallen like a pall
and a snare upon poor dupes of the devil
who hang around spiritualistic seances.
Some of these, in the deepest dis-
tress and distraction, have come to me
for prayer, saying that they had no rest
from the demons that tormented them
day and night. Thank God we have seen
some of them delivered, but some have
gone to insane asylums and some have
ended their miserable lives by their own
acts.

In highly cultured America can be
found temples where the poor deluded
souls worship the devil, a worship that
is not uncommon in heathen lands. Surely
these are "the latter times."

(6) **Travel and knowledge have in-
creased,** as Daniel foretold as a charac-
teristic of "the time of the end" (12:4). Dur-
ing the last quarter of a century the
automobile and the aeroplane have in a
marvellous way helped the railroads and
steamships to fulfill this prophecy. People
flit over the continent and over the seas.
Many are certainly running to and fro
in a way that our fathers never dreamed
possible, and the end is not yet.

Certainly knowledge is on the increase.
Look at our schools and colleges and
technical schools of all sorts, our papers
and magazines, our libraries, our tele-
phones and radios! What a sudden,
amazing increase in knowledge! This
is the end time.

(7) **The world-wide missionary move-
ment** tallies with our Lord's prediction and
makes it certain that the end is near:—
"This gospel of the kingdom shall be
preached in all the world for a witness
unto all nations: and THEN SHALL THE
END COME" (Matt. 24:14). The gospel
of the kingdom is being preached now
all over the earth, by men and women who
believe that Jesus the King will soon be
here. This is a sure sign, and makes
it clear that "the coming of the Lord
draweth nigh."

(8) **Spiritual declension** is another
ominous sign foretold by the Lord: "Be-
cause iniquity shall abound, the love of
many shall wax (grow) cold" (Matt. 24:
12). Many demoniations, which a quar-
ter of a century ago had a reputation for
piety now have a name for worldliness
and coldness. This subject is too pain-
ful to dwell on. May the Lord save the
great denominations of our times from
lukewarmness and the COLDNESS OF
DEATH.

(9) **Apostasy of the church** (using the
word church in the popular sense). Paul
says: "The time will come when they will
not endure sound doctrine, but after
their own lusts shall they heap to them-
selves teachers having itching ears; and
they shall turn away their ears from the
truth, and shall be turned unto fables
(story-telling) (2 Tim. 4:3, 4). Nearly
every big denomination is torn asunder
or is in danger of dividing into camps;
one holding to the Bible as the inspired
Word of God, to the soul-saving doctrines
of the sacrifice of Calvary, repentance
and regeneration and the coming of the
Lord; and the other rejecting the inspira-
tion of the Bible, denying the virgin
birth, scorning the miracles, teaching the
unproved and unprovable theory of evo-
lution, refusing to believe in the neces-
sity of the new birth but substituting
instead a so-called social gospel, ignor-
ing what God has done for the race in
sending His only Son to die as a ransom
for all, and magnifying the works of man
in place of the cross.

(10) **The budding of the fig tree,**
concerning which Jesus said, "Now learn
a parable of the fig tree (Israel). When
its branch is yet tender, and putteth forth
leaves (shows signs of new life), ye
KNOW THAT SUMMER (the golden
age of Christ's return on earth, the king-
dom of God—see Luke 21:31) IS NIGH.
So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these
things, KNOW THAT IT IS NEAR,
EVEN AT THE DOORS" (Matt. 24:32).

33). The world war opened the way for the Jews return to Palestine, and they are coming home by the hundreds and the thousands. A Jewish university has been built in Jerusalem. A mighty transformation is going on, and the ships, and the railroads, the automobiles and the aeroplanes will bring the sons of Israel back to their ancient home. Isaiah saw them coming, bringing their great wealth—"Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as doves to their windows? Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish, to bring thy sons from afar, their silver and their gold with them" (Isa. 60:8, 9). Surely the fig tree is now budding, and in "all the trees" (nations) a transformation is going on preparatory to the coming of the Lord. This is so significant that I will insert here the words of Jesus as a fitting close to this partial list of the converging signs of the soon coming of our Lord and Saviour:

"And when these things BEGIN to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption DRAW-ETH NIGH. And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees; when they shoot forth, ye SEE AND KNOW OF YOUR OWN SELVES THAT SUMMER IS NOW NIGH AT HAND. So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, KNOW YE THAT THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS NIGH AT HAND. Verily I say unto you, this generation (and I believe this can be interpreted as the one on earth when these things begin to come to pass) shall not pass away till all be fulfilled. HEAVEN AND EARTH SHALL PASS AWAY, BUT MY WORDS SHALL NOT PASS AWAY."

ARE YOU A HINDRANCE TO REVIVAL?

Jonathan Goforth says, "I have again and again seen all in an audience convicted and saved; but it was ONLY after the followers of the Lord had got right with one another and with God. The three thousand never would have been saved that day at Pentecost unless the one hundred and twenty had first got right with God and man and had been Spirit-filled. The Lord Jesus Christ is hindered in the house of his friends. Judgment must first begin in the house of God. It is a sin, equivalent to murder, to hinder the salvation of souls by our non-victorious lives. It defrauds the Son of God, for it keeps him from seeing of the travail of his soul, even unto divine satisfaction. . . . Have we no guilt? May the King of kings open our eyes to our need of His promised power!"

HER PRAYER

"I was calling on an old saint of God. While waiting for her my eyes rested on her open Bible. A slip of paper lay between the leaves on which was written, 'Dear Lord Jesus, let us read this Book together.' My heart was touched and thrilled. I had discovered the secret of my old friend's keen spiritual insight into the things of God."—Related by D. M. Stearns.

THE VERY SAME JESUS

"He didn't wait till I came to Him, but He took me at my worst"—so Dora Greenwell's pitman describes the essence of conversion. When men despise us and we are ashamed of ourselves, Christ tracks us and marks us for His own. He is our personal quest, a personal offer of Himself, a personal entering at our door and abiding within our house. He came after Zacchaeus. He comes after us. Do you respond?

TO WHOM SHALL I GO?

Jesus, whither shall I go,
Thee my Saviour if I leave?
Only Thou canst ease my woe,
Only Thou canst pardon give,
None beside can save from sin;
None beside can make me clean.

If I foolishly depart
From the ark of Thy dear breast,
Where shall my unsettled heart
Find a ground whereon to rest?
Whither, or to whom shall I
From myself for succor fly?

Shall I back to Egypt go,
To my vomit turn again,
To my flesh corruption sow,
Live anew in pleasures vain?
No, with sin I cannot dwell;
Sin is worse than death and hell.

Shall I my old toil renew,
Catch an honorable name,
Praise which comes from man pursue,
Idolize and pant for fame?
Who on fame bestows his care,
Grasps a shadow, feeds on air.

If my God I cast behind,
God, the Source of perfect bliss,
Vain are all my hopes to find
True, substantial happiness;
Search the whole creation round,
Can it out of God be found?

No, my God! if from the Way,
From the Truth if I remove,
Must I not forever stray,
On in error's mazes rove,
Rove from peace to troublous strife,
Rove to death from endless Life?

Who would go from health to pain,
Turn from grace to wickedness,
Freedom quit, to hug a chain,
Grieve his friend, his foe to please?
Who, his Saviour God to shun,
Would to his destroyer run?

LIBERTY BY SLAVERY

It is the Christian life to which we now invite our friends which is the abundantly free life. Yet in the face of this fact, Paul speaks of himself as the "slave of Christ." In the hills of Delphi, in Greece, are the ruins of the ancient temple to Apollo. All around it has been constructed a vast retaining wall. On this wall are engraved hundreds of Greek names. At the top of the list is the statement that those whose names are beneath are slaves to Apollo. Whenever a man desired to free his slave he carved the name on this wall. Now since the freed man was the slave to Apollo, no one else could possibly claim him. Hence slavery to Apollo meant absolute freedom. Thus when Paul boasted of the fact that he was a slave to Jesus Christ, he actually meant that his was the most complete liberty.—Sel.

HOME MISSIONS IN THE HOME

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Chicago, then I took him back to our town. As we got off the train we met the principal of the school, and when he saw Fredrick he ran up to him and said, "Oh, I am so glad you have come back. We have missed you so much." I talked with the principal and he said, "Your boy is one of the best boys we have in the school." I did not feel a bit badly about that; it was like balm on my soul. They may say your children are peculiar, and very fanatical, and odd; but deep down in their heart they know he has a foundation that they never owned. They respect him. Even though they suffer a little persecution, it is not to be compared with the glory that awaits them.

Let us teach our children the fundamentals of the Word of God, and when that is in their system they will stand true to God. The Word is a lamp unto our feet. Sometimes I am stirred to the very depths as I see the Antichrist gaining ground, and I mean to fight for King Jesus, and tell my brothers and sisters there is danger ahead. Let the children mingle with the world, but not be of the world. If you are faithful you will find you will keep them clean for God, and perhaps one day you will send them into the mission field and they may become the greatest soul-winners God ever had. You don't know what you are raising, but if you are faithful God will put your child in the place He has prepared him for, and he will occupy no mean place in this world. May we not despise the day of small things, but be faithful to the home base and we will soon send the gospel to every corner of this world.

BETTER THAN "PEACE WITH HONOR"

Is "peace with honor" the highest ideal we can have? A military man, Colonel Douglas-Jones, has made a striking comment on this question. He calls attention to God's Word in Hebrews 12:14: "Follow peace with all men, and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord;" and he says: "Note the linking of a peaceable spirit with holiness; this is essential. The original word for 'follow' is a very strong one. Holiness is to be the supreme quest, and peacemaking as it leads to holiness. Politicians talk of 'peace with honor,' but Christ insists on peace with holiness. That is the Father's great ambition for us, for he chastens us 'that we might be partakers of his holiness.' Christ will rejoice if we make His purpose for us our own, and make holiness our daily aim in all sincerity and earnestness."

—S. S. Times

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I AM THE LORD THAT HEALETH THEE

HEALED OF FOURTEEN WARTS Told by Evangelist W. E. Booth-Clibborn At Morning Prayers at The Gospel Publishing House

A large wart grew on my cheek, and I had to be very careful when I shaved lest I get it bleeding. I did cut it quite often, and that only caused it to grow larger. In the general rush of work I did not give it much thought; but one day, in a Minneapolis barber shop, while I was having a shave, I told the barber to be careful of the wart. He said, "I can remove that in a hurry." You know these barbers want to do everything in the universe for you. He pulled out a bottle and said, "All I will have to do is take a toothpick, dip it in that bottle, touch the tip end of that wart and it will be gone." I felt I had not prayed about it yet, and though it was a small thing, God could remove it. The most of us don't think God is interested in the small things of life. But the hairs of our head are all numbered; that is, every hair has a number on it, and God knows what numbers are missing.

The barber kept right on talking, "There was a man in here the other day with a wart, and I cured him. I will only charge you fifty cents (it was a dollar at first)." Well, that day I made a slip. I said, "You can take it off." He touched the tip end of the wart with that strong stuff, and it did not only take off the wart but it took a piece of my flesh too. The wart turned black as coal, and finally it dropped off. But what was my astonishment one morning when I was shaving to find that I had fourteen. That wart had multiplied fourteen times, and my whole cheek was a mass of blood after I had shaved. And it got from bad to worse.

For a whole week I tried to shave around those warts, and it was quite a job to escape them all and clear the pathway in between. And they were all growing about as long as the first one.

I sat down one morning with the letters piled up on one side, and there was lots of work to do. Suddenly I heard the door swing, and I knew it was the mail man. Among the stack of letters he brought, there was the Pentecostal Evangel; and I thought I would look it over before starting on my mail. I opened the paper, and the very first thing my eyes lit on was, "God can cure warts, carbuncles, etc." There were seven little testimonies, one after another, by people who had been healed of unsightly growths. My, that was to the point!

By the time I got to the end of the article, I felt badly about having trusted the barber. I said, "It served me right, for I did not trust God so I have fourteen instead of one." I wept like a child to think I had not gone to the Lord in the matter. I shut the door, and got down

on my knees, told the Lord I wanted Him to heal me, and then I laid my hands on my cheek and begged the Lord to remove the warts. I told the Lord I would not shave for three days. After three days I shaved, and my face was as smooth as could be. But the wart the barber removed, left a scar. When people ask me what that mark is on my face, I say, "That is the mark of unbelief."

SAVED, HEALED AND FILLED

In April, 1919 the Lord saved my soul. In December 1924, I was accidentally a victim of monoxide gas in my home and God miraculously saved my life, using our cat to give the alarm and I narrowly escaped with my life, fainting three times in my struggle to get out of the house. November 19, 1925 I was stricken with pneumonia. December 6, 1925, I was anointed and prayed for by Brother Arthur, assistant pastor of Angelus Temple, and the Lord Jesus, the Great Physician, healed me instantly. Five days later, December 12, Jesus baptized me in the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. Unto Him be all the glory, who is the same yesterday, today and forever (Heb. 13:8). —Mrs. Harvey McPheron, 412 W. 107th St., Los Angeles, California.

MOTHER AND CHILD HEALED

In April 1923 we were all sick with the measles. Our little girl, then two months old, was given up to die by the doctor. She was too weak to nurse and I was real sick. There was not one of us who knew the Lord. I didn't know what salvation meant, but I can't forget those dark hours. As I lay in bed thinking what we were to do, the thought came to me, why not pray, so I prayed the best I knew how, and all my past life came before me, so I began to cry, "Lord, forgive me," and God, for Christ's sake, forgave me. Oh, it is wonderful to know our sins are blotted out! Oh, the joy that filled my soul! I just wanted to shout and sing. Praise His holy name! Then He healed the baby in answer to prayer. It surely was a pitiful-looking child and had it not been for Jesus, I wouldn't have had my darling girl today. We have never bought any more medicine or had an earthly physician for we accepted Jesus as our Physician and He has never failed us. In 1924 our little girl began to have fits. She had six from Saturday to Tuesday and I had some of God's dear saints pray for her and, glory to Jesus, He healed her. He healed me of blood poison last fall. I praise Him because He is the same yesterday, today and forever. Last fall I received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. I just can't explain how sweet it is to be filled with the Holy Ghost. The walk with Christ grows sweeter every day. Hallelujah!—Mrs. George R. New, Glenburn, N. Dakota.

WHY I COULD NOT GET MY HEALING

In 1918 we moved to Houston, Texas. I was an old Christian and Bible student, but my wife was newly saved and didn't even know the books of the Bible. I knew the Bible taught tithing so we agreed to do this. When we got to Houston my pay check was only \$20.00 weekly, and we found it very hard to live on \$18.00. After a while we decided to give up paying tithes, until my income was a little more. In a few weeks I suddenly took down with the flu. People were dying with it on every hand. We had learned to trust the Lord for our bodies, and looked to Him only. The fever ran very high and I suffered dreadfully.

We prayed the best we could but I got no relief. After two or three days, we sent for the pastor and his wife. They came and prayed earnestly. That night I got worse, and my wife was very uneasy about me. That night she prayed all night as I tossed and groaned with my pain.

Next morning she asked me, "What does 'Malachi' mean?" She said as she prayed that night, the word "Malachi" kept coming to her, and she did not know what it meant. I said, "Why that is a book in the Old Testament. Get the Bible and read it and let's see what the Lord wants to say to us." She found the book of Malachi and began to read. When she got to the third chapter and eighth verse, I said, "Stop right there. That is enough. There is where the trouble lies. We have failed to pay our tithes."

We repented and promised the Lord we would ever remember His Word. I began at once to get better and in a few days was able to go back to work. My tithes now amount to something over \$5.00 a week, but the Lord has never had any more trouble with us on that score. Praise His Name.

J. S. Jamison

HEALED OF WARTS

My little granddaughter froze her cheeks until they were white and swollen. Hands were laid on her cheeks in Jesus' name and a few minutes after prayer on her behalf she clapped her hands and said she was healed. Her cheeks were healed perfectly, no mark or soreness left. Another time she had a big wart on her hand. This was prayed for, and it dropped off. Another time she had a wart on the inside of her hand which dropped off in answer to prayer. Praise God for perfect healing.

I want to correct a mistake in my testimony of last month, which stated I was healed 26 years ago. I used glasses 26 years, and was healed 3 years ago; never had glasses since. Praise the Lord for wonderful healing. It is for whosoever will accept it.—Rebekka Peterson, Minot, N. D.

You may think you see farthest in the daytime, but you don't. At midnight you see the stars. You would be terribly short-sighted if you had to live always in daylight.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

IT IS MORE BLESSED TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE

One day a lady, with her two daughters, sat on a park bench, in a secluded place, eating a dainty lunch. Just as they were finishing they noticed two barefooted children strolling slowly along. They were both boys—one had newspapers under his arm, the other a boot-black kit. They were probably brothers. As to their ages, one might be ten and the other twelve.

"Come, my dears," said the mother to her daughters, "it is time to move on. Leave the lunch-box on the bench; we'll not want it again."

The barefooted boys heard what the lady said, and, looking at each other, smiled.

"Mebbe there's something in it, Sammy," whispered the older boy.

"Oh! oh!" with joyful expectancy, "mebbe there is."

Before the lady and children were out of sight the boys had possession of the seat and lunch-box. In the latter they found a chicken sandwich and a patty-pan sponge cake.

"Take yer choice, Sammy," said the older boy, cheerfully.

"That's what yer allus say when there's anythin' ter divide. Now, yer choose this time, Billy."

"No, siree," from Billy; "you'se goin' ter choose. Wich is it, Sammy, eh, chicken sandwich or sponge cake?"

It was hard to choose, but Sammy, being very hungry, wasted no time.

"I'll take de sandwich."

The sandwich disappeared in a twinkling, and the patty-pan cake remained undisturbed.

"Why don't yer eat yer cake?" demanded Sammy, wonderingly.

Billy laughed as gleefully as if he had just finished a good, square meal.

"Dat's your second course," he said; "yer wants to be stylish w'en yer eatin' in de pa'k."

"I won't hev no second course," declared Sammy. "I've had my choice, and I've eaten it; the cake's yours, and you've got ter eat it."

"Sposin' I don't want de cake?" said Billy.

"But yer do."

"No, I don't, an' dat's a fact," Billy said, emphatically.

"Truly and bluey," was the answer.

Consequently Sammy ate the cake as eagerly and hungrily as he had eaten the sandwich.

The lady and her daughters having again seated themselves in the shade of some shrubbery, had overheard every word of the conversation.

"That boy Billy is a hero," the lady whispered softly, her eyes becoming misty, "Now, children, wait here quietly while I leave you for a few minutes. If those

little fellows should start to leave, detain them until I come."

"What are you going to do, mamma?" they asked together.

"Hush!" she said. "Wait and see."

She went off hastily, returning again in a little while, with a smile on her face.

"Where have you been, mamma?" asked one of the girls.

"What makes you smile so?" asked the other.

"Look," said she, "and then you can guess."

What they saw was a colored waiter from the dairy kitchen in the grove. He was just handing a tray to Billy.

"Wid de compliments of a friend," he said, showing his white teeth in a broad grin.

"Taint for us," was Billy's answer, looking at it longingly; "it's some mistake."

"Is yo' name Billy?"

"Yes, sir."

"And," nodding toward the other boy, "is he Sammy?"

"Yes."

"It's fo' you; I knew it. Now, when you're through eatin' bring de tray an' dishes to de dairy kitchen in de grove. You know where that is, don't you?"

"Yes, sir."

"All right." And he hurried off.

The boys looked at each other and laughed. It was a mystery to them, but a beautiful one. The food was abundant now—no need for the big-hearted Billy to go without, and the tears rushed to the watching lady's eyes as she noticed the eagerness with which he grabbed a biscuit and ate it. There were two glasses of cool creamy milk—not the ill-smelling beer that occasionally found its way to the place they called home—but good, rich milk. Sammy was already drinking from one of the glasses.

There were chicken sandwiches and buttered biscuits, sponge cake squares, molasses cookies, and cold, sliced beef. Besides, there were two oranges. After Billy had eaten one biscuit he said:

"Let's divide the things inter four parts."

"What fer?"

"Why, there's mommie and Sallie, yer know. Won't mommie be glad? Won't Sallie?" chuckling with delight.

Then, counting the biscuit he had already eaten as part of his share, he carefully packed "mommie's and Sallie's shares" in the lunch-box on the seat. Putting an orange in Sammy's hand, he slipped the other in the box.

"That's your orange, Billy, you must eat it."

"I don't want no orange," said Billy. "This is for mommie and Sallie, half and half."

His face shone with delight; this was truly a red-letter day to him.

Sammy shoved his orange along the seat slowly.

"Put this in the box, too, Billy, an' then mommie and Sallie can each have one," he said.

"No, siree," Billy cried out; "none o' that; you haven't had an orange—since—since—oh, I can't remember when."

"An' I'm not going ter hev any now," asserted Sammy.

"You just love oranges, Sammy," declared Billy.

"So do you."

"I'm goin' to save my orange fer Sallie, an' yours is fer mommie," said Sammy, and he did.

"Oh, the poor little fellow!" exclaimed the lady.

"He's a hero, too, isn't he, mamma?" said one of the girls.

"Indeed he is."

After the lunch-box was packed and tied with a cord the repast began in earnest, and was enjoyed to the full. The boys ate like the starved creatures they were, talking meanwhile with their mouth full, about how good everything was, and what a wonderful "friend" that was who had remembered them "wid sech a load of good things."

"I guess it's God," was Billy's conclusion, looking up through the branches of the trees to the blue sky, as if to solve the delightful problem.

"He must care a lot for us," said Sammy, joyously.

"He does," and over Billy's plain face there came a radiance that was lovely to see.

"Come, children," said the lady, rising, "let us pass on. We have learned our lesson. Those little fellows belong to the slums, but they are diamonds in the rough."
—Unknown.

INSTANTLY HEALED

"In December, my son sixteen years old, was taken seriously ill with typhoid fever and what doctors called "toxine poison." After doctoring with two doctors for two weeks at home, on their advice we brought him to Alton to the hospital. The doctor here told us there was no hope for him, and he could only live a short time. Just then a friend came in and asked us to trust the Lord and He would heal him. So she asked prayers for him at the church, and Brother J. E. Kistler from the Edward Street Assembly went to the hospital with my friend and they prayed the prayer of faith. When they went to the hospital at ten o'clock in the morning Julius had high fever and was unconscious. At four o'clock in the afternoon the doctor examined him and his condition was normal, and his mind clear, and the doctor said he could not understand what had happened. It was a very remarkable case of instantaneous healing. We know that it was the Lord and we praise Him for it. At the same time I took sick and was afraid I was taking typhoid. Brother and Sister Kistler came in and prayed for me and the Lord touched my body. We are so thankful for the Great Physician who completely restored and made our son every whit whole."—Mrs. Wm. Weaver, Jerseyville, Ill.

The Ram and the He Goat

The Eighth of Daniel

This is the study for the **YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING** for this week.

Our God is a God of infinite variety. He did not make just one kind of oak trees but He made forty kinds; not just one kind of fishes but thousands; not a few kinds of animals to be used by man, but very many; not a few plants that are fit for food but a great many; not a few stars in the heavens, but so many that we are still finding others as more and more powerful telescopes are invented, and we do not know how many there are. We have already set down on the map of the skies more than three million.

Have you ever tried finding two leaves alike? You cannot do it. Sit down in a gravel bed and try to find two grains of gravel alike. You cannot do it. Take a piece of dark colored woolen goods and when it snows catch a number of snow flakes. Will any two be alike? No. In my boyhood my friend Richards lived on a farm. His father had three hundred sheep. They looked alike to me but my chum could tell which dam any lost lamb belonged to, for he recognized every sheep and lamb by the expression in its face. No two were alike. What an imagination our God has! No two days are alike; no two winters, or springs, or falls. No two of anything that God made are alike. Wonderful Jesus!

So there is nothing to surprise us in these pictures He showed in the days of Daniel. They are about the same things but they are utterly unlike.

In the second of Daniel, the dream of Nebuchadnezzar, as interpreted by Daniel, foretold the four monarchies that should successively occupy the world—the Babylonian, the Medo-Persian, the Grecian and the Roman. Besides this he showed that, at the end, the fourth of these empires should be ruled by ten confederated kings, and that in the days of those kings, our Lord Jesus should come and destroy all those confederated nations, setting up a kingdom of His own that should last forever.

In the seventh of Daniel further details are added about these same four world empires. The king of the first was to have his wings, or his ability for rapid conquest, clipped, and to him that had been reduced to the status of a beast, was to be given the heart of a man. It is revealed about the Medo-Persian empire, that it will take three lands to itself by conquest. This was actually fulfilled when this dual kingdom overran and subjugated Lydia, Egypt and Babylon. The third empire is pictured as more bloodthirsty and more rapid in conquest than the first one, as the leopard is more fierce and merciless than the lion, and four wings are greater than two. It is shown too that this empire was to break up into four parts. In our lesson last week we saw that this actually took place. The fourth world empire

is revealed as different from all the others, and so fierce and heartless that no natural beast fierce enough to represent it could be found. It is further revealed concerning the destruction of this kingdom shown in this vision as having ten horns instead of the ten toes of the former vision—that when the Son of Man comes and destroys it, the kingdom is to be taken by the saints of God. The Antichrist coming forth out of one of these ten allied kingdoms, and wearing out the saints of the Most High, is also an additional revelation in the seventh chapter.

In the vision in the eighth chapter, the same dual kingdom of the Medes and Persians is again in view, the two horns of the ram representing its two-fold character, as the two arms of the image in the second chapter did. It is shown that the higher of the two horns came up last, which was fulfilled in Cyrus, who came up after Darius and was far the greater. The third kingdom in this vision is represented by the he goat; and the extraordinary rapidity of his conquest, shown in the seventh chapter by the four wings, is represented here by the statement that he "touched not the ground" (Dan. 8:5). The king of this kingdom is represented by the "notable horn" (verse 5), who destroyed the ram and his two horns. This was fulfilled exactly when Alexander the Great with his pitifully small army of but 30,000 marched against the mighty dynasty of the Medes and Persians and defeated them in such a spectacular way.

This vision also shows that this great horn was broken and the kingdom divided into four parts. This was fulfilled when Alexander the Great, at a little past thirty years of age, died in a drunken revelry, and four of his generals divided his empire between them, as seen in the previous lesson. It is revealed further, we believe, that the Antichrist, who was shown in the seventh chapter to arise out of the kingdom having ten parts, is to arise out of one of the four parts of Alexander's kingdom. It is further shown in verse twenty-five, that under the Antichrist great prosperity will be realized, and through the peace he shall bring, many will be lured into his service and so be destroyed, and that finally he shall actually stand up against the Christ in the Battle of Armageddon, as stated in the nineteenth of Revelation. All of this last is still in the future.

Daniel was extremely affected by these further details, filling out and giving him an understanding of the purposes of God concerning the coming kingdoms of the world, and he fainted and was made sick, but the record tells us that no one understood why he was so greatly distressed by the vision.

Look out for the Kingdom in Ten Parts. It is most thrilling to observe that three

of the four divisions into which Alexander's empire was divided are now separate kingdoms, viz., Egypt, which was the division ruled by Ptolemy; Greece, which was ruled by Cassander; and Turkey, reduced by the late war to the territory ruled by Lysimachus; and even as these words are being written, a fierce controversy over Iraq is engrossing public attention; and Syria and Iraq, which constitute the division ruled over by Seleucus, are seeking earnestly for the uniting of their separate governments.

Look out for the False Prophet. In the time of the Antichrist, the Satanic trinity, a counterfeit of the holy trinity, will be greatly in evidence. It will be composed of Satan representing the Father, the Antichrist representing the Son, and the False Prophet representing the Holy Ghost. The false church will have one head, the False Prophet, equipped with seemingly supernatural powers. It will be a united church, purporting to be the church of God but being, in fact, the church of the devil. Be wise, oh my people, that you may know how to keep out of this false church.

Look out for the Antichrist. He is probably on earth today. He will be a man of human parentage, but in him will be incarnated the devil, with all the diabolical skill, knowledge, craft and malignity gained in the many thousands of years of his life. Study the Word, for only by it will you have discernment to detect and recognize this deceiver, when he comes.

But Before the Satanic triumverate, Comes the Rapture. As the Antichrist appears on the scene, Jesus the Christ, never forgetful or behind time, will also appear and catch up out of the welter of woe to come upon the earth those who have made themselves ready. Are you ready? Get ready.—C. E. R.

APPROVED BOOKS

SPIRITUAL ARITHMETIC, By Reginald T. Naish, cloth, 129 pages, 85 cents postpaid. This book is "a knockdown argument" proving that God's Word is inspired. In the author's language, "To the conscientious student of Spiritual Arithmetic there is absolutely no escape from the conclusion that, in the original tongues in which the Bible is written, we have the very words of God Himself... Consequently the whole structure of what is blasphemously called Higher Criticism falls with a crash to the ground."

Every student of the Bible will be helped by the aid this book gives to the study of numbers in scripture. The author makes his meaning clear and the book is easy to understand.

To illustrate we quote from page 36. "Illustrations of the use of the number seven, meaning spiritual perfection, are found in the first verse of Genesis. The verse contains seven Hebrew words, and these seven words have 28 letters, or 4 X 7, while the numerical value of the three nouns in the verse, 'God,' 'heaven' and 'earth' is exactly 777. The first three words have 14 letters, the last four words have 14 letters or 2X7. The 4th and 5th words have 7 letters and 5th and 6th words have seven letters. There are in fact over 30 combinations of 7 in the first verse of the Bible."

Homely Things from a Pastor's Diary

C. E. Robinson

Tuesday, July 22. I am just back from my vacation. In the mountain village near which we camped, being asked to preach one Sunday, I took for my text, "Men and brethren what shall we do? Then Peter said unto them, Repent" (Acts 2: 37, 38).

I told them that to repent they must be sorry for their sins and be sorry enough to quit; that they must confess their sins, and that often that confession must be made to men whom they had wronged; that they must undo, so far as is possible, the wrongs they have done, and ask God to forgive them. This makes up repentance, and when it is heart-felt to a degree to satisfy the Lord, He works His faith in the penitent's heart, and immediately his sorrow is turned to joy and he knows he is saved.

I was led to spend quite a bit of time telling them about undoing the wrongs they have done. Men who have deserted their wives, must offer to return to them; men who have cheated or stolen from anyone, must take back what they have so gotten dishonestly; men who have circulated lies about people, must undo the wrong as far as possible by confessing to the persons lied to that the things told were lies, and confessing to the one lied about, asking his forgiveness.

The Holy Spirit brought conviction on the people, and within a few hours no less than three persons had come to me asking for advice and prayer. The first man said, "My father left a will by which he gave his property to my sister. I found the will before anyone knew there was one and put it in the stove. So, as no will was found, I inherited half of his estate. No one knows it. I have been a deacon in the Baptist church for a long time, and have lived a very correct and careful life. Your sermon made me anxious. What shall I do?" He was in great distress, for he knew that to turn over to his sister what he had stolen from her, would necessitate the sale of his home and everything else he had. He had a beautiful home, and his wife and children knew nothing at all of his crime. His sister had no suspicion of the truth and had always been liberal, kind and good to him. I said, "If you should awkwardly step on a lady's toe, and should say ever so earnestly to her, 'I am so sorry I stepped on your toe, please forgive me,' but all the time keep standing on her toe, what would she think about your apology? Would she think you were sorry you stepped on her toe?" Of course he could see that the very first thing a man does when he is sorry and wants to make amends is to quit the wrong. He must get off the lady's toe. I said further, "Why if you touch a lady's skirt with your foot and leave a dust mark, do you not at once ask her pardon, and at the same moment stoop and try to brush off the dust? Of course you do. That

is the nature of a real sorrow for a wrong done. The kind of sorrow that makes you leave the results of your wrong unrepaired is the sorrow of the world which worketh death. You must get off your sister's toe; you must brush off the dust from her skirt. In other words you must confess to her what you did and give her back the property that is hers."

How wonderful is our God! How delightful it is to serve a God who convicts deeply enough to make men want to restore their ill-gotten gains, even when it costs them their all! There was a holy light settling down over the brother's face as I finished talking. He had seen the thing clearly. God had showed him that that is His way, and oh the wonders of His grace that had made him willing, yes even glad, in a way, to make this restitution! It was a wonderful experience for me, but I had hardly finished talking to him before there came a lady seemingly in a much disturbed state of mind.

She did not waste words but blurted out at once as she sank into the chair I offered her, "I am in deep trouble. I had supposed until I heard your sermon yesterday, that I was a good Christian. I am always at church and I have a Sunday School class. Oh, what shall I do? I never saw myself as God sees me till yesterday. What shall I do?" Her distress was very great. She told me how several years before she had left a fine position, to marry a nice young man; how he could not make as much money as she was able to make, and yet he was unwilling for her to keep on working after their marriage; how they could not live on his salary as she had been accustomed to live, and how finally she had left him. She said he had retained his integrity, and was going along alone, sending her money frequently. I did not need to answer her questions. She knew what God would have her do. She had only needed to vent her feelings by telling me about it, and before long she said, "I will go this morning and tell him that if he will take me back I will be the best and most loving wife to him I am capable of being." And with this, off she went, a fine light of divine love shining in her eyes. Thank God.

The other one was a young man of twenty-two. He was a sinner who had been earnestly seeking the Lord for several months without avail. He said, "I found out yesterday what has been keeping me from the Lord. This watch I am wearing I stole from my room-mate at college. No one ever found it out, but I know when I send it back to him and ask his forgiveness, as I shall do this morning, God will receive me." I said, "My son, you do not need to wait another minute for God's forgiveness. God does business on credit. When He sees you really intend to do right about the

watch, He will take it as done and forgive your sins now, allowing you to pay later. Let us pray right here and now." Of course it was but a few minutes until another new name was written down in glory. Praise the Lord! God wants and must have reality in those who come to Him.

NEEDY STUDENTS

We wish through the pages of the Evangel to thank those who have manifested their interest in the School and its students by contributing to the Fund for Needy Students. This encourages us and them.

The school is doing all it can to provide work for a few to meet their expenses. Others came with their confidence in friends, who promised before they left home or assembly that they would stand behind the students. For some reason or other these promises have not all been redeemed. This leaves the student high and dry and affects the finances of the school for running expenses, for it is impossible to carry many of them for any great length of time on our books, as money must be paid out continually for food, etc., for our large family.

Money invested in these potential evangelists, pastors and missionaries will earn a tremendous percentage of spiritual interest in blessing on the soul of the giver now and in the kingdom to come. We were counting up the percentage of students who were under our care in Bethel Bible School in New Jersey and discovered that on the foreign field alone, not to speak of workers in the homeland, are now from 12 to 15 per cent of the students who attended during six years. We expect as much from C. B. I.

May we have further response to the fund for Needy Students?

Yours in His glad service
Frank M. Boyd, Principal.

IS HE TEACHING YOU?

Are you learning from those heavy burdens you have been carrying to spend time on your knees before God? In the Orient when they wish to teach camels to kneel, they do it by giving the command and at the same time loading them so heavily that they must bow. When the lesson is learned, and they will kneel without being overloaded, the tests for the camels are a thing of the past. Will you be wise and take this hint?

ETERNITY

You are a being born for eternity, a creature that will never go out of existence. Millions of ages, as numerous as the sands upon the shore, and the drops of the ocean, and the leaves of all the forests on the globe, will not shorten the duration of your being. Eternity, vast Eternity, incomprehensible Eternity, is before you! Every day brings you nearer to everlasting sorrow or everlasting joy. You may die any moment, and you are as near to heaven or hell as you are to death.

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MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

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HASTE

"What thou doest, do quickly." "Behold the fig tree and all the trees; when they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is nigh at hand. So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand." Present day signs are indicative of the soon coming of Jesus. Meanwhile, much is yet to be done in carrying the Gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth. Many tribes and countless heathen villages have never yet heard the name of Jesus, the Saviour.

Could you see the joy of the Lord in the hearts of the saved heathen, what changes God has wrought in their lives, I'm sure you would begin to realize in a measure the distinctive privilege we have in our missionary work. More hearty and united giving to missionaries would grip your heart and energize your efforts. You would become thoroughly enthusiastic in this noble enterprise.

Reports from the field are most encouraging. Our missionaries are making the supreme sacrifice of their lives to this end. Let us cheer them on to greater achievements. Time is short, beloved. Make haste, up and be doing! The day is far spent, soon the night cometh when no man can work.

Doors are opening, opportunities await us, the fields are ripe, go forth and gather in the harvest. Neglect means utter failure and dire loss. Souls will not only be lost but we will lose our reward and miss much of the glory that awaits us.

Awake thou that sleepest, arise and let thy light shine. Let us accept by faith these many open doors. Let us pray without ceasing for missions. Let us give to the limit of our ability, and then some, and then some more, and the Lord will surely bless us all. Let us give to missions our best men and women and God will richly reward and honor our faith. Pray ye the Lord of the harvest to thrust forth laborers into the harvest fields.

Yours for lost souls,
William M. Faux,
Missionary Secretary.

CIVIL WAR IN NORTH CHINA

Sister Grace P. Nicholson writes from China: "My heart is surely filled with joy as I write these lines to you this Christmas evening. For some sixteen days and nights, civil war has raged here in North China and we have listened to the boom of the cannon and seen long lines of soldiers, carts, donkeys, etc., thumping along the streets. The wounded were being brought in and our hearts did pity them as they were being borne along through the bitter, cold winds. All

this is only a little glimpse of the horrors of war. And above all, it was holiday season and Christmas was drawing nigh. As we looked to the Lord there was such a longing that His will might be wrought out in the affairs of men.

"Si Ching lin, Governor of this province, as you probably know through reports, has turned traitor to Chang Tso lin and taken the affairs of the province into his own hands. He could not be allowed to go on in this course, and the government troops have sought to enter Tientsin, and the troops of Li Ching lin have been holling them back, and bloodshed and suffering have been the result. Many refugees have been coming to the city. Brother Bolton's little mission, now under the oversight of Brother Martin Kavmme, has been caring for three hundred. Yesterday morning, it was certain changes had been taking place in the battle area, as soldiers came running through the streets seeking a place of refuge. Then the firing began and it sounded like the fourth of July. The Knominchun had entered Tientsin and the troops of General Li were fleeing. Oh, how our hearts rejoiced. The paper came out this morning with headlines announcing 'Anti Christian agitation must cease.' Later papers say, 'We are also resuming the responsibility for the protection of foreign life and property. The friendly powers and the foreign residents need have no fear. Should any person attempt to disturb peace, he will be severely punished.' General Chang, who is now at Tientsin, is a Christian. He is much beloved. Mr. Mu, Mr. Bolton's native worker, knows and speaks very highly of him. He is humble and dresses like his men."

STORMY DAYS IN CHINA

I am glad to be able to report that we are safe today. Yesterday and last night was a real trying time here in our part of the city. One citizen was killed and another wounded by the Russian soldiers. Nearly all the poor people have fled from their houses this morning. Only God knows what will be the outcome of it all. However, we are at peace. Praise God.
—L. M. Anglin, Taianfu, Shantung, China

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Hearty Cooperation
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Mutual Agreement

These five cardinal principles are the marks of our Pentecostal Missionary Enterprise. Let us all work together for greater missions.

FEEDING CHINA'S POOR

Brother and Sister Geo. C. Slager write from Chuchowfu, China: "We are glad to state that the Lord has been good to us. We held special meetings for two weeks, and we trust that the seed sown will bring forth fruit. Praise God.

"The Sunday before Christmas we felt led to take up an offering, in order to give the Chinese Christians a chance to help some of the very poor to have a happy Christmas. Although mostly poor themselves, the Christians and enquirers responded generously, so that the offering exceeded our expectation. We were able to buy rice and meat for one hundred and fifty people. Tickets were distributed to the very poor on Christmas day, and the possessors were admitted into the chapel. Our congregation was made up of the blind, the lame, the maimed, and very poor, old people. Many of them heard the Gospel for the first time that day. It was very touching to hear them repeat in unison the short prayer taught them; which was, 'Lord Jesus, forgive my sins, save me. Amen.' After the service each person received about three pounds of rice and ten ounces of meat. They then returned to their humble abodes to cook the meals; glad for their Christmas gift, and that the Lord Jesus included them, too, in His salvation. Poor souls, how hard their life is!

"Dear readers, if you feel like helping to send a portion to them for whom nothing is prepared, just add something special to your regular missionary offering, with the words, 'For the poor.' Our Missionary Secretary will gladly forward it to the field. The orphanages, such as Brother Anglin's home at Taianfu, Shantung, and Mrs. Nichols' at Ningpo, and those in other fields should be first remembered by such a fund. This would be for the sake of the poor, the help of the missionaries, and the glory of God. Jesus said, 'When thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind; and thou shalt be blessed, for they cannot recompense thee, for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just' (Luke 14:13, 14). Please remember us and the work here in prayer, and continue to pray for our particular need; the building fund. God bless you all."

Brother David Ruesga writes from Tequihuca, Mexico: "I thank God because the gospel work in this city and district is growing greatly. Praise the Lord. The mission is indeed insufficient to accommodate all the people, and not only that, but the place is very dirty and unworthy of God's holy work.

"God in His mercy granted us a real festival at Christmas. More than three hundred people were present. It was beautiful to see the one hundred and ten children with their presents, clothes, candy, and fruit, but the best of all was the Power of God, which was so manifest that sinners were brought under deep conviction, and some families have become interested in the Gospel of our Saviour as a result. Last Sunday we had one hundred and seventy in Sunday School, for which we praise God with all our heart."

AMONG TIBETAN ROBBERS

Brother Plymire writes from the Tibetan border, "As we look about us we see that signs of the last days are upon us. There is oppression of the poor by the rich, of the weak by the strong, such as has never before been heard. The poor Tibetans are in for, it seems, more than their share. The soldiers go among the Tibetans and collect such heavy taxes that the Tibetans have nothing left to live on and must turn to robbing on a large scale. Not far from here the soldiers demand such heavy taxes that the Tibetans just could not bear it, and turned on them and killed two. For this they were punished and nearly all they had was taken from them. Not only that, but one rich man who had nothing to do in the case was given a very handsome sum by the soldiers. Thus again the rich have taken from the poor.

"I have been away buying wheat and barley. I got some, but not enough. I have been trying very hard to get more but thus far I have failed. The price is so terrible, and even at that we cannot find any. I will have to go again as we just must have it. Meat is not so expensive at present as hides bring a good price, and this controls the price of meat. So we will just have to eat more meat whether we want to or not. The natives suffer so these days. On Christmas day we gave one meal to the poor children. Oh, it was awful to see these poor hungry kiddies eat!

"You will be interested in the one young Tibetan who is greatly interested in the gospel. We are expecting him to make a public confession. It does encourage us when we see even one Tibetan coming out for the Lord. Pray for him and for us. Others are interested, but fear holds them. The lamas would have them murdered if they accepted the Lord. Our class with the Tibetan children is undergoing a testing time. A number were very bright and got what I was telling them. They could give me a very good answer at the next meeting, but the parents noticed this and kept some away. Another woman comes in and calls her children out now when she thinks we are having a meeting with them. Truly it is no easy work. One here and one there, sometimes more, and sometimes only one or two. But whether few or many come, we can only be true to our Lord and give the message to as many as will listen.

"Thus far, we have not recovered our stolen yak. Because of this, we have been held up in our travels among the nomads. I am planning on a trip which will take me about a month. We truly need much prayer. There are so many robbers. Not long ago a lot of Tibetans in open daylight robbed one caravan of twenty yak. They just drove away every yak in the caravan. Then too, Mrs. Plymire is all alone here. She is very brave but it is very trying many times. People come in and tell her how their home was robbed during the night. Other times she will hear shooting nearby to keep the robbers away. Then next she will hear that a few have been captured. Such things do truly tell on one away out here. On the other hand we do have bless-

ed fellowship with our Lord. He is so real to us here. No matter what the surroundings may be, we KNOW we have connection with heaven. This is more real to us these days than anything else. Trials and tests do come, and sometimes so fast and hard, but He abides faithful.

"We are located in a place where we have terrible storms. Many times, and for days at a time, we do not see the sun on account of the terrible storms, but the sun is shining just the same. Many times the winds rock the buildings, dust storms completely obscure our view, but we KNOW that the sun is doing its duty. These things often apply to the Christian; but those who live by feeling go under when the storms rage, but others live on in absolute dependence on Him and are ALWAYS ABOVE the storm where the sun shines in all its power. Bless the Lord for this positive assurance. It is real to us."

A GOOD WORD FROM SYRIA

Sister Yumna Malick writes from Syria: "I am glad to say there is a more serious spirit taking hold of the people in our prayer meetings. Last Thursday night an elderly man who had been in the habit of using bad language, testified to the goodness of the Lord in bringing him to our meetings and showing him the truths of the Bible which he never knew before. He thinks he is such a terrible sinner that it is going to take the Lord a long time to cleanse him; however he has accepted Christ as his Saviour, and is very happy over the new-found treasure. His son, a lad of fourteen or fifteen, one of those you baptized at the Mediterranean Coast, is going on very nicely in the way of the Lord, and gives bright and up-to-date testimonies of God's love to him. Watch-night service was a time of going down before the Lord. After the regular service, thirty of them remained to hail the new year with prayer and worship before the Lord. The leading thought of the evening was, 'My presence shall go with thee and I will give thee rest.' Five precious souls consecrated their lives in real earnestness to Him. Yet I feel there is a good deal of restriction. Fear of man, ridicule, false pride, and love of the world, holds back the majority of the people. Do pray that there may be a great breaking down among them, that many may be saved and baptized in the Spirit. We have sixty-five students in school now and the number continues to increase. I think I wrote you about the four young women that were saved. Their faces just shine with the glory of God. A good number of the school children meet every day right after dinner to pray, some of the teachers with them. The Lord is meeting with them too, and I believe many more will be saved. 'God's word shall not return unto Him void.'"

RETURNED FROM LIBERIA

Brother and Sister C. W. Longstreth have arrived in this country from Sierra Leone, Africa, for a furlough. We bid them welcome to the homeland.

BATTLING GREAT OPPOSITION

Brother Christian Beckdahl writes from North India: "We have been working here since 1916, trying to hammer the rock, but it seems a hard one. You mentioned in your letter about a missionary praying, 'Give me souls or let me die.' This has been our cry for more than twenty-five years during our gospel work in the different parts of the world—but it seems Nanpara is one of the hardest places we ever have been, as wherever we have been before we had some results, but here we have hardly anything.

"The only encouragement that we have here at present is that we come in contact with so many of the Nepali people. They gladly receive the Gospel—one of the Ghurkas came one day and asked for a gospel portion of each of the four gospels. Praise God. Please remember us and North India in your prayers as the Aria Sama is trying in these days to destroy all the Christian work and is doing great harm to the mission work. God is still on the throne and able to overrule these things."

COMMENDABLE

The Foreign Missions Department appreciates greatly the fact that the Southern California Bible School Mission Band, are sending in regularly through the office their offerings for foreign missions, undesignated. This is most commendable and is a splendid example for other Bible School Mission Bands.

Sister Mabel Ellithorpe of Binghamton, N. Y., who had planned to go to the missionary field and whose plans have been changed so that she is unable to go, has returned all the missionary money to the Assembly which was given her, **with compound interest**. We praise God for this blessed spirit.

VICTORY IN HUMBOLT

Pastor O. Davidson writes from Humbolt, Kansas: "We have just closed a very successful meeting with the Mahony Evangelistic party of Kansas City, Kans. God met with us in great power to convict, to save and to heal and blessed in giving out the Word. A goodly number were saved and healed. One woman, who had been paralyzed for four years, was healed and able to walk and clap her hands and praise the Lord. Brother Vogler, our State Chairman, was with us a few days and the Lord blessed him in giving out the Word."

MANY SAVED AND FILLED

Pastor E. M. Yeats writes from Wilson, Okla.: "We were fortunate in securing Evangelist E. L. Newby and twin boys of Texas for a ten-day meeting, which proved a great blessing to the Assembly. Many souls were saved and baptized with the Holy Spirit. The Lord blessed in a special way in each service. There was a great time of rejoicing to see the altar lined with strong men crying out to God. The saints were built up spiritually through the wonderful messages given under the anointing of the Spirit. The meeting closed with great interest and many at the altar."

IN THE WHITENED HARVEST FIELDS

STURGIS, MISS., WORK GROWS

B. F. Merritt writes: "On Dec. 29, Brother and Sister Clark from Stonewall, Miss., came and started a meeting at Enis Church which lasted 10 days. Fifteen were reclaimed and 5 baptized with the Holy Spirit. Our Sunday school has grown so much we are sending for more literature."

MANY FILLED WITH SPIRIT

Brother J. S. Eaton of Yakima, Wash., writes: "Just a note of praise for the way the dear Lord has met us at this place. Brother and Sister Miller have been with us for 5 weeks and the dear Lord baptized 58 with the Holy Ghost and a goodly number were saved. There were some remarkable healings for which we give the Lord all the praise. They leave us this morning for Sunnyside, Wash., for their next meeting."

CHANGE OF OFFICERS IN IOWA

During the recent convention at Perry, Iowa, after the resignation of Brother Roy E. Scott as Chairman of Iowa and North Missouri District, Brother Chas. E. Long of 706 N. Cherry St., Creston, Iowa, was elected to fill the unexpired term of Brother Scott and Brother A. F. Crouch, of Trenton, Mo., was elected as Secretary-Treasurer to fill the unexpired term of Brother Long. From the time of this notice, all offerings for the District should be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer.

A BLESSED REVIVAL

Pastor Gayle F. Lewis sends a report from Conneaut, Ohio: "We have just closed a seventeen-day evangelistic campaign with Evangelist L. A. Hill in charge. The Lord came down. We had the best revival we have ever had in this place. The Spirit was present to work even in the first service with the result that 29 were saved and 22 baptized in the Holy Ghost during the campaign, with many wonderful healings. We are praising God for the revival fires and are expecting them to continue until Jesus comes."

MARIONVILLE, MO., CONVENTION

Evangelist and Mrs. Alex Benjamin report: "We have just closed a week Bible convention, conducted by J. E. Spence, the Chairman of the Southern Missouri District Council. The Lord has surely blessed Brother Spence in our midst in giving out the wonderful teaching by the power of the Holy Ghost. The Assembly was drawn closer to God, and hearts were encouraged to go on with the Lord. There were three baptized in the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. One of them received the Baptism at 5 o'clock a. m. in his home. Any minister in fellowship with the General Council, passing through this way, is welcome here."

PROFITABLE CONVENTION

Pastor F. D. Davis writes from Lamesa, Texas: "We praise God for the two-day convention of Feb. 4 and 5. Brother H. M. Cadwalder, State Chairman, was with us giving us some real profitable teaching on practical holiness. The very precious fellowship filled each heart. The next convention of this section will be in May 7 and 8 at Lamesa again. We find these conventions to be very profitable."

FIFTEEN SOULS SAVED

Pastor A. F. Crouch reports, "We are in the midst of a revival here at Trenton, Mo. Fifteen saved and reclaimed and several have received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. The past week Evangelist Glen Rennick of Ewing, Mo., was with us for three nights and has returned again this week. Pray that God will shake this little city as it never has been shaken with a mighty Pentecostal revival."

WORK IN TRINIDAD, COLO.

Brother Henry L. Lee writes from Trinidad, Colo., "Evangelist Olga M. Wennermark, from Pueblo, Colo., is holding a revival meeting here at the present time. The meeting started January 15, 1926 and there has been good attendance. People are coming to the altar almost every night. It is the intention to keep these meetings going for some time. The address of the assembly of God Hall is 45 Pine St., Trinidad, Colo."

CANTON WORK REVIVED

Pastor Delmar Johnson writes from Canton, Ohio: "Started a revival two weeks ago at the old 18th Street Mission and the Lord is blessing. Intended to stay only two weeks, but the fire is falling and the meetings are to continue. Souls are being saved, believers baptized in the Holy Ghost, sick bodies healed and backsliders are being reclaimed. Sunday evening the church was filled, some went away because they saw no seats. Pray for these people."

GOOD WORK AT ORGAS, W. VA.

Evangelist W. H. Sloan writes: "We just closed a week's meeting at this place with much success. Three souls were saved and a number of others came up for prayer. Many are interested in the old-time religion, as brought to them in sermon and song by Evangelist H. L. Shumway and Brother H. J. Hendrick, his co-worker. The Presbyterian church attended and took an active part in the meeting, as did many other denominations. The assembly was wonderfully strengthened. We are contemplating building a Pentecostal tabernacle here in the near future."

MORE ABOUT LONDON REVIVAL

We attribute the constant revival going on at the London, Ont., Assembly for the last year and a half to constant prayer. About a year and a half ago we arranged what we call a Prayer Chain. Twenty-four of the members of the assembly take an hour each. This takes up the twenty-four hours so that prayer goes on continually and has never stopped for a minute for over a year and a half. We change this prayer chain once a week, generally in the Sunday morning service, so that those who get a midnight hour one week, if they wish can have an hour through the day the next. It is a surprise to us the blessing that this prayer chain has brought to the individual as well as to the assembly. Almost every week different individuals testify to the wonderful blessing they received from their hour of prayer. For over a year and a half now there has been a constant revival. During that time there have been about two hundred conversions and about two hundred received the Baptism of the Spirit. The attendance at our services has been increased over two hundred. We have immersed in water during that period about two hundred and forty. At the present time the revival continues and within a period of eight days there have been ten conversions and eight received the Baptism. Our testimony meetings throb with life and vitality as those newly saved and baptized give expression to what God has done for them. Every phase of the work has been most encouraging during that period. The finances for the year 1925 went over the \$12,000 mark, which was a big increase over other years. The purpose of this report is to encourage other assemblies to adopt the prayer chain. It has become a part of the London Assembly's activities and we feel we could scarcely get along without it.—R. E. McAlister, pastor.

NEW PENTECOSTAL EVANGELIST

Pastor W. F. Garvin writes from Tulsa, Okla.: "I am writing to tell you that Mrs. Josephine Buhl, who is a member of the Assembly of God Church, Tulsa, and who had been Oklahoma's State President of the W. C. T. U. for the past five years, has been called of the Lord to enter His service as an evangelist. She conducted her first meeting in our church during the first three weeks of January. Her messages are convincing and convicting. Thirteen were saved and thirteen received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit with Bible evidence. I am sure any Assembly desiring a real Holy Ghost revival will do well to get in touch with Sister Buhl, whose address is 1408 S. Elwood, Tulsa, Okla."

Pastor H. T. Owens writes from Talapossa, Mo.: "We have just closed a three-week meeting here with Brother Joe Woolridge doing the preaching. God wonderfully blessed his ministry. A number were saved and a number received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. This was the best meeting that had been here since the first revival that was held here."

SISTER GRIFFIN WITH THE LORD

A wire from Evangelist Thomas Griffin informs us that his wife went to be with the Lord on Sunday morning, Feb. 14th at 6 a. m. We desire to convey to our brother the warmest sympathies of the Evangel family. Sister Griffin was a real helpmeet to Brother Griffin in every sense of the word. Pray much for Brother Griffin. His heart will be sore wounded at this time of this heavy loss. Our hearts go out to you, Brother Griffin.

WITH CHRIST

Mrs. Hattie E. Jamieson, the wife of Pastor S. A. Jamieson, passed away Thursday, Feb. 11th, in Chicago after an illness of two weeks of Flu-Pneumonia. During the last few days of her sojourn in this world she talked much about her Lord and heaven and longed to be with Him. She did not want the saints to pray for her healing as she wanted to go to heaven.

During her great suffering she did not forget the missionaries and prayed for them. They have certainly lost a true friend in her. She was past 70 years when she passed away. She was interred in Cincinnati, Ohio where her family (Hicks) have a family lot. Her husband, two daughters, two brothers and one sister survive her. Their loss is her gain. She came into Pentecost about 15 years ago and received her Baptism in Atlanta, Ga.

REVIVAL IN SPRINGFIELD

The deacons of this assembly arranged with William E. Booth-Clibborn, illustrious grandson of that mighty man, General William Booth, to conduct a three-week campaign in Springfield. Crowded out from the first, we moved temporarily to the Jefferson theatre for two services. It was poorly lighted. We moved to Convention Hall, but the cold weather coming on, and the hall being poorly heated, we returned to the church. Brother Booth-Clibborn conducts two independent revivals at the same time, one for the children in the day services and one for all at night. Cruelly hurt as it was by the shifting about, it was a great meeting. The children were greatly revived, many being saved and many filled. The church fairly fell in love with the smiling, earnest, prayerful, young musician-evangelist who seemed utterly tireless in his preaching, praying and singing. This meeting only lasted three weeks, and it was just at its crest or approaching its best it seemed when it had to close. Brother Booth-Clibborn considers six weeks the minimum time to be allotted to a meeting, but consented to come here to fill a vacant scrap of his time. He spent the entire first week preaching altogether on the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, a unique feature of his campaigns. Owing to conditions prevailing, an exact count was impracticable, nevertheless, we know of about 40 conversions and 24 Holy Ghost Baptisms. He conducts the water baptism service in a manner far more solemn and impressive than had ever been known before here. Thirty were baptized in water in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.—Chas. E. Robinson.

THIRTEEN SOULS SAVED

Brother Milton Summers writes from Dallas, Texas: "We wish to praise the Lord for the revival He has given us at the Beverly Ave., Pentecostal church, and am glad to say that "the end is not yet," praise the Lord. Evangelist Silas Rexroat of Buffalo, Okla., conducted the revival. Thirteen were saved and reclaimed and 4 received the Baptism with Bible evidence. There is a revival spirit in the church. We are progressing nicely with the payments on the building, having more than two-thirds of it paid for. Brother Geo. Deskin had charge of the singing. He is leaving Texas with Brother Rexroat and they will work together in the harvest."

CHICAGO, ILL.—Evangelistic Campaign at Full Gospel Assembly (Old North Ave Mission), 1665 N. Mozart St., Corner Wabansia, March 7 to 28 inc. Evangelist Wm. E. Booth-Clibborn of St. Paul, Minn., will be with us. Services each night at 7:45, Sundays, 11 a. m., 3 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. A continuous prayer chain has gone on for weeks in the assembly and we are expecting the greatest revival this church has even had. For further information address Adolph Peterson, pastor, 1826 N. Mozart St.

A WORD FROM CANADA

Pastor and Mrs. F. G. Story write from Herschel, Sask.: "The Lord has blessed and revived His work here. On New Year's Eve, we had a most remarkable meeting. Two little children got the spirit of intercession and prophecy. It was wonderful to hear the messages given in the Spirit. How our hearts were encouraged. Again, last Friday evening, at our regular cottage prayer meeting, the power of God fell like rain, waves and waves of glory flooded our souls. We are praying for a revival and truly God is beginning at His house. We were not very much surprised on the following Sunday, to hear that a sister who wasn't able to get to the Friday evening meeting, received her Baptism at home that night in another part of the field, miles away."

FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, Full Gospel Tabernacle: Dr. Chas. Shreve and party of Washington, D. C., will begin a meeting here at the Tabernacle on Sunday, Feb. 21st to continue for three weeks or longer; meetings twice daily. Let all the surrounding towns take notice, and let as many as possible attend this campaign. For further particulars, write to Mrs. W. Fiese, Secretary.

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NEW YORK CITY—A special revival campaign will be held at Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 325-329 West 33rd Street, New York City, beginning March 2nd for 13 days. Jack Saunders, the Ex-Pugilist, will speak at 7:45 each night, three services Sunday, 10:30, 3 and 7:30 p. m. Special singing and music by the Tabernacle Orchestra and Quartette, led by Ben Cockerhan (Singing Evangelist). For further information write Robert A. Brown, pastor.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Trinity Tabernacle, March 7 to 14. An Old time revival conducted by Elder W. T. Gaston, Chairman, General Council Assemblies of God. This will be a feast of good things from the Word of God. Neighboring Assemblies are invited to attend this meeting. A splendid Orchestra and choir under the direction of Ralph A. Mayfield will provide sacred, soul stirring music. The sick, the sinner, and the hungry hearted are especially invited to attend these meetings. Take Page Car to Tabernacle door at Marcus Ave.—Pastor Fred Lohmann.

WILMINGTON, DEL.—Evangelist M. W. Richards, Jr., of Canton, Ohio, the Lawyer Evangelist, will conduct a series of Revival Meetings in the Pentecostal Church of Wilmington, Delaware, beginning February 14th and extending over a period of four Sundays. The church is located on the corner of Twenty-third and Pine Sts., with cars running immediately in front of the church. The Assembly is praying earnestly for an old-fashioned revival. Join us in believing prayer for an outpouring of the Latter Rain. A cordial invitation is extended to our Pentecostal fellowship to these meetings.—Pastor William A. Coxe.

SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT COUNCIL OF THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

The Twelfth District Council of Southern Missouri will meet with the Assembly of God at Chaffee, Mo. April 6 to 10, 1926. The Assembly will provide food and bedding free for those attending. The second day of the Council will be given to the interest of Missions. Elder Wm. M. Faux, Springfield, Mo., General Secy. of Foreign Missions, will have charge of the Missionary Program. Let all the ministers be there for the Missionary day of our Council. We appeal to all our Assemblies in the District to see that the expense of their pastor is provided for them to come to the Council, also elect and send at least one lay delegate with your pastor. Those desiring to be licensed or ordained at this Council may write to the Chairman for an Application Blank.

We are asking all the saints and ministers of our District to make this coming Council a special subject of prayer, that the same blessed unity and fellowship that has been prevailing among us in our Councils will melt our hearts together as never before. Amen!—J. E. Spence, Chairman, Willow Springs, Mo.

PACIFIC NORTH WEST YOUNG PEOPLE'S EASTER CONVENTION.—A convention for the Young People of the Pacific North West District will be held at Bethany Temple 26 and Oakes Ave., Everett, Wash., April 1 to 4 inclusive. All Pastors and Evangelists of District are requested to arrange to be present, also a special invitation is extended to the Young People of various Assemblies to make a special effort to attend Easter Convention, the first of its kind in the northwest. Three services a day are planned. Bible Lectures and inspiring messages will be given by various Pastors and Evangelists present.

Pastors are asked to report not later than March 7 as to how many delegates may be expected, that provision may be made for same. Free lodging is planned for all delegates. Meals will be served at cost prices, by Young People at Y. M. C. A. Dining Hall, three blocks from Temple.

Address all communications and requests for information to Mr. Henry Fenstra, 2727 Walnut Ave., Everett, Wash., or Pastor E. O. Robeck, 2108 Oakes Ave., Everett, Wash.

TURLOCK, CALIF.—May E. Frey will conduct a series of meetings at the Pentecostal Mission beginning March 7.—C. Knudsen, Pastor.

EASTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING.—The tenth Annual District Council meeting of the Eastern District will be held in the beautiful new "Lighthouse Pentecostal," church 71-73 Himrod St., (near Evergreen Ave.) Brooklyn, N. Y. on March 16, 17, & 18, 1926. Owing to the fact that this is a very important part of the work, and one that vitally effects every ministering brother in the District, we urge that each one so arrange their plans as to be present. Plans have been made by the Pastor Vernon G. Gortner, to hold a full week evangelistic campaign March 14-21 inclusive, to which all are most cordially invited. There will be evangelistic services each night during the Council. The Credential Committee will meet each day during the Council. Those desiring License or ordination can meet with the above Committee at that time.—Edwin C. Sikes, Secretary.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Pastor Cyrus B. Fockler of Milwaukee, Wis. will conduct a Pentecostal evangelistic campaign at 27 Bremen St., March 4 to 14 inclusive. Bring your sick ones as God greatly uses Brother Fockler in healing. We are looking to God for a mighty revival in Buffalo. Address Pastor R. E. Erdman, 27 Bremen St., Buffalo, N. Y.

CALIFORNIA TRIP POSTPONED
Brother P. C. Nelson and party have decided to postpone their trip to California for some weeks or months, and will be open to further calls in the Oklahoma district before going further west. Write to P. C. Nelson, Enid, Okla.

OPEN FOR CALLS. Evangelist D. H. Owen, (licentiate of Okla. Dist. Council), is willing to go anywhere in Central States, preferably a new field. Write to 606 E. Calif. St., Urbana, Ill.

OPEN FOR A PASTORATE.—Brother and Sister Merlin E. Conner, recent students of the Central Bible Institute, are desirous of a pastorate. Address Merlin E. Conner, 1618 Market St., Alton, Ill.

OPEN FOR CALLS.—Am open for evangelistic calls anywhere the Lord leads. Can give the best of references from our District officers. Write me at 217 McCadden Ave., Massillon, Ohio. Am at present pastor of the Pentecostal church of Uhrichsville, Ohio, having been here about two years.—Pastor Delmar Johnson.

OPEN FOR EVANGELISTIC CALLS TO ANY FIELD.—I am open for calls to any field. I am in fellowship with the Illinois State Council of the Assemblies of God. References may be secured from Pastor A. W. Kortkamp, 2726 Hillcrest Ave., Alton, Ill.—Louis Draper, 607½ East Broadway, Alton, Ill.

PASTORATE WANTED.—I will give up the pastorate at Morris, Okla., March 1. I would be glad to hear from any assembly in need of a pastor. Have had about three years' experience as pastor. Am in full fellowship with the General Council. I have a wife and one baby. Wife plays the piano. Please write full particulars in first letter. Anyone desiring references, write Chairman Oscar Jones, Box 112 Sand Springs, Okla.—Alvin D. March, Box 44 (phone 1039), Morris, Okla.

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