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I WAS born in North Dakota and at eight years of age went to Canada. My parents belonged to the Methodist church, and as I grew older I became interested in the miracles of our Lord. When I inquired about them I was told that those things belonged to the long ago, that today the Lord did miracles in a different way. This left me quite discouraged in regard to spiritual things until I was twenty years of age and came in touch with the Pentecostal movement. I was saved in a little Pentecostal meeting in Maxim, Sask.

From childhood I had felt a great desire to go as a missionary to foreign lands, though I had never heard a missionary message and knew almost nothing about those things. But when I was saved the desire was greatly deepened. I sought the Lord, and it was not long until He filled me with the blessed Holy Spirit. I used to go twenty-one miles to meetings in winter, through snow and all kinds of weather.

Then the Lord began dealing with me about going to South America, and gave me many visions and helpful experiences. I saw in vision practically all the field I have been over in mission work. Living as I did on the

plains, I did not know what a mountain looked like until I saw them in vision. When I went to Peru I saw the same mountains and recognized some of the people and places I had seen in vision.

I spent two years in Glad Tidings Bible School in San Francisco and the Lord definitely called me to South America, where I went in 1924. Ten months later a precious student from Glad Tidings, to whom I was engaged, followed me to South America and we were married. Then we went into the interior and settled. In some places they had been forbidden by the priests to give us anything to eat or a place to sleep. But the Lord sometimes touched their hearts to give us a piece of meat or an egg. We freely gave out tracts and Bible portions, and when we returned we sometimes found the streets strewn with the literature

we had given them. The priests had gone to their homes and told them to throw that stuff away. But we also saw that some of the people were picking the leaves of the Bible up from the streets and reading them. The priests became very uneasy about the work and followed us up wherever we went. One of the natives remarked, "Before you came the priests rode around like kings, but now they ride like madmen." Presently they began to cut prices on their religious ceremonies, and they advertised they would say mass for half price.

When they had tried every other way to stop our work and were unsuccessful, they raised a mob to try to kill us. We were with Brother and Sister Cragin at this time, and there were about fifty natives connected with the work who were either saved or leaning toward salvation. We had

heard so many rumors and threats that we had ceased to pay any attention to them, so when they told us the Indians were coming to kill us we thought nothing of it until we saw the mob of them coming, about two or three hundred, armed with stones.

We were having a baptismal service at the river, and the Indians gathered at the other end of (See Page 7)



Lief and Walter Erickson Pioneering for Christ in the Andes, 10,000 feet above Sea Level

The State of the World at the Coming of the Lord

By P. C. Nelson, President Southwestern Bible School



THE BEST and most certain remedy for post-millennialism—the teaching that Christ will not come till after the millennium—is a careful study of the state of the world, according to the Scriptures, at the Second Coming. A learned man, who had been soaked in this soporific teaching for many years told me that this remedy cured him completely and permanently.

The Evolutionists hold that all that is on the earth today is the result of blind forces that are still at work. The post-millennialists hold that the millennium is to be produced by the religious forces now in the field. If that is so it will take millions of years to do it, and if our observations and study have not misled us, the task is hopeless and impossible; for there is the most painful evidence of a backward instead of a forward movement among the professed followers of Christ, and in a given time the number of heathen born into the world is greater than the total number who turn to the Lord in pagan lands. If a frog clinging to the curbing of a well twenty-five feet from the surface should climb up one foot each day, but fall back thirteen inches every night, how long will it take that frog to reach the top?

Those of us who admit that the world is getting worse instead of better have the best of the argument in these days. The course downward is now so rapid that the most ardent pursuer of this mirage of Postmillennialism is compelled to admit crime in all of its hideous forms is on the increase at an alarming rate, and that human governments are standing on a very insecure foundation. It requires no super-intelligence to see that the world as it is today is a perfect reflection of the state of world in the last days as pictured so faithfully in the Word.

I.

In His great prophetic discourse recorded in the twenty-fourth of Matthew, our Lord Jesus says, "Because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. But he that shall endure to the end, the same shall be saved" (vv. 12-13). Here He tells us first that *iniquity shall abound*. Does this look as if the world would gradually get better and better and finally

develop a full-blown millennium, when the fear of the Lord shall cover the earth as the waters cover the seas? This accords precisely with the more complete and detailed statement by the inspired apostle in 2 Tim. 3:1-7: "This know also, that in the last days perilous times will come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness but denying the power thereof."

Now the sad thing about it is that we can fill out this whole catalogue of evils with examples taken from among the professed followers of Christ. Probably every reader of this article could take pencil and paper and write names of persons of his own acquaintance and making a Christian profession, who exemplify one or more of this horrible list of evils. Read it again, and then look in the newspapers for a reflection of the same awful delineations. *These last days are here.*

II.

"The love of many shall wax (grow) cold." Earnest people of all denominations of Christians in our times deplore the Laodicean lukewarmness that has come upon even the most evangelical churches, and the arctic fridity that characterizes some churches which not so long ago were full of fervor and soul-saving power. And even the mighty, God-sent Pentecostal revival movement cannot hold its head so high in contempt of the rest, for who of us has not noticed a tendency among our own dear people to cool off, and to forget their "first love"? Most others have given up the struggle to keep from freezing to death, and are settling down to die of the fierce cold, although as yet the Pentecostal hosts are attempting to keep themselves alive in the love of God by having numerous revival campaigns, camp meetings and fellowship meetings. Woe unto us, when we give up these God-given means to keep from growing cold.

III.

"Nevertheless when the Son of man

cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?" Luke 18:8. This question from the lips of Jesus does not necessarily imply the absence of all true faith in the efficacy of prayer—for that is what He is talking about (see the first verse)—but it does imply that that kind of faith will be *rare*. Think how much human scheming and how many human devices are resorted to to raise money for the work of the churches, and how few congregations know how to pray—to ask and receive according to their needs!

To encourage our faith in the willingness of the Lord to heal through the power of "the effectual, fervent prayer of a righteous man," James reminds us that Elijah was made of the same kind of clay as ourselves, and yet he had such power with God in prayer that he could both shut up and open heaven—stop and produce rain. James 5:3-18. Yet many professed Christians in our times consider it fanaticism to pray for healing and, worse than that, the faith required for the healing of the sick is not too common even among us who believe that divine healing is available for us now, as it was in the first days of the Christian era.

IV.

"Let no man deceive you by any means; for that day shall not come except there come a *falling away first*, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God." 2 Thess. 2:3, 4. Here Paul tells us two things: (1) there must first be a falling away (from the truth), and (2) a revelation of the man of sin (the Antichrist). He does not teach that the Antichrist must be revealed before the Rapture—the snatching away of those who are Christ's—but he does say that he must be revealed before "that day" (when Christ shall be revealed). We see the world *preparing* to receive the Antichrist, and we see the beginning of the most awful apostasy from the faith that has ever been known on this earth.

Fifty years ago the skeptics, gnostics, deists, and atheists—popularly classed together as *infidels* were all outside the church. The church, as most of us knew it then, stood solidly against infidelity in all of its hideous forms. All our Christian schools were bulwarks against infidelity. Now alas, many of the "biggest preachers," many who draw from five thousand to twenty-five thousand dollars a year in salaries from the churches, either secretly or openly deny the inspiration of

the Bible; deny the blood atonement made by our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; deny His resurrection, His ascension and His Second Coming—exclude the miraculous element in toto, and deny all supernatural manifestations of God. Most of the colleges and universities that were founded by sincere Christian men and women to be defenders of the faith are now hotbeds of infidelity, and destructive of the true faith which they were set to defend. This deadly rationalism began in Germany, spread over Europe, and is now creeping over United States. It began in New England and is gradually spreading westward. It has even crossed the Pacific Ocean and is working havoc with numberless foreign missionaries!

Paul connects this widespread apostasy with the latter times—"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils; speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron." 1 Tim. 4:1, 2. A rapidly growing number of our religious leaders have discarded the Bible as the inspired Word of God—our God-given chart and compass—and are sailing the high seas toward the port of eternity with nothing better for a guide than poor faltering, changing, treacherous, finite reason! They have abandoned the inspired story of Genesis which links man directly with our Creator and have adopted the creed of Darwin which links him with apes and monkeys! They are ready to believe any incredible theory if it bear the stamp of science, but cannot bring themselves to believe in the true and beautifully consistent and rational account given us by inspiration. And alas this folly is not confined to the leaders only. It is percolating down to the unthinking masses both inside and outside the churches. Who could imagine that in fifty short years such a change could overtake the religious world?

V.

Jesus did not prophesy the universal conquest of the world by His glorious gospel before His return to earth.

He knew that man had been a failure in every previous dispensation, and that he would prove a failure even under grace. He prophesied that His coming would be preceded by conditions resembling the state of society before the flood, and again before the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah:

bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; but the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed." Luke 17:26-30. What close observer of the moral state of society in these

evil days can fail to see a reflection of the frightful condition of the world preceding the flood and the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah?

Instead of picturing a time of universal peace and righteousness on the earth at the Second Coming, Jesus prophesied a time of trouble and sorrow and tribulation and anguish such as has never yet been known on this planet. Wars, earthquakes, famines, pestilences, and troubles of all kinds will mark the last days of this dispensation immediately preceding the Lord's coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. Thank God, there is a refuge for the true children of God who will be snatched away before the vials of God's wrath are emptied upon this wicked, rebellious, Christ-rejecting world!

In conclusion let us ask, what solution can be found for the deplorable, heart-sickening state of the world in our day? We have tried all kinds of government and all kinds of education and all kinds of reform movements. We have built great colleges and universities. We have tried all kinds of schemes for social betterment and in spite of all these things we have steadily gone from bad to worse. We who are brave enough to look the condition of our present evil world squarely in the face have been called pessimists by those religious leaders who, hide their faces in the sand, and see nothing alarming. But we have the solution and the only solution in

the imminent, personal coming of Christ to subdue the devil and all his followers, to suppress all evil, and to make this moral desert blossom as the rose. We are the only real optimists on earth today.

Pray for the Council Meeting.

BROKEN THINGS

A broken pitcher!

*Out there flashed a Gideon bandsman's light;
Then came a shout of victory,
"Thro' God avenged our land shall be,"
The waking host in terror flee—
God's few have won the fight.*

A broken treasure!

*Rare oil from riven alabaster wall,
Anoints the feet of God's dear Son—
A task by others left undone—
Her love must give her best or none,
While tears of gladness fall.*

Some broken loaves!

*Just scanty bits from out a basket small;
But as our Christ the food did take,
Then bless and into fragments break,
A feast abundant He doth make
To satisfy them all.*

A broken body!

*Whisper low as hanging on the cross we see
God's Son in agony and pain,
Bowed with our ev'ry sin and stain,
Broken that we might once again
In His completeness be.*

Just broken things!

*How oft God uses them to show His grace;
If thou wilt as the loaves then be,
Or as the pitcher broken, see
God's light shine forth in beauty free,
Well shalt thou fill His place.*

A broken heart!

*Thus only able for thy brother's woe,
For canst thou feel compassion true
Unless thy heart is broken too
To let thee taste God's comfort new
And then to others show?*

Alice Reynolds Flower

LITITZ, PA.

"And as it was in the days of Noe (Noah), so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they

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The Editor's Notebook



When Italy Went Bolshevistic

Dr. Alexander Robertson, a Protestant minister of Venice, Italy, has contributed to the *Life of Faith* two articles under the title of "Mussolini Creates a New Italy." This minister has lived in Italy for a number of years and tells us that twelve years ago Italy was in a tumble-down, ramshackle condition, without order, without discipline, and without self-control. Trade and commerce languished, agriculture was neglected, crime was on the increase, and a low state of morality prevailed. "Strikes, lockouts, disputes and quarrels were prevailing everywhere—each man for himself, regardless of the interests of his neighbor." Dr. Robertson attributes this deplorable state to the influence of Lenin in Italy. He writes, "The government was pro-Russian, so also were the municipalities in all the chief towns. Bolsheviks, Communists, and Socialists, all being the emissaries of Lenin, were in most of the public offices. Members of the proletariat, who were fed and pampered by those in power, had many of their children christened 'Lenin,' and I have seen his name printed in large letters on the walls of their homes. Italy was fast becoming an annex of Russia."

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Mussolini as Deliverer

Signor Facta, a pro-Russian, was premier of Italy in 1922. He was absolutely incapable of dealing with the situation. Mussolini raised up an army of three hundred thousand patriots and ex-soldiers against him, and sent him an ultimatum to clear out of Rome in forty-eight hours. Facta prepared to resist him by fortifying the city and garrisoning it with two legions of soldiers. He drew up a decree to put Italy under martial law and to declare war against Mussolini. He took it to King Immanuel III of Italy to sign, but to his astonishment the monarch tore up the document and said emphatically, "No, I dismiss you and

your ministry, and call upon Mussolini to be my premier and to form a government."

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A Program of Reform

Mussolini came into power at once and set about a great work of reform, and according to Dr. Robertson the whole country was soon changed. Waste lands and marshes have been recovered and are now under agriculture. Trade and commerce have advanced by leaps and bounds. Realizing that they were a menace to the welfare of the people, Mussolini closed 25,000 saloons in one day. He has dealt with the terrible Sicilian Mafia, or Black Hand Society that has been a menace to Southern Italy for years, and hundreds of its members are in jail. The city of Rome is being restored to its ancient magnificence. "There are no more strikes or lockouts. A tribunal deals with all trade disputes, and in all important cases Mussolini himself acts as arbitrator."

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Mussolini and the Vatican

Dr. Robertson reminds us that in Mussolini's first speech in parliament he proclaimed the famous dictum: "None against the State; none outside the State; all inside the State." This meant the removing from the State all whom Mussolini did not consider loyal to the State. Dr. Robertson says, "The carrying out of this dictum necessarily involved a clearing out of the country of all Bolsheviks, Communists, Socialists, and others of that stamp who were against the State. . . . Mussolini invited the Pope and the Vatican to come 'into the State.' This of course they refused to do. They claimed to be not only independent but above all kings and civil rulers. 'Then,' said Mussolini, 'out of Italy you must go.' And he kindly gave them a small piece of land, some ten or twelve acres, to live in, where they are now, which they call 'The Vatican City.' Geographically, it is near Italy, but, as Mussolini said, 'Po-

litically the Pope is as good as eight hundred kilometers away,' and he cannot enter Italy except as a foreign potentate traveling incognito." Mussolini's determination all the way along has been that Italy shall not be "vaticanized."

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Life and Death Struggle

According to the *July Current History*, for some time past the Fascists have been complaining against the political actions of the Catholic organizations in Italy. This was climaxed by the *Labora Fascista*, a Fascist paper devoting on May 26 last an entire page to the description of a secret meeting at the national headquarters of the Catholic Action Society in Rome. In this article this society was accused of being disloyal to the State and violating the Italo-Vatican agreement, which limited the political activity of all church organizations. This led to the closing of all the Catholic Action clubs. In its official statement the Fascist party declared, "Italy cannot tolerate the impossible situation brought about by the fact that such a powerful organization as Catholic Action, which has branches throughout Italy, is managed by and obeys the orders of a foreign State, the State of the Vatican-City."

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The Real Crux of the Problem

The Vatican wants to control the youth of Italy. "Not so," says Mussolini, "the child, as soon as he is old enough to learn, belongs to the State alone. No sharing is possible. Maybe this will be judged Spartan doctrine carried to the extreme. One cannot deny, however, that it is clear. We are in process of reconstructing Italy—a great Italy. It is a colossal task. The antique city (his name for the Vatican) has nothing in common with a nation of more than forty-two million inhabitants." To this the Pope replied with an encyclical in which he complained that "a conception of the State which makes a young generation belong to it without any exceptions, from the tenderest years up to adult life, cannot be reconciled by a Catholic with Catholic doctrine." We cannot

blame the Pope for revolting from the principle, common alike to Communism and Fascism, that *all* belongs to the State. Many of us who believe in rendering to Caesar the things that are Caesar's will have to refuse to render unto him the things that are God's. This new principle of government, we may be sure, will be the underlying principle of the kingdom of Anti-Christ, and those who refuse to accede to it will have to seal their refusal with their blood. Thus we see the essence of the quarrel between the Pope and Mussolini. Who will win?

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Rome and Babylon

The book of Revelation is a book of last things. In it we see the true church exalted, and the false church—which is spoken of as the "great whore"—judged. In Rev. 19 we have the wonderful picture of the marriage of the Lamb—"His wife," whom Paul describes as a chaste virgin espoused to Him (2 Cor. 11:2), "hath made herself ready." But before this great wedding, John heard "much people in heaven" exulting over the destruction of "the great whore which did corrupt the earth with her fornication." Read the 16th chapter of Ezekiel and you will see what spiritual whoredom is—one outstanding part of this indictment is the making of images. In Rev. 17 we have the description of this destruction. There is no mistaking who this great whore is, for she is described as sitting on seven mountains—and Rome is the one great city in the world which is situated on seven hills. Upon the woman described here we see the words, "Mystery, Babylon the great, the mother of harlots and abominations of the earth." Why is Rome called Babylon? D. M. Panton points out, "All that is corrupt in the Roman church has come bodily from Babylon. The peacock fans, to take but one example, that wave over the Pope's sedan chair, actually first conducted pagan pontiffs over the bricks of Babylon. The early church saw this truth. 'Babylon,' says Tertullian, 'is a figure of the Roman city.' 'The spiritual Babylon,' says Jerome, 'which sits in scarlet on the seven hills, whose plagues we read of in the Apocalypse, will be levelled to the dust.' 'Babylon' says Augustine, 'is a former Rome, and Rome a latter Babylon.'"

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Further Confirmation

The remarkable thing is that the Roman Catholic church itself identifies Rome with Babylon. In the August issue of the *Evangelical Christian* the editor writes, "We sent down to the Roman Catholic book store to get a copy of their own translation of the

New Testament with their own comment, which all had the Pope's endorsement. We turned to Peter's first epistle, the writer of which the Romanists claim is the first and greatest Pope. Of course it is essential to their system that they demonstrate that Peter went to Rome. And so in their introduction, after referring to Peter as the prince of the apostles, they assert that the epistle was written from Rome, to which he refers in the epistle under the figure of Babylon. When we recovered from our amazement at this we turned the page to the 5th chapter of Peter's first epistle and read the 13th verse, '*She that is in Babylon* elect together with you, saluteth you.*' And then our astonishment returned, for there was an asterisk against the word 'Babylon' and right below the simple footnote—'*Figuratively Rome.*' And then we turned over to read the wonderful description of that 'Mystery, Babylon' in Revelation, chapters 17 and 18, and we saw the whole system unveiled. . . . We are moving on to the time when the identification will be complete and final; when she will have played her last political card—and lost. For the time is coming when the kings of the earth, sick and tired of her perpetual machinations, shall turn on to her and 'shall hate the harlot, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and shall burn her utterly with fire.'"

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God's Call of Mercy

Whenever God warns of judgment there is nearly always a declaration of mercy. God loves His people. We hear a tender plea to His own who are in this false church. "Come out of her, My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." This is a call to His own to come away from the "high places decked with fair colors," and from "the images" that God has not ordained. There are devout Catholics who today are trusting in the blood of Christ, and this is a time when we should call to them to separate from this apostate church. We see from Rev. 17:16, 17 the end of the strife between the civil powers and the ecclesiastical. God puts it into the heart of the political powers to do His will—to destroy "the great whore." Later God will deal with the Roman empire, the political power, and make it as Daniel foretold, "as the dust of the summer threshing floor."

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The Only Source of Salvation

It was the last day message of the Lord Jesus Christ, given on the last day of the last of the feasts, in which

He said, "*If any man thirst, let him come unto Me and drink.*" There is only one who can meet the soul thirst of the people, and that is our lovely Jesus. *He alone can meet the need of every creature. It is to Him we come,* and to no other—not to Mary nor to the saints nor to the priests. Listen to this message again, "*If any man thirst, let him come unto Me and drink.*" The lowly Galilean Peasant who made this invitation is none other than the great I AM, who of old declared, "Look unto Me and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth." He alone can satisfy. Many of us can testify that He satisfieth the longing soul and filleth the hungry soul with goodness. And with this wonderful invitation He gives the promise that "he that believeth on Me, as the scriptures hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water." John explains this, "This spake He of the Spirit, which they that believe on Him should receive; for the Holy Ghost was not yet given because that Jesus was not yet glorified." Ah, it is His will for all who come to know Him as their satisfying portion, to also know the Spirit in Pentecostal fullness, and that from within them there shall flow out rivers of Pentecostal blessing to all the needy world around.

Wayside Sowing in Spain

A few years ago a traveler in Spanish Galicia threw a gospel tract into a market-basket that a woman was carrying on her head. The woman looked up and said, "I cannot read." "Have you none in your house who can read?" asked the traveler. "Yes, my husband is a good reader." "Well, get him to read the tract."

The husband did read the tract. He read it again and again. He decided to seek the Lord of whom the tract spoke. He enquired and found where the traveler was staying in Marin, to enquire more about the gospel, and soon rejoiced in full salvation. He went back to his home and began to preach Christ fearlessly to his household and neighbors.

For forty years this man labored faithfully for Christ. A church was soon formed of new converts, which he faithfully shepherded. The testimony for Christ has gone forth from this church far and near. *And it all began with a gospel tract.*

We have just printed 30 new tracts, 29 of which are illustrated, and we are selling them at a special low price this month. Why not send for a quantity? Give them to your milkman, your grocer, your mailman, put them in letters, with accounts that you pay and drop them in public places.

A Highway Robber's Story

Told by Charlie Casey, Reported Stenographically

Well, I am glad to say that I can stand up for the Lord tonight as my Saviour. I am one of the boys that was saved over in the Greene County jail, at Springfield, Mo., having been arrested for highway robbery. I am thanking the Lord for that night of my arrest. I had the penitentiary looking me in the face; it wasn't for less than five and not over twenty-five years.

Mother Robinson is a real mother to me. The first time I ever listened right down to the Scripture was the first time I ever saw Mr. and Mrs. Robinson when they came down to the jail and preached. The first time they preached I didn't get much good out of it. I thought I had gone just so far no one could help me.

After the service the second Sunday I think I was about the second boy up to the bars. Of course, I had thought once before, when I was about eighteen or nineteen years old, that I had religion because I had taken a Baptist preacher by the hand. But next day I was out with my gun on my hip and a bottle in my pocket. But this time I was in jail and had to sit and listen. There is nothing impossible for the Lord to do. I truly believe down in my heart I was arrested that night for the conviction of my soul. When Sister Robinson took me by the hand (by about two fingers, for that is about all we could get through the bars) I thought I was saved.

I was in No. 2 cell. There was another boy in a cell No. 2 on the other side straight across the hall. There were about five of us saved that week in jail. There was one that was truly saved and he knew he was saved. He got to reading the Bible and we all went in there to listen to him. I found out that I wasn't saved at all but that I had just started. I would go over and listen and just get fidgety. I would sit a little while as long as I could stand it and then go back again. Something would just keep saying, "Charlie, you ought to go back into your cell; the way to get religion is to repent." I just kept walking bare-footed, back and forth across the floor. Something said, "Just go kneel down side of your bunk and pray." I knelt down on the steel. It felt like a cushion to me that night, and the longer I prayed the better I felt. I never prayed a prayer before in my life. I grew up there in Oklahoma. The boys there just grew up and were turned loose, and I was one of them.

I am thanking God tonight for being in Greene County jail, for tonight I know if I hadn't got arrested and thrown in jail, I would never have gotten saved.

They had certain rules that you had to go to bed at 9 o'clock, and if you didn't they would turn the fire hose loose. Our turnkey over there was what you call "hard boiled." The boys had what they call "kangaroo court." If the judge said 5c, it meant that the boys gave the fellow five licks; 10c, ten licks. Any way, while I was pleading with the Lord for my salvation, the boys said, "Charlie, you had better get quiet or you'll get us all drowned." I said, "This is one night Brother Willie (the jailer) will have to drown Charlie." I prayed and prayed and when I looked up, there he stood. Then when I looked up again there stood Mr. Owens, the high sheriff, behind him, and I just kept praying just like they wasn't there. I looked up again. It felt that the floor was so hard, and then I just kept on praying and the floor got soft. When I looked around about the third or fourth time, there stood Mrs. Owens and her daughter. I thought, "I think I'll ask them to send and get Mother and Father Robinson," but I knew they wouldn't do that. I thought, "I'll just stay here and get saved if there is any salvation."

I am praising the Lord for what He did that night. First He made me restless, and the next thing He gave me pure salvation. About midnight I got saved and nobody had to tell them, for they said they heard me for about three or four blocks. That is the kind of religion I have and that is the kind I want. Lots of people where I have testified come up and say, "Listen, aren't you ashamed to tell them you were saved in jail?" I am not ashamed to say where I found my Saviour. If you are going to be ashamed where the Lord saved you I don't figure you are saved. If a man is out here in the alley and the Lord picks him up and cleans him up and he is ashamed to go out and tell a man he was saved in the alley, he just has no religion.

I sit around sometimes and think I will let somebody else testify. The longer I sit the worse it gets. When the Lord deals with you He deals with you all over. It is not just one spot, it is all over. When I was saved down there in jail we boys had our services and prayer meetings and there were

about thirteen of us got saved. It was the happiest time that I ever spent in prison. I have spent a lot of my time in it, too,—about fifteen or twenty years. There was nothing in there to worry about or to bother about. I didn't even worry about my trial. I just said, "Lord, if it is your will for me to go to Jeff. City, I am going. I am going to plead guilty and tell them the truth." The judge gave me thirty days on top of the time I had laid in jail. I had thirty days to get loose where I thought I would have from five to twenty-five years. I took Him right up there in the court house with me.

There is nothing impossible for the Lord to do if a man will only ask Him. There is one thing, I wouldn't go back like I was the day I was arrested—not for Springfield nor all there is in it.

Brother Eldridge's Personal Reminiscences

Before Pastor G. N. Eldridge of Los Angeles went to be with the Lord he prepared a book of "Personal Reminiscences." In one chapter he writes of his birth, and childhood. He tells of his early days in Maine, and of his conversion and subsequent training for the ministry. The young men of seventy years ago went through much to get their training. The result of those early days of struggle made Brother Eldridge a stalwart.

Another chapter tells of Brother Eldridge's entering the Methodist ministry and he writes of many gracious revivals the Lord gave him in the State of Maine. Later the Lord called him westward, and gave him a blessed ministry wherever he went. As the light came on the subject of divine healing and other truths for which the Methodist church did not stand, Brother Eldridge was compelled to leave the church that he so much loved, and to step out as a faith worker. He became affiliated with the Christian and Missionary Alliance.

Later the Lord brought him into the Pentecostal work and he became a full-fledged Pentecostal preacher. He tells the story in this little book of the building of the Bethel Temple in Los Angeles. There is much in this story that will be an encouragement to faith.

Brother Eldridge loved the missions, and all the profits from this book are to be devoted to missionary work. This book of reminiscences can be obtained for fifty cents. Do not send to the Gospel Publishing House for it, but to the Berean Book Rooms, Wright Callender Bldg., 405 Hill St., Los Angeles, California.

Jailed for Jesus in Peru

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a little bridge. Brother and Sister Cragin with their two children, and my wife and myself, with about fifty believers, were all there. The Indians began to throw stones, and we could not get back across the bridge because they were on that side of it. We told the children to run, and they got away, and the natives scattered in every direction. The Indians pulled Sister Cragin's hair down and dragged her around by it, and gave her several bruises. Brother Cragin was beaten and left unconscious.

Just before going to South America the Lord gave me the scripture, "Be not dismayed at their faces, lest I found thee before them," and "I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair; and I hid not my face from shame and spitting." So it seemed to me that the only thing to do was to face the situation. I stepped up on a rock and began to speak to the people on the impulse of the Spirit to do so. For a moment they paused and listened, and then they answered with curses and a volley of rocks which fell all over the front of me and gave me several bruises. But the blows on my head were what knocked me out. They thought I was dead so they left me, shouting victoriously. They reported they had killed both Brother Cragin and myself.

The report reached the chief of police and he said, "Let them kill those Protestants, that won't make any difference." But others insisted that we were Americans and that would make trouble, so the chief sent some soldiers to scatter the Indians. But the soldiers were quite indifferent about helping us until the Indians began to attack them, and that made them mad. They scattered the Indians and escorted us home. They ordered the Indians to carry me home, so I was rolled into a blanket and dragged along on the ground, through water and over rocks. They went so fast my wife had to run to keep up with them. Weak as I was they were going to put me in jail, but my wife entreated them to take me home.

For about a month I hung between life and death. A few months later when I talked with American doctors they examined my head and found the skull had been cracked in three directions—from the forehead up, and out to the ear, and down into my nose. The bone in the forehead was crushed in, and I suffered from pressure on the brain.

My brother Walter was preparing for service in South America, and when he heard of my trouble he said,

"It is time for me to go." He came on the first boat, arriving in the spring of 1927. He traveled with me, and before long we were going over the country again, hunting up the Christians and interested people, and preaching to them. Walter had no support back of him, and many times he would not receive more than six dollars a month. But he has stayed right there, giving himself wholeheartedly to the work.

The thinking class of people did not approve of the drastic methods being used against us, and it began to be noised abroad that the priests had not done the proper thing in attacking us—for they were back of the Indian attack—so there was a reaction in our favor. We preached in many of the untouched regions around that district, and then went further north to open another station. It was not long until there were believers here and there throughout that mountain region.

We moved to Caraz and found a few believers there, for they had had a missionary at a previous time. We took five orphan girls there with us, and before long a revival broke out in our home among those girls. One of them received the Baptism in the Spirit, the first Peruvian to receive in all Peru. A little later we had a sort of fellowship meeting when my second brother, Arthur, arrived from America. The Cragins came down too. Seven received the Baptism in one day, including Brother and Sister Cragin's little daughter, and the other four of our orphan girls. Shortly afterwards the revival broke out in Huaraz, and now there are several groups of Spirit-filled people up through the mountains. One of those orphan girls whom we took into our home was tubercular, but in a short time she was healed.

When my brother Walter came in 1927 he brought a mimeograph along, and we attempted to do some publishing with it. We got printing paper and cut it up with a butcher knife, and then cut stencils. It was a very inferior grade of work in the paper we published, but it took so well that we were encouraged to start a bigger paper. When my brother Arthur came out in 1928 he brought along a small hand press, which we converted into a power press and began to put out a twelve page paper called *Water of Life*.

It was not long until the need had grown to where we could not keep up with it with the press we had, so we attempted to build a press twice as large. In a few months the work had outgrown that press, so we built a cylinder press which would print four pages at a time; and at present we are keeping that press busy, printing from

2100 to 2200 copies of our paper a month, and often printing up to 20,000 tracts. We had no experience in either editing or printing before we went to South America, but Arthur had a strong mechanical tendency and natural ability, and the Lord helped us wonderfully.

We saw the need of having pictures in our paper, so Arthur began to make cuts by engraving linoleum. But since then he has experimented and found he can make cuts from photo engravings. Arthur has made himself a camera and is doing satisfactory photo engraving through the pictures he takes with it. All our printing, and the work for the orphans too, has been accomplished out of the money sent us for our living expenses. Our paper has the largest circulation of any paper I know of (either religious or secular) in all Peru.

The country was more and more shutting down on gospel preaching under the dictatorship of Leguia. It came to the place where we felt we could no longer be subject to their laws, that we ought to obey God rather than men, and so we started out to preach the gospel in spite of the laws forbidding it. Wherever we could get an audience we went, in the parks or on the big plantations. The crowds came and there was great interest, and before long the gospel message was understood throughout that territory. We were arrested many times, and put in jail. Finally the highest authority, the prefect, forbade us preaching any more. We prayed about it, and the Lord gave the scripture, "He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh; the Lord shall have them in derision."

Shortly afterwards the revolution broke out, and this very prefect was arrested and put in jail. Our work went on as usual. Many others of the authorities since that time have forbidden us to preach in the open air, but the Lord has never let any of them stand. Shortly after one authority threatened us, he received word that the rebel army was coming; so he fled. But it was only a false report. The Book says, "The wicked fleeth when no man pursueth." He never came back and our work is still going on.

One time up in the mountains when they put Walter and me in jail the crowds gathered in front of the bars and we had a meeting there; so the authorities came and turned us out of jail. We told them we were having a meeting, and asked them where we could continue it. They answered that we could go to the park, or the school house, or anywhere we wanted to. Six weeks later we found that the authority who put us in jail was dead.

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In Memoriam

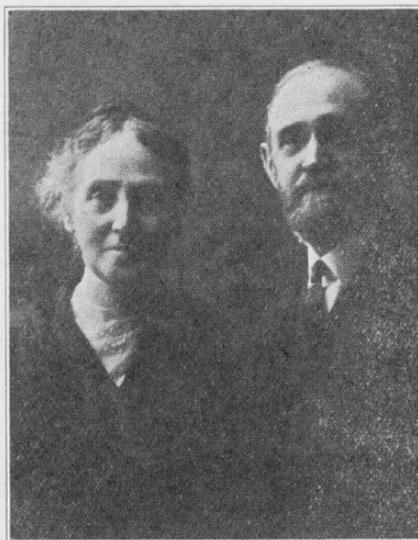
In a recent edition of the Evangel we reported the sad news of our Brother Post's homegoing. It was sad for us but we know it was a joyful day for him as he entered into the presence of the Lord he had loved and served so faithfully. Brother Post and his wife went to Egypt first in March 1910, but he was not associated with the General Council until December 1916. Our brother's ministry and testimony has ever been touched with divine love and grace so that wherever he went people could not help but be drawn to him. A letter signed by a number of the Egyptian ministers written after Brother Post's return to the field after a furlough reads as follows:—"Our dear missionary Brother A. H. Post who is beloved and honored landed in Egypt again in August 1917. During the period of his ministry the work has been built up from about six assemblies until the number has been doubled. His aim has always been the promotion of a revival throughout the land of Egypt, and the burden of his letters is always along this line." It is characteristic of the man that whereas most of our cable messages from the foreign field are relative to some great need or trouble such as the need for furlough funds or requests for prayer for sick missionaries, Brother Post regarded as more important than these things the fact that God was working and cabled in 1922 that a revival was on and requested prayer that it might continue.

A letter received from one of the dear Egyptian brethren who has been helped by Brother Post's ministry read: "I am writing you from Assiout, having come up from the funeral of our dear father Post. How we miss him! As soon as we received the news at Alexandria, representatives of nearly all denominations came to extend their sympathy and regret at his going. Everyone counted him as their friend and many as their father in the Lord. 'God buries his workers and carries on His work.' This was the call to us after he had gone.

"Brother Post was a man of prayer who never flinched in the face of hardships but was persistent in his stand that always the outlook is as bright as the promises of God."

Brother Post's body is laid to rest in the land he so dearly loved awaiting the resurrection trump. He fell asleep in Jesus June 22, 1931. Thank God for our dear brother we shall look for-

ward to meeting him again in the glory. Let us pray for his widow our dear sister Post who has stood with her husband so faithfully all these years helping him in his ministry for God. She arrived back in the United States recently and will go to live with her children in this country.



Brother and Sister A. H. Post

A Letter from Sister Bernice Lee of India

God has been very, very good to me and at the remembrance of all His dealings, I am humbled and feel to bow at His blessed feet. The burdens also of this present time seem almost more than the children of God can bear if one were to dwell upon them, but oh, such a cry as I find in my heart to be at my very best for Jesus while opportunity is mine. Over and over again, since my return to dear India, have I heard the voice bidding me to tarry not, but to hasten on into a life of holiness such as I have never experienced, and like Paul, I feel I must "run, not uncertainly." There seems so much at stake. You dear ones at the home end are doing all in your power to help us in this business of spreading to earth's remotest bounds the ever glorious gospel, and again and again do I ask myself, "Am I doing my best?" I cannot even begin to tell you how intense is my longing that many be won ere He shall come or call us hence. As we look at the teeming millions, we are aghast, BUT GOD! Sometimes it seems one is doing a very, very little in the particular corner where he may be placed, but oh, it will be worth just everything if at the last it shall be our privilege

to hear from His dear lips, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

Perhaps you would like to hear just one or two instances of His working in our midst. First of all, let me say, I believe He is just on the eve of doing something for us here at Uska Bazar, and I would I might stretch my hands out in appeal to you and all at home today, asking you to stand with us in the petition which indeed we are "making deep" that there shall come such a mighty sweep of His power as shall make us all over again. Our precious lepers need this touch, our Indian people altogether need this touch, and we need this touch as missionaries and feel we must have it. God is good, supremely good, but oh, that we may be so possessed of Him that He may also do through us marvels for His glory.

A few months ago a poor leper who was not only horribly diseased in body but also in soul, came to us, and oh, how darkened was his mind! It takes definite faith to believe for some of these precious souls in heathen darkness! He came and after being with us but a short time, his disease began making deeper inroads upon his system until it was apparent that he was nearing the end. Our concern was great that he be made ready for the great change which was soon to come, and we dealt definitely with him, and "without controversy, great is the mystery of godliness" and how little after all do we comprehend of the dealings of God with man. He seemed almost suddenly to be greatly concerned that he make preparation, and then we watched the Spirit work and did what we could at His bidding. In such a short time the poor man was in a horrible condition physically, and his body became so foul. But he began to ask for Christian baptism. Brother Waggoner hesitated as he wanted to make sure the poor fellow knew what he was doing. But very evidently God had done something, and he asked again and again, until one day, not being able to speak much, he lifted his hand and made known once more his desire. Needless to say, Brother Waggoner waited no longer, but granted his request and the very next day the man passed away. As we gathered about the grave in the little burying ground, we felt a sense of awe as we contemplated the change that will have taken place ere we again see our leper brother—then, not a leper, but "changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye." At such times we always feel a sense of gratitude that we are per-

mitted to bring the gospel to such as these.

A few weeks ago a dear old soul came to us—this time a woman, very old and very much diseased. Into her hideous ulcers the worms had come and when our dear leper sisters, for whom the Lord has done so much, went to try and clean out these sores, they could not find their depth, so far had these maggots burrowed into the flesh. But they managed to clean them out, and now the old soul is cheerful for the most part and wanting to know about this great salvation. How she loves to hear the hymns and she too joins in! Humanly speaking, she cannot long remain with us, but we do trust the dear Lord Jesus to make Himself a living, bright reality to her ere she goes on. I am very sure "the toils of the road will seem nothing when we get to the end of the way."

In closing, may I make again this request, PRAY! PRAY! PRAY! We do long for your prayer help. We must see souls born into the kingdom, we must give of our very best while the doors are still open.

P. S. Since writing the above, the dear old woman of whom I wrote has passed away, but she confessed her faith in the Lord Jesus, and we feel He has taken her unto Himself.

A Letter from Sister Chastagner

We have received a letter from Sister Chastagner which we feel would be of interest to all our readers. She writes:

I believe there is not a more unselfish, helpful lot of missionaries than we have here. In sickness or other needs they all rally to help like one big family. When our darling Florence was so ill, there was nothing they would not do to relieve us, and were a great comfort to us in her death. She was a great care those last four days, and my health was very bad, so Cuba Hill sat up nights and cared for her as intelligently as any nurse and as lovingly as any mother. How we thank God for sending that capable, consecrated young woman into our midst! In a very short time she will have the language so that she can preach without an interpreter. She applies herself to the study of the language, and still is glad to fit into any place where she is needed, no matter how humble it may be. The natives love her, and she seems to have a genuine love for them.

The last few months have been very trying ones, for even before Florence's illness, David was ill with bowel trouble which is prevalent out here, and it has been a constant fight for his life ever since; but he is beginning to im-

prove, and we feel we can hope for his recovery now. His little life is very precious to us, especially since losing his little sister. Her death was a great shock and disappointment to us, for she was our only daughter. As you know, we lost our baby girl shortly before coming to the field. The twins were perfect pictures of health and such happy babies that we never thought of losing one of them. The morning that she was suddenly taken with convulsions we spoke of how well and happy she was. She lasted but four days after she was taken ill. We had to bury her that same afternoon. The missionaries prepared her body, and dressed her and placed her on a block of ice until the little box came from Ouagadougou. It was just a little brown box with a rounded top, but she was beautiful lying there, just as though she were asleep, a faint smile on her face. It was hard to realize that she was really gone.

The funeral was held in our living room. Brother Vivan Smith brought a beautiful message in Moré, and Mrs. Smith and Cuba Hill sang two songs in Moré, one being a song of comfort which Sister Smith received from the Lord as they drove down from Yako before the baby's death. Daddy stood there beside her little body and very bravely brought a short message in French as there were many French officials present. The Governor of Haute Volta, the Commander of the Ouagadougou Circle, and nearly all of the high officials and many business men with their wives were present, so they heard the gospel once and saw the grace of God displayed, for as Emile brought the message, his voice never even quivered. It was only the grace of God, for he loved her so dearly. Then at the grave another song was sung in English, and Emile committed our darling to the grave. Then at dusk we drove home crushed in spirit and realizing that only God could give courage to go on, for Satan was ready to do all within his power to make us feel that we could never continue with the work in this dark land. All seemed darkness to me, but I soon realized that it was but Satan taking advantage of my weak, tired body, and as I cried out to God for courage, He answered prayer and gave me a new desire to live. It has been marvelous the way Emile has been upheld through this trial, for he was also very worn in body.

This has been a very trying year on all the Europeans out here, and I think that all of the missionaries have suffered from fatigue as never before. About the time we lost Florence, the Alliance missionaries here in French

West Africa lost four among their number within a month's time.

In spite of the efforts of Satan to hinder, God is working in Mosi Land. Last month we baptized six more fine, earnest young men, some of whom we feel sure will be evangelists. They are faithfully attending the reading classes and Bible studies. We are conscious of an awakening among our Christians to their need of power from on high. We missionaries have been praying earnestly that this might come to pass, but have been careful not to press them at all, for we know how prone they are toward fleshly manifestations and fanaticism. Sunday morning I went out to the service prepared to preach on a certain subject, but while we were at prayer, I was very definitely led to give them God's Word concerning the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. He honored His Word, and when I finished, the Christians all came to the front to pray. I wish you could have heard them cry out to God, telling Him of their great need of the Holy Spirit's power in their lives. No one received the Baptism, but we felt that a real work was done in their hearts, breaking them and preparing the stony ground.

There are great possibilities here in Mosi Land, but we need more workers and funds to build stations so that we can properly occupy this territory which God has in a peculiar way given to us as a Pentecostal people to evangelize. Shall we fail to occupy and allow someone else to do the work which He has entrusted to our hands? No, we must not fail God and this people who have the same right to the gospel as we ever had. Each week we missionaries on this station meet together to pray over the needs of the work, and we are all agreed to keep holding on until the ones at home whom God has called to support the work will respond and send reinforcements. We dare not look at the dark outlook, for well we know that times are very hard, but we are looking to the Lord of the Harvest to send forth more laborers and the funds to build more outstations. We do not want to burden you with the needs of this work, but we do ask you to pray that the same God who makes us willing and glad to remain here and labor for Him, in spite of discouraging circumstances, may cause the dear ones at home to be willing to come to Mosi Land in "purse, person, or prayer."

When we speak of going home some day for a rest, John, although but eight years of age, declares that he wants to remain here to tell the dear Mosies of Jesus' love. Often when I

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Imprisoned for Preaching Christ in Russia

Paul B. Peterson at the Springfield Assembly

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A revival broke out in Latvia in 1919. Hundreds of people were saved during this awakening and many filled with the Spirit. Men and women went to the fields and forests to pray. God did many wonderful things among them. A man in a certain village was considered queer by his fellow villagers because he read the Bible and prayed much. One day the Lord spoke to him and directed him to go to a certain house. Here he found the mother of the home in bed, sick with dysentery. Her condition was critical as she had lost much blood. The brother saw readily why God had sent him to this home and he read the Word of God to her and the household. He then prayed for her and she was immediately healed. He was invited to come again and as he visited them from time to time he read the Holy Scriptures and told the people their need of salvation. As a result the entire household was saved.

In this household was a little Roman Catholic shepherd girl. (In Eastern Europe boys and girls hire out in the summer time to care for the sheep and the cattle, and in return for their services they are given food and clothing.) The girl heard the message of salvation, and when the others yielded to God she also was saved. Later she was baptized in the Holy Spirit. She looked forward eagerly to the Sunday when she would be free (these children are given one Sunday each month when they are free to go home), as she wanted to tell her father and mother what Jesus had done for her. At last the long-looked-for day arrived and she hurried to her home.

As soon as she got inside the door, she said to her astonished mother and father, "It is so easy. One gets new languages; and it is so wonderful. All you have to do is to ask Jesus." She then knelt and began to pray while her parents and brothers and sisters stood looking at her in amazement. They naturally could not understand what she was talking about and thought she had lost her mind. As she poured out her heart to God in prayer, the Spirit came upon her and she spoke in another language. Her father listened with surprise. It was a message from God direct to him in pure Russian. Although a Latvian, he understood Russian perfectly, but he knew that his

12 year old girl could not speak the latter tongue. Through this Spirit-indicted utterance he, a Roman Catholic, was convicted of sin and gloriously saved. This man could not read or write, but after God got hold of him he learned the alphabet and studied very hard until he could read. He then went from village to village, reading the Word of God to the people and telling them of the joys of salvation, and the Lord richly blessed his ministry in spite of much opposition.

Now I wish to tell you something of our brethren in prison and exile. You may not know that Pentecostal evangelists and pastors have been arrested and imprisoned or banished to the far north in Russia for the sake of the Gospel. In Russia men and women are hated because of their faithfulness to Christ. Every one there who goes God's way has to suffer. At present some are paying the supreme price for their faith in God.

Two Pentecostal Russian preachers, Aleksiuik and Maksimoff, were arrested some time ago and sentenced to two years at hard labor on the Island of Solovetsky in the White Sea. A little over a year ago one of our Russian missionaries, F. J. Krivolenko, was arrested and received a similar sentence. Brother Krivolenko was first arrested during the time of the Tsar when he was sentenced to death for his Gospel activities. This sentence finally was commuted to exile in Siberia for the rest of his life. When the Russian revolution broke out he was liberated with the criminal and religious exiles. One would think that his very trying experience would have made him cautious and that he would have concluded it was best to cease preaching. He might have said, "I have had my share of suffering and will stop preaching so as not to get into any more trouble." Instead, he continued his work for the Master and the Lord richly blessed his ministry until at last he again was cornered and, without an opportunity to defend himself, was sent to the dreaded Russian prison in the far north. He left behind a wife and 5 children. One of the two other brethren mentioned also was married and had children.

We in America have no idea what it means to be incarcerated in the terrible places to which our brethren and sisters are sent. It is not a song and

a dance to be a Christian in the realm of the Soviets. Some of the experiences of a preacher friend of mine and four other ministers of the Gospel will help us to a better understanding of the sufferings of God's people in Russia. They were arrested in Leningrad, and after being in prison for several months were sentenced to three years at hard labor on the Island of Solovetsky.

It was a cold February morning when the believers gathered at the railway station for a last look at the brethren who had faithfully ministered the Word to them. The brethren, manacled, were marched down the station platform between two rows of soldiers, to the car in which they were to ride to the far north. The believers did not dare say anything to them, but from behind the gate spoke to them with their eyes. Two brethren were given permission to give the prisoners a supply of food and clothing and handed this to the soldiers at the entrance to the car. At last the train started and the people watched it disappear in the distance.

We can imagine how their feelings were stirred. It was difficult to choke back the tears as they saw depart the men who had preached to them, prayed with them, and counseled with them. They knew they should never see their spiritual leaders again unless the Lord gave them supernatural health and strength to bear the terrible hardships that awaited them. It is said the average life of a prisoner on this island is 6 months. The prisoners are placed in ice cold barracks and compelled to work very hard 12 hours and longer every day. Much of this labor is in lumber camps where in the winter time the snow is deep. In the summer these parts are swamps and the men at times must work in water waist high.

If a man becomes ill and cannot do his work, he is not nursed back to health, but is made to sleep outside, even in the winter time when the temperature drops to 40 degrees and 50 degrees below zero. Little food is given them and if food and clothing are not sent by relatives and friends they cannot live long. Two or three of these brethren had been in exile before, having served their terms in Siberia under conditions that were better than those at Solovetsky. Others have been known to come back from exile, but it is likely that all five perished.

Did the exiling of these five preachers have a depressing effect on the church? No, indeed! Hearts were purged, men and women became more earnest, and the people called upon

God for strength that they might endure hardness for Jesus.

Besides the brethren we have mentioned, several other missionaries supported by the Russian and Eastern European Mission have been imprisoned or exiled. John E. Voronaeff, the leader of the Pentecostal work in Russia and a General Council missionary, was arrested with a group of our brethren and sisters in Odessa. It was not just an ordinary arrest as everything was confiscated, including typewriters and office equipment. After a period of imprisonment which lasted over half a year the brethren were exiled. After Brother Voronaeff had been in prison about 4 months his wife and children came to see him. He had wasted away so greatly that they hardly recognized him. These brethren need our fervent prayers as they are passing through deep waters. Not only should we pray for them but for their wives and children who are being treated harshly. They are pleading with God to send back their husbands and fathers. Let us join them in this petition in order that these faithful men may soon be reunited with their suffering families.

On our field there is persecution in lands other than Soviet Russia. The brethren often are stoutly opposed by the enemy and arrested for no other reason than preaching. While in jail they tell others the story and criminals are saved. It seems that the church of Jesus Christ thrives amidst persecution. The suffering is hard to endure but it brings forth genuine men and women of God. I fear that many of us have the mistaken idea that the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ makes better progress in times of tranquillity. This may seem to be the case, but when investigation is made it is found that many of those who profess to be followers of God are weak, phlegmatic, and unable to stand the first real testing that comes along.

Despite the efforts of our adversaries to close the door, it still remains open and millions of white people are waiting for the message of life. The work in Soviet Russia is greatly restricted, but even now men and women are faithfully preaching the Word in that great land. In all parts of Eastern Europe is heard the cry, "Send us a missionary!" World conditions are unsettled. We wish to emphasize again the necessity of acting quickly as the future of Europe is most uncertain. Let us win as many as possible of these dear people before the door closes. The evangelists are there, ready to go forth, if only the necessary means will be supplied to provide food and clothing. They ask no more.

They gladly have laid all on the altar and many are going out with the Gospel story without support, finally to return home with holes in their boots and their clothing in sad condition. Such men are worthy of our support and we want to do our utmost for them.

A missionary from India told a striking story at the Keswick convention in the north of England. While in India she had a day dream. In this dream, or vision, she saw in the distance a vast multitude of people. They were coming toward her and as they came closer she noticed something peculiar about each one. All—men, women, and children—were blind. She found that she was standing on the edge of a deep, yawning chasm. The people, unaware of their danger, fell headlong over the precipice and she reached out to save one and another. Their cries as they fell into the depths below were terrible. She noticed a little girl tumble over the precipice and grab a tuft of grass, which finally gave way and with a terrible cry upon her lips she shot downward. Then she heard a voice at her side saying, "O Amy, don't mind those awful cries, come here and help me pick daisies. I am making a beautiful daisy chain." She then awakened to hear the beating of the tom toms and the devil worship in that Indian village.

The interpretation of this day dream was very clear to her, and I am sure it is to you. Spiritually blind men and women by the millions are going not only to a physical but a spiritual death. God has placed us at the brink to save them. He has committed the task to no one else, and He depends on us. You and I have been called of God to rescue men and women from eternal death. What are we doing? Are we picking daisies and making daisy chains with the coming of the Lord so very near? Sad to say, many are wasting their time in this fashion. God has saved us and has commissioned us to go and tell the story to those who are in darkness. May God help us to hear His voice and give us grace to do His will.

Notice to Missionaries

It is requested that all missionaries expecting to be present at the forthcoming General Council meeting in San Francisco, write immediately to Brother R. J. Craig, 1441 Ellis St., San Francisco, so that accommodation may be reserved for you. It would be appreciated if you would also advise the Missions Department of your intentions.

General Council, Assemblies of God, San Francisco, September 6-13, 1931

In a few weeks, we shall, the Lord willing, be meeting for the fourteenth Council meeting. We have a number of requests for prayer for this meeting and ask all our readers to join with us in these petitions.

First, that we shall all come together in one accord, that the Lord will pour out His blessed Holy Spirit upon us, that we may see the beginning of a new revival which will spread to every corner of the globe.

Second, that we may be filled with the knowledge of the will of God and that we may as a body enter into His plan and program for the closing days of this dispensation.

Third, that we may have a renewed missionary vision, and that as a result, many consecrated laborers may be thrust into the most neglected fields; that these laborers may be upheld and supported by consecrated churches at home.

Fourth, that we may also get the vision of the fields of our own land that are white unto harvest, and that we may devise means for the aggressive evangelization of the neglected areas.

Fifth, that we may be able to fully apprehend the possibilities of ministry for God through the printed page, and that together we may enter into a program of sowing down the whole world with the gospel in printed form.

Sixth, that the Lord's thought for our various Bible schools and training centers may be realized.

Seventh, that the men of God's choice may be elected and appointed to fill the different places in the Council work.

A Letter from Sister Chastagner

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have been too weary in body to keep up, he has given me courage and has caused us to wonder at the grace of God in his little life. He will not allow us to weep about the death of his little sister. He loved her and made great plans for her future, but although at first his sorrow was terrible, yet almost immediately he became reconciled to the will of God. He often says, "Why should we grieve when Jesus wanted to take her? Isn't He our Saviour?" How often his words, so simply and innocently spoken, have been a rebuke to me.

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-:- In the Whitened Harvest Field -:-

12 CHURCHES COOPERATE

Pastor Stanley E. Comstock writes from South Sioux City, Nebr.: "At the close of a 4 weeks' campaign, in which about 30 found salvation, we erected a 30x60 Full Gospel Tabernacle. July 12 the dedication and opening service was held. The tabernacle was filled at each of the 3 services. Eighteen ministers were present and 12 churches co-operated in making the dedication a great service. The tabernacle is practically free from debt. This is the first Council work in this city."

WHERE LIVING STREAMS FLOWED

Sister P. R. Brother writes from Versailles, Ky.: "After running 5 weeks our revival closed last night. The Lord was mighty in the preaching of the Word, and all were touched by the spiritual songs. The Lord drew a great many people to Himself as they came thirsting to where living streams were flowing. One received the Holy Ghost. Brother L. D. Warren, Sister Oda B. Teets, and Brother and Sister Saleskey are now in a revival at Lexington."

VICTORY AT NEW TABERNACLE

Pastors Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Henry write from Tyrone, Ark.: "We are happy to report that at our new tabernacle which God gave us last March we have at last gained the victory. We have just closed a 3 weeks' meeting conducted by Evangelist W. G. Walsh, assisted by Sister Esther Knapp, pianist and soloist, a student of Central Bible Institute. There were 40 saved and reclaimed, 3 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, and 33 received Christian baptism. Most of the community is stirred and we feel greatly encouraged about our new work. We plan to set the church in order after the next fifth Sunday meeting. Council ministers who are passing this way are invited to visit our work."

A SACRED ATMOSPHERE

Evangelist T. T. Carmical, of Holtville, Calif., writes: "We came to Olla, La. for a meeting after being informed by Brother C. M. Carraway that this was a new and very needy field. We found Sister Ivy and Althea Davidson, of Lake Village, Ark., here in the work, and God is blessing their efforts in the preaching of the gospel. At first there was many obstacles; there were few to sing and pray; services were held in the open air, and the weather was extremely hot; we were surrounded by unbelief, and opposed by religious leaders; but after 3 weeks the seed sown in much prayer began to grow. Eleven have been born again, 6 endowed with power from on high, according to Acts 2:4; others are seeking the blessed Holy Ghost. Crowds are still coming in throngs and a sacred atmosphere prevades the place of services. A number have testified to having been healed. One lady was healed of pellagra."

A GOOD REPORT FROM FINLAND

Arthur and Evelyn Vuori, Salo, Finland, write from Kemio: "We are glad we have had our beloved brethren, Wigglesworth and Myerscough with us here in Finland. The meetings were held in the city of Helsinki, the capital. The large Hippodrome circus building, which holds over 2000 people was used, but it could not hold all who wished to attend. About 500 came to the altar and sought salvation. Many also received wonderful healing of different kinds of diseases. People attended from all over Finland. Their stay, from June 9 to June 24, was full of mighty blessing and power. They held a few meetings in the city of Turka, (Abo) where many were prayed for and blessedly healed. Their visit to Finland cannot soon be forgotten, for they have had far-reaching results. We are now holding meetings in Turka, and God's Spirit is in our midst, filling the hungry and edifying the saints."

SAN DIEGO, IMPERIAL FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

Brother Charles F. Tully, writes from California: "June in the Imperial Valley is very hot, but the Lord graciously favored us by giving us pleasant weather for our all-day meeting on the 13th. After a wonderful blessing in the morning, in which Brother Moody brought the closing message, all were served by the people of Holtville with a bountiful repast including roast turkey, fried chicken, cantaloupes, etc., products of the Imperial Valley farms. The spiritual feast was also bountiful, and God's blessings were poured out throughout the day, coming with fresh waves of power upon the young people in the evening service. Our July meeting was held with the Glad Tidings assembly in East San Diego. Again the Lord's presence was felt continually and His blessings poured down in copious showers in the Ambassadors' meeting in the evening. The C. A.'s had a nice program arranged but they were not permitted to give it, for the glory of the Lord poured forth in such mighty streams that for an hour and a half every one was busy calling on the name of the Lord. Even the children were crying out for mercy and young and old alike praised the Lord or cried for pardon for their sins. Some were saved, others testified to having been healed without special prayer by the ministry, and perhaps every one in that great audience was touched by the Spirit of God. Our next fellowship meeting will be at Oceanside, Aug. 10, where Brother Scott is pastor."

A Correction

In the list of General Council Committees, we made an error in the address of Brother J. Narver Gortner, the chairman of the Resolution Committee. Please note that Brother Gortner's address is 3035 Deakin St., Berkeley, Calif., and not Oakland as previously printed.

SATAN AND DISEASES FLEE

Pastor Charles B. Peters writes from Altoona, Pa.: "The prayer conference held in our church April 27-30 proved to be a mighty instrument in the hands of God for the pulling down of the strongholds of Satan. The windows of heaven were opened and the Latter Rain was outpoured. Brother Loren B. Staats opened a revival campaign May 10, which continued until May 31. Several were saved and reclaimed and a number were baptized with the Holy Spirit. On Memorial Day 30 received Christian baptism. Several miracles took place in the healing services. Many were whole in answer to prayer; asthma, rupture, goiter, partial blindness, tumor on the spine and partial paralysis, tumors in the stomach, heart trouble, nervousness, together with many minor ailments disappeared. The revival continued 5 weeks longer with our students from Central Bible Institute bringing the messages, closing July 5. God's power increased, sinners came flocking to Jesus until over 75 were saved and reclaimed, 49 received the mighty Baptism with the Holy Ghost, and 46 united with the assembly. The revival still continues; sinners are finding pardon, the sick find life in Jesus, and the hungry are being filled with power. Many more are uniting with us, and 27 have applied for Christian baptism."

"AND TO YOUR CHILDREN"

Brother W. D. Brooks writes from Carolina, W. Va.: "The Lord is blessing His work in this part of His great harvest. During the recent revival here, among others, a Catholic man and his wife came to the Lord and received salvation; also the woman received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. Soon the brother became discouraged because he had not been blessed in like manner, and when we held a meeting in a home next door to his he did not come. But when he heard the singing and praying he began to pray also, and soon the Lord baptized him with the Spirit in His own home. A few weeks before this we had started a boys' and girls' meeting; at this time only 2 were saved but before long 12 little girls, between the ages of 7 and 11 years, had received the precious Baptism, as in Acts 2:4. ("For the promise is unto you and to your children.") Included in this number are 2 children of the parents mentioned above. This entire family has gone through much persecution from those who were once their friends, but they recently witnessed to the work of God done in their hearts by receiving Christian baptism along with a number of others including an aged gentleman who has been filled with the Spirit since the revival. Sister Ward and Sister Reese, of Fairmont, have been given charge of the work. We have a large hall for the services."

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SONGS OF PRAISE AT HARMONY

Brother Dan Lee writes from Subiaco, Ark.: "We have had a blessed revival at Harmony schoolhouse, near Paris. About 17 plunged into the fountain and found the cleansing blood; 22 received the Holy Ghost, the promised Comforter as in Acts 2:4; 67 in obedience to the Saviour's command, were buried in baptism, and the assembly was set in order with 43 charter members. I have been called as pastor. Although the meeting has closed the revival still goes on."

THE LABORERS' REWARD

Pastor P. E. Robertson writes from Yuba City, Calif.: "We held a meeting in this city June 7 to July 7. On July 4 there were 15 baptized in water, and on the closing night there were 6 others who thus followed the Master. A number of definite healings have been performed in the name of the Lord; the Sunday school has almost doubled, and the church has been greatly revived. We are now in a tent meeting with Brother Warrenholtz at Live Oak. The power of God has been manifest in every meeting from the beginning, and the old time gospel preaching is bringing results. Brother A. J. Morrison, Glad Tidings student and musician and singer, is assisting me. Our work is among the smaller assemblies but God is surely rewarding our labors with souls."

SURPRISING MUNICE

Evangelist William Richardson, writes from Munice, Ind.: "The Lord is richly blessing His work in this place. An old-fashioned revival is now in progress and will continue 4 weeks, closing Aug. 23 with an all-day meeting. The first week of this meeting has brought some wonderful surprises to Munice. Some have been saved and baptized with the Spirit, and others are under deep conviction. Large crowds are packing the tent to hear the soul-stirring messages. The tent is located near the Hecken Park and tourist camp. Since there is no camp meeting in this District, we should be pleased to have all the assemblies near by to join in this meeting where the Spirit is being out-poured. Bring tents if you have them, if not we will provide entertainment."

BLESSED REST IN GOD

Pastor F. T. Alford, Riverbank, Calif., writes: "We had a good meeting with Brother and Sister Tan Ditter, in Colusa. The first night the ministers of the Methodist, Christian, and Presbyterian churches were present. Much good was accomplished in the meeting, and the saints encouraged to press on to greater things in God. After having served as pastor for 2½ years, we have resigned from the work there and have accepted the pastorate at Riverbank. Before coming here we filled in at Hanford until the arrival of the new pastor, where we had the joy of seeing one believer baptized with the Spirit. We had a similar privilege and joy on our first night here; one received the Holy Ghost, and on the following evening two others were gloriously filled with the Spirit."

ON WYOMING'S PLAINS

Sister Maude Eilleen Bigelow writes from Little Bear, Wyo.: "Brothers J. Marvin Bales and O. Ellenwood, California evangelists, have been with us for a 3 weeks' campaign, in which souls were born into the kingdom of God. July 5, we held a baptismal service in the Little Bear Creek and five followed their Lord into the watery grave. We expect to set an assembly in order in the near future."

Pastor O. O. Hughen writes from Bonifay, Fla.: "The local camp meeting 6½ miles north of Bonifay is now in progress. The crowds are large and increasing nightly; some are getting saved, many being blessed, and there have been some noted healings. There is a mighty stir in the country around, and many are seeking after God."

OLD-TIME BIBLE REVIVAL

Pastor A. F. Carr, writes from Iraan, Tex.: "We are thankful to God for victory in the old-time, Bible revival held by Brother W. H. Whelchel and party in which several confessed the Lord as their Saviour, and several received the Holy Ghost Baptism, according to Acts 2:4. As the Word of God was preached great interest was awakened among the people in this oil field town. We are worshipping in the open air. The only Pentecostal church we know of is at McCamey, 30 miles away, in charge of Brother Thorn; they are in the midst of a revival in charge of Brother Berryhill, the Indian preacher; we plan to have him with us after he closes there. Ministers in the fellowship will find a welcome among us."

Send 50 cents for full pound of new illustrated tracts.

SPECIAL SERVICE SUCCESSFUL

Pastor James D. Menzie writes from Canton, Ohio: "Evangelist Emma Van Dalen, Seattle, Washington, has conducted a very helpful 3 weeks' campaign at Bethel Tabernacle. Her messages to the saints were very beneficial. A goodly number sought salvation. Sister Van Dalen conducted a special mothers' and daughters' meeting, which proved to be a great success."

Forthcoming Meetings

Pray for all forthcoming meetings. Notice of meetings should be received by us three full weeks before the meeting is to start.

General Council of the Assemblies of God, San Francisco, Sept. 6 to 13.

LARAMIE, WYO.—Evangelist O. Ellenwood, will begin a series of meetings July 26 in the Trinity Lutheran church here.

CRAB ORCHARD, W. VA.—Old-time Pentecostal revival beginning July 29, in tent, continuing indefinitely.—Evangelist John H. Stroud.

HOLLISTER, CALIF.—Evangelists Meyer and Alice Tan Ditter will conduct revival in Full Gospel Mission, 4th and East Sts., Aug. 23-Sept. 6.—Marion Minogue and Elsie Rehb, Pastors.

SALINEVILLE, O.: Evangelist Loren B. Staats, Blue Rock, O., will conduct an evangelistic campaign in gospel tent, August 19-Sept. 6.—Pastor L. H. Ettinger.

KANSAS DISTRICT CAMP MEETINGS
Attica-Sharon, Aug. 13-23. Annual Camp Meeting for Southwest Kansas 6 miles West of Attica and 5 miles East of Sharon, on U. S. 160. Write Pastor Victor Greisen, Attica, Kans.

ELDORADO SPRINGS, MO.: Evangelist Myrtle Snair, young minister from Florida, will conduct an old-fashioned revival meeting beginning Aug. 19 and continuing a month.—L. R. Sturgess, Pastor, Route 2, Box 123.

BEAVER FALLS, PA.—Our tent campaign will be held Aug. 23-Sept. 13, at north end 7th Ave., every night except Saturday. Evangelist Bert Williams will be here in his second campaign.—M. R. Searles, Pastor First Pentecostal Church, 27th St., and 9th Ave.

AFTON, OKLA.—All-day dedication service Aug. 16, 3 services, 10:00, 2:00, and night. J. W. Higgins, Tulsa, will have charge of the dedication service, and H. B. Laws, Oklahoma City, will conduct the evangelistic service at night. He is also starting a revival with us on that day.—E. L. Damron, Pastor.

EAST PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Seventeenth annual convention of the Faith Home, Inc., Sept. 2-7. Labor Day included. Brother Donald Gee, of Edinburgh, Scotland, expects to be with us. Services daily at 10:30, 3:00, and 7:30. All who expect to be present for more than one day please write to the manager, 846 Broadway.—Christine A. Gibson, Pastor.

DALLAS, TEX.—Evangelist and Mrs. Watson Argue will conduct a revival campaign in a tent seating 2000 in Fair Park, Aug. 2-30. Brother Argue will speak each Sunday over station KRLD, 9 to 9:30 A. M. and 11 to 12 P. M., the Christ's Ambassadors full gospel hour program. Station WRR, Sundays 2:30 to 3.—Pastor Albert Ott.

TENNESSEE DISTRICT COUNCIL
KNOXVILLE, TENN.—"The District Council will be at Meads Quarry church, Sept. 1-3. We urge every church to send a delegate, and all the licensed ministers to have their licenses renewed. If you cannot come send them to Brother W. A. Spain, Route 4, Milan. Entertainment free to all. We urge every one to be present at the business session Tuesday morning."—I. A. Smith, District Superintendent; John Rogers, Route 9, Pastor.

TEXICO DISTRICT SECTIONAL CONVENTIONS
Big Springs Section, Seagraves, Texas, July 24-25; Childress and Amarillo Section, Amarillo, Texas, Aug. 7-8; Tucumcari Section, San Jon, N. Mex., Aug. 14-15; Roswell Section, Roswell, N. Mex., Aug. 28-29. The first days of these fellowship meetings will be devoted to the Christ's Ambassadors and Woman's Missionary Council.—A. C. Bates, District Superintendent.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Old-Fashioned Bible Conference beginning Aug. 2, under tent, seating 1500 or more, 19th and Penrose, Evangelist Edith Mae Pennington, converted movie star, will speak at each service. Rooms near by at reasonable rates.—Pastor Henry Hoar.

BURLINGAME, KANS.—Evangelist J. A. McPhail, of Coffeyville, Kans., will conduct an old-fashioned Pentecostal tent meeting beginning Aug. 2 and continuing through the month. We shall appreciate the co-operation of the saints near us in this new field.—Pastor L. M. Rouland.

OPEN FOR CALLS

Evangelistic

Evangelists F. G. and Edith I. Cline, Merritt, Ill.: "Have had several years' experience in fellowship with both the General and Illinois District Council. Reference, District Superintendent Arthur A. Bell, Mattoon, Ill."

Nolon B. Rayburn, Caddo Mills, Tex.: "Prefer calls in the Texas District. Have recently been transferred to this section from Oklahoma District, where I preached for 6 years. Am in fellowship also with the General Council."

Evangelist Ruth E. Mossburg, Harbor Beach, Mich.: "I have received from the pastorate here, and will be ready for calls by Nov. 1, 1931. Home address, 1455 E. 118th St., Cleveland, O., %Wm. E. Duill."

Pastor or Evangelistic

Eugene D. Weiss, 5737 Lotus Ave., St. Louis, Mo.: "Would like to hear from some assembly in Grundy County, Iowa, or from some individual who may know of an opportunity to raise up a new work, but will answer any calls anywhere. I preach in both English and German. In fellowship with District Council."

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

SPECIAL NOTICE.—In beautiful Nyack, N. Y., we have a home of rest for Christian workers, or returned missionaries; small apartments for light housekeeping.—Mrs. Joe D. Evans, 117 Washington Ave.

WANTED.—I will be glad to receive old Evangelists for house to house work in this city. Many are eager for them and few refuse.—Mrs. Stella M. Quier, 637 W. Monterey St., Pomona, Calif.

SKELP, PA.—Pentecostal Tent Meetings, opposite Sinking Valley Garage, Fox's Grove, every night at 8:00, except Saturdays, July 17-Aug. 16. Special music and special speakers nightly.—Chas. B. Peters.

NOTICE.—I have many Evangelists to give free to distributors, but they will need to pay the postage.—Mrs. Mary C. Coy, 303-Burlington St., Holdrege, Nebr.

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- .78 Busy Bee Band Tazewell Va
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- 1.65 Sunday School Ione Oreg
- 1.70 Bartow Assembly Bartow Fla
- 1.72 Children's Meeting Carolina W Va
- 1.73 Birthday offering Prescott Assembly Prescott Ark
- 1.75 Christ's Ambassadors Monticello Ark
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- 3.50 Women's Missionary Council Burk Burnett Tex
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- 3.56 Assembly of God S S Nevada Mo
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- 5.00 Springfield S S Battle Creek Mich
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- 5.00 Church of the Full Gospel Graham Calif
- 5.00 Christ's Ambassadors Russellville Ark
- 5.00 Millville Missionary Prayer Band Millville N J
- 5.00 Acampo Sunday School Acampo Calif
- 5.00 Pentecostal Assembly Ore Hill Pa
- 5.00 Bethany Women's Missionary Council Houston Tex

- 5.05 Busy Bee Band Coulwood Va
- 5.05 Road Ridge Assembly Raven Va
- 5.20 Assembly of God Church and S S Puxico Mo
- 5.29 Glad Tidings Mission and Birthday offering Willows Calif
- 5.35 Assembly of God S S Elvins Mo
- 5.60 Assembly of God S S Arcadia Kans
- 5.85 Full Gospel Tabernacle Crosby N Dak
- 6.00 Full Gospel Mission Hollister Calif
- 6.00 Church of the Full Gospel Paso Robles Calif
- 6.00 Christ's Ambassadors Fort Collins Colo
- 6.00 Missionary Society Bunker S Dak
- 6.20 Assembly of God Bazine Kans
- 6.64 Oak Grove Tabernacle Monterey Calif
- 6.65 Glad Tidings Assembly Weed Calif
- 6.75 Fairhaven Gospel Mission Bellingham Wash
- 7.00 Bethel Chapel Assembly Bethel Mo
- 7.00 Assembly of God S S Newton Kans
- 7.22 Full Gospel Assembly and S S Vacaville Calif
- 7.67 Bethel Temple Shelton Wash
- 7.83 Assembly of God Westport Ill
- 8.00 Sand Flat Sunday School McHenry Md
- 8.01 Full Gospel Church Delano Calif
- 9.42 Pentecostal Church Lewiston Idaho
- 9.75 Assembly of God S S Wetumka Okla
- 10.00 Sunday School Fort Collins Colo
- 10.00 Pentecostal Church Harrisburg Pa
- 10.00 Women's Missionary Council Full Gospel Mission Houston Tex
- 10.00 Assembly of God Gray Iowa
- 10.00 Sunday School Sedro Calif
- 10.00 Newman Evangelical Assembly Newman Calif
- 11.00 Peniel Assembly of God Massillon Ohio
- 11.00 Medina Pentecostal Assembly Medina Ohio
- 11.75 Prayer Band Huntington Park Calif
- 12.00 Trinity Pentecostal Mission St Louis Mo
- 12.98 Robinson Assembly of God Robinson Ill
- 13.00 Calvary Gospel Church Colorado Springs Colo
- 13.25 Mehida Pentecostal Mission Canaan Center N H
- 14.53 Pentecostal Gospel Tabernacle E St Louis Ill
- 14.75 First Pentecostal Church York Pa
- 15.00 Christ's Ambassadors Stillwater Okla
- 15.00 First Baptist Church S S San Jose Calif
- 15.66 Full Gospel Church Marshall Minn
- 16.00 Assembly of God Joplin Mo
- 16.00 Pentecostal Church of God New Haven Conn
- 16.65 Gospel Tabernacle Siletz Oreg
- 16.82 Kingston Assembly and S S Laurel Miss
- 17.17 Marysville—Yuba City Assembly Marysville Calif
- 17.53 Bethel Chapel Glendale Calif
- 18.40 Summit Pentecostal Assembly Girard Okla
- 20.00 Christ's Ambassadors Springfield Mo
- 20.00 Gospel Tabernacle Gary Ind
- 20.00 Pentecostal Assembly Ione Oreg
- 20.00 Busy Bee Band and Assembly Grand Jet Colo
- 20.00 Assembly of God Ewing Mo
- 20.00 Christ's Ambassadors Granite City Ill
- 20.38 First Pentecostal Church Spokane Wash
- 20.75 Trinity Tab'n Full Gospel Crusaders St Louis Mo
- 21.78 Full Gospel S S and C A Tulare Calif
- 21.85 Assembly of God and S S Phoenix Ariz
- 22.00 Full Gospel Mission Palo Alto Calif
- 23.00 First Assembly of God Indianapolis Ind
- 23.52 Pentecostal Gospel Mission Millvale Branch Pittsburgh Pa
- 24.15 First Full Gospel Church Pomona Calif
- 24.90 Highway Pentecostal Assembly Sunnyvale Calif
- 25.85 Assembly of God McCook Nebr
- 26.27 Full Gospel Assembly Brainerd Minn
- 29.91 Bethel Tabernacle and S S Watsonville Calif
- 32.17 Magnolia Park Assembly of God Houston Tex
- 33.45 Campbell Pentecostal Mission Campbell Calif
- 39.33 Assembly of God S S N Hollywood Calif
- 49.90 First Pentecostal Church San Bernardino Calif
- 50.00 Bible Hall Assembly Washington D C
- 50.00 Berean Bible Institute San Diego Calif
- 50.00 Pentecostal Prayer Band Allentown Pa
- 55.00 Elim Tabernacle Rochester N Y
- 55.00 Assembly of God River Rouge Mich
- 60.00 Assembly of God Ashtabula Ohio
- 70.00 Bethel Temple St Louis Mo
- 123.95 First Pentecostal Church Wilmington Dela
- 125.36 Full Gospel Tabernacle S S and C A Tulsa Okla
- 135.00 First Pentecostal Church and Y P S Lancaster Pa
- 227.91 Pentecostal Tabernacle and S S Tacoma Wash
- 249.00 Bethel Tabernacle German Branch Milwaukee Wis
- 514.85 Pentecostal Church Cleveland Ohio
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Jesus Is Coming Again

The Old Testament Scriptures foretold the coming of Christ, and He came just as predicted. He was born of a virgin as the prophet Isaiah had foretold (Isa. 7:14); and at Bethlehem, as the prophet Micah had predicted (Micah 5.2). Both these prophecies were given more than 700 years before His birth. He was "despised and rejected of men," as Isaiah foretold that He would be (Isa. 53.3); and it was fulfilled to the letter that "He was numbered with the transgressors" (Isa. 53:12) when He hung between two thieves on the cross of Calvary. It was at Calvary that His soul was given "as an offering for sin," (Isa. 53:10), and there was laid upon Him "the iniquity of us all" (Isa. 53:5). All this took place at the first coming of Christ.

But He is coming again. God did not suffer His dead body to remain in the tomb but raised Him from the dead, and after His resurrection He was seen of some 500 witnesses at one time. When He went back to heaven, two heavenly witnesses said to the disciples, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven."

The Old Testament Scriptures also tell us of His coming back again. God declared through the prophet Zechariah that there would be a great judgment in all nations, and said, "I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle. . . . Then shall the Lord go forth and fight against those nations." Zech. 14:2, 3. And the prophet tells us how the Lord will return, "His feet shall stand in that day upon the Mount of Olives . . . and the Lord shall be King over all the earth." Zech. 14:4, 8.

There are two classes of people on the earth today—those who are for

the Lord and those who are against Him, those who are *His* and those who are *not*, those who are *children of God* and those who are *children of the devil*. At His coming the Lord is going to take those who are His on to be eternally with Himself. The apostle Paul told us how it would happen. "For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, and with the voice of the archangel and with the trump of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first; then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord." 1 Thess. 4:16, 17.

But what about those who are not the Lord's? Paul tells us that "the Lord Jesus Christ shall be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ." 2 Thess. 1:7, 8. In preaching to the Athenians Paul told them that God now commanded men everywhere to repent, because He is going to judge the world in righteousness by that man whom He has raised from the dead. In the book of Revelation we see what the judgment of the great white throne will be. God keeps books. At that judgment everyone will be judged out of the things written in the books, and whosoever is not found written in the book of life will be cast into the lake of fire.

The Lord Jesus foretold that He would come at an hour when we think not. Are you ready? If not, prepare immediately for His coming. If you have not the assurance of salvation, the assurance that you are really born of God, may I suggest that daily you pray this simple prayer until you know you are saved:

"Heavenly Father, forgive me my sins; send the Holy Spirit into my heart to reveal them to me; cleanse me from them in the precious blood of Jesus, and fill me with Thy Spirit. In Jesus' name. Amen." S. H. F.

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During the war, on my way out East, we went by the way of the Cape. For the first part of our voyage, as far as Durban, we had two chaplains who took a keen interest in the men. At the voluntary service on Sunday evening, one of them said: "If any man would like to see me and wants any spiritual help, do come to cabin 25."

One night, Pat, an Irish lad (whom I found later had lived a wild life), spoke very strongly against the drink. After it was over and we lay about the deck, one of our number took exception to Pat's remarks. Presently a man about forty years old, who was quietly listening, said, "I know that if I were to become a Christian I should not only have to give up the drink but smoking as well." I tried to draw him out, and he told me that he and his chum "wanted to be converted" (to use his own words). They both decided that they must give up smoking if they did, as it was their great stumblingblock. They decided to go and see the chaplain at cabin 25. The first thing the chaplain did was to hand out his cigarette case and light one himself. They stayed there an hour, neither feeling that he could open his heart because of the smoking, and now—well, I tried to bring him to the one great decision, but the right moment had passed, and he would never come to our meetings. Later, when we were ashore, the desire had gone, and both he and his chum had let their day slip by.

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