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## You Can Have What You Will to Have

By Pastor J. Narver Gortner



OU CAN have what you will to have, provided you will to have what God in His divine plan has provided for you. You do not need to beg God to bless you; all you have to do is to will to receive of the divine fullness. What do I mean?

A number of years ago, when I was a Methodist minister, a preacher friend of mine told me that his wife, shortly before she died, came into possession of a marvelous experience. She was living in Los Angeles, and had become acquainted, he told me, with some very consecrated Christian people who had learned the secret of practicing the presence of God. I did not know then about the Pentecostal people or the Pentecostal experience. I have since been led to believe that the people she had come into contact with were Pentecostal people and that the experience she received was the Pentecostal experience.

She was a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church in Los Angeles, and at that time Dr. Robert McIntyre-afterwards Bishop McIntyre-was pastor. He used to call to see her quite often. And one day when he came to see her he found her in possession of her new-found experience; her face was illuminated with the light of heaven, and her soul was overflowing with the praises of the Lord.

He was greatly interested, and his heart was made hungry. He inquired, "How did you get this experience? I should like to have it too. Tell me in just as few words as possible how you got it." And she said, "I just yielded my will to God; I laid down all of my own thoughts and plans and efforts, and just sank into the divine will; in

God had already willed I should have." "Is that the way you got it?" "Yes, doctor, that is the way I got it.' "Then," said he, "I am going to have it too." And he went home, and shut it too." And he went home, and shut himself in his study, and he staid there for several days, refusing to see anybody.

The next Sunday he preached a sermon, and my friend said it was the most marvelous sermon he had ever listened to, and McIntyre's face shone as he preached; it was evident that he was speaking out of the fullness of a marvelous experience. His subject was "The Relation of the Human Will to the Plan of God Concerning the Life of the Individual."

In order that you may be saved you must will to be saved; in order that you may receive the Baptism in the Spirit you must will to receive it; in order that you may be healed you must will to be healed. Robertson of Brighton said, "Personality possesses three attributes: consciousness, char-acter, and, will." Some time ago a man died in Boston at the age of one hundred years and thirteen days. Early in life he resolved that he would live to be a hundred years' old; he willed to live to see the century mark, and he survived that age by thirteen days. I do not say that any man can live to be a hundred years' old simply by willing to so do, but I do say that it is doubtless true that many a man has died in early life who might have lived on for many years had he so willed.

In the 104th Psalm occur these words, "These wait all upon Thee; that Thou mayest give them their meat in due season. That Thou givest them they gather; Thou openest Thine hand, they are filled with good." Mark the fact that while God gives to the creaother words, I willed to receive whattures that inhabit the deep their "meat

in due season" it is necessary for them to gather it. If they were to fail to gather it they would starve; there might be an abundance of food within reach, but if they failed to reach out and take it, it would do them no good. So we may truthfully say that it is not enough that God has made provision for the supply of our physical and temporal and spiritual need; we must take that which God has provided, and we must take it in the way in which He has made it possible for us to take it. And in order that we may take it we must exercise the will power that God has given us. When my arm reaches out to take the food that has been placed on the table it obeys the fiat of my mind; it does what it is commanded to do, and the command is given in obedience to the will.

Some time ago I publicly remarked that whether or not we praise the Lord, whether or not we testify in the public assembly, whether or not we walk in the light of God, whether or not the blessing of the Lord comes down upon our souls, whether or not we live victorious lives, is very largely a matter of our own wills; it is within our power to enter into whatever God in His goodness has provided for us. A few days afterwards a sister said to me, ' dreamed about you last night; dreamed that I saw you standing up here in this pulpit, and as I looked at you I saw a cloud just above your head, and then I saw you entering into that cloud; your head entered, and then your shoulders entered, and presently you were in the cloud and your entire being was encompassed by it; and I inquired how you had entered into the cloud and what the cloud was, and I was made to know that the cloud was the cloud of divine glory and

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## Keeping Filled With the Spirit

#### By Donald Gee

E filled with the Spirit." Eph. 5:18.

We sometimes hear the above scripture quoted as an exhortation to seek the Baptism in the Spirit, but that is taking it out of its setting. These people had received the fulness of the Spirit. In Acts 19 we read that when the Apostle Paul laid his hands on them the Holy Ghost came upon them and they spoke with tongues and prophesied. Now he writes, "You Pentecostal people, be filled with the Spirit."

First of all I want to say that a condition of being filled with the Spirit is *recognizable*; you cannot be filled with the Spirit and not know it, and you cannot be filled with the Spirit and other people not know it. The apostles told them to look out seven men of honest report (and that came first), and full of the Holy Ghost; but how could they have picked out seven men full of the Holy Ghost if they had not known who was filled. It must be a recognizable condition. There are signs which indicate the condition of keeping filled with the Spirit.

As verse 18 tells us to be filled with the Spirit, so do verses 19, 20 and 21 tell us the marks of those who are thus filled. "Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord." I believe the first mark of being filled with the Spirit is an overflowing testimony. The cup is full and running over. The verse does not say you have to be making a noise all the time, it says "making melody *in your heart.*" My precious brother, if you have not got that song in your heart perhaps you are not filled with the Spirit, perhaps you have leaked out somewhere. You answer, "I received the Baptism two years ago." Yes, my brother, but where are you now? Oh the people who talk about past experiences! If you have a fresh experience you have a song inside.

Never will I forget when Dr. Slocum of India came to Edinburgh and I went to the station to meet him. When he got off the train we shook hands and strolled down to the entrance of the station to get the street car. He stopped at the sidewalk and looked me in the face and said, "Brother Gee, you are under the burden, you are carrying the strain." He had diagnosed me in three minutes and fifty seconds and knew very well I was not where I ought to be. Spiritual health is as evident as natural health; the fulness of the Holy Ghost is as apparent as the fulness of the life which God has given in the body. Paul says that if you are filled with the Spirit you will be singing to yourselves psalms and hymns and spiritual songs. And though troubles may surge around, there will even be songs in the night. They may be in the minor key, but the finest music is in the minor. Nothing can stop the man from singing who is filled with the Spirit. That is the first mark.

The next verse gives us another mark-"Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." You say, "I was neglected in the assembly. they did not give me the position I wanted." Well, give thanks for it, then you will know you are filled with the Spirit. God has taught me one golden secret-that the key to victory in every situation is to get down and thank Him for what has happened. The first lesson I learned on this line was a very sharp one. Somebody came to our city and started an op-position assembly. They opened a meeting quite near at hand, and personally visited all my members, even making nasty remarks about me. My temptation was to get bitter, to fight, to stand on the platform and (so to speak) take my jacket off and roll up my sleeves. But how I do thank God that just in the nick of time He showed me the victory. And I have found that if you become bitter and fight, your people will get hardened and the Holy Ghost will be grieved and driven away.

So instead of fighting I said, "Thank You, Lord." Evidently I was not praying enough and I needed something to make me pray more. Or perhaps my preaching was not good enough. I have discovered that competition is good even in the kingdom of God. While in business I found that competition was the life of trade, but when I came into the ministry I said, "I have said goodbye to competition." But I hadn't. Competition is the best thing for some preachers; it pulls them up. God can sanctify all these things. Do not misunderstand me; I do not infer that the man who started a competition assembly was showing a right spirit. But I do mean that there is a place of victory in every situation,

and that place of victory is "giving thanks always for all things." When the trial comes, say, "Praise the Lord, I guess it is good for me, I guess I needed it, it will be good for me later on, afterward it will yield the peaceable fruit of righteousness." If you do that, people will know you are filled with the Spirit. But if you go around grumbling and whining they will doubt whether you are filled with the Spirit at all.

The third mark is the greatest of all. First, an overflowing testimony; second, giving thanks always for all things. But listen to the third, "Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God." I believe the finest evidence of being filled with the Spirit is a brokenness and humility. Are they not choice! They make it easy to submit to the other fellow. In my ministry of teaching I find such a difference in people. When you bring some people the Word of God they get of-fended. Others say, "Pooh! I don't agree with you." And some people cannot be taught anything. But when people are really filled with the Holy Ghost they are teachable. You may speak in tongues a great deal, but if you have not a teachable spirit I question what manner of spirit you are of.

Teachers are not perfect and their teaching is sometimes imperfect, sometimes you may have a right to question what they say and to disagree with them. But if you have the Spirit of God in you, you will question them meekly, you will keep brotherly; and instead of getting offended and going away in a huff you will go to the teacher in a sweet and gracious spirit and will say, "Perhaps I did not quite understand you or catch your meaning." Oh how lovely is this spirit of submitting ourselves one to another in the fear of God.

Some time ago I was holding a series of meetings. When we got down to pray at the close of a meeting, there was a woman who had a voice like a siren and who seemed to think the proper thing to do when you prayed was to make a noise like a train going through a railroad tunnel. When she made this terrific noise I felt it was often unnecessary, that it was not of the Spirit but that it was her own feelings expressing themselves in that way. It was so disturbing, for no one could pray; it was distracting, she filled the program with her noise, and the noise could be heard two or three blocks away. One of the gifts God has given is the gift of government, and we have to govern-not in the flesh, but in the Spirit. And so I gave a little teaching on those things. We never heard any more of the screeching. The last evening I was there she came and grasped my hand, saying with tears in her eyes, "O Brother Gee, I do thank God for the teaching you have given me. You know I did not want to do anything wrong, or to disturb the people, but I thought I had to do that to yield to the Holy Ghost. But since you have opened the Word I see differently now." A teachable spirit is a lovely thing. God give it to every one of us, and most of all to the teachers themselves. Directly I find myself getting resentful when men don't agree with me, or getting angry if they dare to criticize what I write or speak, I say, "Donald Gee, be careful, the thermometer is going down.'

But the most practical and important part of our study is coming now-how to KEEP filled with the Spirit. Eighteen years have rolled by since the Lord baptized me in the Holy Spirit, and today I have a passion as never before to be filled with the Spirit. How can we keep filled with the Spirit as the years roll by? The novelty has worn off long ago. There is novelty of joy which is very beautiful, but never confuse novelty with the per-manent condition of being filled, the novelty has not the character of that which is mature. The joy of the new convert is very beautiful, but the joy of the ripe believer is more lovely. Trees that stand take time to grow. Those mighty redwoods of California have been maturing for thousands of years. I was fascinated with them. There were the rings showing the age of the trees. I think one was 3,500 years old. At different points in the rings that marked the annual growth they had put little flags telling you what transpired in the earth's history at that stage of the tree's development. One flag marked the time when Columbus discovered America. Another marked when Constantine became a Christian. The flag that interested me more than any other was the one that marked when Jesus Christ was born. The tree was quite a size when that happened. There was even a flag to mark the time when Moses was a baby down in Egypt. I thought, "O Lord, it takes time to grow a redwood tree, but I would rather be one of them than a pumpkin." Some people grow lovely pumpkins, and they swell nearly as fast, but never confuse swelling with growing. If you swell too much there is sure to be an explosion. Growth may be slow, but thank God for growth!

#### (To be continued)

Ask Jesus to help you love those who do not love you. Page Three

### Victory Through Praise By Hattie S. Pitts

Psa. 50:23, "Whoso offereth praise glorifieth Me."

The following testimony is written after a two years' terrific soul-battle against the powers of darkness, when victory, glorious victory was reached through *praise*.

I feel called of the Lord to put this in print that others experiencing the same or like test, may find victory and peace as I found it through *praise*.

In 1924, I had received my Baptism with the Holy Ghost and had for years experienced as great joy in the Lord as I have ever seen. *Praise* was a part of my very flesh and bones; it was in my mouth morning, noon, and night, and I walked in heavenly places in service for the Lord. He, performing miracles, healing the sick, saving sinners, used me for His glory.

There was an elder sister (in the flesh) whom the Lord permitted to work with me in His glad service, God working miracles through us, instantly healing cripples.

She was deeper in God than I, having been baptized with the Spirit probably ten years earlier than I. The Lord called her home and she passed on speaking in other tongues and interpreting as she met her Lord.

Then came the break in my life—I couldn't understand God's way and I questioned, became sleepless and for about two years the accuser of the brethren (Rev. 12:10) made me feel I had so disappointed the Lord that he even accused me of the unpardonable sin, but there was always something saying "your only hope is that this is not true."

As far as feelings were concerned I felt like a hoodoo, but Psalm 50:23 (God's Word) "Whoso offereth praise glorifieth Me," came so forcibly to me that I knew I was, at least, a "whoso."

Then one day, as though some one walked beside me, a voice said, "Why don't you praise the Lord the first fifteen minutes of the day?" "Why certainly I will," I replied, and so I did, and had continued for a period of about two years, when one morning, while praising, I sat at my open bedroom window looking into the glorious September morning sky, praising God for His wondrous handiwork (Psalms 107, 108), I saw what my best understanding told me was a mental vision.

It seemed there was an old piano there, thrown open, and as I gazed I saw the figure of a person moving very slowly and softly from end to end,

and the words "Master Tuner" came to me and I realized it was the Lord Jesus, the Master Tuner, and He was tuning this instrument. My soul feasted and was overwhelmed with peace as I saw Him gently—oh, so gently —tighten one string, loosen another, put in a new string, here and there, then go from end to end testing all in such quietness and gentleness, I cried out, "Lord, this is wonderful, it is a revelation, but oh! I should love to know what you mean."

He lovingly looked down upon me and said, "Why this instrument is your soul." "Oh," I cried "my soul, Lord, my soul?" "Yes," He continued, "and the instrument I have used to tune your soul is the fifteen minutes of *praise* daily you have been sending up. Now then try it and see if it doesn't play beautiful music, Oh, such exquisite harmony!"

Before this I had spoken in tongues only at my Baptism and had so hoped to again, but this same day (after years of waiting) in the afternoon, while in a little service in our home, I saw a sick man passing the house, who looked tubercular, and as my heart cried out to the Lord to heal him, holy laughter and the sweetest, fullest speaking in other tongues, with interpretation, and singing in tongues ensued for an hour or more.

The instrument was proven to be perfectly tuned, the harmony exquisite. And this is what I feel happens when one speaks in tongues—it is harmony in your soul with God—a tuned soul. All came through my obedience to *praise the Lord* the first fifteen minutes of the day.

"Whoso offereth praise glorifieth Me."

It was a purifying, deepening, experience—a "lengthening of the cords and a strengthening of the stakes." Isaiah 54:2.

If any reading this testimony feel God, Himself, hath forsaken and there remains no hope, no light and you have even passed beyond pardon, take the prescription that God gave me and *praise* till the victory comes, Hallelujah!—18 Logan Circle, Washington, D. C.

Our Lord's Four Invitations "Come unto Me," as Saviour. "Learn of Me," as Teacher. "Follow Me," as Master. "Abide in Me," as Life. —Griffith-Thomas

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The Editor's Notebook

#### Washington and Rome

Following close on the heels of Priemer Laval of France, comes Signor Grandi, Italy's Foreign Minister, to discuss with President Hoover and officials at Washington, among other matters, his one year Naval Truce, to which already some forty-seven nations have agreed. It will perhaps be remembered that two years ago, when the representatives of five great naval powers met in London, Italy was not ready for a naval truce. At that time Signor Grandi intimated to Aristide Briand that Italy would consider it an unfriendly act if France joined in the naval pact then being prepared. And so the pact had to be made between three nations alone-Great Britain, Japan, and United States. But two years of depression have brought Italy to the place where a saving in naval expenditure would be welcome, but when she makes this move toward naval limitations she wants the whole world to act with her. Rome leads and expects others to follow. She was the dominating force in the first century and purposes to be the same in the twentieth.

#### Thrown Into the Vortex

What is the real significance of these representations from France and Italy? The nations of Europe do not mean to allow the United States to remain in its position of "silent isolation." Many of the leading statesmen of Europe see that war is coming (and the saints know it too, for it is written, "Unto the end, wars and desolations are determined." Daniel 9:26, margin). And when the next war does come, the nations of the earth will want America's resources back of them. The statesmen at Washington have purposed to keep out of all international entanglements, and have refused to have part in the League of Nations and the World Court, but international matters have become so complicated that in spite of themselves they are being drawn into international

politics. At this very time of writing, Ambassador Dawes is in Paris, with other representatives of the League of Nations, in an attempt to bring a peaceful solution to the trouble between China and Japan in Manchuria.

#### The Coming Armageddon

The third chapter of Joel shows plainly that "all nations" will be in the coming great conflict at the end, and we can hardly expect that this nation will be excluded. Ramsey MacDonald, Great Britain's premier, stated at a meeting in favor of peace and disarm-ament last July, "The great Armageddon struggle must come at last, and the end will not be cheers of victory, but the silence of exhaustion. Mankind will be-I was going to say almost wiped out-mankind is to be exhausted, and all his works of civilization annihilated. We are to strive-and this meeting is gathered here for the purpose of demonstrating our determination to strive-against the final chapter ever being written." The final chapter will be written despite the resolution adopted at that meeting.

#### Jewish Troubles

The hearts of men are failing them for fear in many places these days, and this is specially true among the Jewish people. The following is from the Daily Express of London: "The dramatic results of the German general election have aroused the gravest anxiety among Jews, and have emphasized their fears, current for some time, that there is a manifest recrudescence of anti-Jewish feeling worldwide in extent. In five different countries widespread hatred of Jews has already shown itself by attacks on individuals and on synagogues, by social ostracism, and by restrictions on busi-ness activities. More than 6,400,000 Germans have voted for the National Socialists-Adolph Hitler's Fascist party, in whose policy one of the cardinal and openly-declared aims is antiSemitism. The German Fascists—in support of their violent anti-Semitic campaign—have launched the most fantastic charges against the Jews of Germany. The 500,000 German Jews have been accused of responsibility for Germany's 3,000,000 unemployed, and the low wages of the German working class. Germany's present position of economic difficulty and her political troubles are alleged to be caused by a great and mysterious 'International Jewish conspiracy.'"

#### Jacob's Trouble Foreshadowed

Mr. Bendor Samuel, a converted Jew, has written the following: "A great wave of Jew-hatred is rapidly spreading at home and abroad in Eastern Europe; thousands of unfortunate victims have already been overwhelmed by it. In the Ukraine and other parts of Russia entire communities have been wiped out; much is being done by pernicious literature. This far-reach-ing plot against the Jews is so craftily maneuvered that the persecutor appears to be the injured, and the blame is cast upon the sufferers. The actual criminal wilily pursues his innocent prey with cries of 'stop thief': turning the public against his victim while he escapes. The great war and its concomitants-suffering and discontent -made people ready to receive mischievous accusations which they imagine explain the problems of the war, and put the blame upon the guilty party. Places like Russia, Ukrainia, and Poland, where the war misery was more felt and dissatisfactionon was more prevalent, have formed a favorable soil for the sowing of baneful seed and producing a crop of progroms against the Jews, who are always made the scapegoat upon whom the sins of the world are laid."

#### What Scripture Foretells

This brother says, "A world campaign against the Jews is what we expect, according to Scripture; it will be fully developed under the man of sin, and the world is being prepared for it. While the time of Jacob's trouble in its greatest severity will be in Palestine, as we learn from such passages as

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Isa. 29:1-6; Ezek. 22:19-22; and Zech. 14:1, 2, we gather from other portions of God's Word that just prior to their restoration the Jews are to pass through terrible times of persecution. See Ezek. 20:35-38. 'Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord God. And I will cause you to pass under the rod . . . and I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against Me; I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel.'"

#### \* \* \* Conditions in Palestine

Mr. S. J. Williams writes in the Jewish Missionary Magazine of an interview with Pastor Hanauer, a Hebrew Christian and life-long resident of the Holy Land. During the conversion the Hebrew remarked, "We are living on the top of a volcano. At the first sign of weakening of the British strong arm, probably in a moment of serious trouble in Egypt or India, another vindictive Arab massacre will terrorize the Jews.' Mr. Williams spoke to a venerable priest at a hospice on the Sea of Galilee, asking him what he thought of the Zionist movement. The priest answered, "Horrible! These poor creatures are coming to this land to be slaughtered. Already we have too many here. Atheist Jews are filling up Palestine." Mr. Williams says, "It is quite true that 50,000 Free Thinkers or Socialists have come here as Zion-ists from Russia, Poland, and Germany, since the war; however, of the present population of 165,000 there are 50,000 orthodox Jews. One Zionist said to Mr. Williams, "We do not believe in the supernatural; we do not believe in the miracles, the prophecies and the God of the Old Testament; in fact we are all atheists." The one who uttered these words was a graduate of one of New England's best colleges for women. \*

#### The Jewish Hope

An orthodox Jew who was engaged in poultry raising near Tel Aviv, said to Mr. Williams, "Ninety percent of my fellow countrymen returning to Palestine now are unbelievers. Mv nation was dispersed from Palestine in 70 A. D. because of their unbelief. Then 1,500,000 suffered cruel death in the struggle with the Romans, and God will not allow them to reconstruct a national life in unbelief. The nations of the world will soon gather against Jerusalem to battle, then a great universally-recognized leader will appear from heaven to defeat the enemies of Israel, and to introduce a new era of world peace." Mr. Williams says, "Personally I can foresee a renewal of the Arab-Jewish conflict which cost several hundred lives in the bloody Palestine riots of 1929. At the next big outbreak probably Pan-Islam will rise in arms against the British empire, causing another world war and ending in the final battle of Armageddon."

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#### Will the Moslems Rise?

The Moslems of today are the "most missionary" of all the false religionists. From their colleges in Egypt they are turning out hundreds of graduates, everyone to be a missionary of Mohammed. They are penetrating into every part of Africa with the doctrines of Islam. Their message is one of war and not peace. Any day every Moslem may be called to a "holy war" against both Christian and Jew. Mr. E. E. Helms, writing in the Presbyterian, states: "Ten million Moslems are packed in and around Palestine. Nearly three hundred million are within cry and call. The Arab sees in the in-coming of the Jew into Palestine his outgoing. Therefore, while the Jew is enthusiastic to make Palestine his national home, the Arab is as enthusiastic to make it his national cemetery. Three hundred million Moslems await the call, and when the call comes, the Arab in Egypt will strike for national freedom from England, and the Arab in Syria will strike for national freedom from France, and the Arab of Palestine will strike for freedom from the Jew and the British, and then the dark sons of India will strike for home rule, and the dark skinned millions of China and Japan will likely join those other dark skinned millions-when that hour strikes, if it strikes, may a God of pity turn a compassionate face upon the white race."

#### A Brighter Side

George T. B. Davis writes however in a brighter strain than this in the Sunday School Times: "When in Palestine this last summer I was amazed at the era of building that is going on there-undoubtedly greater than at any time since the destruction of Jerusalem and the dispersion of the Jews. Throughout the length and breadth of the land they are building splendid roads, most of them asphalt. Beautiful buildings are being erected in Jerusalem, Haifa, and other cities. Large districts that were desolate and waste a few years ago are today blossoming as the rose. One of the strongest impressions of my visit was that with almost feverish haste they are preparing the land for the return of the King! 'When these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift

up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.' Luke 21:38."

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#### Shall We Arm or Disarm?

When the nations talk of disarmament they seem to show a greater faith in human nature than in the Word of God justifies. Human nature under the control of Satan is very terrible, and the old Book tells us that even "the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel.' Turn to the last chapter of the Ephesians and note Paul's counsel to us to arm, not with carnal weapons but with spiritual. We shall surely need all this armor in the last phase of the flight, that we may be able to stand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Note especially his counsel, "Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith we shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked." When the devil sends his fiery darts in these days of depression. and whispers that God has forgotten you, put up the shield and declare in the words of Psalm 40:17, "I am poor and needy; yet the Lord thinketh up-on me." Take up your permanent position in the 91st Psalm. Declare out loud your faith in God's faithful promises. There is nothing to fear since He has promised to take care of and preserve His own from evil. Has He not declared, "There shall no evil happen to the just"? John tells us that faith is the victory that overcomes the world. And so be sure to take this piece of armor, the shield of faith, which is provided by the Captain of our salvation. Cheer up, "This day the noise of battle, the next the victor's song." God declares in Rev. 21:7, "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; I will be his God, and he shall be My son."

#### How to Slip Through Satan's Fingers

"Soon after I was converted," Billy Bray used to say, "the devil came whispering in my ear, 'Billy Bray, you will be a great man now,' but I just sank into nothing, and in that way I slipped through his fingers. Glory be to God, we can get smaller and smaller, if we will, till there's just nothing of us."

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### Practical Ways to Help the Missionaries

Africa

"May I suggest to missionary groups who would like to get busy for missions, it would be a great help to have sewing done for the native boys and girls in Liberia who attend our schools. Clothing may be sent for either boys or girls, ages of six to twenty. Parcels should not exceed 11 pounds in weight and should be addressed to J. M. Perkins, Cape Palmas, Liberia, West Africa, or to any other of our missionaries in the Liberian field. The parcels should be marked "Clothing for natives" then they will be received

free of duty." B. Dommermuth.

"As my call to children's work was as definite as my call to the Congo, it has been a source of joy to me, that the children's work has fallen to my lot here. My family of mulatto children has grown until I have found it necessary to devote all of my time to them. There are many of these chil-dren in Congo, who unless we take them in will most likely go to Catholic Institutions where they will never have a chance to know of salvation.

"It would be a real practical help if we could secure garments tor either boys or girls, ages three to fourteen. For the

girls under waists and bloomers, and very simple dresses of any color. For the boys, shirts, and overalls or short pants. Nighties for both boys and girls and sheets for single beds. In sending articles it is much cheaper to send by parcel post than by freight. All parcels should be carefully addressed in large letters as follows: Miss Nellie Meloon, Assemblies of God Mission, Gombari, Congo Belge, Africa, VIA EGYPT. After working among children for several years at home, I am prepared to state that my mulatto children are as open and responsive to spiritual truths as the children at home. There have been a number of definite decisions for Christ. The support of these children averages about \$2.50 per month each."

#### China

"The missionaries would appreciate it if the friends at home would send some of their read books. We pass around our books and long for more. On an outstation with only Chinese around me, a book refreshes and inspires one.

Sunday School lesson pictures (colered) are greatly enjoyed by old and young Chinese, and are useful in our work. Any pictures are useful.

U. S. A. stamps and U. S. A. greenbacks are very useful as we sometimes have to send for small articles of colors that do not easily fade. The cloth we buy in China fades very easily.

Small table cloths, table covers, stationery, fountain pens, dry ink powder, type writer ribbons, anyone would find useful."—Grace Agar, Yunnan-fu, Yunnan, China.

#### India

"Missionary groups wishing to assist in the work may send us picture cards of the Sunday school lessons, which will be appreciated."—A. G. Ericson, 30 Lytton Road, Dehra Dun, U. P. India.

#### Palestine

"Some suggestions from the field. Outgoing missionaries can profitably use: A steamer rug, a well filled cotton

quilt, stainless knives, forks, spoons, washable floor mats, or rugs. Bath towels, wash cloths, s o a p, small alarm clo c k, folding organ.

Needs of the Bible Evangelistic Mission of Jerusalem, Palestine. Sunday school cards 300 per month, S. S. Lesson Charts, English reading books, and copy books. S. S. Papers. Good devotional books, such as those by And r e w Murray, F. B. Meyer, etc. Books on healing, the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and the Second Coming.

We are also needing aprons and coveralls for girls up to 14 years of age, and men's socks both cotton and wool. Small



Group of young people who attended some special classes for Bible study, conducted by Brother Nikoloff in Bourgas, Bulgaria. These studies were, by the authorities subsequently ordered to be discontinued. Brother Nikoloff is sitting in the second row from the front, the fifth from the right. Our Brother and Sister Nikoloff are now home in the United States on furlough, at 580 23d Street, West New York, N. J.

> to the U. S. A. and it is convenient to make payment in U. S. A. stamps or with dollar bills. Again if we have U. S. A. stamps we can save money by sending several letters in one envelope to be remailed in the U. S. A.

> Lady missionaries appreciate simple dress patterns to cut out their dresses by.

> Sewing: A number of 7x5 dark colored bags with a draw string are useful to lady missionaries, for carrying keys, pencils, glasses, handkerchiefs, etc. They wear out quickly and we are always needing them.

> Summer house dresses: These are appreciated very much and should be

dolls can be used to good advantage. Parcels for the Bible Evangelistic Mission should be addressed to Miss Laura Radford, Bible Evangelistic Mission, Box 216, Jerusalem, Palestine, and in stating the value be sure to state the minimum amount as the duty charges are from 12% to 15% on the valuation given, plus the postage paid on the parcel. Send books in a separate parcel. These are accepted duty free."

#### Porto Rico

"Any kind of clothing would be very welcome in this field. Porto Rico is facing a crisis and nearly every day someone is at our door asking for clothing, food, etc. We would also use picture cards to good advantage.

At Christmas time we give out little ten cent toys to the most faithful of the Sunday school children. If anyone would feel free to send us a box of these they would be greatly appreciated, and we believe you would feel repaid if you could see the joy these toys bring to the children. Musical instruments would also be most acceptable. Frank Finkenbinder, Box 134, Aibonito, Porto Rico.

#### Canary Islands

"We should welcome pictures, picture cards or rolls, Sunday school papers, Bibles and Testaments. Also we would appreciate tracts in the Spanish language." Miss Amy Ausherman, Apartado Num. 222, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Canary Islands.

#### Latin American Work

"I have been receiving so many letters from the preachers and their families now that winter is coming, asking for used clothing. Some are nearly destitute. One of the pastors in Mex-

ico states that his children have not sufficient clothing to attend the services. This is only one among many similar cases."—Mrs. Sunshine L. Ball, 714 S. Cibolo St, San Antonio, Texas.

#### Fiii Islands

"We long have realized that musical instruments would be a great help in our meetings. If anyone is in a position to donate us some we would be most thankful. Even if the instruments are in need of repair we

should be glad of them and perhaps could fix them for use. A number of our people have musical talent which we should like to put into use." Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Borst, Suva, Fiji Islands.

#### El Salvador

"We could use the large S. S. Picture rolls to help adorn the adobe walls of our churches. Another way to help would be to send an offering to the Free Tract Society, Crocker Street, Los Angeles, or to the Bible House of Los Angeles, 927 South Wesmoreland St., Los Angeles together with the request that a supply of tracts and Gospels in Spanish be sent to us. Spanish tracts may also be ordered from our own publishing house in San Antonio, addressing orders to H. C. Ball, 714 S. Cibolo St., San Antonio, Texas. Please direct all mail to us

as follows: Ralph Williams, Iglesia Evangelica Pentecostes, Quezaltepeque, El Salvador, Central America."

The above are extracts from letters received from our missionaries that we are passing on to our Evangel readers. There are of course many others among our missionaries who would appreciate similar help. The Foreign Missions Department will be glad to furnish the address of any missionary on request.

#### An Urgent Need at Assiout Lillian Trasher

I am unable to tell you what even a dollar means to me in these days. In the past if we did not have all we needed, I would just go and get it from the store and pay when the American mail came in or when money came in from any source. Then when the hard times started, the American mail began to come in with very little or no money and my best helpers here had to cut down their donations. Then I was unable to pay as I always had done

I want to ask you to have special prayer for me for I have never in my whole life felt as tired as I am these days. I have very bad pains at the back of my neck and many dizzy spells. I know that I am in great need of a good rest, but this is absolutely impossible, so please pray that God will give me strength for the work which He has given me to do. I am sure that you can believe me when I tell you that it is a great strain on any one to have over 600 to care for and to have to start every day with only a few cents, and when a few dollars come in, to decide which is the most needed place to put them.

### The Power of the Gospel in Liberia

#### Lois Shelton

A sixteen-year-old heathen boy was suddenly stricken very ill while working on his father's farm. He was car-

> ried into town, and the people began wailing for him, thinking him dead. We found him yet alive, although we could hear a death rattle in his throat. In answer to prayer his life was spared, and in a few days he was well. His brother, a heathen man, says it was God alone who healed the boy. Pray for his conversion.

One of our native Christian men recently incurred the enmity of a certain secret society of this country. So far as we can discover,

the actual leader of this society is the devil himself, and the men are all supposed to belong to it. This man was accused of having revealed some of their secrets to some small boys. He became very ill, a victim, we verily believe, to either poison or witchcraft. He was so under the oppression of devil power that he was entirely out of his mind, laughed at us when we told him to pray, and was ready to fight. But we gathered the native Christians and went to prayer, and God graciously delivered, so that within an hour he was himself again and was praising God with us, and in just a few days was quite well.

On a recent preaching trip to Gettica Town, I went into a house where a number of men were gathered talking over some matter. But they kindly stopped their discussion and listened

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Some of the children in the new church, Assiout, Egypt.

before, and the debts began to grow. At last I took the whole matter to the Lord, and we all decided not to buy a single thing on credit (which I can now see was one of my greatest mistakes in the past) and since we decided to do this we have not gone a cent more in debt, and we are trying to pay off our back debts as a little money comes in extra. Nearly every morning we start the day with only a few cents. That is why a dollar means so much to us now. Sometimes I only need ten cents to complete the price of a can of kerosene to cook the dinner with (our stoves are heated by kerosene). If the Lord's children at home could see the need and realize the "widow's mite" is sometimes just what is most needed to buy today's milk for the little babies or the price of the salt for the orphan's dinner, I feel that they would not wait until they had a larger sum to send.

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### Items of Interest

#### Gracious Revival in Nigeria

In Northern Nigeria in Africa, where the gospel has been preached for about 70 years, a gracious revival is now in progress. The *Missionary Re*view of the World states:

"A young Yoruba prophet whom 'the Lord took,' not from 'following the flock,' like Amos, but from driving a steamroller, gave up his lucrative job and started preaching. His theme was confession and repentance of sin and belief in Jesus. He possesses the gift of healing, and wonderful cures have been effected. Thousands of people have flocked to him, bringing their sick ones with them. Hundreds have confessed their sins of witchcraft, thousands have publicly burned their idols, while Moslems have given up their rosaries. These people are now clamoring for Christian instruction.

"In the Bassa county the entire heathen population have given up their idols and are pouring into the church. The little handful of C. M. S. workers are overwhelmed by the situation. Over 69 new outstations were added in three weeks.

"One young catechist has 14 villages under him, and in each village there are everywhere from one to three hundred people clamoring for instruction in the Christian religion.

"The head chief of this Bassa district, who is a Moslem, offered to build a house and school free of all cost to the Society if only they would go and live among them.

"The Sunday morning attendance at church in one town rose from an average of 70 to 500 one Sunday, 800 the next, and the following Sunday there were over 1,000."

#### Conditions in Manchuria

From Manchuria comes a letter from Mrs. Rosalind Goforth, who quotes with her endorsement the words of a missionary who has been in Central China for forty years: "I have been amazed at the patience of the Japanese under years of annoyance and pin pricking that the Chinese have indulged in. It looks as if that patience had come to an end and that they were determined to teach the Chinese a good lesson and give them a good drubbing. They certainly deserve all they get, in my opinion. I think you in the north have little idea of the insolence of the Chinese in other places. Their treatment of foreigners for a long time has been very trying." A letter from Gen-eral Chang Tse Kiang, who was Marshall Feng's chief general years ago, and who is a devoted Christian today, states: "Japan is ready to fight and refuses the interference of other nations. When we read the Book of Judges in the Old Testament we find that whenever the Israelites disobeyed God their land was always invaded by enemies until they cried for God's mercy; when they showed true repentance they were soon delivered by God. So we can be sure that the suffering we meet is meant to teach us to repent."

#### A Doctor's Cancer Healed

In 1927 I was operated on in a Fort Wayne, Ind., hospital for gall stones. Instead of gall stones the surgeons found a very large cancer, which after examination they decided not to touch with the knife. They sewed me up and in due time sent me home to die. I did not learn what they had done until my wife told me at home. I being a doctor, and knowing that cancer of any of the visceral organs means death, you may imagine how I felt. God, however, caused faith to spring up in the heart of myself and wife, and with the assistance of Brother Ben Redinger of the Ft. Wayne Temple, through conforming to James 5: 13-18 I was completely healed. I am using the prayer of faith with every patient I treat.

When I was operated on I only weighed 170 pounds, whereas now I weigh 270. Twenty-four hours after I was anointed with oil and prayed for I began eating, and my secretions became normal, although I was just emerging from the vestibule between life and death. My soul is saved and I am healed of the most dreadful of diseases. I testify to my healing whenever I have or can make an opportunity. Sometimes I am asked why are not all healed. I do not know, but God knows. Possibly they do not have faith; possibly God knows they will not glorify Him in their lives if they be prolonged, or give Him due praise for healing them.

The diagnosis of the present depression, which is pandemic, is, Back to God and the Bible. Unless we do this I look for no better times. Modernism and Atheism are being taught in our schools.—Dr. H. W. Felts, Woodburn, Ind.

#### A New Pentecostal Book

Sent free during December We have just published a new book entitled, "The Phenomena of Pentecost." The first chapter in this book is a special article on the "Phenomena of Pentecost" by Brother Donald Gee. The second chapter is entitled, "Is the Baptism of the Holy Spirit a Necessity?" by P. C. Nelson. The third is on the "Power of the Holy Spirit," by Myer Pearlman of the Central Bible Institute. The fourth chapter is a remarkable message on the "Gospel of the Miraculous," by George Jeffries, the Superintendent of the Elim work in Great Britain. The fifth chapter is a splendid article on the "Bible Evidence of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost," by the late Elder D. W. Kerr.

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#### A Letter Recently Received

"Through a friend in Los Angeles we received a circulating copy of Jesus Is Victor. I do not know the price, but enclosed find three dollars for more copies to put into circulation. If I could do so I would like to send this book to every assembly. If people knew the value of this book they would certainly go without other things in order to get it. It has cleared up a number of truths in my mind, over which I was not so sure. I did not know it was possible to live such a life as the one described in this book. I believe the reading of this book among our people generally would bring about a Holy Ghost revival."—Mrs. G. W. Payne, McMinnville, Ore.

The above is one of more than three score letters we have received in appreciation of this book. We believe it will be helpful to many who will read the same. The price of the book is \$1.00 for cloth, and fifty cents for paper cover. Add five cents for postage.

#### Big and Little Sins

We are apt to talk about big sins and little sins. Now there is a Tamil proverb that says: "There is no distinction between big and little when you are talking about snakes."

### From Altar Boy to Pentecostal Preacher

#### A. J. Princic



UR family were all very strong Catholics; as far as I know there never was one on either side of the family who left the ranks of Catholicism.

On mother's side, all the brothers were priests, and my older brother was also a priest. From my early childhood God wooed my heart and I had aspirations to the priesthood, but my folks said I would never be one since I had too much self-will, I would not be subordinate, I wanted to take care of myself. From seven years of age till thirteen I was an altar boy, serving mass every Sunday.

Mother really loved the Lord and so did my brother the priest. Neither of them ever cared for the things of the world, but were always desiring to do something for the Lord. Nineteen days after my mother's death my brother also died, and the home seemed so empty that I decided to leave and take a course in nursing. Then about eight years ago I went to Kansas City to take a position in one of the hospitals, and was also employed at Armor & Co., for industrial surgery. At the latter place I was thrown in contact with the colored people, for it seemed that four-fifths of the injured men were negroes, and my love went out to them all the time. Even in my early boyhood there was a desire to go to Africa and help the people there. I remember that the first time I looked at a geography book my heart was drawn to Africa. Even on general duty in the hospital if I got a colored patient I could not bear to see him suf-fer and would do all I could to relieve him.

While in Kansas City I met a Protestant girl, a member of the Christian church, and we were married. I did not tell her I was a Catholic for I was so discouraged with the church that I had decided to leave it. My wife never opened my mail, but one day a letter came which she felt inclined to open. It happened to be from my father, and in it he expressed his displeasure at the dreadful thing I had done in marrying a Protestant, but assured me that when I was ready to do the right thing he would receive me back home. After reading the letter she carefully sealed it again, but my perceptions were strong too, and something seemed to tell me that she knew all about it. I felt like dropping dead right there. It was a great shock to both my wife and her people, but her love for me was deep and she forgave me for not telling her in the first place.

My first revolt against the Catholic church was when I went to Fort Wayne, Ind., to take a position in the Lutheran hospital there. Not knowing where to find the hospital I supposed the best thing to do would be to inquire of the Catholic priest as to its location. I followed the spire of the church and knocked at the door of the parish house, saying, "Father, I need some assistance and have come to you for it." He replied, "You are the fifteenth burn that has come to the door today; I have no time for you, I can't help you," and he banged the door in my face. That disgusted me, and was the beginning of my looking for reality in religion.

Another thing that loosened me from the grip of the church was the fear that if I should be fatally injured and the priest was not there to absolve me, I would go to hell. Of course they teach that if you say the Act of Contrition at that time, you will be saved. But what bothered me was, Why could not I say that Act of Contrition while in life, instead of at the point of death, and then be free from all the condemnation that continually rested on my soul. The following is the Act of Contrition, "O my God, I am most heartily sorry for all my sins, because they have offended Thee, my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve by the help of Thy grace to confess my sins, to do pen-nace for them, and amend my life. Amen."

Having married a Protestant I was outside the Catholic church, and felt like an outcast. My wife, though unsaved, had the comfort of belonging to the Christian church, and she could pray. So I said to the priest in Kansas City, "Father, I married a Protestant." He answered, "Bring her along some day and we will have a real good talk about it." I had my wife almost persuaded to go and have our marriage vows renewed in the parish house, which act would give me standing in the Catholic church again. It happened that my wife's bosom friend was also married to a Catholic, and my wife quite jubilantly told her that we were going next day to be married in the parish house. The friend then said, "Do you realize that you will have to sign a document that you will bring your children up as Catholics?" At that my wife set her foot down and said she would not do it. I stewed and fretted and frothed all that day, realizing that I could not go to confession unless I came back to the "mother church" either by leaving my wife or by being married in the parish house.

Up to this time we had been living in luxury, having a fine automobile and buying a beautiful home, and living for the pleasures of the world. But all at once "hard luck" struck us; I lost my position, home, and car, and all we had left was a thousand dollars worth of furniture. So we went to Cheyenne, Wyo., where I first began going to the Protestant church. I had got a job in the store room of the Union Pacific Railroad and the man I worked for was a real Christian, and attended the Christian church. He invited me to go to church with him, and wishing to keep in the good graces of my boss I accepted the invitation. was introduced to the pastor and I told him I was a Lutheran. In the course of the meeting he asked me to lead them to the throne of grace. My prayer was very brief indeed, but I did the best I could, and it melted me.

Even as a boy I had been interested in missions and had followed the Catholic missionaries in thought. When a Catholic missionary goes to a foreign field he adapts himself to the ways of the natives and lives as one of them. I had delighted in reading many books about their experiences and so had a little information along those lines. In the course of conversations with the foreman for whom I worked, I had told him about the sufferings of the missionaries in China and Japan and Africa, and he took it for granted that I had been in these lands. While in the Christian church that day the pastor said to me, "Brother So-and-so has told me about your travels and we would like to have you speak to the young people tonight at 6:30." I consented rather bashfully, saying I would do the best I could, but in my heart I purposed not to appear at the meeting.

Accordingly I said to my foreman, "I shall see you this evening," but he would not be shaken off, he stuck like a leech and said, "May I go home with you? I would like to tell you a few things about our church." I replied, "Well, I would like to rest," but he answered, "You won't have to do a thing, I just want to tell you about our church." So he went home with me and I got out my Catholic books and looked up the data about missions. When the time came for the meeting I got up and tried to talk about Africa and Japan. When I had finished I nodded my head to the audience and went out of the side door.

The next day he commented on my actions. He concluded I was under conviction and told me that even though I was a Lutheran I needed to be born again. He told me that a Christian did not smoke, swear, or chew tobacco, but lived for Christ who died for him. Then he asked me if I would not try to quit smoking and cursing. Wanting to keep my job, I said I would. But to my sorrow my efforts were all in vain.

One night my wife rose and said, "Pray for me, I am dying and I am not ready; pray that I may be ready.' I got down on my knees and for the first time I really prayed. I said, "God, if you will spare my wife I will quit chewing, smoking, cursing, lying and stealing, and I will live a good life." In the course of a half hour my wife fell asleep, and the next day she rested beautifully. That was the be-ginning of the soul awakening of my wife; she had been self-righteous, now she found that she was not saved. She was a dancing instructress and had played the piano for one of the fashionable dancing studios in Kansas City.

For about two weeks I was a model man, but seeing my wife was all right again and was getting stronger I thought, "Just one little smoke won't hurt," but it was the beginning of the downward path again. Soon we left for the northwest. But God was dealing with my wife too, and as we walked the streets she would say, "Just think of it, these people we see today will probably be in their graves next year and there will be new people, and where are we going to be?" Every time she said that it gave me the creeps. We were both very miserable.

One day I was making a clothes line out of wire and was standing on a loop of it when a piece came up and struck me in the eye and severed the eye ball, and I lost the sight of it right then. The eye immediately atrophied and was like a red piece of meat. For seven weeks I lay in the hospital, but little by little I was drawing closer to God. When dis-charged from the hospital I was blind in the left eye and could see a distance of only ten feet with the other eye. Then my wife and I decided our lives ought to change, and though we only had three dollars and ten cents we decided to go down town and buy a Bible.

On the way down town I concluded I had better stick to the Catholic way so I said to my wife, "We are going to get a Douay version," but she promptly said we were not. I declared we were. However when we got to the

store we found that the Douay version was ten dollars, and we did not have that much money. We asked to see some cheaper ones, and out of them we chose a large family Bible (I figured that the bigger the book, the more we would get in it). Away we walked up the street, carrying that big Bible, and we seemed to be the center of attraction walking those eighteen blocks home. Then I said to my wife, "Read anything." She opened and read, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." Then she read the 91st Psalm. Little by little it began to soak into my heart; then we got down to pray.

In a short time our storehouse was empty and we had nothing but a few fragments to eat, but shortly after we had prayed there came a rap on the door and a neighbor brought in some broth. Soon there was another rap, and we found a box of groceries at



#### "Afterward"

"No chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless AFTERWARD it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness." Heb. 12:11.

We may not see just here and now, With vision clear, the why and how Of all that God seems to allow, But "Afterward"!

We may not know how THAT or THIS, Which now we fain would gladly miss, Is working for our future bliss, But "Afterward"!

We may not fully understand How underneath God's chastening Hand PAIN is fulfilling LOVE'S command, But "Afterward"!

It may not be for us to know What portion of the seed we sow Shall into golden harvest grow— But "Afterward"!

We may not know when torn with care, Why earnest and persistent prayer Should seem to die upon the air! But "Afterward"!

It may not be for me to see The meaning and the mystery Of all that God has planned for me— But "Afterward"! —S. E. Burrow : our door. We began to realize that God had His hand on our lives; still we did not know how to go about it to get saved.

We decided to go to visit my wife's folks at Hoquiam, Wash., who were Baptists but who were all unsaved except one uncle. I felt right at home with them as I could swear and do as I pleased. But this uncle invited us to go to some special meetings being held in the Pentecostal church at that time, and seeing he was a relative I thought I had better go. The people at the church seemed so loud and noisy I could not understand how they could pray. Still I envied them when I heard them testify concerning "how sweet Jesus had been to them that day," while I carried about such condemnation in my soul. The next evening we went back again, and during the meeting my mother-in-law began to shake violently. I diagnosed her case as hysteria and said that we had better hurry out with her before she fainted, and then I administered cam-phor to her nostrils. When we got home my wife said, "I shall never go back to that church. They are such a noisy crowd of people; when they prayed it seemed as though they tried to outdo each other; and when I wanted to hear the preacher I couldn't tell what he was saying for the amens and hallelujahs. I'm just not going back; that's all!" .

But the next evening we went back and God mightily saved both my wife and mother-in-law. When I saw how happy my wife was I felt more like an outcast than ever. Two nights later we went back again and God tugged at my heart, but I kept thinking, "What will the Catholics think of my leaving the church?" While I hesitated there came a message in tongues and interpretation which seemed to be especially for me. When the words came forth, "Oft have I spoken to thy heart, but ye will not hearken," I heard no more but ran to the altar, shaking like a leaf. God wonderfully saved my soul and then I too realized the joy and peace that comes with the consciousness of sins forgiven. That same evening my wife received the Baptism with the Spirit and, as we walked home about two o'clock in the morning, she was so full of praise and glory that I realized she had more than I, and I was envious of her experience. The next evening they asked me to testify at a street meeting but I said I could not do that. However the next evening I too received the Baptism in the Spirit, and then there was no shutting me up. I went from person to person as I saw them standing on

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### An Ambassador in Bonds

#### A True Story by Helen Ramsay

In the year 1869 Mr. Ensor, a missionary, came to settle in Nagasaki, Japan. At that time Christians were much persecuted, and the work was very discouraging. During the first nine months Mr. Ensor received crowds of native visitors, but he had little encouragement. "One evening, however, as he was sitting alone in his study, he heard a knock at the door. He went himself to open it, and found a soldier-like man standing at the gate. In reply to Mr. Ensor's inquiry what he had come for, he made answer: 'A few days ago I had a copy of the Bible in my hands, and I wish to be a Christian.

Mr. Ensor asked whether he realized the cost of such a step, and he said that he did. After a time he was baptized. The new name Mr. Ensor chose for him was "Titus," because of that verse in Paul's Epistle to the Corinthians which says "God that comforteth those that are cast down, comforteth us by the coming of Titus."

About a year after this, another man came in to talk with Mr. Ensor. He was a man of the very worst character —a murderer—so utterly bad that even his heathen relations would have nothing to do with him. He had come to the missionary now, not to learn, but in the hope of contradicting and "entangling him in his talk." Yet he was persuaded to listen, as they sat alone together, and Mr. Ensor told him the old story of the love of Christ, and of the joy and peace possessed by those who love Him and live for Him.

And gradually, says Mr. Ensor, the word entered into his heart, and the man turned to Him who is the merciful Receiver of all true penitent sinners.

For some time after he had become a Christian Futagawa, as he was called, was employed to help Mr. Ensor with his printing press. One evening he was missing, and at the end of three days news was brought that he had been put in prison—for some small offence against the Japanese law, it was said, but every one supposed that it was really because he was known to be a Christian.

Every effort was made to get him released, but in vain. Mr. Ensor became sick, and returned to the homeland. He never saw Futagawa again, and when he left, nothing had been heard of him.

At the end of three years, Mr. Ensor received a letter. He knew the writing: it came from Futagawa. This letter told that now at last he was set free, and enclosed was a journal which he had kept while he was in prison.

It seems that the very evening Mr. Ensor had been waiting for him he had been seized, led off to prison, and thrust into a filthy den, the wall of which was studded with iron spikes, and so low that it was impossible to stand upright. Here he remained for some months, almost starved-for the little food which was given him was hardly fit to eat. Sometimes he was led out from his own cell, with heavy chains upon his hands and feet, to be examined by the magistrates, and sometimes he was put for a while into the common prison with all the worst criminals, who mocked and sneered at him. His friends could not get at him to help him, for he was twice re-



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moved from prison to prison; but he might, if he had chosen, have helped himself, for he was offered his liberty and all that he wanted, if only he would give up his religion; yet he would not.

At last a change came. Like Joseph, he found favor in the sight of the keeper of the prison, and by-and-by, though still a prisoner himself, he was set over the other prisoners, and made the keeper of the dungeon. He began to speak to those around him of the Saviour for whose sake he was bound and imprisoned.

The magistrates, as well as the prisoners, listened to him and treated him with great kindness; so, like Paul at Rome, he preached Christ from his prison, and Mr. Ensor tells us that, during the three years of his imprisonment, there were between seven and eight hundred men who heard from him the Gospel, and out of these not fewer than 70 or 80 began themselves to study the Word of God.

At last he was set free, and went back to Nagasaki first of all. Later he preached openly in the streets of Tokio, as before he used to preach in prison when an Ambassador in bonds.

Should some sorely-tried child of God read this page, let him remember Joseph and Daniel and Paul and Futagawa, and stedfastly serve God in the midst of the furnace. Dr. Macduff wrote: "I have heard that at a meeting in Fox's house a recent find of coins was exhibited. One of these was so old and corroded that the inscription could not be read. Someone suggested putting it in the fire, in hopes of clearing it and rendering the legend more legible. When taken out, the lettering was easily deciphered: 'To the Glory of God.' That is just what should be the result with all who are put in the furnace of affliction. They come out with the inscription written on their hearts: 'To the glory of God.' 'WHEN HE HATH TRIED ME, I SHALL COME FORTH AS GOLD.'" Job. 23:10.

#### From Altar Boy to Pentecostal Preacher

#### (Continued from Page Ten)

the street, and asked them about their salvation, and left them with a tract. I even wrote back home and told them about this wonderful Saviour I had found.

During all this time I had been wearing a black cloth over one eye, but two nights after receiving the Baptism the preacher said to me, "God is just as able to heal your eye as He was to save you." They prayed for me and then took the patch off my eye. Previous to that time if any light reached my eye it caused terrible pain, it was as though someone took a sledge ham-

mer and hit the back of my head. But that night I looked right at the light and my head did not hurt. Then they blindfolded the good eye and said, "What do you see?" I leaped for joy as I realized my eye was healed. There were about five hundred people in that meeting and most of them were standing on their seats, and the news of the wonderful healing went all through the town.

My lungs were so weak that I would have night sweats, so I said I wanted to be prayed for for my lungs too. God healed me immediately and I slept through the whole night. God took the tobacco habit away from me too, and instead of curses the praises of God welled from my heart. Life seemed altogether different, and that smoky little town seemed like heaven.

For the next five months I had no work but God supplied our needs. We went to church one night needing money to pay the light and water bills, and when we got home I found a check in my pocket for just the right amount. Once we only had a piece of bread and a cup of coffee, but while we were giving thanks to God for it two lads stood at the door with a box of groceries. They said their mamma felt we needed it. We got down to where we did not have even one meal in the home, but we went to church anyway, and when we returned I stumbled over something in the hall. It was a lug box containing a full meal, still warm-steak, potatoes, gravy, and other things. In the same way God supplied our clothes. After five months' time I found work and for two years was in secular employment. During this time I had been deeply feeling the call of the Lord to Africa, but the way had not opened for us to go; so after two years we went into the Lord's work, and a little later joined Brother Rowe in his work in Lewiston, Idaho.

One day while praying with Brother Rowe for the car he needed, the Lord showed me to give him our car and I turned the keys over to him. Then for five months wife and I tramped around without a car, making sick calls, and so on, and the weather was very cold. Every time the snow would crackle under our feet the devil would say, "Now you see what you get for giv-ing away that automobile." To which we would reply, "Praise God!" In a short time the saints presented us with a car, and after it wore out God gave us another. And when that one utterly failed we prayed for another, and while we were praying a rap came to the door; there stood a young man who said that God had definitely showed him to give us his car, and he turned over the keys.

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#### Archdeacon Phair With the Lord

We have just learned of the death of Archdeacon Phair, formerly of Winnipeg, Canada. We hear that he was killed in an accident in San Diego, California. Brother Phair was converted in Ireland at the time of the revival of '59. From the time of his conversion he became a real revivalist, He went from Ireland to Canada and was a missionary to the Indians for nearly fifty years.

Some twenty-four years ago when the Spirit of God began to be poured out in the city of Winnipeg, the Archdeacon began to attend the meetings and recognized it was God who was working. He wrote at that time, "God led me to the foot of the Cross, humbled me in the dust before the One who loved men ad gave Himself for me. I saw Him as I had never seen Him before, and He did with and for me as He had never done before. For some time I lay prostrate at His blessed feet, gazing on Him, and was so enraptured with His unspeakable glory that I felt lost to every being and every thing but Himself alone. He touched the temple He wanted to occupy, and moved it in His own way, and being the Lord's doing 'it was marvelous in our eyes.' He came in and spoke in an unknown tongue, and I have no words with which to praise Him for ever deigning to so speak." The Archdeacon attended the 1920 Council Meeting and told of his work among the Indians.

Just about six weeks ago the editor of the Evangel met the Archdeacon in Southern California and spent an hour with him. Although ninety-four years of age he was abounding in life. We are sure he has had an abundant entrance into the presence of His Lord. When we parted he clung to our hand, saying, "If we don't meet again here we will meet up yonder."

We desire to express our deepest sympathy for his wife, and for his son Dr. Phair, who is one of the faculty of the Berean Bible Institute of San Diego, Calif.

#### You Can Have What You Will (Continued from Page One)

that by the sheer exercise of will power you had entered it."

Turn to Ex. 24:17, 18, and read, "And the sight of the glory of the Lord was like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel. And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and gat him up into the mount: and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights." How did Moses get into the midst of the cloud? The cloud did not come to him while he stood still and waited; he went to the cloud, and went into the midst of it.

The leper came to Jesus, and he said, "Lord, if Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean." Jesus said, "I will; be thou clean." The result was immediate cleansing. It was not a question as to whether or not Jesus was willing; it was a question as to whether or not the will of the leper could

be brought into harmony with the will of the Lord. The trouble with many of us is that we try to make the will of the Lord conform to our wills, and it is impossible for us to do that; we must make our wills conform to His will.

Augustine was right when he said that the will of man is crooked and the will of God is straight, and that man cannot bend the straight will of God to his own crooked will, but he can bend his crooked will to the straight will of God; and whenever a man does that, something happens; his will, having been brought into harmony with the divine will, brings down the blessing of the Lord, or, strictly speaking, opens the avenues of his being so that the divine glory that is waiting outside for an opportunity to enter can come in and fill every nook and corner, just as when the receiving set is in harmony with the broadcasting station the music starts, or rather, becomes audible.

I wonder if Paul was not thinking of something of this kind when he wrote, "Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure."

And in perfect harmony with this we have the word of the Master: "Verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that *those things* which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith." Mark 11:23.

#### The Power of the Gospel in Liberia

(Continued from Page Seven) while I gave to them some of the Word of Life. When I spoke of the resurrection of Jesus, one old man said, "If God raise his own 'pickin' from the dead, how it be he no raise our 'pickins' too when they die?" And then I told them of the terrible day coming when the dead, small and great, black and white, will indeed be raised and will stand before the great white throne to be judged according to the deeds done in the body. I told them of the great sacrifice God himself offered for sin, and of the book of life wherein are enrolled the names of those who have accepted God's sacrifice. After I had gone they told our native worker there that the word I had talked "catch their heart.'

On the same trip, I went into the house of the biggest idol worshiper in town, one who has strongly objected to hearing anything about God. Idols of every kind and description he had. I asked him what they were able to do for him, and he replied that they would make him live long. I said, "How do you know you will live long? How do you know you will not die tomorrow?" Then he said, "True, if God say it be time to die, then I will die. I no hold ju-ju to keep from dying, but I hold them so somebody can't 'witch' me and make me all time sick, so I no fit to go do my work." I replied, "Six moon now I live for Palipo Tribe. In all this six moon I never lay down on my bed for sick palaver, but no ju-ju live for my house. Your country it be hard for white man, but God keep me well." "Oh," he said, "Your part be different. You be white man. Somebody no fit to witch you." (They al-

live for my house. Your country it be hard for white man, but God keep me well." "Oh," he said, "Your part be different. You be white man. Somebody no fit to witch you." (They always call us "white man." Quite often we are greeted with, "Good mornin" sir.") And so it goes. They live in hourly fear of dying by witchcraft, and many are the shillings that find their way to the devil-doctor's hands in exchange for a ju-ju that will be strong enough to protect them from harm.

But thank God for those who have been delivered from their terrible bondage and have entered into the glorious liberty of the children of God. So much of their daily life was formerly connected with devil worship, it has meant a complete separation and a change in every respect. It gives us great joy to see them walking in the way of holiness, pilgrims and strangers among their own people, and looking for that city that hath foundations whose builder and maker is God.

#### Personal Endeavor

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### . In the Whitened Harvest Field .

#### BACK TO BIBLE PATHS

Pastor J. E. Beach writes from La Fayette, Ind., "We recently closed a 3 weeks' revival here and God surely met us in a precious way. Some are still being saved and baptized with the blessed Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4. The meeting in charge of Brother J. B. Jones, of Indianapolis, had a far-reaching effect in the establishing of the saints in the good old doctrine of the Holy Spirit Baptism, and the power of Christ to save and heal."

#### VICTORY NOTE FROM BURWELL

Pastor H. E. Comstock, Burwell, Nebr., writes: "We are glad to report a steady growth in numbers and interest in all activities of the church. Sister Christy and Sister Jones conducted a 3 weeks' meeting in which 5 came for salvation and 3 were baptized with the Holy Ghost. This was followed by a campaign conducted by Evangelist Raymond L. Sherman, of the Colorado District. During this campaign 6 came forward for salvation and 4 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost."

#### "IMPERIAL" CHURCH AFIRE

Brother J. M. Stark, Church Secretary, writes from Imperial Valley: "Even though we have had much opposition from without the camp, yet the church at El Centro, Calif., is afire for God. We had Evangelist Wm. F. A. Gierke, with us last April, followed by Brother Chas. I. Spellman, a convert from Judaism, both of Los Angeles. People of the community as well as of the assembly were greatly uplifted. Our pastor, C. E. Shields, has passed through many sorrows, in the recent death of his infant son in September and of his beloved wife one month later, yet the Lord has made his ministry a blessing to the little flock; and the work of the Lord in saving the lost and baptizing believers is still going on."

#### GLORY CLOUD FILLS HOUSE

Pastor W. C. Anderson writes: "A 2 days' fellowship meeting held at full gospel assembly, Springfield, Ill., certainly proved a spiritual uplift to all who attended. Twentyseven Pentecostal ministers and a host of saints from neighboring assemblies met for our first sectional fellowship meeting in the Illinois District. Our District superintendent, Brother Arthur Bell, and a number of the District presbyters attended. A blessed spirit of fellowship prevailed throughout the services. Brother Bell brought the opening message, using for a theme 'Remove Not The Ancient Land-marks.' The power of God came down like rain and our hearts were melted together while the glory-cloud filled the house. Surely every one present caught a new vision of lost souls, and received a desire to carry this Pentecostal message to every one possible. With God's smile of approval upon the meeting, a move was put on foot to have a sectional fellowship meeting somewhere in the District about once a month: watch for announcements.'

#### WINCHESTER ON FIRING LINE

The assembly at Winchester, Ill., write: "Our meetings which are being conducted in the city hall by Brother and Sister Cline, are well atended. There have been more than 40 converted and baptized (in water) since the Pentecostal meetings began in this city, and a number have received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. Last Sunday we organized the church with over 40 new converts, and held our first communion service; we also had our first Sunday school, with 4 classes; our attendance was 72."

#### MISINFORMATION CORRECTED

The deacons and trustees of Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Santa Cruz, Calif., send the following word: "The Lord has been blessing here for several weeks in a wonderful way, in saving souls and drawing the saints closer to Him. Our pastor, Brother Ben F. Smith has been with us almost five years, and we are in hopes that he will stay with us till Jesus comes if it is the Lord's will. The news has been circulated somehow that we have had a split, but we have never had a split in our meeting since Brother Smith has been pastor, and we feel it our duty to send this report in order to protect our brother from gossip that is not true."

#### THE CHRIST REVEALED

Sister Etta Rhea, Pastor, Jamesport, Mo., writes: "We closed a revival meeting which had continued from Oct. 25 to Nov. 11, in charge of Evangelist Chas. E. Long, of Cedar Rapids, Ia. God's blessing was with us from the very first service. The crowds kept increasing, then we got more seats, but soon the hall was crowded to capacity and people were turned away. Deep conviction rested upon the people; 14 were saved during the campaign and others are coming to Christ in the regular meetings. Brother Long is now in a meeting in Trenton, a new field. A good number are seeking the Holy Ghost."

#### TRUTH VERIFIED AT CONVENTION

Pastor H. T. Carpenter writes from the Bethany Pentecostal church, Springfield, Mass.: "We praise God for the blessed convention held here Oct. 14-18. The truth that believing prayer brings definite results, was verified in a most marked manner. Some of these results were solemn, yet joyous, as we felt the presence of the Lord and the Holy Spirit brooding over all. Believers were quickened, the sick were healed, backsliders were brought back to Christ. Before and during the convention was a heartsearching time when many humbled themselves before God preparatory to a deeper work of the Holy Spirit. The unity of the Spirit manifested was another special feature. The messengers through whom the Lord sent His Word were: Mrs. Robert A. Brown, Sister Lillian Krieger, also Pastor F. F. Riedenbach, of Bridgeport, Conn. We are confident that this convention was a real time of refreshing to all."

DEEP INSPIRATION AND LONGING

Pastor Fred Jorgensen gives this encouraging report from Arlington, Wash.: "We have just closed a 2 weeks' campaign for the salvation of the lost with Evangelists R. R. Merrin, Jr., and E. Gomes at the front. God came forth in our midst and blessed these efforts; people were saved, backsliders were restored, and the saints were filled with a deeper inspiration to service and longing for more of God. Night after night the messages went deep into hearts, and we came out of the campaign with a desire to 'press the battle' to the gate of the enemy."

#### 56 LEAVE PATH OF SIN

Evangelist-Pastor Joe H. Wooldridge writes from Willow Springs, Mo.: "Our revival, which began Oct. 4 and closed Nov. 1, was blessed with the Lord's approval from the very beginning. About 56 left the path of sin and found the love of Jesus sweet to their souls; 3 received the Holy Ghost, speaking in other tongues as on the day of Pentecost, with signs following. The Lord performed several wonderful healings. On Nov. 2, at the regular business meeting 28 new names were added to our roster. On Nov. 8, 24 were buried with Christ in baptism. We have regular tarrying meetings and a great number are seeking the fullness of the Spirit."

FINE MEETING IN COTTON SHED

Sister F. M. Fanning, temporary Pastor writes from Smithville, Tex.: "July 18 Brother Maynard Campbell began a meeting in a cotton shed near town, continuing two weeks. This was followed for 3 weeks by Brother J. W. Thomason, Memphis, Tenn. Crowds attended each service and many hearts were stirred. The meeting closed Aug. 21 with the altars filled with seekers. A hall was opened Aug. 23, in which the work has been carried forward. A number have since found the Saviour and received the Holy Ghost, Acts 2:4. On Oct. 22, Brother E. L. Newby, our state superintendent, set the church in order with 12 charter members."

#### HEAVEN'S GLORY REFLECTED

"Evangelist Daisy Young and party have just closed a successful revival in Beaver City, Nebr. Large crowds attended the services regularly, and almost a city-wide interest was awakened. One man 73 years of age, who had never known the Lord, wept his way through to Christ and many rejoiced as his face shone with the glory of God while he told of how the Lord had made a new man of him. Even those outside the kingdom noticed the remarkable change in his face and in his life. Previous to this meeting there had been no Ambassadors' class but 3 young ladies and a young man have been gloriously saved; so we are beginning a special work for the young. A man and his wife came from the Methodist church seeking a deeper experience with the Lord. The hearts of many are stirred, and God is wonderfully blessing His work here."

#### REVIVAL AT MOLINE, ILL.

Pastor A. W. Kortkamp writes from Moline, Ill.: "Evangelist and Mrs. Watson Argue conducted an old-time revival at the Moline Full Gospel Temple continuing from Oct. 11 to Nov. 1. Every night from the very beginning and throughout the campaign sinners were at the altar seeking salvation. As many as thirty and forty in one service accepted Christ as their personal Saviour. The last night of the campaign sixty-seven were buried with Christ in the watery grave, with many others to follow in a few weeks. Seventy-nine were received into church fellowship, while others signified their inten-tion of doing likewise later on. Many times the people were turned away, unable to get into the large Temple seating 1480. Amplifiers were installed, so that overflow crowds could be taken care of in the lower auditorium, but even with this arrangement many went away. Brother Argue preached, under the anointing of the Spirit, strong, Scriptural sermons which stirred up great interest in the city. Sister Argue was a great help at the pipe organ during the altar call, and was much blessed in conducting children's and young people's meetings. We give the Lord of hosts all the glory and praise. Every hour of the day and night prayer for the revival was ascending to God from the prayer tower on the third floor of the building."

#### DEDICATION AT ARCATA

Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Jones, Pastors, write from Arcata, Calif .: "The lot for Faith Mission was purchased Sept. 22 and work of building started. The first meeting in the new building was held Oct. 25. Oct. 26 we dedicated the new mission to God. A general fellowship meeting was held in connection with the dedication and about 200 were present at the 3 meetings held on that day. Lunch was served both noon and evening at the pastor's residence. District Superintendent M. T. Draper gave the message dedicating the mission, which is located at 11th and J Sts. The auditorium is 26x36 with a five room apartment in connection. Already 5 have received their Pentecost and several have experienced salvation. Hal Lehmann and Ham Wilson, Evangelists, are holding meetings at present. God has set His seal of approval on this new work in Arcata from the first. Many Indians are attending and seeking their Baptism in the Holy Spirit. They enjoy singing their Indian songs and while many of them cannot speak the English language they know Jesus and depend upon Him for their needs. The Sunday school is growing and already they have taken it upon themselves to assist in foreign and home missions."

> Give me a faithful heart, Likeness to Thee, That each departing day Henceforth may see Some work of love begun, Some deed of kindness done, Some wanderer sought and won, Something for Thee. —S. D. Phelps.

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## A Real Christmas Gift

#### **Preachers, Teachers and Bible Students**

also others who make constant use of their Bibles have learned from experience that ordinary Bible bindings made from Cowhide or Sheepskin leathers do not give lasting service and many of those who now have in their possession a worn out Bible have concluded that the next copy they secure must be more durably bound. However, the prices for the quality they desire are almost prohibitive for the reason that the finest Goatskin bindings are only used on very expensive styles.



#### BRIEF MENTION

Sister J. E. Pitman writes from Shreveport, La.: "We wish to express our gratitude to God for the blessings we receive each time we meet with the dear saints at Logansport, which is every 2 weeks. This is a precious Spirit-filled assembly, and God is blessing them in a wonderful way. The Christ's Ambassadors band is also going forward in the power and blessing of the Lord. They are out and out for Jesus, gladly responding to any call He gives to His precious service."

"Some weeks ago Mrs. Thurmond and I resigned our pastorate at Mattoon, Ill.; we are at present engaged in evangelistic work. We have closed our first campaign, at Ina, which lasted 2 weeks. The Lord met us in a precious way; the congregations were large throughout the campaign, and in the closing services the altar was filled many times with hungry seekers. To many the message was new. We believe it found its way to good ground, and we rejoice in the fruit brought forth for His kingdom. Mail will reach us at 410 Buchanan St., Benton."

C. J. and Mrs. Brown, write from Red Oak, Okla .: "We truly praise the Lord for the way He has been working here, since we took the pastorate last August. In answer to much prayer a revival spirit is on, and people are getting saved in our regular services. Last Sunday we had 6 additions to the assembly. The saints are taking new courage and moving forward for God; it is wonderful to see His mighty power manifested as the people rejoice in

Dan and Mrs. Plies write: "Upon coming to Mt. Union, Pa., by the request of Brother Flower, we held a revival which was witnessed to by the presence and power of God. A number sought the infilling of the Holy Ghost while a goodly number of sinners came to lose their burden of sin. The Lord met them as He always does those who earnestly and humbly seek Him. At the present

Evangelist W. E. Thurmond writes:

His love."

we are pastoring the flock until they will be able to decide on a pastor, after which we intend to resume the evangelistic work." Forthcoming Meetings

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

CANDO. N. DAK.-Blanche E. Brittain, assist-ed by Mildred Westerlund, will hold revival Nov. 22-Dec. 13.

BUCKNER, II.L.-W. E. Thurmond and wife will open revival about Nov. 25, in newly erected auditorium. Neighboring assemblies are invited to assist us.

FT. SMITH, ARK.-Evangelist W. T. McMul-len, Tulsa, Okla., will conduct revival at the Dodson Ave. Assembly of God, Dec. 13-Jan. 10. -C. A. Lasater, Pastor.

SCRANTON, PA.-Evangelist Joseph Tunmore, Pittsburgh. Pa., will begin evangelistic campaign at Pentecostal Church, 825 Green Ridge Street, Dec. 6.-Alexander Lindsay, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Big missionary rally under auspices Chicago Pevtecostal Young People, which will be held at Langley Avenue Pentecostal Church, 3716 Langley Ave., Saturday, Dec. 12, 7:30 p. m.—Carl J. Frizen, 5003 Berwyn Ave.

### News From Various Fields

#### GOD'S WORKING IN VERMONT

Pastor J. T. Reed writes: "God is richly blessing in our midst. In October we had a 3 weeks' revival. Brother and Sister Harold Lennox were with us; also Brother H. T. Carpenter a few days. Meetings were held in Greenfield, Mass., one week. In Brattleboro, Vt., 2 weeks, in Buckland, Mass., one week. Thirteen were definitely saved in Brattleboro and many were healed. One man was reclaimed and healed of a shock, not being able to walk or talk properly and his left hand was used only with difficulty and great pain. Now he is 'praising God and leaping for joy.' Ulcer, hemhor-rages, lung trouble, and erysipelas were healed. A boy, whose eyes were out of focus and had to wear special glasses, being cross eyed, the same day was prayed for, he took his glasses off and has since been able to see straight. Many others were healed. The work in Brattleboro is new. We rent a church that seats about 120. There are now 16 voting members; the average attendance is 35. The work is growing fast. A Sunday school has been started.

"Other opportunities are opening in this great harvest field in Dummerston and Turners Falls."

#### 76 SAVED; 54 BAPTIZED

Pastor J. C. Helms writes from Man-hattan, Kans.: "Mrs. Helms and I came here from Oklahoma City after holding a glorious revival there in which 76 wept their way through to Calvary, and 54 were baptized with the Holy Ghost, as in Acts 2:4. We found the work in Manhattan in great need of the lifting power of the Spirit of God, and through leaning wholly on Him the members are now co-operating splendidly and the church has been deeded back to the Assemblies of God. The first Sunday and Sunday night, as all came together in unity. there were 13 saved and 5 received the Holy Ghost. Since then God has been blessing in every service, and there is a sweet spirit of love prevailing among the members. The church has called us as pastors to fill Brother Harvey's unexpired term. All ministers of the Council who are passing this way are cordially invited to visit us."

#### FAITHFUL SERVICE COM-PENSATED

Sister Geneva D. Matthews, Dayton, O., reports a change of pastors at Springfield: "After 51/2 years of pioneer work I am resigning my pastorate at Springfield. We started with a small Bible class, meeting in the different homes. God has had His hand on the work from then until now, when the congregation, consisting of about 75 members, are quartered in their own tabernacle. After many months of prayer we are now convinced that a pastor who could reside there could carry on more efficiently than one living 25 miles away. Brother Cecil Good has been called to the pastorate. The assembly is in a good spiritual condition and all are ready to press the battle for righteousness."

#### WHY MESSAGE WAS NOT FINISHED

Pastor Wilfred A. Brown writes from York, Pa.: "We have just closed a 2 weeks' revival, Evangelist Emma Van Dalen, Seattle, Wash., in charge, assisted by Mrs. Eleanor Bowie, Cleveland, O. Throughout the campaign the presence of the Lord was manifested in a wonderful way. On Sunday morning the power and presence of the Lord were so real that the evangelist could not finish the message. Numbers were saved, backsliders were reclaimed, and the saints were refilled with the Holy Spirit. 'Things new and old' were brought forth under the anointing of the Holy Ghost and the assembly was greatly uplifted. The children's services conducted by Sister Bowie were blessedly owned of God. On the last Saturday afternoon the power fell in a very remarkable way, until the altar was filled with children weeping their way through to salvation. Seven received a definite experience of salvation, a number were under the power, and a girl of 14 years received a beautiful Baptism with the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4. This created such a hunger in the hearts of the children that at their own request we are adding a children's church to our regular services. Scores of new people came in from night to night to hear the Word, who became greatly interested in our Pentecostal testimony."

WORD GLORIOUSLY ATTRACTIVE Pastor U. V. Scroggins, of the Miller assembly, Hill City, Kans. writes: "The revival conducted by Evangelists and James L. and Mrs. Muncey, was a great blessing to this community. A number were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost, 7 followed Christ in baptism, and 11 united with the church. Attracted by the glorious Word, people of other churches became greatly interested. We thank God for the steady growth of this place. Any Council minister passing this way will find a hearty welcome."

Pastor H. W. Burns writes from Opheim, Mont.: "We have been here almost a year now, and have a congregation of 32 members and the fire is still burning within for the lost in this country. Six have received the fullness of the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4. We have had Evangelists C. M. Johnson and H. J. Nygard with us for a short time and their ministry was a blessing."

Pastor C. E. Thurmond writes from Ainsworth, Nebr.: "Last June we held a revival at Spring View, where the Lord blessed the Word sent forth and a great number were saved and reclaimed. Since then about 8 or 9 have received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. About 30 days ago, Brother White, our District superintendent, set the church in order. There is perfect harmony here and every member of the church pays his tithes."

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FRESNO, CALIF.-Dan McNally will hold cam-paign Nov. 22-Dec. 13, in the Full Gospel Tab-ernacle, Divisadero and U Sts.-J. R. Elsom, pastor.

CHICO, CALIF.-Meyer and Alice Tan Ditter begin campaign Dec. 30th and run through month of January, at Assembly of God, 712 Broadway. Address Route 3, Box 23.-R. J. Thurmond, pastor.

ELDON, IA.-Hannah Mae Steinle, the young Evangelist, Singer, Musician, Dorrance, Kans., will conduct an old-time revival in assembly church beginning Dec. 6.-Elmer L. Simbro, pactor pastor.

CAMBRIDGE, MASS.—Otto J. Klink will con-duct a revival beginning Dec. 3, at Full Gospel Lighthouse, 40 Prospect St., nightly at 7:45. Sun-days, 3:00 and 7:15.—Pastor R. A. Babcock, 58 Magazine St.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.-T. H. P. Cairns, will conduct revival at Latter Rain Gospel Mission, 4606 Walnut St., beginning Dec. 6. Services ev-ery night except Mondays at 8:00.-Peter Sivas, pastor, 5654 Hazel Ave.

GREENFIELD-BRATTLEBORO, VT.-Wesley O. Fritz, Bridgeport, Conn., graduate of Central Bible Institute, will conduct revival at Glad Tid-ings Chapel, 362 Deerfield St., Greenfield, and in Assembly church at Brattleboro, Dec. 12-20, also in Turners Falls, Mass.-J. T. Reed, pastor.

LONG BRANCH, N. J.—A revival will begin in Pentecostal church Thanksgiving night to continue until Dec. 20. Meetings every night at 7:30, Mon-days excepted. Sunday at 3:00 and 7:30. Emma Taylor of Oklahoma, speaker.—Edwin C. Sikes, pastor.

NEW KENSINGTON, PA.—Dedication of Gos-pel Tabernacle Dec. 5, at 2 o'clock. J. Roswell Flower, District Superintendent, Ben Hardin, and B. E. Mahan, speakers. Ben Hardin will speak at 7:45 in the evening opening a revival campaign extending through the 20th. Services every night at 7:45 and Sunday mornings at 11:00.— W. E. Menzies, pastor.

MIAMI, OKLA.—The next monthly tri-state fellowship meeting and Christ's Ambassadors Rally will be held all day Monday, Dec. 7. A. A. Wilson, Kansas City, is planning to be with us. As our new church is unfinished services will be held on 1st and S. Main. Basket lunch at noon.—Mack Webb, Church Secretary.

MIAMI, FLA.-C. Stanley Cooke will conduct a campaign in First Pentecostal Church, 7th Ave., at 36th St. N. W., Nov. 22-Dec. 20. Services every night except Monday at 7:45. Sundays 11:00 and 7:30. Radio program every Sunday, 5:00 to 5:30 p. m., over station WQAM, 560 kilo-cycles.-Vernon G. Gortner, pastor.

EASTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Annual District Coun-cil of Eastern District Jan. 5-8, at the Highway Tabernacle, 19th and Green Sts., Tuesday will be spent in prayer. Business session, 9:30 Wednes-day morning. Those expecting to attend please write, Pastor Flem Van Meter, 6641 N. 17th St.—Edwin C. Sikes, Secretary.

EASTERN MISSIONARY CONVENTION NEWARK, N. I.-Missionary convention, Bethel Pentecostal Church, 4th and Dickerson Sts., Dec. 6-13. Missionaries from many different fields will be with us to bring the messages. Meetings each day at 3:00 and 7:45. Prayer hour for missions each morning at 10:00. Entertainment provided for speakers and other missionary visitors as far as possible. Rooms may be secured near the church at a reasonable price. If you wish ac-commodations please write Pastor Ray S. Arm-strong, 247 N. 6th St.

#### OPEN FOR CALLS

Pastor R. E. Shidler, Grand Prairie, Tex., "Have had 18 years' experience in the Lord's work. Have been here one year; 3 in family. Reference, Albert Ott, Dallas."—Fred Markham, Ft. Worth.

Pastoral or Evangelistic Vernon M. Murray, 2513 Thomas Ave., Dallas, Tex., or 1349 E. 58th Drive, Los Angeles, Calif., will accept calls after Jan. Ist. "Have been to Bible school, and have had some experience in both kinds of gospel work. Can play guitar and sing specials, also lead singing. In fellowship with Texas District Council."

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES NOTICE—Would be glad to provide home for elderly lady for comfort and fellowship. Must be Pentecostal.—Mrs. Francis Davis, Kaw City, Okla.

WANTED.—To get in touch with some one who has the work of the Lord on their heart, who can play piano and sing, who would be will-ing to work with an evangelistic party; young man preferred.—W. E. Thurmond, 410 Buchannan St., Benton, Ill.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.-I have accepted the pastorate at Coffeyville, Kans., Brother Chas. Sheall having resigned. Address 506 W. 4th St. -V. G. Gregen.

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