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:: The World's Greatest Need ::

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I INVITE you to study with me from the eighth chapter of the Acts, where we find a description of a Bible revival.

The command had been given by our Lord at the time of His ascension, that the disciples return to Jerusalem and there tarry until they were filled with the Holy Ghost and endued with power from on high. After that they were to be witnesses unto Him "in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Acts 1:8. The record shows that immediately after Pentecost they began witnessing in and around Jerusalem where the Lord so blessed their testimony that the church soon had grown to more than five thousand men, and many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

In the membership of the first church there were soon so many poor people, that it became necessary to appoint seven men as deacons to look after the temporal needs of the poor. The deacons so appointed had three characteristics; they were of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost, and of wisdom. Among them were two at whom we want to specially look. They were Stephen and Philip.

As Stephen began faithfully to fulfill his duty, God began doing through him "great wonders and miracles among the people," for he was full of the Holy Ghost and faith. How we need such deacons today! This soon stirred up the leaders and Stephen was brought into court where, from the witness stand, he preached one of the greatest sermons ever delivered by man. He outlined the history of the Jews from Abraham down to the then present time, and explained to the Scribes and Pharisees how they were resisting the Holy Ghost as their fa-

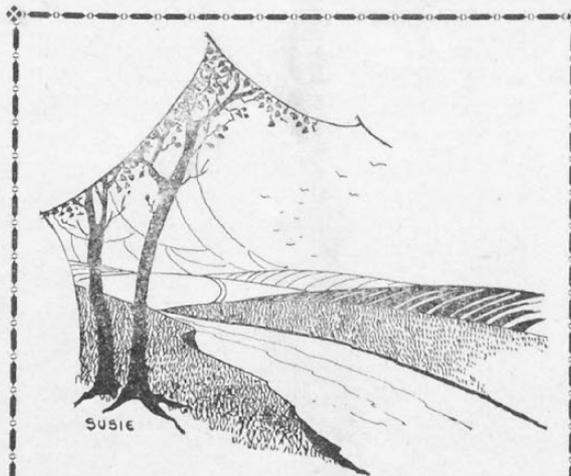
thers and the prophets before them had done. This stirred up in them the wild, insane spirit of the mob and they "ran upon him with one accord, and cast him out of the city and stoned him." Our hearts are made to rejoice as we read that the same Holy Ghost who rested upon the Lord Jesus, lighted up the face of Stephen, and gave him triumphant victory in death. Thus Stephen became the first martyr.

In this however, as is so often the case, the devil overstepped himself, for when the persecutions became too strong all of the disciples, save the apostles, were scattered from Jerusalem and went everywhere preaching the Word. Perhaps many of them had been less active in the spreading of the good news than they should have been and God had to send trouble upon them to stir their hearts to obedience. The experience of the disciples reminds us of what Jonah had to endure before he became willing to do God's will.

Among these scattering disciples was Philip. Neither discouraged nor afraid because of the death of his friend and fellow deacon, he went down to Samaria and began to preach Christ, the living Word of God, to them. As he preached, the Lord worked with him and confirmed the word with signs following, as recorded in Mark 16:20. "And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For unclean spirits, crying with loud voices, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed. And there was great joy in that city."

We are speaking of the world's greatest need being a world-wide revival, and here its essentials are set forth. In verse four we are told that Philip preached the Word, and in verse five that he preached Christ. The Word was Christ—"The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." He is the living Word, the Bread that came down from heaven. Here then is the secret of a revival: to preach the risen Christ, the living Christ, the everlasting gospel, the living Word of God. The world's greatest need is a

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The Blessed Journey

*Let Him lead thee blindfold onwards,
Love needs not to know;
Children whom the Father leadeth
Ask not where they go,
Though the path be all unknown,
Over moors and mountains lone.*

*Give no ear to reason's questions;
Let the blind man hold
That the sun is but a fable
Men believed of old.
At the breast the babe will grow;
Whence the milk he need not know.*

—G. T. S.

Walking in the Tracks of Our Lord

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In Psalm 17:5 we find the Psalmist praying, "Hold up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not." The word rendered "goings" is the same word that in the 11th verse is rendered "steps," and the word rendered "paths" means "tracks" and is so rendered in the margin of the Newberry Bible.

God, speaking after the manner of men, has made tracks as He has gone before us, and in those tracks we should walk. In Psalm 85:13 we read, "Righteousness shall go before Him and shall set us in the way of His steps." The Apostle Paul exhorts us to "be followers of God as dear children." Eph. 5:1. It is his way of exhorting us to walk in the tracks God has made.

In order that we might know just what tracks God is making the Son of God took upon Himself the form of a man and lived here among us for three and thirty years. We read of Him that "He suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow His steps: who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth: who, when He was reviled, reviled not again; when He suffered He threatened not; but committed Himself to Him that judgeth righteously: who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed." 1 Peter 2:21-24.

Let us give attention to what we are here told concerning the Lord Jesus, bearing in mind the thought that He has set for us an example, that *we should follow in His steps*.

It is said of Him, in the first place, that "*He did no sin.*" The life that our Lord lived when He was here in the flesh was a sinless life. He lived above sin. At no time did He yield to any temptation of the enemy. He was in a sinful world and was surrounded by a sinful environment, but He triumphed over that environment, and remained spotlessly pure, as unblemished as He was when He occupied a place in the bosom of the Father before being conceived by the Holy Ghost and born of the Virgin Mary.

John writes, "These things write I unto you that ye sin not." Many are saying, This standard is impossible. Preach that people cannot live without sin, and they will not try to live without it. Men never rise above the ideal that they have set for themselves. John holds the stand-

ard high, just as high as it should be held. He wrote, "Whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not." 1 John 5:18.

It is said of our Lord, in the second place, that *there was no guile in His mouth*. Are you and I like Him? He said to Nathanael, "Behold an Israelite indeed in whom there is no guile." There are few guileless people in the world today, far too few. But he who is not free from guile is unlike his Lord. There was no guile in Jesus. No word of flattery or deceit—no word that was not in the strictest sense the untainted truth—ever fell from the lips of the Son of God, the Lord Jesus, who has set an example for us to follow. If you practice deceit upon others, others will practice it upon you. Look at Jacob. He deceived his father with the *skin of a kid*, and his sons deceived him with *the blood of a kid*.

It is said of our Lord, in the third place, that "*when He was reviled He reviled not again.*" That He was reviled everybody knows. He was charged with having deceived the people; it was said that He was a mover of sedition; He was accused of blasphemy, and it was declared by His enemies that He was possessed of a demon. "Say we not well that Thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil?" John 8:48. The Jewish Sanhedrin, the highest ecclesiastical court of the day, decreed that He was worthy to die, and it was agreed that He should be delivered to the Roman authorities that sentence of death might be pronounced upon Him. But not once did He revile those who had reviled Him. He prayed for the men who nailed Him to the cross, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

It is recorded, further, of our Lord, that "*when He suffered He threatened not.*" He might have threatened to send divine judgment, a terrible storm of retribution, to overwhelm the men who were causing Him to suffer. The heavens and the earth He had made by His great power and outstretched arm. The thunderbolts were at His disposal. All the powers of the universe were under His control. And how manifold are those powers! Faraday has told us that there is enough latent electricity in a single drop of water to produce an ordinary bolt of lightning. By a single word of His mouth, by the raising of His arm,

by a glance of His eye, He could have spread consternation among His foes, or swept them all from the theater of human action into the depths of eternal ruin. But no word of threatening vengeance escaped His lips. He looked upon them with pity and not with anger. What an example for us to follow!

It is recorded of our Lord, still further, that *He "committed Himself to Him that judgeth righteously."* God is the Judge. "Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God." 1 Cor. 4:5. Our Lord by His example endeavored to teach us this. But we have not been very apt pupils. We have been so slow to learn. It is perfectly safe for any of us when misrepresented or mistreated to leave our case entirely with Him. I said to a minister recently, a minister who thought he was being misrepresented, "You make a great mistake in spending so much time in trying to vindicate yourself. Every time you hear that somebody has said something about you, something that is not true, you think you have to chase it down, and set yourself right in the eyes of people. I do not bother about such things at all. If you are walking in the light of the Lord's countenance, let the people talk about you if they want to. They talked about our Lord. He was brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep is dumb before her shearers, so He opened not His mouth. It is enough that the disciple be as his Master, and the servant as his Lord."

He knows and loves and cares;
Nothing this truth can dim,
And does His very best for those
Who leave their case with Him.

It is recorded of our Lord that "*his own self bear our sins in his own body on the tree.*" He came into the world for that purpose, and for that purpose He suffered and died. He alone, the Lamb of God without blemish, could atone for our sins. There is however a sense in which we whose sins He bore can get under the burden of the sins of others. We need not share their guilt but we can get under the burden of their sins. Every true pastor gets under the burden of the sins of the people of his flock. Their sins cause him suffering—such suffering as his people do not dream of. Those who get *close to God*, share the burdens of the sins of the saints. The *closer they get to God* the more truly they bear the burden of those sins. Sometimes the burden becomes so heavy that it seems their very souls will be crushed within them; it is almost more than they can bear. Oh, if all our people would get close to God, and we were all dis-

posed to bear the burden of the sins of others, there would be less gossip about the *failings* and *faults* and *faintings* of our brothers and our sisters and more of a disposition to manifest the spirit of the Master.

Finally, it is here recorded of our Lord, that *by His stripes we were healed*. It was through His sufferings that life and blessing have come to us and to many. He was willing to suffer for others, and did suffer. And if we would be like Him, if we would "follow His steps" we must be willing to suffer on behalf of others. The gospel was founded in suffering and sacrifice, suffering and sacrifice characterized its propagation in apostolic days, and it seems to be a divine principle that its propagation shall be thus characterized down unto the end of

the age. Where saints are unwilling to suffer or make sacrifices for others the gospel makes little or no progress.

God has made tracks for us to walk in. He made them in the person of His Son, the Lord Jesus. Are we walking in them? Let us pray the prayer the Psalmist prayed, "Hold up my *steps* in Thy *tracks*, that my feet slip not." And, as we yield unto God and do all we can to make it possible for God to answer the prayer we have prayed, He will hold up our steps so that we shall neither *stagger* nor *stumble* nor *slip* nor *slide* nor *slumber* but, with humble yet dignified bearing, shall press forward in the footsteps of Him who said, "If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross, and *follow Me*."

a bigger purpose and eternity a greater unfolding! Life is for the purpose of building spiritual character. Let men and women sense this great reality and surrender fully to the Holy Spirit for the upbuilding of this spiritual nature. Then prosperity and adversity, sunshine and storm will be recognized as but God's tools for shaping the Christian to the desired end.

Have you struggled, brother, sister, for some measure of security in this world's goods, only to have a storm sweep upon you and leave your hands empty? Has your bodily strength which you took so for granted, suddenly failed you, and is infirmity and suffering your portion today? Has sorrow touched you causing tears to rise from the heart and gather to your eyes? Let it achieve something for you! Let your transitory suffering work out its far more and exceeding weight of glory! Let the roots of your spiritual nature sink deeper into God, that the tree of your life may yield its God's purposed peaceable fruit of righteousness.

The Bible is filled with histories of men and women who sensed the vision of God's afterwards—and yielded not to the pressure of today's. Paul, in stripes, in imprisonment, in tumults, in labors, in watchings, in fastings, wrested from a life filled with storm and adversity, the prize of heavenly character and the knowledge of its enduring, eternal quality. In view of the headman's axe he could calmly say, "I am now ready." What a glorious consummation was this triumph of the spirit!

God's afterwards is the promise to His child that every storm (if we are exercised thereby), holds within it a radiance of a brighter tomorrow.

Our "Good Company"

The passage heavenward is free and not stopped; the print of the footsteps of the Forerunner is clear and manifest, and many have gone before you. It is not a life by "doing" or "holy walking," but *the living of Christ in you*.

If you look to yourself as divided from Him, you must be more than heavy. Let all your wants lie upon Him; you are His debtor, grace must sum up, and subscribe your accounts as paid; stand not upon items, cast yourself upon Him who justifieth the ungodly; look to the east, the dawning of glory is near. Your Guide is good company, and knoweth all the miles and the *ups and downs* in the way.—Samuel Rutherford.

"I can't see any harm in it," generally means I am determined not to see harm in it. Any one can teach his conscience to adopt the world's standards of good and evil, and then conscience becomes a false guide.



God's Afterward



Emma van Dalen Jones

Have you ever really taken note of a thunderstorm? Suddenly a raindrop on the cheek—a rush of wind and darkening sky. The Storm! People running for shelter, huddled under awnings, in entrances; cars skidding, and suddenly down the quickly deserted streets comes the rushing, blinding torrent. Swift lightning illuminates the heavens. The trees down the avenue bend and sway under the terrific pressure of the wind. Fury is portrayed in the very elements as it lashes flower, tree and shrub in its terrific onslaught.

Nevertheless, afterward! Who has not gone out to breathe the clean, freshened air after a storm! To note the myriad raindrops glistening like diamonds in the sun! To admire the freshness of flower, grass and tree; and sense the cleansing, purifying touch of the storm in everything!

The entrance of Jesus into this world was filled with glory. An angel chorus sang His nativity. Wise men left their treasures at His baby feet. Aged saints adored and worshipped Him in the temple courts. Sunlight and promise stream from the words: "And the child grew in favor with God and men." Then, when the years had brought maturity, what life more radiant with bright tomorrows than the Galilean who ministered to the thronging multitude?

But the world has never witnessed a storm such as that which spent its furies upon the very Christ Himself. The crushing weight of God's wrath was centered upon the Lord of Glory crucified on Calvary, that sin might be cursed, blasted and done away. Nature groaned as the earth trembled and the rocks were rent, and as the cry of anguish came

from the broken heart of our Lord, "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" Even the sun refused to give its light and the heavens were darkened. Surely the storm of sin and of God's wrath against it was centered upon the cross of Christ and was fully met in His death.

Nevertheless, afterward! Very early in the morning of the third day sorrowful women went to the Saviour's tomb. A note from the first awakening bird is heard on the still air. The morning glow is visible on the eastern horizon. Tears of sorrow soon give place to radiant hope as their eyes behold the empty tomb and their ears hear the angels' glad tidings, "Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here but risen!" The Resurrection morning was "God's Afterward" to the storm of Calvary.

God has a purpose in every storm. The writer has a painting in her room of three oaks standing alone on the shore of the Pacific Ocean. They have been subjected to all the winds and storms of half a century. Yet in their bent and gnarled trunks one is impressed by strength and rugged endurance that is ingrained in every fiber.

So Paul says: "No chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous but grievous. Nevertheless, *afterward* it yieldeth the peaceable fruits of righteousness unto them that are exercised thereby."

We often hear people say, "We want happiness, or success or pleasure NOW! Why always talk about God's time, eternity, or heavenly gain? Give us what we long for NOW!" If life were for the purpose of satisfying the natural senses, by all means, Yes. But life holds

The Editor's Notebook



A Gem in its Setting

That wonderful verse, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord," is a gem that shines more brightly when it is seen in its Scriptural setting—in fact Bible lovers have long since discovered that every text of Scripture is richer when taken with its context. In the 4th chapter of Zechariah where we find the text quoted above, the prophet tells us that the angel of the Lord wakened him out of his sleep. Isaiah says, "He wakeneth morning by morning, He wakeneth mine ear to hear." Since God is no respecter of persons it is surely our privilege too to be wakened morning by morning with a precious word from the Lord.

The Vision

Zechariah was given a vision of a golden candlestick with a bowl upon the top of it. There were seven lamps thereon, and seven pipes to the seven lamps. On either side of the candlestick were two olive trees. Zechariah asked the angel, "What are these, my Lord?" The angel was evidently surprised at the question, for he said, "Knowest thou not what these be?" Zechariah was humble enough to confess that he did not know. Then the angel said to him, "This is the word of the Lord unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." Those olive trees which through two golden pipes were quietly and continuously emptying their golden oil out of themselves, pictured the work of the blessed Spirit of God.

The Power of the Spirit

Then came the word, "Who art thou, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel thou shalt become a plain." Zerubbabel was a prince in direct line of genealogy from King David, and Joshua the priest came in direct line from Aaron. These two—one in direct line of the anointed kings and the other in direct line of the anointed priests—were recognized of God as representatives of Israel. And the promise came to Prince Zerubbabel that the great mountain which was before him in the rebuilding of the temple—the tremendous mountain of opposition from the ungodly Tobiah, Sanballat, and Geshem—would by the mighty power of the Spirit, become a plain.

Our Priest-King

In the Glory there is one of the royal line of David, who is the anointed Priest

of an order greater than that of Aaron—our heavenly Melchisedek, our High Priest who is alike King of righteousness and King of peace. The Spirit of God says to all who oppose Him today, "Who art thou, O great mountain? Before the heavenly Zerubbabel thou shalt become a plain." It is written, "Every mountain and hill shall be made low." Isa. 40:4. What is the agency that will be used in the removing of the great mountains? The blessed wind of the Spirit, that mighty rushing wind that came on the Day of Pentecost. You may see a mighty mountain of flesh in front of you, but remember the word of the Lord, "All flesh is grass, and all the goodness thereof is as the flower of the field. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth, because the Spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it." Isa. 40:6,7. Count on this blowing of the Spirit of the Lord, "stormy wind fulfilling His word" (Psalm 148:8), that shall bring down all opposition to our heavenly Zerubbabel.

The Completion of the Temple

Zerubbabel laid the foundation of the house, but perhaps he was questioning in his mind whether he would finish it. The assurance came from the Lord that he should bring forth the headstone of the building "with shoutings, crying, Grace, grace unto it." The Spirit of God was going to enable the one who had begun the building, to complete it; and ordained that the temple should be once more a witness for Jehovah in the land of Palestine. But today we see a greater building being erected, that which is spoken

of as an habitation of God through the Spirit. In this temple the foundation stone, the chief corner stone, our blessed Lord Jesus Christ, has been laid. Peter tells us that those who have been born of the Word of God are living stones which are being built up into this spiritual house. As we look at the building today it is incomplete. We need the headstone, the topstone. But as surely as the foundation stone has been laid, so surely will the topstone be placed upon this heavenly building. He who is described as the Head of the church is this blessed Headstone; and, glory be to God, He is coming again; then this glorious temple will be complete. What a shout will go up when the Headstone goes into place—"Grace! grace! unto it," or as David Baron translates it, "Grace, beauty, loveliness (is) unto it!" The Spirit of God will accomplish this.

The Practical Lesson

In the Revelation we have the description of the vision given to John of seven candlesticks, with our lovely Lord moving in the midst of them. But there was something missing from this vision, which was given in the vision of Zechariah—there were no olive trees pouring out their golden oil through golden pipes into the seven candlesticks in John's vision. The Lord whose eyes were as a flame of fire was not well pleased with what He saw. Unless there was repentance He threatened to remove the candlesticks out of their places. Alas apostasy came, and all those seven golden candlesticks were removed from their places. But there is a word of hope. In the Master's message to the last of those seven churches, the church that had become lukewarm and seemed to have apostatized more than the others, He said, "Behold I stand at the door and knock; if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me."

Overcoming Through the Spirit

What does this teach us? That even if the visible assembly fail, there is a supply of the golden oil, the blessed Holy Spirit, which will make overcomers out of those who are shortcomers, making each a burning and a shining light. Every day we can be anointed with fresh oil. Psalm 92:10. "If any man!" Christ said, "If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink. He that believeth on me as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. But this spake He of the Spirit." The blessed Spirit of God is for any man who will come to the Lord Jesus Christ and drink of Him. Before Him every mountain of difficulty, of obstruction, of care, yes and of sin also, will become a plain, swept away by the mighty Spirit of our God.

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God's Anointed Witness

In the book of Revelation we are given a further picture of God's gracious dealings with Israel. We know that Israel failed God, and when their Messiah came He was despised and rejected. They would not accept Him as their King, saying, "We have no king but Cæsar." Yet God loves Israel still. Just as in the days of Elijah there was a godly remnant of seven thousand who had not bowed the knee to Baal, so in the Revelation we see a remnant of a hundred and forty-four thousand of Israel sealed of God. But how will these be able to live victoriously through those awful days of tribulation when Antichrist shall be reigning on the earth? God has two specially anointed witnesses of whom it is written, "These are the two olive trees and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth." These witnesses will exercise the mighty power of the Holy Spirit. And that godly remnant will surely be encour-

aged as they see miracles wrought which will remind them of the days of Elijah and Moses and the great prophets.

The Final Triumph

The faith of this godly remnant will be sorely tested when Satan's ungodly representative comes up from the pit, who will make war against the two witnesses and overcome them. What a mountain of sorrow this will be to them. But before our Zerubbabel in the Glory, this mountain will be made a plain, when after three days the Spirit of life from God will enter into these two witnesses and they will be caught up to heaven. And the story in the Revelation goes on to show us the coming of the Deliverer out of Zion, who shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob and bring in His eternal kingdom of blessedness. Have faith in God. Have faith in Christ. Have faith in the blessed Holy Spirit. All might will fail; all power will fail; but the Spirit of God will not fail.

An Amazing Report

A Commission for Foreign Missions Inquiry consisting of seven representative laymen from seven Protestant denominations has been studying foreign missions for two years. They have brought forth their report in which they recommend that all their missionary boards change their tactics. Here are some recommendations of this report: "It is no longer which prophet? or which book? Mission workers should join with the Hindus, Moslems and Buddhists to combat irreligion. There is little disposition to believe that sincere, aspiring seekers after God in other religions are to be damned. There is no ground for a renewed appeal for the support of the missionaries on their present basis."

In other words, Christian missionaries are to join up with the idolatries of the heathen! What a revelation this report is of ever-deepening apostasy in the leading Protestant denominations. Every true missionary of the Cross will ignore these unholy recommendations and will still say as the apostle Paul said, "For I am determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified."

The Passing and the Permanent

A Review of Current Life and Thought in the Light of Scripture

More Light

"What the world needs is more light to illuminate what is obscure, more light to enable us to recognize our intellectual and social and political lives. No one is wise enough to tell the source from which illumination will come." So spake Dr. Flexner, director of a scientific institute, in appointing Dr. Einstein, German scientist, as teacher in the institute. If this learned man expects Einstein to supply that light, he will be disappointed; for that German scientist cannot say what the supreme Teacher of all ages once said, "I am the Light of the world."

Modern Critics and an Old Hymn

There has been in existence for about ten years the *Hymn Society*, which was formed for the purpose of furthering hymn singing, and improving the quality of hymns. According to the *Literary Digest* a committee appointed by this society has described the old hymn "Rock of Ages" as "trash," because, among other reasons, it contains a "meaningless metaphor." They claim that young people of today should not use it, because they do not believe that the Rock was cleft for them. It is true that this hymn is meaningless for those who have not had a vital experience with Christ. But it is real to those who have found shelter and safety in that Rock. Ex. 33:22. This old hymn, born of a living experience, will be sung as long as the living Christ continues to make Himself a Rock of defence to those who believe in Him.

To the unbelieving the Christ of God is still "a stone of stumbling and rock of offence." Isa. 8:14.

Will America Go Red?

"As sure as God sits in the heavens," writes the editor of the *Brethren Missionary*, "if America does not soon fall upon her knees in repentance and confession of sins, the end of our great democracy is in sight. So long as the large body of people were quiet, faithful, church-going people, the voice of the people in democratic government was mainly honorable and chaste. Now, the crass materialism stalking abroad in our schools, destroying confidence in the Bible and the church it has established, with the pure Gospel swiftly dying out of the pulpits of the land, democracy, freedom, and justice cannot long stand. When theological seminaries have been the cradle for communism such as now is the case in New York, the days are not far away when a red Russia will be duplicated in a Red America."

It is the purpose of the great Red Dragon to paint the whole world red, and the two agencies he is using most in this country are the schools and seminaries. The youth of our land is in great peril. The greatest remedy against this appalling evil is the Holy Scripture in the home. Paul wrote to Timothy, "From a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus."

The Budding Fig Tree

Twenty years ago Hebrew was practically a dead language. Now, according to Mr. Ernest Gordon, writing in the *Sunday School Times*, out of 175,000 Jews settled in Palestine, 165,632 use Hebrew as the principal medium of speech. Mr. Gordon points out that in 1920 the Jews possessed only 24,294 dunam of land in Palestine. In 1930 they owned 297,288 dunam. All the best orange lands and the best properties in the country belong to the Jews. Recently in the village of Karkur an artesian well opened a water vein which yields 300 cubic meters an hour, an unheard of quantity for Palestine. This will convert a former arid region into a blossoming garden. The hydro-electric power plant on the Jordan has just been dedicated. The motto of its engineer, Mr. Rutenberg, is: "Cheap power for Palestine irrespective of race or religion."

During the year 1931, there were 4,075 immigrants to Palestine. Out of these 233 families who were admitted had a capital of at least five thousand dollars each. Thus God is gathering a remnant to Palestine as He did in the days of Nehemiah and Ezra. At this time they are not coming in a large company as they came from Babylon, but the Word of the Lord is being fulfilled, "Ye shall be gathered one by one, O ye children of Israel." Isa. 27:12.

The best preparation for trials is a life of faith and a constant course of self-denial.—Richard Baxter.

Pioneering for God in Northern Transvaal

By John S. Richards

SOON after I received my missionary appointment in 1924, I was to hold a revival meeting on the West Rand, thirty miles from Johannesburg, South Africa. I had only two cents in my pocket to make the journey, but the Lord undertook for me in strange ways. On that trip the Lord not only blessed in bringing souls to Himself, but also in other ways. One time after having lived on oatmeal porridge I asked the Lord for bread; and that night after meetings were over, two clean pickaninnies brought a fresh loaf of bread which their mother had baked herself. This was very remarkable for the colored people in S. Africa do not usually bake bread. The parents of these pickaninnies were practically strangers to me.

In December, 1926, I was married to Miss Mabel H. Rigg, who had come to the field 18 months previous to this. We were very tested financially at the time of her coming, and I had to pawn my typewriter, and later my watch, for food. She brought financial help. A month after our marriage we started for the Northeastern part of the Transvaal where God had just previously opened up a new field to us.

There had been missionaries in the Northeastern Transvaal but a large section was left untouched. Mother and I had been praying for this section for several years, but had been unable to enter ourselves. We spent all Saturday night in prayer for a period of three months for this section and for the work at Johannesburg as well. When my wife and I were married we entered this section and found Modjadji, a chief-tainness of the Basuto people. Modjadji was supposed by the natives to make rain, but there had been a drought for several years; however in answer to our prayers the Lord broke the drought, and the people realized that God gave the rain and not Modjadji. The Lord blessed our efforts, and I believe one reason why the work was so successful was because of the many prayers for it for several years previous to our entering into the place. After a little over a year we built a fine red brick chapel and baptized fifteen converts. Many more had stepped out for Christ, but we did not baptize them until they brought forth fruits meet for repentance. We were then living fourteen miles from the railroad, but

later moved out eighteen miles beyond, where we founded the Lebaka Mission Station, keeping the other as one of our outstations.

The building of a mission station in a new place is certainly not an easy thing, especially when you are so far from the railroad. Our greatest physical handicap was the hauling of water two and three-quarter miles to the station from a place where our natives had to scoop away the sand that the cattle had tramped on. It was only the mercy of the Lord that kept us in good health, even though we boiled our drinking water.

The Lord in an unexpected manner provided for the drilling of a well which

been hurled high up in the air landed at my feet. Another step and I would have been killed instantly.

While the building was going on we kept up the evangelistic part of the work and souls were added continually. At the same time I was District Superintendent of South Africa and had to leave the work for several weeks at a time and visit other parts of the field, and when at home we were never free from interruptions, but we always welcomed those from the sick and the wounded.

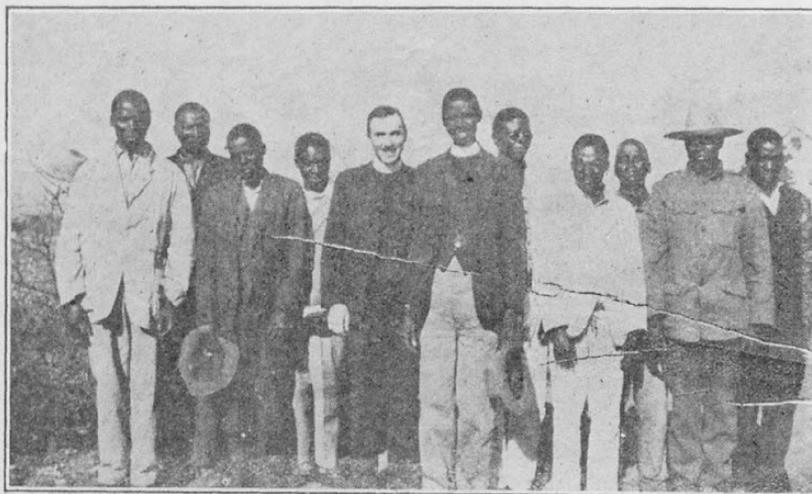
We pray for the sick and bind up the wounded just as the Good Samaritan did. One day a chief brought his son, who was suffering from epilepsy, to be prayed for. He had heard that a woman ten

miles from his place whom we had prayed for for the same disease had been healed. We prayed for him and he was much better, and after several months came back for more prayer. They had realized that God had touched him. This time we went a little further and said we would not pray for him unless he was willing to take off the witchcraft charms around his neck which were to keep away evil spirits, etc. After a while he consented. He went home, then came the third time for prayer; and this time God gave him complete deliverance.

A woman whose foot was terribly burned and looked as though it would have to be amputated, was brought to the station. After careful nursing and prayer her foot healed up.

A remarkable case happened previous to this. The chief came running up to the station saying a man seemed to be dying from a bite in his thumb which his wife had inflicted. She was jealous because he took a second wife. When we got to him he was flat on the ground, stiff from the effect of the poison. While the natives were boiling water to wash the wound, we held a little gospel service. Then we prayed for him. We left him, telling him to come to the station three miles away the next day. He said, "Missionary, how can I go when I can't move?" I said, "You'll be able to come." The next day he came slowly up the hill to the mission station, and it was no time before he was fully recovered.

In addition to those who come for prayer are others who come for mail, since we have a small postal agency; and



John Richards with Native Evangelists

cost \$500.00. Two strangers in California sent \$158.00 towards this. God bless them. In like manner the Lord had undertaken for us to build our first outstation, and a chapel at the main station which can seat about 500. We had to make our own brick, which is a very tedious and slow process. We had to blast our stone for the foundation and do practically all the work ourselves while supervising the natives who were doing the rough labor.

One time while I was up at the quarry my wife had a very definite burden of prayer for me, feeling I was in danger. She immediately called on the Lord with all her might to save me from the danger. The Lord had impressed her that I was at the quarry. At that very moment a blast went off unusually loud, the shot having gone upwards instead of sideways. I waited under cover the usual length of time, then started out in a hurry to get the natives carrying the stone out. The Lord stopped me suddenly in my tracks, and a stone that had

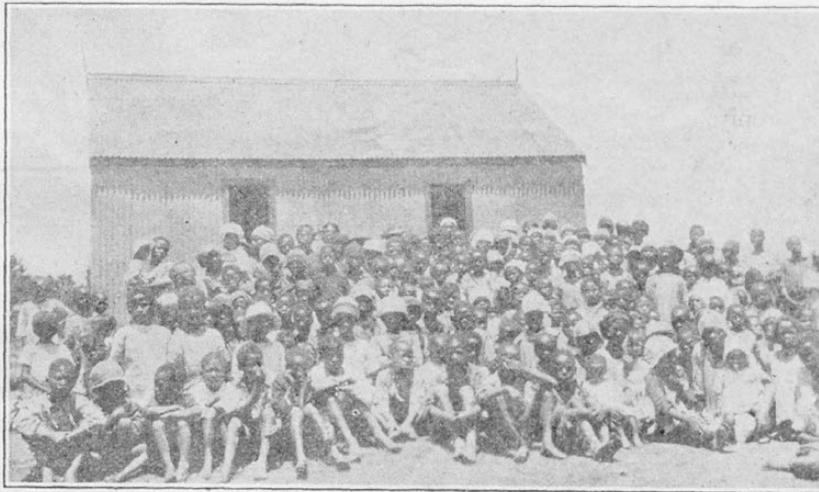
there are those who come for traveling passes, and for licenses to cut wood. This brings us in touch with hundreds that we would not otherwise meet; and in a short time has given us a prestige among them which has taken others years to acquire. We give out tracts, and even though they cannot read they gladly accept them and will carry them for months sometimes until they come across someone who will read them laboriously for them. We invite your prayers over this work of giving out tracts that the Lord may provide more equipment needed for the printing of them. One of the missionaries has a very small hand press, but we feel it is not adequate enough to print tracts and periodicals in the native language. In some instances down country I have had heathen almost snatch tracts out of my hand even though they were unable to read them.

The work has been increasing, so much so that we have had to train our native Christians to assist our native workers in holding the meetings in the different outstations. God wonderfully blessed them when they first started out in this work, and it was an encouragement to them to know that each member of the church had a part in winning souls. Some of our youngest Christians asked permission to go to a village near by while we went on to the next. They had caught the vision. When they caught up with us later they told us of a wonderful meeting they had and of a man sick many months whom they had prayed for. Word later reached us that this man had recovered within three or four days after they had prayed for him. "These signs shall follow them that believe." The natives believe and the signs follow. When we left there were six places where regular worship was being conducted besides the main station and Irwin Chapel. The missionary supervising the native workers in our absence writes that the Christians have opened up another place, making nine altogether.

At Mapela, the district 150 miles south of us, Petrus Langa, the pastor, assisted by the Christians and native deacons and nine local preachers, is looking after twelve outstations and preaching posts combined. Petrus is the uncle of the chief and has quite an influential position in the tribe. He was baptized in the Spirit, along with nine others, before they had ever heard of such a thing as Pentecost. The Lord baptized them in a prayer meeting, when night after night they had met in the chapel for prayer. The Lord baptized them not only according to Acts 2:4, but the whole chapter,

and the fire drove them out to preach the gospel to many regions about them. It was three months afterward that they first heard of Pentecost. They were all taught of God. With this work and the nine places around the Lebaka mission station, there are twenty-one places altogether that we are ministering in. We do not claim that they are all well established outstations; only about half of them are what we would call outstations, and the rest are preaching posts which we are building up as outstations. One place that we secured ground for just prior to our leaving the field has gone on under the care of one of our converts who is now the worker there. It is creating quite a stir. Quite a number of souls have been saved and the Lord is blessing, especially in the school work.

On returning home one Tuesday, my wife told me about the Christians spending all night Sunday in prayer. Many of them were so blessed that they nearly



One of the African Congregations

got through to the Baptism. That Tuesday night, with only one night in between, they had another night's prayer. I wonder how many Christians at home would be willing to do that?

Our hearts are yearning for the unevangelized fields. We believe in the indigenous church and our work is heading up to where the natives will be able to take care of it a good bit. Then we will push on into new regions opening up other places for the Master. We solicit your prayers that we may bind the strong forces that keep the gospel out of these countries, so that we may enter in and spoil their goods. In some places the gospel can not be preached except in a consecrated building, and so we do not see why we cannot carry a building around with us in the form of a tent. Stand with us in prayer that we may be able to take out a good tent to Africa with us on our return.

After my marriage, mother remained on in Johannesburg where the Lord has continued to bless her efforts. Souls are

being saved right along. Her greatest drawback is a moving population. Natives are recruited from Portuguese East Africa on contracts of nine and eighteen months. They get saved, but probably the very next month their contract expires, and they are sent back home. But every time you go to Mother's mission station you see a strong band of earnest Christians.

The Lord is also undertaking in remarkable healings. A missionary from Sweden, Lourenco Marques, was sent to the hospital at Johannesburg to die with tuberculosis. Her faith was almost gone through the hardships in that field. Mother began encouraging her in the Lord. She prayed for her, and the last X-ray picture indicates that there is no tuberculosis at all in her lungs. God has given perfect deliverance. Her native worker also was delivered from tuberculosis, for which she had been praying for some time. A prayer request for this worker

was put in the missionary department monthly prayer bulletin, and it will be an encouragement to those who are praying over these requests to know that the Lord does answer prayer.

One time there was a woman so drunk and so filled with evil spirits that she entered the doorway of the church with terrible blasphemings. The police, who were raiding the native bootlegging places at the time, pulled her bodily out of the door. She dropped down dead with blasphemy still on her lips. The natives all over were quite frightened and said, "In that church

they have a God who is able to kill."

That same week there was a woman dying with a very bad disease. Natives had called in two white doctors and they both said she would die in just a short while. The natives also knew the case was impossible to cure. When mother went to pray for her, the Lord raised her up in such a short time that the natives looked on it as a resurrection from the dead. Then they said, "This God can make alive as well as kill." Many came to the services after that.

Mother has a very urgent need now for a church. A man has given us a site on which to build, with the stipulation that it be a substantial church costing about \$1,000. There are \$250 of this on hand from the sale of another church on the West Rand. We need prayer that the Lord will meet this need. Otherwise we may lose the site.

Now is the time to take advantage of the reduced prices on all our correspondence courses. See page thirteen.



Seed Thoughts



Gathered by Alice E. Luce

"The glory of the age of cathedral building in Europe was possible because men who had observed the majesty of the forests dreamed into their buildings the sturdiness of pillars and the grace of soaring arches which they had seen in the aisles of the forest trees and in the upreach of their branches."—W. R. Bowie.

How are we as God's builders erecting His spiritual house, the holy temple for His abode? Let us ever watch what GOD is doing, not only in Nature, but also in Grace and in Revelation, and pattern our building after His.

"They that wait upon the Lord . . . shall mount up with wings." This should be done *at the same time* as the walking without becoming faint. In the midst of the humdrum, everyday duties there can be a continual dwelling in the heavenly places, an activity and ceaseless progress in nearness to God.

The tender plant of spirituality seldom flourishes in the soil of notoriety. We must be willing to be unnoticed and unknown if we desire to become like Jesus and to live in constant communion with Him.

"There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars." The soul-winners shall shine as the stars; the whole church shall shine as the moon, reflecting the glory of her heavenly Bridegroom. Dan. 12:3; Song 6:10. But the overcomers shall be "clear as the sun," themselves entirely hidden and swallowed up in the blaze of HIS glory.

"There is danger that our age obsessed with its quantity production, and prone to estimate significance by size, may fall sick with the fever of its own materialism" (W. R. Bowie). Jesus appreciated quality rather than quantity. He saw the rich casting large gifts into the treasury out of their abundance; but when a poor widow threw in two mites He said that she had given *more* than all the others.

The Arabic root of the word they use for a prophet means to bubble up or to burst forth like a spring. The Lord's Word must be hidden in the heart before it can spring forth in prophetic utterance.

Prayer is not just one phase or one department of the Christian's work. It is the very *heart* of his service, out of which flow all the issues of his life, and without which he is but a tinkling cymbal. Prov. 4:23.

"Burning lips (or those that profess much love to you) and a wicked heart are like a potsherd covered with silver dross. He that hateth dissembleth with his lips and layeth up deceit within him; when he speaketh fair (or maketh his voice gracious), believe him not: for there are seven abominations in his heart." Prov. 26:23-25.

Watch your *words*. Put them where they belong, either on the life side or the death side of the scales. Every word that does not count for life counts for death, for "death and life are in the power of the tongue." Prov. 18:21.

Christ has enveloped you in the banner of His love (Song 2:4), thus acknowledging you as a citizen of His heavenly kingdom. Phil. 3:20, R. V. Now He sends you to display that same love to others (Psalm 60:4), and to draw them into the citizenship (Psalm 20:5), while you yourself are hidden in the folds of your flag. 2 Cor. 4:5.

A Piteous Cry for the Messiah

We quote the following incident from *Time*. "Through the squalid streets of Zlatshév, a small Polish town near Lemberg, hurried excited Jews one day last month. They had heard—as had many a Jew throughout Galicia—of a wonderful thing that was happening at their synagog. Other Poles might call the Galician Jews vulgar and ignorant. But they had a saint, pious Pinchas Bloch. He was even now crouching on the synagog steps. Chanting psalms, clutching his long beard, he was praying God to send the Jewish people a Messiah. Until then, Pinchas Bloch would eat no food, move not from the synagog. The Zlatshév Jews prayed with him, whispering softly, watching and waiting. Thirteen days passed. Pinchas Bloch grew weaker, hoarser. He was taken to a hospital. That night he escaped, staggered through the dark streets, dragged himself to the synagog steps, wailing supplications. Next morning he was found dead.

The Messiah has already come. When Jews recognize this and accept Him, instead of piteously hoping and praying for His coming, they will await His second coming with joyous confidence and expectation.

Thoughts on Holding Revivals

When I took over the pastorate I saw at once that it was no church in which to begin a Mission (meaning what we mean by Revival), for I held the very

decided view then, as I do now, that a Mission is for the reaping of the harvest which has been carefully prepared, and there was no harvest ready for reaping in this church.—Lionel B. Fletcher, in *Mighty Moments*.

Remark: Would not the old Methodist way of preaching for a week or ten days in a way calculated to put the saints under conviction for their worldliness, lukewarmness, lack of love for sinners, enmities, inactivity and the like, with frequent altar calls to the saints, as a preliminary to sermons addressed to sinners followed by altar calls to sinners, be better than the way now much in vogue of giving an altar call for sinners the first night of the special meetings. Possibly the church is all ready for the harvest, all prayed up, all enmities erased, everybody in love, everyone eager to see sinners saved; but very likely this is not so.

The World's Greatest Need

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revival, and to have it we must have ministers full of the Holy Ghost, as Philip was, to preach the Word of God in demonstration of the Spirit and power. When it is preached in that way the Lord is sure to confirm it with signs following; and when the signs follow, a revival will spring up every time.

Stressing doctrines and splitting hairs over nonessentials will not bring a revival. The teachings of science and Modernism and Evolution and Spiritism, will never bring a revival. But the preaching of the living Word of God, backed up by faith and with the signs following, as at Samaria, *will* bring a revival in the face of all the opposing powers of hell. The great need of today is to preach the Word. Paul told Timothy to preach the Word; not theories and doctrines of men. Let us go back to preaching the Word, for it is more powerful and sharper than any two-edged sword. Philip preached Christ unto them. Paul says: "But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling block, and unto the Greeks foolishness; but unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God."

Philip preached Christ unto them. No doubt he told them that Jesus the son of Mary was the Son of God because He was conceived by the Holy Ghost; that when He lay in a manger wrapped in swaddling clothes the angels of God announced His birth; that the wise men from the East as well as the shepherds from the hills came to worship Him; that He was miraculously kept from the hatred of Herod by being carried into Egypt, from whence He was taken to Nazareth where He grew "in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man," until

He presented Himself before John for baptism; that as He came up out of the waters of baptism the Holy Ghost in the visible form of a dove sat upon Him, and the voice of God spoke from heaven saying, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

Doubtless Philip told them of His being driven into the wilderness to be tempted forty days of the devil, after which He came preaching to the people to repent and believe the gospel, displaying His love for all alike by healing their sick, raising their dead, feeding the hungry, and being to His followers as a loving almighty Father. He surely did not fail to tell them how Jesus climaxed His wonderful life of sacrifice and ministry by allowing them to hang Him upon the cross where He paid the price of our redemption; how He was finally found to be dead on the cross, and was buried in a rich man's tomb; how on the third day He arose from the dead and walked and talked with His disciples for forty days concerning the kingdom of God; and then, telling them to go and do just what Philip was doing, He was received up into heaven before their very eyes.

Philip tells them that this wonderful Lord Jesus has said to His followers that they should go everywhere preaching the gospel, and had promised to be with them, assisting them with signs following unto the end of the age, and assuring them that the works that He had been doing they should also do. Seems to me I can almost hear Philip calling out, "Come you cripples, come all you palsied ones, and you who are possessed by unclean spirits; come all you who are sick, afflicted, polluted by sin. My Christ, of whom I tell you, will make you every whit whole. "The people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake," and here they come for prayer and to be healed of every sickness and disease. Here comes a dear old father, shaking all over with palsy, being helped to the evangelist. As he is prayed for the power of God comes upon him, the palsy disappears, his nerves are steadied, and he walks out like a young prince, with uplifted hands praising God. The cripples are coming on their crutches; the blind are coming, groping their way, the deaf have learned what the evangelist has been saying and they are coming. All are healed, and they and everyone about are filled with joy, real joy. It is not a sort of sensational thrill but the real joy of the Lord.

Thus we see that the revival is on in Samaria. The whole city is moved and turning to God, as they hear and see the miracles that are done. Everywhere they are talking, shouting, and praising God. There is joy in the homes, joy in the shops, joy in every business place in

town, joy on the street corner, joy, joy, JOY everywhere; all because they have believed Philip's preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ.

Now everybody is getting ready for the baptizing service. Here they go to be baptized in water and thus show to the world that they have left all to follow Jesus. What a shout there must have been when they who had been blind, deaf, crippled, bedfast with palsy, tormented with evil spirits, walked down to the water sound, sane, healed, and saved. It just fills my soul to overflowing even now to think of that scene.

But this Samaritan revival with all of its joy, wonderful healings, mighty signs and miracles, huge water baptismal services, had by no means reached its height. They had been genuinely saved, had the witness of the Spirit, the joy of the Lord, and rejoiced that the love of God had been shed abroad in their hearts by the Holy Ghost which was given unto them; they had been miraculously healed of their torments and diseases and baptized in water, but there was another experience awaiting them just ahead, greater than what they had so far received, and this same experience is awaiting you dear child of God. Possibly you have been saved, healed, and so filled with joy that you have shouted aloud the praises of God; possibly you have so consecrated your life to God that you are living a sanctified life, although you have never had the experience that was awaiting those Samaritans, and that awaits you and every child of God who has not received it.

Soon this glorious revival news reached the apostles at Jerusalem, and when they "heard that Samaria had received the Word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John: who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: (for as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost."

Before the Lord Jesus had gone away, Peter and John and many others of the one hundred and twenty who had preached the gospel, healed the sick, and cast out demons in the name of Jesus, pursuant to His command that they tarry at Jerusalem until they should be endued with power, had done as He had bidden them, and had all been filled with the Holy Ghost. Therefore the apostles felt it very necessary for those Samaritans who had been saved, healed, baptized in water, and transported with joy, to be filled with the same Holy Ghost. So when they prayed for them and laid their hands upon them they received the Holy Ghost.

We read that when Simon saw that

through the laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money, saying, "Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost." Now what did Simon see that caused him to offer this money? It was neither rejoicing nor healing for both of these he had seen in abundant measure before. It is not stated, but no doubt he saw the same thing that was seen on the Day of Pentecost, upon seeing which the 3,000 cried out, "What shall we do?" That is to say, they all spoke in tongues just as they did later on at the house of Cornelius, and down at Ephesus when Paul laid his hands on those twelve Ephesian disciples. The initial physical sign of the Baptism with the Holy Ghost is the speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance.

We need a real Holy Ghost revival in which men believe the gospel, get saved, healed, are baptized in water, and on top of all these experiences, receive the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. This Baptism is essential to a full New Testament Christian experience. Jesus shed His blood and went to the Father that we, His body, the church, might have this Comforter to comfort, lead, teach, guide, and speak through us showing us things to come. The Lord Jesus proved His power to save from sin and to heal all manner of diseases before He died, but never could the Holy Ghost have been given to the church had not Jesus ascended to the Father.

So we may boldly say that no church has the right to report a Bible revival today, unless Christ is preached in His power to save, heal, and baptize with the Holy Ghost. Where the Word is so preached in demonstrations of the Spirit and power, He will be present to confirm it with signs following, and people will be saved and filled with joy, healed of all manner of diseases, and be filled with the Holy Ghost just as they were on the Day of Pentecost.

Let us pray, "O God, send a worldwide revival." That is my prayer. In order for it to come the ministers, the deacons, and the laity must obey the last command of Jesus by tarrying until they are endued with power from on high, that is until they are baptized with the Holy Ghost. "If ye love me, keep my commandments," said Jesus, and followed this with the statement, "If a man love me he *will* keep my words." His commandment and word to every child of God is, "Receive ye the Holy Ghost." "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?"

Have you noticed the special prices on our correspondence courses? There is a fifteen per cent discount on them during the month of January only. See Adv.

The Gospel in Foreign Lands

Evangelizing in Likiang

Mrs. Anna Andrews

The horsemarket, which is held each year just outside of Likiang, has come and gone, and I am going to try, if I can, to tell you how we conduct our tent meetings during this time.

Of course, the main object of the Chinese is to sell as many horses and mules as they can, at as high a price as they can, while our object is to reach as many people with the gospel as possible.

Our large gospel tent "Tenterden" is neatly packed away, when not in use, so that when needed again it is all ready to be placed on the backs of horses and carried to its destination.

The day before we pitch the tent we make sure that every thing that will be needed is on hand, such as, plenty of ropes to tie down the tent, and some Chinese tea to be served to guests. We also make sure that there are lots of Bible portions and tracts on hand as well as several lively hymns on salvation prepared. A table, a few benches, and an empty wooden oil box are also made ready as they will be in demand.

When everything is in readiness the tent is taken out and pitched by Mr. Andrews and the workers. The rest of the things are then taken to the tent. The hymns which are written out in large Chinese characters on sheets of paper are hung up so all can see. The Bible portions and tracts are neatly arranged on the table in the front of the tent, while the empty wooden oil box serves as a rostrum, and the benches made to ac-



Brother and Sister Andrews, their baby Ruth with three little orphan Chinese.

commodate the people. In the back of the tent a charcoal fire is kept in readiness with a Chinese copper kettle filled with water ready to be made into tea and served according to Chinese custom. Two workers are then appointed to look after the tent as the ropes are sometimes cut. Two natives were heard one day planning to cut a piece out of the tent saying the cloth was good and strong and would make fine shoes for them. The Chinese wear cloth shoes and not leather, in this part of China. This has not happened, however, as the workers were on hand to prevent it.

As the people do not gather much before eleven in the morning, we usually begin at that time to have the first service. "Tenterden" the tent is a great attraction, for few of the people here have seen such a large tent. Many of the people come a few days' journey to attend this horsemarket so haven't often seen a foreigner. When Mr. Andrews and I appear on the scene with baby Ruth we find the people flock into the tent to have a good look at us. We then ask them kindly to be seated upon which the boy who has been appointed to serve the guests with tea, steps forward offering them a cup of tea. After the people have had a good look at us and finished whispering one to the other and have had their cup of tea, the meeting is announced. While we are singing our first hymn the people can be seen coming from all over the grounds and we soon find there are more people than the tent can hold. Now that the tent is full of people, the Word of God is preached. It is not an unusual thing in this part of China to have a moving congregation. Sometimes we preach to as many as three different lots of people during one meeting. We find, however, that some always stay through the whole of the meeting. After preaching the Word the people are exhorted to buy a Bible portion and read for themselves what we have been telling them about. Many Bible portions are sold in this way. We also try to supply each person that comes into the tent with a good tract, so that if they do not buy a Scripture portion, they still have the tract to speak to them of the Living Way. The tracts are well chosen as they tell of the one true God.

Reaching Souls in South Africa

Mrs. Anna R. Scoble

I am enclosing a snap of some women digging up beer. This snap was taken

some time ago near our assembly hall. However, the same thing goes on in the same way week in and week out. Some of these seen in the background watching have since been converted, but the one reason I send the picture is to tell of the wonderful conversion of the one woman seen drinking. She was wrapped in a ragged blouse and loin cloth, very vile in her life in every way and was continually drinking and fighting. Yet she would always call out to me to pray for her as she was such a sinner. She was always very boastful of me being in possession of a snap of her with a tin of beer to her mouth. We never ceased to pray for her but she dropped lower and lower. At last she was ill. There was no hope of her recovery. Her friends forsook her and her husband ran away and left her dying. God gave her a dream or vision of myself coming to her and telling her God still loved her. The next day while visiting others I found her. She was melted in spirit when I entered and began at once to cry out to God for mercy. She said it was the first time she had felt tender for years. God has done a great work in her life and she feels He is going to use her to bring others to Jesus. Please pray for her.

A Blessed Season of Fellowship at Annual Business Meeting of the Latin American District Council

H. C. Ball

We spent four wonderful days in our District Council meeting in Douglas, Arizona, November 17-20, 1932. We had a very small attendance, due to the financial depression, which had severely hit our Latin American ministers and assemblies. Nevertheless, the eighteen ministers that were able to gather from



Beer drinking in South Africa. The women on the ground are digging up pots of beer that have been buried.

Colorado, Arizona, and Texas had a blessed time of fellowship and counsel together. Elder John Eiting, pastor of the American church in Douglas wrote us after the meeting: "I shall never forget the sweet fellowship we had at the convention. I believe everybody was renewed in the Spirit."

The business meetings went off beautifully. Everyone seemed to be sweetly in the Spirit, and many resolutions of a very helpful nature were passed. In the night services we had some good evangelistic messages, and several seemed to find the Lord as their personal Saviour. Brother Eiting's orchestra was a great help in these meetings.

Our next annual meeting will be held in San Angelo, Texas, where we have a Latin American church of nearly two hundred members.

Sunshine and Shadow in India

Sister Marguerite Flint reports a continuation of the revival spirit at Cawnpore, India. She writes: "Two baptismal services have been celebrated this past month in the Ganges river. Brother Coughran had a new experience along that line, as just when he stepped into the river and we began to sing a gospel song, a huge man-eating crocodile rose to the surface of the water some yards away and floated there, watching us during the entire service, opening and closing his ugly mouth as though hungry to sample a Christian. He kept his distance however, and the Lord gave us a blessed time. One of the converts was a mission boy, three were former Mohammedans, all from good families, and well educated. Two of them are particularly anxious to get a Bible training that they may enter the ministry and give their lives to God's service. Our workers are back from a large mela that was held about twenty miles from here, where the Lord greatly blessed in the preaching of the Word to many thousands of Hindoos, and many Gospels and tracts were given out."

A Sad Picture

"Yesterday as Sister Coughran and I were over on the banks of the Ganges where the Hindoos had gathered to bathe, worship and seek peace for their souls, we noticed some women just coming up from the water with a little girl about nine years of age whom they



Some of the ministers who attended the meeting of the Latin American District Council at Douglas, Ariz.

had brought to the river for special bathing. The child was so pitifully frail and looked so ill, and the great black eyes held such a world of pain and yet stared so vacantly, that we stopped them to inquire about the poor little thing, and one of the women evidently the mother-in-law said, 'Oh, she gave birth to a child last month, and went mad the same week.' We looked into the baby face of the wee girl wife, and thought of Him who would have taken her into His arms had He been standing there, for she would surely have been counted as among the 'little children.' God forgive us that these things can go on in heathen lands, and that the gospel light has been so slow to reach the dark places of the earth."

Encouraging News from Other Parts of Egypt

Brother and Sister Randall write telling us of an increasing interest in many of the Egyptian assemblies and of the opening of a new place to the Pentecostal message at Timia. This town was visited by one of the stronger Egyptian

pastors and it was not long before as many as two hundred men crowded the little hall where the meetings were being held. It looks as if a permanent work will be established here, even though it may not be possible to locate a pastor there for a time. At another place where there was no native pastor, but an old church building, which was dusty and full of cobwebs for lack of being used, has been opened up by the native Christians of that place and there is now a nice little assembly there of around 45 people some of whom have recently received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit. In the mission in Cairo a day was devoted to fasting and prayer recently, and God came forth in power filling two women with the Holy Ghost as in the beginning. There are a number of places in need of church buildings and others in need of pastors. Let us pray that these needs may be met.

Inez Kreiss' New Address

Sister Inez Kreiss requests us to announce that she is now located at Rupaidiha, and mail should be addressed, Assemblies of God Mission, Rupaidiha, Bahraich District, U. P. India.

French Protestants Receive Pentecostal Testimony

Brother Donald Gee writes: "You will be interested to know of my meetings with the theologians in France. They are truly unique. In Paris we had a meeting in the richest Protestant Church. There were about 100 there, the cream of the evangelicals of France. I spoke about our Pentecostal doctrines! This was followed by 40 minutes questions. The general tone of the meeting was very courteous and friendly. Then I traveled all night down to Montpellier, right on the Mediterranean Coast, and the next day met the entire faculty of the Theological Seminary there. There I was closeted for three hours one afternoon with seven learned professors. They were very cordial however, and it was a profitable time for us all. "The next morning I was invited to speak to the entire student body, and that was the best of all. The Lord helped me, so that at the close they gave a burst of unmistakable applause. The Dean himself was (Continued on Page 13)

Wedding in Jerusalem



Saul Benjamin

We are pleased to announce the marriage of Miss Pearl Lovesy to Mr. Saul Benjamin, both missionaries under Council appointment in Palestine. The wedding ceremony took place in the Mission Hall in Jerusalem on December 14. The happy couple are planning to work for God in Es Salt, Transjordan, where a very blessed work has been started.



Pearl Lovesy Benjamin

The Sunday School Lesson

The Lord Jesus Christ at Work

Lesson for Jan. 15. Mark 1:21-35

At the Jordan the Lord Jesus Christ received His anointing for the purpose of destroying the power of Satan over the souls and bodies of men, and for the purpose of proclaiming and manifesting the power of God's kingdom. In the wilderness, the Enemy, foreseeing and dreading the effects of this power, attempted to divert it from the service of man to the service of self, but in vain. In our lesson we shall observe the Lord in action, delivering men from spiritual ignorance, by His teaching and preaching, and loosing them from the power of sickness and demons by His miraculous power.

Christ's Authority. Verses 21, 22, 27. The preaching and teaching of the rabbis (scribes) was a rather dry affair, consisting of dull expositions of the Scriptures, minute discussions of ritual, and hair-splitting controversies about disputed points of doctrine—all largely based on the authority of past teachers. The people endured it patiently, no doubt considering attention thereto a duty that brought merit. But when the Lord taught in the synagogue, the contrast was so marked as to cause amazement. There was no dozing in the synagogue that day! Here was a Preacher who spoke with the authority of Moses, of the old prophets—with the authority of One having a direct message from the Almighty! The explanation of this power was given by the Lord Himself, when He once said, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me." Luke 4:18. Let us learn from this synagogue incident that while people may not be able to tell us what the anointing is they can tell us what it is not.

We need a similar authority today, for nothing is more evident in this country and others than that people are not taking the preaching of the Gospel as seriously as they should. Too many look upon the average preacher as a mild, respectable individual, who is to be respectfully humored and whose exhortations are to be politely ignored. What is the remedy? A strong prescription composed of Matt. 16:24; Acts 1:14 and 1:8 and 5:1—taken internally.

Are We Known in the Underworld? In the underworld of evil spirits, of course. Christ was, for demons screamed in fear, "I know who thou art." And because they knew Him, they fled before His word. Evil spirits recognize those who have power over them. They will not be "bluffed" by mere ritual or loud bluster. The Roman church speaks with an authority that impresses even her enemies. But we venture to say that her ponderous ecclesiastical machine does not deceive those spirits that enslave the souls of men. They know what real power is. The sons of Sceva found that out to their sorrow when they attempted to cast out a demon in the name of the Christ that Paul preached. Acts 19:13-16. Are we attempting to accomplish spiritual tasks only in the inspiration of men of God, whose messages we have heard and whose sermons we have read? The spiritual underworld knows!

Evil's Peace Terms. v. 24. "Let us alone." The enemy would rather make terms and compromise than fight. This is what he practically attempted to do when he tempted Christ in the wilderness. He as much as said, "Let us not be enemies; we can accomplish much more by working together. You acknowledge my authority, and I will give you the kingdoms of the world." This is true of those who are inspired by Satan's spirit. Evil men everywhere would say to the earnest preacher of the gospel, "Leave us alone! preach about the sins of the Egyptians, the Babylonians, but leave modern sins alone." And if our personal sins and failings had a voice, they would say, likewise, "Leave us alone." But the Lord's answer to the demons was, "Hold thy peace and come out of him." Such must be our attitude to all forms of evil—no compromise and no surrender.

Christ the Family Physician. Verses 29-31. The real test of our religion is found in the home-life. This is as true of healing as of salvation. We gladly pray for the sick in other homes, without always feeling the strain of testing. But when sickness afflicts one of our loved ones, then comes the opportunity for discovering how much confidence we have in the Lord. But we need not fear if as in the case of Peter, Christ has really come to be a guest in our homes. When He is truly received as the honored and permanent guest, He will pay for His entertainment by ministering to us and to our loved ones.

Keeping the Anointing. Before another day's work began we read that the Lord arose before daylight and spent time in prayer. One lesson suggested by this circumstance is that after the Lord had received a mighty anointing at the Jordan, He found it necessary (since He was living a human life) to keep that anointing by constant contact with God. He was praying when He received the power (Luke 3:21), and He continued to pray while He exercised it. The cause for many a spiritual failure may be traced to the fact that when some people began to receive power, they ceased praying.

The Lord Jesus Christ Forgiving Sin

Lesson for Jan. 22. Mark 2:1-12

Christ's Success. Verses 1, 2. After the unusual manifestations of authority recorded in the last lesson, the Lord's fame began to be spread all over the country, with the result that in a short time He was preaching to great crowds. Let us learn from this circumstance that when God is really working in a church there will be no difficulty in getting the crowds. God expects us to use practical wisdom in advertising our meetings, but it should also be remembered that there is no better means of publicity than the genuine manifestation of God's power. When the unusual occurs in our meetings it will not be long before the news will be carried from home to home on the wings of conversation.

The Lord Himself appointed for His church supernatural means of publicity when He said, "These signs shall follow them that believe

..." See Mark 16:17, 18. Some time ago a large crowd was watching an aeroplane writing in the sky with letters of smoke the name of a popular brand of cigaret. This was a publicity "stunt" for the purpose of "glorifying" the name of a product. Other manufacturers spend millions of dollars in advertisements that will exalt the name of their particular commodity. In like manner the Lord Jesus Christ has appointed the manifestation of the Spirit for the purpose of exalting His name, and giving publicity to the gospel message. They are signs that point to the exalted personality of the Lord Jesus and that accredit His messengers. This is the way the first church received its advertising. For example, see Acts 3:1-11; 5:1-16.

Intercession in Action. Verses 3-15. Our lesson presents the picture of four men carrying a helpless paralytic to Christ. Hindered by the crowd that thronged the house where the Lord was preaching, these men broke through the roof and lowered the sufferer to the feet of the Lord. This active faith the Lord honored. In this incident we have a vivid illustration of the law of intercession, by the operation of which law we are enabled to help those in need by our faith and prayers. We are repeatedly exhorted to pray for one another. This means that God has provided a way whereby we may help one another as members of the same body. Even Paul, the mighty man of faith, prayer and power, said to a company of babes in Christ, "Brethren, pray for us." 1 Thess. 5:25.

We may not know just exactly how the machinery of intercession functions, but we are confident that by earnestly praying for others we have power to release on their behalf the grace and power of God that will meet their need. Lot, on account of his compromise with the Sodomites, was too helpless to help himself. But Abraham interceded for him, and he was delivered. Gen. 19:29. When Israel sinned in the matter of the golden calf, they became helpless in the face of divine judgment. But Moses' intercession saved them. Ex. 32:7-14. When Peter, because of his self-confidence, was about to become the prey of Satan, the Lord prayed for him—and Peter was saved from shipwreck of faith. When people have become spiritually or physically helpless for some reason, we can bring deliverance to them by carrying them to the Lord on the stretcher of prevailing intercession.

Christ—always a Saviour. Verses 5-12. Some modern preachers would have us believe that the most important work of Christ was that of teaching and preaching. The doctrine that He actually saves people, they say, was an invention of the disciples after He had left the earth. Therefore, they argue, we must study and obey His teachings, and then save and help ourselves. But they ignore the fact that even while on earth, Christ was a Saviour. This was the objection of the Scribes—that He spoke as if He Himself were a Saviour. He not only spoke about healing—He actually healed men. He not only spoke about God's love and forgiveness, but really forgave sins and sent people away with the consciousness of divine pardon and with a new life in their souls. In His days there were people all over the country who could testify, "Jesus healed me," or "Jesus forgave my sins." (See, for example, Luke 7:47-50; 8:20.) In fact Matthew states clearly that the Lord's work of delivering the

afflicted was part of His atoning work—that He not only healed people of their spiritual and physical afflictions, but actually bore them. Matt. 8:16,17, compare 1 Peter 2:24. Thus we see that Christ's ministry to the sinful and suffering was an earnest and a foregleaming of His atoning work on the cross—an evidence that He is the same yesterday, today and forever.

These Sunday School Lesson comments are prepared by Brother Myer Pearlman. A fuller and more complete opening up of the Sunday school lesson by Brother Pearlman will be found in the Adult and Young People's Teachers Quarterly. In this quarterly additional helps, written by Brothers E. S. Williams, Noel Perkin, C. E. Robinson, and S. H. Frodsham, are also provided. Every reader of the Evangel, especially those engaged in Sunday school work will enjoy this 96 page quarterly. The price for single copies is 20 cents, for five or more copies 15 cents each. Can be obtained from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.

French Protestants Receive Pentecostal Testimony

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deeply moved as he spoke a few closing words.

"The next day I returned to the center of France, and met the pastors of the Drome District at Crest. The following day I had a similar meeting with all the pastors of the Ardeche District at Privas. All these ministers of the Reformed Church in France are deeply interested in the Pentecostal revival, most of them are distinctly friendly, some of them have already received Pentecostal ministry into their churches, and a few of them have actually received the Baptism of the Spirit as in Acts 2:4. They want genuine REVIVAL, none of your imitations. Their interest in Pentecost centers in it as a force for revival.

"Commissioner Paglieri, the principal of the Training School for the Salvation Army in France, at Paris, happened to be in the Drome District when I was there, and he sat in with our meeting at Crest. He was very nice, and when asked to say a few words at the close said, 'I wish such a Movement might spread all over France.'

"M. Dalliere arranged all these meetings. He is pastor of the Reformed Church at Charmes, and moderator for his district. He is a graduate of Harvard. He has received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit himself, and the possibilities of such a man being greatly used by God in France are immense. Praise and pray for him."

Communism and Modernism

"Birds of a feather, flock together." If this proverb is true to facts—and we believe that it is—it will indicate where

some of our modern Sadducees stand. The *Moody Monthly* reports that a minister, who has been in Russia several times, made the following statements before a gathering of the representatives of the Christian and Congregational churches:

"There is no need for serious apprehension about the survival of religion in Soviet Russia. Vital religion over there is not crumbling, but is probably more in evidence than anywhere in the world. The average communist is the most thoroughly religious person whom I have met in a long time. Behold, my friends, a new religion being born today in Russia just as Christianity was born in the hope and dreams of the oppressed victims of the first century. Communism has sprung from the virgin womb of human necessities and the holy spirit of hope, and is sweeping Russia today with the fervor of a messianic movement!"

We are inclined to believe that if Communism ever came to this country, many of our modernistic Sadducee clergymen would enthusiastically welcome it, attempt to prove that the Lord Jesus taught that very thing, and gravely inform us "old-fashioned conservatives" that we have misunderstood His teachings! Beware of the leaven of the Sadducees. Matt. 16:6, 11.

GENERAL COUNCIL LIST

The following names were added to our ministerial list during the month of December, 1932. Davis, Wm. Edward, McCracken, Kansas Galbreath, John K., Abilene, Kansas Galbreath, Mrs. Nancy A., Abilene, Kansas Jacinto, Cecilio, Laredo, Texas Melvin, Chelsea, Winfield, Kansas Ming, Johnie, Calhoun, La. Rima, Clarence N., Burlingame, Kansas Walters, Lyman R., Mobile, Ala. Weidman, Paul R., Cherryvale, Kansas Zeller, G. Fred, Milwaukee, Wis.

The following names were removed from our ministerial list during the month of December, 1932. This is a news item for the benefit of those who may be interested.

Garland, J. G. (Withdrawn), Portales, N. M. Lee, Alton Earl (Dropped), Centralia, Wash. McCleary, O. E. (Deceased), Plant City, Fla. Packer, Chas. M. (Deceased), Jacksonville, Fla.

FEASTING ON HEAVEN'S BEST

J. R. Sharets, Secretary of Board, North Cumberland, Md., writes: "We have been feasting on the good things of heaven, given through the servant whom the Lord sent to deliver His Word. On Oct. 24 Albert Ark, of Midlothian, began a revival in this assembly, which lasted until Nov. 27. Some were saved and a number reclaimed. Seven received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit, as in Acts 2:4. Our pastor was privileged to assist in the meetings except on Sunday nights, when he filled Brother Ark's pulpit at Midlothian."

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ANOTHER WORKSHOP FOR CHRIST

Pastor L. M. Powell writes from Missoula, Mont.: "Brother Swanson is here to dedicate the new church and to give us a 3 days' Bible conference. The first service was owned by the Lord, who met with us in a precious way, and is giving us souls for His kingdom. He is also helping us to build a parsonage. We have a needy field to cover here, and will be glad to have brethren stop with us if passing this way. Our church is located at 601 N. 3rd St."

HEAVY RAINFALL IN MONTANA

Pastor M. D. Jeffers writes from Livingston, Mont.: "We have just closed a 5 weeks' campaign, conducted by the colored evangelist, S. L. Coleman. Many sought the Lord for salvation and some were healed. About 33 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, each speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. The meetings were well attended throughout, and great interest was shown. This precious revival was the result of several weeks of daily prayer services."

DAWN AT DUNCANNON

George Hanson, of Williamport, Md., writes: "We have had a precious visitation from the Lord near Duncannon, Pa., in an old Methodist church. We have just closed a revival in which 7 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, as in Acts 2:4, and 26 were saved. Wonderful healings were also manifest. One woman who was healed of a cancer and lung trouble now walks 2½ miles to church. Others were healed of stomach trouble, and other diseases. Brother Dickinson, of Cumberland, and Sister Edgerton, Martinsburg, W. Va., assisted in the revival. We are among many of opposing faith, but God is working with us. We have a membership of 42, and hope to have the church set in order."

EVIL HABITS RENOUNCED

Wm. Burton McCafferty, Evangelist and Bible Teacher, writes from Texas: "Have just closed a meeting at Daisetta, about 15 miles from Galveston Bay. The Lord blessed the Word given and about 11 found salvation. Some of these received the evidence of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. The tarrying meetings some times continued until past midnight. Some long addicted to the tobacco habit were released by the power of God. They broke their pipes and threw away their tobacco as an idol-god of appetite. In this meeting some strong men came into the assembly. Despite the unparalleled bad weather, this was said to be one of the best meetings held in Daisetta in a long time.

"As at our recent meeting in Midway, we talked and preached twice daily, when weather permitted, teaching from the Book of the Revelation. The baptizing of the converts was left to the pastor, J. C. Hibbard. Home address, 1212 Denver Ave., Ft. Worth."

WORK OF HIS GLORIOUS SPIRIT

Pastor Marvin L. Smith reports from Warren, Ohio: "Last Sunday night brought to a close a series of meetings marked with great success. Evangelist and Mrs. P. T. King, Niagara Falls, N. Y., were the special workers. During the 3 weeks scores knelt at the altar for salvation, many of whom we believe prayed through. Eight were baptized with the Holy Ghost, according to the Bible pattern, and many were divinely healed. The last Sunday afternoon was given over to a service at which 25 followed the Lord in baptism. The work of God entrusted to our hands is growing in a remarkable way, for which we give Him the glory."

THE LAMB OF GOD GLORIFIED

Pastor Everett Phillips writes from Galesburg, Ill.: "June 1 the Pentecostal bodies of this city united; a new united church body was set in order named Calvary Pentecostal Assembly of God. Then a concerted cry for revival began to go up from the hearts of all the people with the result that a few began to be saved. We thanked God for the mercy drops but kept praying for a great revival. As a result, in the past 3½ months about 90 have been saved and about 30 have received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. On one glorious Sunday 7 were filled and about 10 were saved. Having learned the value of concerted prayer, we have been asking God to save a soul every day, and He has graciously answered, doing the 'exceeding abundant' above what we have asked. Our Sunday school and Christ's Ambassadors have tripled their number, and the membership and attendance of the regular church services have had a like increase."

PRAISE FROM MANY NATIONS

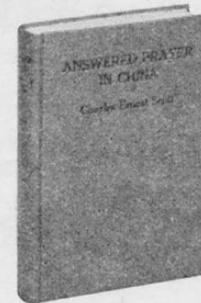
Pastor Otis R. Keener, Chicago, writes. "The annual young people's missionary rally convened in Bethel Temple, 1901-5 Washington Boulevard, Dec. 10, and was greatly blessed of the Lord from the beginning. In spite of the snow and near zero weather the large auditorium was well filled. One interesting feature of the service was the different nationalities taking part in their native language. Scandinavian, Polish, German, Italian, Greek, Syrian, and others were well represented. The words of Rev. 5:9, 10 were brought forcibly to our minds as we met with such a godly crowd redeemed from so many nations and all walks of life. At the close of the service a great crowd of young people came forward and dedicated their lives to God for whatever service He chooses for them. Seldom have we seen such manifestations of God's power. Wave after wave of the Spirit swept over the place, hands were lifted, hearts were melted, tears were flowing as God spoke to each one. Again we prayed the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into the harvest field. Another missionary convention is history, but the memories of the presence of God and the sweet fellowship will linger long with us all."

CROWNED WITH HIS BLESSING

Harold and Velma Hamilton write from Pittsfield, Ill.: "The fellowship meeting held here Dec. 5-6, was a great blessing to the church and to all who attended. Sixty-four men registered from out of town, making this meeting the largest attended of its kind ever held in the District. These meetings are somewhat new in this District but it is good to note how the interest is growing and how the Lord crowns each one with His blessings. Our District Superintendent, Arthur Bell, was present, and also Theodore Kessel, C. A. President of the District. Brother Kessel remained with us 3 weeks; about 20 sought salvation, and the church was blessed."

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AN INSPIRATIONAL TRIUMPH

Pastor John Kellner writes from Newcastle, Pa.: "Praise and thanksgiving are rising to the throne of God at the church, for the gracious revival under the ministry of Dr. B. T. Duncan, Artist Evangelist, of Chicago, assisted by his wife, Lillian Duncan. The revival continued for almost 6 weeks, with services every night. Large delegations came from other churches to assist and also to receive God's blessings. Much prejudice has been broken down and many are hungry for the fullness of the Spirit. About 35 or more were saved, and 6 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4. Others were definitely healed. The meeting was a success in every way, and the after results look real promising. Brother Duncan has been a Methodist preacher and a Modernist; Sister Duncan a language teacher; and both of their testimonies are very convincing. Brother Duncan drew life sized pastel paintings every night during the preliminary part of the meetings. He also lectured in our high schools and churches."

BRIEF MENTION

Pastor and Mrs. N. H. Rhodes write from McComb, Miss.: "We have accepted the work here, exchanging places with V. L. Clark, who goes to Ripley, Tenn., to take charge of the work we had there. Since coming here we have had a revival in which some were saved. God has also enabled us to get the church painted and ceiled, and a new heatrola has been donated. We found a fine band of Spirit-filled saints here, ready to co-operate with the pastor for the advancement of the kingdom."

Forthcoming Meetings

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

WEST POINT, ILL.—Starting Jan. 15, Wesley J. Domm, Benton Harbor, Mich., will hold revival at the church.—Pastor W. E. Wood.

SEATTLE, WASH.—Earl Winburn, Winnipeg, Can., will conduct revival in Fremont Pentecostal Tabernacle, N. 35th St., under the Aurora Bridge, beginning Jan. 8, to continue 4 weeks or longer.—J. L. Isaacs, Pastor.

MOOSIC, PA.—Harry E. Bowley, Tulsa, Okla., will conduct evangelistic campaign at Full Gospel Tabernacle, Springbrook Ave., Jan. 26-Feb. 19, every night at 7:30 except Saturdays, Sundays, 11:30 and 7:30. Neighboring assemblies are asked to co-operate.—J. E. Jenkins, 529 Minooka Ave., Pastor.

DENVER, COLO.—The 17th annual convention of the Rocky Mountain District will convene at church, 1447 Lawrence St., Feb. 14-17. Three meetings daily. Bed and breakfast given ministers and delegates free. Christ's Ambassadors rally afternoon and night of 17th.—Floyd C. Woodworth, 838 Leyden St., District Superintendent.

DISTRICT BIBLE CONVENTION

CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO.—Southern Missouri District Bible convention at church on S. Sprigg St., Jan. 24-27. Rooms and meals free to ministers. Speakers announced later. This will be the last District meeting until August camp. All brethren in the District urged to be present. Write S. L. Johnson, District Superintendent, Dexter, Mo., or Pastor Pawhatan Huffman, 1202 S. Sprigg St., Cape Girardeau.—J. Lon Hale.

BIBLE STUDY CONFERENCES

JENNINGS, LA.—Jan. 18-22. Free entertainment to all worthy workers. WEST MONROE, Jan. 24-29 closing with fifth Sunday fellowship meeting, when Noel Perkin, Missionary Secretary, Springfield, Mo., will be with us. Free entertainment by the church. Ministers of these sections specially urged to attend these conferences. David Burris, District Superintendent, 718 N. Boston Ave., Russellville, Ark.; E. L. Tanner, West Monroe, and A. S. Peters, Cedar Grove, Sectional Presbyters.

RADIO ANNOUNCEMENT
SHREVEPORT, LA.—We are inaugurating a regular weekly radio program and will be on the air at 10:15 each Wednesday night. Station KWKH, 850 Kilocycles. Let us hear from you who are pleased.—G. C. Lout, Greenwood Road and Kentucky Ave.

KANSAS FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS
Oswego, Jan. 16-17; Chetopa, Jan. 18-19. Meetings to begin 7:45 p. m. the first day, followed by all day meetings 10:00 a. m., 2:30 p. m. and 7:45 p. m. All ministers entertained free and visitors as far as possible. Announcements of other Fellowship meetings to follow.—Fred Vogler.

OPEN FOR CALLS—EVANGELISTIC
Ethel Olson, 429 Walnut St., Carthage, Mo. "Sing specials and play tenor banjo. Have credentials with the Southern Missouri District Council. Reference, S. L. Johnson, Dexter, Mo."

C. Merrill Johnson, Musical Boy Evangelist, Box 357, Roseau, Minn., service in word and song. References. In fellowship with District Council.

(Also call for pastor)
Mrs. Chas. Spotts, 736 Walnut, Osawatomie, Kans. "I am resigning the pastorate here for evangelistic work. References. This is a new work and a good opening for someone who desires a pastorate. New Year's night will be my last here. Only Council ministers need apply."

CHANGE OF ADDRESS—Have been here about 6 weeks; the Lord is blessing. Ministers passing this way please visit us.—Mrs. Effie Haddock, S. Broadway 522, Walters, Okla.

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