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Tithing--Does God Require It?

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THERE is always a reluctance on the part of ministers to speak on the subject of *tithing*, the reason being they are aware of the fact that in so doing they may be accused of selfishness or having a desire for personal gain. In speaking on this subject I do so without personal consideration, but as an inexorable duty toward God and man.

In the Scripture the words—*tithe*—*tenth*—*first-fruits*—are interchangeably used to mean the same thing. "Tithe" means the *tenth of our income*, but when referring to the tenth of crops and fruits, you will notice, it is spoken of in scripture as the *first-fruits*.

Many people, because they fail to carefully study the Word of God, have gotten the misleading idea that the payment of tithes belongs only to the *period of the Mosaic Law* and not to those now living in the *dispensation of grace*. A careful unbiased study of God's Word will reveal how greatly mistaken such people are in this belief.

In Genesis 14:17-20 we read that Abraham, who is the father of the faithful and a type of the true Christian who is justified by faith, paid tithes to Melchisedec, the priest of the most High God. Paul referring to this event in Galatians 3:29, says, "If ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed," thus establishing the relationship between Abraham and us.

The Abolition and Restoration

Christ, who is a priest forever after the order of Melchisedec, by his death on the Cross, accomplished two notable things. First, He became the end of the Mosaic law. Second, the order of Melchisedec was restored. Abraham was blessed by paying tithes to Melchisedec, the type of Christ. So all true children of God, who are justified by faith, will

be blessed in paying tithes as Abraham's seed according to promise. Galatians 3:19.

In the 7th chapter of Hebrews Paul speaks of *tithing*, showing the relationship of Melchisedec and Christ, both priests of the most High God and without priestly genealogy. Melchisedec received tithes from Abraham; and Christ, who is a priest forever after the order of Melchisedec, receives tithes from His people, who, like Abraham, are justified by faith. Therefore, tithing should continue as long as the priesthood, which is forever.

Jacob Tithing

Over three hundred years before the law of Moses, Jacob promised the Lord, "Of all that thou shalt give me, I will surely give a tenth unto thee." Jacob made this vow when homeless and poor, and although passing through great peril and much uncertainty, he being faithful to his vow, returned rich, increased in goods, and in peace

to his father's house.

We have known of many cases where people made a vow unto the Lord like that of Jacob when they had practically no income or resources. Their consecration, however, was made by faith in the living God who is the unfailing source of supply: and though, like Jacob, they were greatly tested, they kept their vow and, invariably, proved that God blessed their nine-tenths, after they had

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When We Bring All the Tithes

*God opens the windows of heaven,
Unlatches the door of the skies,
And pours on the people a blessing
That fills every soul with surprise.*

*In love He rebukes the devourer,
Who makes of the people a prize;
And this is the proof of His mercy,
When to Him we bring "all the tithes."*

—Wm. Burton McCafferty



On Eagle Wings



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Looking for that *blessed hope* and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ. Titus 2:13.

What a great privilege it is for a Christian to be living in these closing days of the Dispensation of Grace, when this blessed hope of the church may at any time become a triumphant realization. Yet, with the consolation of His coming there is inseparably linked the admonition of the words of Jesus, "Be ye also ready." What does it mean to be ready, and has our Lord left for us any instructions concerning a matter of such vital importance?

In speaking to his disciples concerning his return, Jesus said in answer to their questioning, "Whithersoever the body is thither will the eagles be gathered together." Luke 17:37. The Bible is its own best interpreter and, as the Lord has here taken an analogy of nature to describe one of the greatest events that human history will ever experience, we may be sure God has not failed to give us the key for its unfolding. We shall find it in the book of Job. (39:27-30.)

"Doth the eagle mount up at thy command and make her nest on high? She dwelleth and abideth upon the rock, upon the crag of the rock and the strong place. From thence she seeketh her prey and her eyes behold afar off. Her young ones also suck blood and where the slain are there is she."

As the lion is king of the beasts, so the eagle is king of the air. On mighty pinions of great strength she soars into the light of the sun to rise above the storm and clouds and make her nest on high. The eagle loves the majestic solitude of nature and travels singly or at most by two. In the silence of the castle-turreted crags of the mountain, where the footstep and voice of man is seldom heard, she makes her dwelling place.

Even so the Christian who is looking for "that blessed hope" *maketh her nest on high*. The true position of the believer is in "heavenly places in Christ." Eph. 1:3. There was a time when we were dead in sin and walked after the course of this world. But now through the new birth, we are "in Christ," and, as our precious Lord is "seated in heavenly places" (Eph. 1:21), so also God "hath quickened us together with Christ and hath raised us up together and made us to sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus." Eph. 2:5, 6. Our walk through

this world is a pilgrimage and with Abraham of old we confess that we are strangers and pilgrims on this earth and pressing on to a city which hath foundations whose builder and maker is God. Heb. 11:10.

"Home's where the heart is." How true this is. If our precious Lord has become real to us He will fill the deepest affections of our hearts and our "nest on high" will become the center of our love. To be ready for the coming of our Lord we must, "*set our affections on things above*." Col. 3:2. This is not a theoretical phrase but an actual experience to be worked out in our everyday lives.

What heart searching did it bring to Peter, as, standing by the fish nets to which he had returned after the crucifixion, he heard the resurrected Master say, "Peter, lovest thou me more than these?" God cannot take second place in our lives. Jesus loved his mother Mary. In His dying agony this love was expressed in His last provision for her as he said to John, "Son, behold thy mother," and to Mary, "Mother, behold thy son." Christianity does not relieve any one of the rightful responsibilities of life. Yet Jesus knew as He looked upon the anguish stricken face of His mother, that He could have spared the "sword piercing her heart" had He shunned the cross. But His Father and His Father's business came first. Therefore he became obedient unto death even the death of the cross. May our hearts have that singleness of affection that we may say, "I know I love Thee better Lord, than any earthly joy."

Love speaks of the beloved, and that which is nearest to our hearts will be expressed in our speech. As our "nest" is on high, so "*our conversation is in heaven*, from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ." Phil. 3:20. How our Lord desires to weave the hope of His coming into the very warp and woof of our lives. In Malachi 3:16, 17 we read "Then they which feared the Lord spake often one to another and the Lord hearkened and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the Lord and that thought upon his Name. And they shall be mine saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels."

There are so many things to talk about. Our business, home problems, our goings and comings are all matters of daily con-

versation and need to be discussed. Yet, in all this God is waiting to hear the golden note in the midst of it all that speaks of Him. The acid test of conversation is this, "Can His Name be brought into it? This will rule all gossip, idle talk, unkind and hurtful and evil communications out of our speech.

And then there are our *treasures*. Our nest on high needs furnishings. In these days of world-wide depression we have seen the sweeping away of many earthly treasures. Houses and lands, stocks and bonds, savings of lifetimes have been affected. Numbers have committed suicide; others have gone insane; while countless thousands have lost hope and are in despair. How does this affect those who have this "Blessed Hope"? Thank God, they cannot lose who have obeyed the command of Jesus, "*lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven*." Our hearts are in the "nest on high" and where "your treasure is there will your heart be also."

One dear saint of God was commenting to me on their business losses. Her husband's business, their home and their bank account had been swept away from them almost over night. Yet there was a serene look on her face as she said, "It is making Jesus more precious. Depression cannot take away our precious Lord and the only things we have been able to save are what we have given and done in His name." The prayers, tears, labors of love, the souls we have led to Christ, and the sacrifices we have made for Him are life's true treasures that bear the stamp of eternity. Praise the Lord! May our *citizenship, affections, conversation, and treasures* be placed in the nest on high awaiting the great home coming of the church.

This nest on high is not placed in a precarious position where every wind that blows might dislodge it, but "The eagle dwelleth and abideth upon the rock, upon the crag of the rock and the strong place." How the Holy Spirit has emphasized the strength of this foundation. It is not only a dwelling place but also an abiding place; not only a rock but the crag of the rock and the strong place! Though the storm sweeps down the valley, the eagle rests securely in her nest in the cleft of the rock and sits in perfect safety upon her sure foundation.

At the bombardment of Paris by the Germans during the World War, the siren whistle would warn the Parisians to flee to the strong underground cellars for safety in time of danger. One night the warning came and a household was roused and ordered below. In the dim candlelight below the mother found her little girl shivering with fright. In her alarm she had put her stockings on her arms. The mother took her child in her arms and calmed her saying, "Don't be afraid dear. They can't hurt us here. The cellar is strong and safe."

The foundation that God laid in Jesus Christ is shock proof and storm proof, and built for eternity. "Other foundation can no man lay than is laid in Christ Jesus." Our Lord said, "Therefore, whosoever heareth these sayings of mine and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon the rock; and the rain descended and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat upon that house, and it fell not: for it was founded upon the rock." Jesus Christ is the Rock, and if we have made our "nest" in the Rock of Ages cleft for us on the Cross of Calvary, we have found the only strong abiding place of the soul.

Then "unto those that look for Him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation." Heb. 9:28. The eagle has a powerful eye. It is almost impossible for man to come near its nest undetected. She searches minutely down the valley with telescopic vision, and *her eyes behold afar off*. This telescopic vision which brings a distant object close until it is seen distinctly has been part of the equipment of every saint of God through the ages. Where the human eye sees only chaos and confusion and suffering, the child of God with the eye of faith sees the purpose of God being fulfilled through the ages.

It was this telescopic vision that caused Abraham to "see the day of Christ and be glad." As the angel stayed his hand from touching his only son upon the altar and "he lifted up his eyes and looked and, behold, behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns" (Gen. 23:13) his eye of faith caught a glimpse down the avenue of the coming centuries of the Lamb of God slain as the eternal Substitute for the sins of humanity upon the altar of Calvary.

Job, forsaken of friends, suffering and tried, pierced through the gloom with such a telescopic vision that he cried with the voice of triumph, "I know that my Redeemer liveth and in the latter day shall stand upon the earth, and though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God." Job 19:25. Thus, in one far-flung sweep of revelation he saw, centuries before the incarnation, the two lines of prophecy converge in the Christ of Calvary in humiliation as the Redeemer and the Christ of exaltation coming in power to a throne with the resurrected saints. Hallelujah!

Centuries later there came a humble group to the temple for the simple rite of bringing a firstborn son to do "for him after the custom of the law." Passers by pressed on unheeded as they saw this young mother with her baby and basket of turtle doves upon her arm climbing the temple stair. To them it was just another humble family from a small village. But Simeon came by the Spirit into the temple and took this Baby into

his arms saying, "Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace for mine eyes have seen thy salvation which thou hast prepared before the face of all people." It was prepared before the face of *all people*, but only a few had eyes to see that in this Baby there was before them that holy mystery of the great Redeemer of the race incarnate in a body of flesh. Faith caused these saints to enter into the revelation of God's program for the coming ages with such reality that "having seen the promises *afar off* were persuaded of them and embraced them." Heb. 11:13. May we have the upward telescopic vision that looks beyond the present unrest into the kingdom age when He will reign whose right it is.

Then also, the eagle is very careful of its diet. It never brings to its nest carrion or any dead carcass with the touch of decay upon it. "Her young ones also

Seed Thoughts

Gathered by Alice E. Luce

"Language is the amber on which a thousand precious and subtile thoughts have been safely embedded and preserved."—Trench.

David speaks of his *tongue* as "my glory" (Psa. 16:9; 30:12; 57:8; 108:1), and the power of speech marks the superiority of man over the lower animals.

Is not the tongue the very last of our members to be yielded to the control of the Holy Spirit? How often, after yielding other members, we have said with the wicked in Psa. 12:4, "Our *lips* are our own."

"Behold we put bits in the horses' *mouths* that they may obey us; and we turn about their whole body." Jas. 3:3. Control of the tongue means conquest of the whole being.

When the Holy Spirit came down upon the hundred and twenty in the Upper Room, He gave the *sign* of having conquered and taken full possession of them by controlling their lips.

"They were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4. The Conqueror put His bit in their mouths, as a sign that the whole body was under His control.

Just as long hair is the "glory" of the bride, showing that she is under the control and protection of her bridegroom (1 Cor. 11:15), so the Spirit's control of the tongue is the "glory" of the baptized believer.

How carefully should this *glory* be kept and guarded from all pollution. See Eph. 4:30-32.

suck blood and where the slain are there is she."

What a glorious picture of the true church! Some worship a cross, others worship a Christ; but the true church worships the Christ of the Cross. It is impossible to separate Christ and Calvary or Christianity and blood atonement. Christ said, "Whithersoever the body is thither will the eagles be gathered together." And it is from the broken body and blood of our Lord that the church—the eagle saint—draws its spiritual life and power. Modernism and Materialism would bring Christ down to a moral example of the highest qualities that the human race is capable of. But Jesus said, "Except ye eat my flesh and drink my blood ye have no life in you."

It is at Calvary, where Christ was wounded for our transgressions and where he poured out his life blood as a sacrifice for sin that the Christian finds life which is life indeed. And though it is two thousand years ago since his voice cried out "It is finished," yet the precious *incorruptible blood* of Jesus Christ has never lost its ancient power to make the vilest sinner clean. The hungry heart can yet feed upon the *Lamb slain*, of whom David wrote, "Thou wilt not suffer thine holy one to see corruption." He only is the true bread sent from heaven.

Christianity is not ethics, creed, nor cult, but it is the life of Christ lived in us by the power of the Holy Ghost, whereby we become partakers of His divine nature. May we ever rejoice in that we may "Have an interest in the bleeding Lamb who died on Calvary."

Doth the eagle mount up at God's command? Yea! Soon the trump of God will sound to cause his eagle saints to rise to meet him in the air, for, "The Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so shall we ever be with the Lord." 1 Thess. 4:16. The law of gravitation which causes matter to be attracted toward the earth will no longer have any power over us and we shall rise to be with Him whom our souls love in the nest on high. Our Lord dwells there, our citizenship, our affections, our conversation and our treasures are there. And our hearts cry out in longing "Even so come, Lord Jesus, come quickly."

When you get into a tight place and everything goes against you till it seems as if you couldn't hold on a minute longer, never give up then, for that's the time and place that the tide will turn.—A. G. Ward.

The Editor's Notebook

A Wonderful Promise

In Isa. 40:5 we read, "The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together." What is meant by the "glory of the Lord"? Says that able scholar, David Baron: "The words 'Khe-bod Jehovah' (the glory of Jehovah), in the Hebrew Scriptures always means the glory of the personal presence of Jehovah; the glory surrounding and attendant on the visible manifestations of Jehovah on the earth. No sooner did God bring Israel out of Egypt than He Himself came, and took His place at the head of that nation. And the visible symbol of His as yet invisible presence was the pillar of cloud, which at night turned into a pillar of fire. 'And Jehovah went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud . . . and by night in a pillar of fire.' Ex. 13:21, 22. In Ex. 14:10 we have this pillar of cloud associated with the 'Angel of Jehovah,' and only one Being in the Old Testament bears the name of the 'Angel of Jehovah,' and that is Messiah, the Son of God."

His Coming and Departure

When Moses finished the tent of meeting, "The glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle." Ex. 40:34. Again, when Solomon dedicated the temple, "A cloud filled the house of the Lord so that the priests could not minister because of the cloud; for the glory of the Lord had filled the house of the Lord." 1 Kings 8:10, 11. Did the personal presence of the Lord remain in the temple? Alas, no. The prophet Ezekiel was taken in spirit to Jerusalem and there he witnessed the departure of the glory from the temple and from the city. It seemed as if the Lord was very reluctant to leave. At first the glory moved from the holy of holies to the threshold; for a while it "stood" over the court, then over the city, but finally departed from the Mount of Olives.

"Ichabod"

Why did the glory of the Lord have to leave the temple? Because of the sinful abominations that were being practiced in Israel. The Lord said to the prophet, "Son of man, seest thou what they do? Even the great abominations that the house of Israel committeth here, that I should go far off from my sanctuary?" Rabbi Yochanan says, "For the space of three and one half years, the Shekinah was sitting upon the Mount of Olives thinking peradventure Israel might repent." "Since the departure of the

glory," says Baron, "there is one word written across Jewish history, and that one word is 'Ichabod.' Where is the glory? For the Lord has withdrawn Himself, and the glory of Jehovah has departed from His land and from His people." Ezekiel, however, saw not only the departure of the glory, but was given a prophetic vision of the return.

The Hidden Glory

When, in the days of Haggai and Zechariah, the temple was rebuilt, we do not read of the glory returning. Some five hundred years later a Babe was brought into the temple, and just at this time there drew near the aged Simeon, to whom it had been revealed that he should not die until he had seen the Lord's Christ. Taking the Babe in his arms he declared, "Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: for mine eyes have seen thy salvation . . . a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel." The anointed eyes of Simeon saw beneath that veil of flesh the hidden glory of Jehovah. Once on the Mount of Transfiguration the glory was manifested and was seen by three chosen witnesses. Said one of those witnesses, the apostle John, "We beheld His glory, the glory of the only begotten of the Father." The average Israelite in looking at the tabernacle saw little but the badger skin covering, and beheld nothing of the glory within; so the men of Jewry saw in the outward appearance of the only begotten Son of God no form or comeliness that they should desire Him. His glory was hidden from them.

The Departure of the Glory

Shortly before His departure we see the Lord Jesus viewing Zion, and saying: "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem . . . how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!" Israel and the princes of this world, however, capped all their other sins by crucifying the "Lord of glory." 1 Cor. 2:8. But God raised His Son from the grave and a few days later we see Him ascending from the very same place where Ezekiel saw the glory departing—the Mount of Olives. As He ascended and His beloved disciples saw Him going, there were present with them two heavenly witnesses who said, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so

come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." The return of the glory and the return of our glorious Jesus will be, not two events, but one.

The Pentecostal Glory

Is there at this time an Ichabod period for the church? By no means. Before He went away the Master told His disciples that it was expedient for Him to go, for if He went not away the Comforter would not come. And so on the day of Pentecost He poured forth the blessed Holy Spirit, the Comforter, and the waiting disciples were filled with the glorious presence of the Comforter. Years before they had witnessed Christ turning water into wine, and the record says He thus "manifested forth His glory." It was the beginning of His miracles in the days of His flesh. And Pentecost was the beginning of miracles in His sojourn in the glory, when the water of life within those waiting disciples was transformed into the glorious wine of the Spirit. Pentecost is the showing forth of His glory.

The Glory Yet to Come

And yet, marvelous as Pentecost is, it is but the earnest of the inheritance. In Titus we read: "For the grace of God (and this came by Jesus Christ, John 1:17) that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men"—and that is the past; "teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world"—that is the present; and as to the future, "looking for the blessed hope, and appearing of the glory of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ." Titus 2:13, A. S. V. He, who is the Lord of glory, is coming back to earth again, and it is written of Him, "Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen." Rev. 1:7.

What Shall His Coming Be?

What will be the effect of the return of the Lord of glory? For those who love His appearing, how blessed! "When he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him (no longer as in a glass darkly, but) as he is." 1 John 3:2. As for Israel, "They shall look upon Me whom they have pierced." Zech. 12:10. At that time there will be a great mourning as Israel repents, and a nation of rebellious Sauls will be changed into a race of flaming Pauls. And for the sinner? The record tells us that they shall cry to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: for the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?" Rev. 6:16, 17.

A Sustaining Vision

Peter was living in days when persecution and trials were many. He said to the saints as he foresaw what was ahead for them: "Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you; but rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, *when his glory shall be revealed*, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy. If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the *Spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you.*" 1 Peter 4:12-14. Peter spoke of himself as a "partaker of the glory that shall be revealed." 1 Peter 5:1. Israel did despite to the Spirit. They "vexed His Holy Spirit," and He departed. This should be a solemn warning to us to "grieve not the Holy Spirit of promise." How can we grieve and quench the Spirit? Read that list of sins in Eph. 4:29-32. Outstanding in this list in bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, evil speaking, and malice. Let us be purged and purified from these things as we wait for the coming of the Lord of glory.

The Witness of the Spirit

In a new book, "God Working with Them," by W. F. P. Burton, he tells of some Congo natives coming to Axel Oman and inquiring, "How long must we wait before we receive the Holy Spirit?" Brother Oman placed his hands on them and prayed. Immediately the Spirit of God fell on them as in Acts 2:4 and they began to speak in tongues. One of them began to speak in pure English, a language he had never learned and scarcely ever heard, and among other things he declared in English, "*Jesus is coming soon.*" Some years ago the writer received a letter from a Pentecostal missionary in China who told of the Spirit of God falling on two Chinese girls who knew no English, who gave forth the same word in pure English, "*Jesus is coming soon.*" Thank God, the Spirit of God is witnessing to this truth in all parts of the world. Very soon He will be here and then "the earth shall be filled with *the knowledge of the glory of the Lord* as the waters cover the sea." Hab. 2:14.

Is the Bible Defunct?

According to the Annual Report of the British and Foreign Bible Society last year, the circulation of the Scriptures amounted to 10,617,470 volumes, an increase of 65,186 over the previous year. An analysis of these figures shows that while there is a decrease of nearly 25,000 in the distribution of portions of Scripture, there was an increase of more than 31,000 Bibles and almost 59,000 Testaments.

The Far East

According to *Time*, a few weeks ago 40,000 Japanese youths from 17 to 25 were ordered into munitions plants. Said Mussolini: "The peril of war exists. The event does not interest only Russia and Japan. It involves also China and the United States, and directly or indirectly, England, France, Italy and Holland."

Looking forward to these days the inspired prophet cried: "Proclaim ye this among the Gentiles, Prepare war, wake up the mighty men." Joel 3:9.

The World for Fascism?

According to *Elim Evangel*, Mussolini said to 35,000 Blackshirts: "Raise your banners and arms under the Roman sun in salute to the Fascist march which will continue from Italy along the roads of Europe and the world."

Dictatorship is on the increase. Would it be too fanciful to foresee a "World Dictators' Conference" meeting, and electing one dictator as its president—thus paving the way for the coming world-ruler?

The Red Peril

Time quotes Molotov, Premier of Russia, as saying: "There can be no doubt that the establishment of normal relations between the United States and the Soviet Union is a development of tremendous significance to the entire system of international relations. . . . [It] marks a break with the past, when the United States was considered as a stronghold of all anti-Soviet tendencies."

Christ or communism—may be the alternative facing our nation in the near future.

Young Christians in Russia

According to *The Missionary Review of the World* (quoted in *Prophecy*): "In spite of all interdiction groups of young people in Soviet Russia meet in the name of Christ to strengthen Christianity among youth, and have received the name 'Christomol,' in contrast to the name 'Komsomol' which means 'Union of Communist Youth.' The organization of this Christomol has taken place under conditions almost identical with those which existed at the beginning of Christianity." Whatever the situation, God always reserves a group who will not bow the knee to Baal. 1 Kings 19:18.

The Passing and the Permanent

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

Atheism in Spain

Spain is being inundated with cheap atheistic and communistic literature, bearing titles such as "Jesus Christ a Myth," "The Lies of the Bible," etc. An earnest endeavor is being made by the National Bible Society of Scotland to counteract with the Word of God such propaganda, numbers of Scriptures being circulated.

Nazi Drift Towards Paganism

Alfred Rosenberg, "philosophical chief" of about two and a half million German storm troopers, is the author of a book on "Mythology in the Twentieth Century." Comments *The Presbyterian*: "His thesis seems to be to unseat the Lord Jesus Christ and enthrone the old Norse gods." When man will not be conformed to the image of the true God he will make gods in his own image.

The American-Jewish Problem

According to *Jewish Bulletin*, Felix Warburg "insisted on the need of influencing Jewish youth to enter professions other than those now overcrowded with Jews." Said another Jewish leader: "American Jews are drifting into the same economic status into which the German Jews drifted (that is, the overcrowding of certain professions)."

As long as Jonah was out of God's will he was a problem. And so it is with the Jews.

Perverved Christianity

According to *Christianity Today*, Dr. Krause, one of the leaders of the Hitlerized church made the following statements. Of the Old Testament he said, "This book has been rightly designated as one of the most questionable books of the world's history." "It will be also necessary that our national church undertake the removal of all erroneous statements of the New Testament, and publicly declare a thorough-going denial of the entire theology of the atonement and human inferiority taught by Rabbi Paul."

The attempt to make Christianity conform to our own ideas is to destroy it.

A Traveler's Impressions

In a new book, "*Some Impressions of Present Travel*," the author says, "Europe is a seething hell of hate. Wherever one goes each country seems to hate some other country. The French hate the Germans, and distrust the English. The Germans hate the French and Poles, and fear the English, and hate the Jugoslavs. You feel that whenever the nations recover their old-time strength, they will again fight."

The natural man has not changed with the passing centuries and the apostolic description of him evidently still holds good in this "advanced" age, "living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another." Titus 3:3.

The Way of Salvation

An Infidel Doctor Converted

Mrs. Lydia Walshaw, an American Pentecostal sister living in Great Britain, was led of God to come to America to visit her father, who was an atheist. She had been praying for his conversion, and the Lord definitely revealed to her that if she would come to America He would use her in the conversion of her father, who was a doctor. So she came.

But her father was a hard, scientific atheist. She did not know how to approach him, so she told the Lord He must arrange the conversation. He did!

A few days after her arrival in this country the doctor said to his daughter, "I have got something to tell you that will make you laugh." He then told her of a sinful woman who was in the hospital with a terrible disease brought on by her sin. The doctor plainly told her, "You must give up your sin, or die." Faced with death, she was terror-stricken, and said, "Doctor, pray for me." It was a strange request to make of an atheist. But the response was still stranger. The doctor was so sorry for the woman that he actually got down on his knees and prayed. It was this fact—the fact that an atheist should pray—which he expected to make his daughter laugh.

But he was disappointed. She did not laugh. The doctor further explained that the woman asked what about her past. "Oh, forget it," said the doctor.

"Oh," cried out Mrs. Walshaw, "I must find out this woman, for I should not have told her that."

"What would you have told her?" curiously asked her father.

"I should have told her that the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son cleanseth from all sin, and that through the precious Blood every bit of the past could be blotted out." The father gazed at his daughter with a strange look, asking what she meant.

"Look," she said, pointing to some ink stains on the table cloth, "go to your surgery and get me some salts of lemon, and I will get those blots right out, just as the blood of Jesus Christ will remove the guilty stains of that sinful woman."

Again that strange look came in the eyes of the doctor, and then suddenly he cried out, "I see it, I see it, I have never seen it before, 'the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin.'" The cleansing Blood that woman needed was just what he needed. That moment the clever, educated, scientific, one-time atheist doctor was converted. His daughter was amazed and delighted, but it was just like God. She had obeyed His voice and traveled to America, and He had ful-

filled His promise and converted her father. The doctor lived to be 92 years of age, and he continued to witness to the end that it is the blood of Jesus Christ which cleanseth from all sin.

The same precious blood of cleansing that brought this doctor salvation is available for you.

The Scrap Book

ALL THINGS

A Sermon Suggestion

I. *The Believer's Privilege.* "All things are yours," 1 Cor. 3:21. "All things are possible to him that believeth," Mark 9:23. "All things work together for good," Rom. 8:28.

II. *The Believer's Position.* "Justified from all things," Acts 13:39.

III. *The Believer's Safeguard.* "Watch thou in all things," 2 Tim. 4:5. "Prove all things," etc., 1 Thess. 5:21.

IV. *The Believer's Ballast.* "The end of all things is at hand; be sober, and watch unto prayer," 1 Pet. 4:7.

V. *The Believer's Responsibility.* "Adorn the doctrine in all things," Titus 2:10. "Charity (love) believeth all things," 1 Cor. 13:7. "Giving thanks always for all things," Eph. 5:20. "Showing thyself a pattern of good works in all things," Titus 2:7. "That God might be glorified in all things," 1 Pet. 4:11.

VI. *The Believer's Condition.* "All things are become new," 2 Cor. 5:17.

VII. *The Believer's Power.* "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me," Phil. 4:13.

VIII. *The Believer's Reward.* "He that overcometh shall inherit all things," Rev. 21:7.

When the Baby Cried

For many years a certain man lived a life of pronounced infidelity in the city of Edinburgh. He always did his best to hinder the efforts put forth by Christian workers for the salvation of souls. One day Mr. George Muller came to the city, and the auditorium was packed to overflowing. This infidel longing to hear the man of God, by sheer physical strength and inspired by curiosity, pressed his way into the hall. Just when the preacher began to deliver his message a baby began to cry very loudly. The mother attempted to leave the building but the crowd was too great. Mr. Muller at once came to the troubled mother's help by saying, "Will that dear mother sit down, and we will ask Jesus to put the baby to sleep." The mother quietly took her seat, and Mr. Muller prayed, "Blessed Lord Jesus Christ, be pleased to put this baby to sleep," and immediately the child went off to sleep. The infidel was startled beyond measure and said to himself, "If that man has a God like that, it is time for me to seek Him." He became a true Christian, and God made great use of him in winning souls to Christ.

A Three Minute Sermon

The All-Atoning Blood

The night of the first Passover in Egypt was one long to be remembered. God went out searching. He was searching for blood. He was not disappointed in His search as far as the land of Goshen was concerned. But He did not see the blood in other parts of Egypt.

The God of mercy became a God of judgment. The merciful God became a judging God. The blood made the difference. The same thing is going on today. God is looking for blood on the houses, on the homes, and on hearts. And where He sees it there is mercy.

It is the presence of the blood that makes the difference. There are some places where it should be and is not. To such, God will be terrible out of His holy place. Some churches are banishing the blood and putting gilding in the place of it. Making a covering of tinsel and blotting out the blood! Blotting out the atonement and nullifying it by a covering of gold!

The blood has been a barrier against the wrath of God. It speaks of forgiveness. Men spurn the blood, spurn forgiveness, and in consequence they will have to suffer the wrath of God.

"When I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not come upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt." Ex. 12:13.

The destroying angel is not dead. He is still waiting to execute the command of his Master.

No blood, no mercy.

No blood, no protection.

Satan tries to keep men from honoring the blood, because God has honored it. What God exalts, Satan debases. What God honors, Satan dishonors. He is anti-God, and anti-Spirit.

If you honor the blood, God will honor you. God will honor you because you honor the One who shed the blood, the Son of God.

Make your calling and election sure so that you may be among those who, in the glory, are around the throne giving "glory and honor to the Lamb that was slain, and hast redeemed us unto God by His blood." The Father is pleased with the company, however small, who honor the blood and give the Spirit His rightful place.

You honor the blood and God will honor and exalt you.

Tithing—Does God Require It?

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given the tithe to the Lord, beyond all thought or expectation.

The Tithe Belongs to God

If we were to buy a meal in a restaur-

rant, upon paying the proprietor, we would not consider that we had given him a gift. We would have simply given him that which belonged to him. In the 27th chapter of Leviticus, the 30th verse, we read: "And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD'S; it is holy unto the LORD." Therefore, when we pay our tithe to the Lord, we simply give God that which belongs to Him.

In the 31st verse, we read: "If a man will at all redeem ought of his tithes, he shall add thereto the fifth part thereof." In other words, if he should happen to use any part of the tithe, he should add a fifth part to it when paying it back into the Lord's treasury.

The 32nd verse of this same chapter reads: "The tithe of the herd or of the flock, even of whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the Lord."

This is forever settled in heaven. It was before the Law, while the Law was in force, and never has nor ever will be abolished. It is as unchangeable as God Himself since it is *His Word*.

How Tithes Should Be Used

In Number 18:24, we read "But the tithes of the children of Israel, which they offer as an heave offering unto the Lord, I have given to the Levites to inherit: therefore I have said unto them, Among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance." The Levites were not to be engaged in business for themselves, but the tenth was to be their portion. This is typical of those who have been called of God and sanctified by the Holy Ghost to preach the gospel without worldly possessions or portion to sustain them. The tithe of spiritual Israel is to be their portion now and while time lasts.

Paul, no doubt, in referring to the above scripture, in 1st Corinthians, the 9th chapter and the 14th verse, says, "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel."

On two occasions Jesus said in regard to tithing, "This ought ye to have done." We note hereby that Jesus distinctly says men ought to pay the holy tithe to the work of God.

The eighth commandment is, "Thou shalt not steal." The law of any civilized country demands that any person who steals shall be apprehended and punished, and all right thinking people agree that this is a just and good law. Since the scriptures plainly teach that the tenth is the Lord's, we would therefore ask the question, "Is it a less crime to steal from God than man?" The Almighty God terms the withholding of the tithe "robbery." He asks the question, "Will a man rob God?" And then adds, "Ye have

robbed me in tithes and offerings." It is a crime to steal anything that belongs to another, but the lesser crime of the two would seem to be to steal from man.

The Consequence of Withholding the Tithe

At the coming of the Lord those who have withheld their tithes will find themselves living under scriptural condemnation and classed as "robbers of God"—"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse; for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation." Malachi 3:8-9.

The withholding of tithes is an unspeakable hindrance to the spread of the gospel, as a result of which unnumbered thousands of human souls have passed into eternity without hearing the glad message of salvation. It causes God's ministers and missionaries to suffer needlessly, and the progress of the work of the Church, both at home and abroad, to be retarded.

In view of these scriptural facts, with which every right thinking person will agree, we would advise those who are waiting for the coming of the Lord not to hold back any part of that which belongs to Him. It will pay ten thousand fold to have a clean slate and a clear conscience on that day when we as stewards shall appear before the righteous Judge to give an account of our stewardship.

The Remedy

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."



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"And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts."

"And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts." Malachi 3:10-12.

A Very Practical Question

Some honest people, who believe in paying tithes, may ask the question, "Where should tithes be paid?" This question is practical and profitable. We believe there are those who have taken their tithes and distributed them here and there to their favorites, both in the home and foreign field, without any godly discrimination. This is un-Scriptural and does not have God's blessing resting upon it. It must not be forgotten that in paying tithes we are not giving of our own but that which belongs to the Lord. Therefore we have no Scriptural right to give our tithes here and there, and to whom and what we think, since they are not our own. God specifies very clearly that they belong to Him and where they are to be paid.

In Deuteronomy 12:11, we read: "Then there shall be a place which the Lord your God shall choose to cause his name to dwell there; thither shall ye bring all that I command you; your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, your tithes, and the heave offering of your hand, and all your choice vows which ye vow unto the Lord."

Then in Malachi 3:10, we read: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." The place and storehouse spoken of in the scriptures I have just quoted obviously mean the church, or the place where we get our spiritual life and strength renewed, where we worship and get spiritual food, where we are ministered to and prayed for—the place of God's choice for us. There, and there alone, we should bring our tithes and offerings.

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Evangel Boxes

Thanks to so many assemblies having Evangel boxes, the circulation of the Evangel is now nearly 14,000 above what it was last year.

Pastor David H. McDowell writes from Jeannette, Pa., "We are now distributing 55 Evangel boxes a week, and the people just gobble them up."

We will gladly send a box free to any Assembly that will take twelve copies weekly. There is a receptacle for coins in front of the box, so that every one can deposit their two cents when they take their paper.

At Central Bible Institute

"In the Morning of Joy,
In the Morning of Joy,
We'll be gathered together
In the Morning of Joy."

Softly and sweetly the notes of this precious song were wafted down through the corridors of the first floor. On, on they came, louder, but not harshly, until they found the guest room on the second floor, filling the room and the heart of the guest with joy and gladness.

A sleepy guest arises, rubs her eyes and says, "Hallelujah!" She waits expectantly for that great translating power to cause her to rise and meet the Lord in the air. A moment later the laughter of two girls is heard as they scamper to their rooms.

"Where am I? What is happening?"

Then the noise of doors being opened—more voices, and happy, cheerful "good mornings," and there comes the realization that it's just the rising hour in the Central Bible Institute in Springfield, Missouri. The sleepy guest says to herself, "It's just dear old Home Sweet Home after all and another day has dawned—a morning of Joy—if not the Great Morning of Joy, and Jesus is here in our midst."

"Home Sweet Home," did she say? Yes, it's dear old C. B. I. Who is this who dares to call this her home? One who treasures every memory of this dear old school. Oh those memories! There is the lane down across the corner of the campus that holds just enough shadows and moonlight to make it a delightful place to stroll along in the half hour between supper and quiet hour on a balmy Spring evening.

There too, is the old stump which the guest and her chum used as a "pulpit" to sound forth their orations as they practiced for the great hour that would soon come in the classroom.

Memories, precious memories, how they linger. It seems as if it were only yesterday that the guest was here as a student.

While wandering through the halls, down to the classroom she meets one of her teachers. How good it seems to see two or three who were here in her day. Again the question comes, "Is the guest really awake, or just dreaming?" This is the Prophecy teacher, and the guest will slip into class—perhaps there she will find her old classmates. Anyway what a delight it would be to hear a good lecture on Prophecy. How her heart used to thrill as she studied Prophecy and traced the many signs leading up to the coming of the Lord. Somehow her heart is yearning for His coming more today than ever before. Perhaps He Himself will come during this very class period.

She is seated with the class, and after a song and prayer, the Prophecy teacher announces that this is a Missions Class, and that the guest will now please speak. What will she speak about? Will she recite the old lessons? Will she tell of Livingstone in Africa, Carey in India, Hudson Taylor in China, or John Paton in the South Sea Isles? Of which of these soldiers of the Cross who have so inspired her own life will she

speak? What is the matter? Has she forgotten the lesson? No, she is asked to tell of her own experiences in far-away India during the intervening years since 1926 when she left the doors of C. B. I. to face life's real battles.

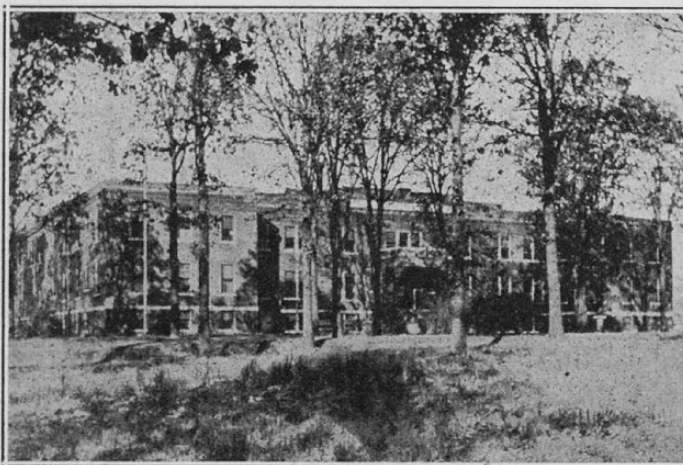
Vainly she searches for faces she once knew and loved. They are gone—yes, gone—some to Africa, others to China, Palestine, Japan, India,



Brother Evans and Brother Boyd on
a campus day

and the Islands of the Sea. She can never hope to be reunited with them all again here on earth, but in that great "Morning of Joy" we shall meet around the throne and there rehearse good times in the Lord—the battles and victories. Even now we seem to hear the great choir of our former C. B. I. friends join in the Hallelujah chorus.

The guest has spent three weeks in the Missionary Rest Home of C. B. I. Bells have rung, classes have met, music has been practiced, and everything has gone on as usual in this busy school. Rest did you say? Yes, the guest would not have it otherwise for the songs of gladness have cheered her heart. She has enjoyed every moment of the time since she came. The fellowship of these dear boys and



A view of Central Bible Institute

girls has meant* more to her than weeks of silence—this Christian fellowship that only missionaries who have been deprived of for so long, can fully appreciate. Every morning the trumpeter sends forth happy notes of praise reminding the guest and students alike that they are beginning the day with Jesus in their midst.

So the guest is sure the circle of old-timers will be glad to include the present student body in their happy reunion that is soon to be in the skies, and we shall be glad to let them join in our Hallelujah anthem too.

In closing, the guest would say, "Weary one, come home—home from your fields of labor to C. B. I. for a soul refreshing rest."

The guest breaks the "home ties" again and until we meet "In the Morning of Joy"—good bye and God bless you.—M. E. Baird.

MUCH FRUIT

Dr. A. J. Gordon told of a Moravian missionary, named George Smith, who went to Africa. He had been there but a short time and had only one convert, a poor woman, when he was driven from the country. They found this man dead one day. He had died praying for the Dark Continent. Failure? And yet when they celebrated the one-hundredth anniversary of the founding of that mission, they learned that a company, accidentally stumbling upon a place where he had prayed, had found the copy of the Scriptures he had left. They also found one aged woman who was his convert. They sought to sum up his brief life, and reckoned more than thirteen thousand living converts that had sprung from that life which seemed such a failure.

"WE WANT TO KNOW"

A missionary once said that she did her best teaching when she dressed the dear little body of the baby that had left her, putting on its prettiest frock, brushing back its flossy hair, laying a rosebud in its waxen fingers, and then calling in the heathen women to look at it. They sobbed out in their astonishment, "You've fixed your baby up to go to a lovely place, and you expect to see her again. When ours die we throw their poor little bodies out for the dogs to eat. They have gone into darkness and we have no hope of ever seeing them again. We want to know about your Jesus who has your baby, and who will take care of her, and let you have her again when you die."

CHRIST'S WILL

Robbie Flockhart used constantly to preach in the streets of Edinburgh, and he told this story. He said: "I had a friend in the army, and he committed some offense in war time, for which he was condemned to be shot. So he said, 'Robbie, I have to die tomorrow, and as I have a little money, I have made my will and left it to you.' 'Thank you,' I said. The next morning, instead of being taken out to be shot, the soldier received a free pardon; so," said Robbie, "he got his life and I lost my legacy, for a testament is not of force while the testator liveth; he must die to give effect to his will. And," said Robbie, "our great Testator is dead; we know that He died—they nailed Him to the cross; therefore, His will stands good; let us go and take the legacy He has bequeathed to us."

The Sunday School Lesson

The Lord Jesus Responds to Faith

Lesson for March 18: Matt. 15:21-31.

After an intense and extensive ministry in Galilee the Lord Jesus made a journey to the Gentile countries north of Palestine, not for preaching, but for retirement. But it was very difficult for Him to take a vacation, because "He could not be hid." Mark 7:24. His reputation as a Healer was so well known in the land that the slightest hint as to His presence was sufficient to bring sufferers to Him. His presence was soon discovered by a Canaanite woman living in the Gentile country of Phoenicia, north of Palestine. To Him she addressed the piteous plea, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou Son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil." She had no doubt tried the common heathen remedies—spells, incantations, the pronouncing of magic names—but all in vain. In her sorrow and despair she availed herself of the privilege of every mother—she brought her child's need to Jesus.

I. THE TRIAL OF FAITH. 15:21-27.

It is evident that she had come to the right Person, with the right plea and in the right spirit. And this fact makes all the more surprising Christ's apparent silence and indifference to her cry.

But when we come to the end of the story (the best time for judging God's dealings!) we learn that the Lord Jesus was testing this woman's faith, leading it to that point of intensity which would bring the blessing. John 6:6, with the changing of one word, explains in a nutshell the Lord's dealings with this Gentile woman: "And this He said to prove her, for He Himself knew what He would do." He tried her faith in the following ways:

Seeming Silence. "But he answered her not a word." She found Him different from the reports she had heard. He who had anticipated the needs of others, withdrew from her. "The Word has no word; the fountain is sealed; the Physician withholds His remedies." The disciples, seemingly more merciful than their Master, ask Him to dismiss the woman and quiet her shrill cries. "Send her away; for she crieth after us." They wanted to get rid of her as one would get rid of a beggar by tossing him a coin. But behind the apparent indifference of the Lord there was real love; while behind the seeming compassion of the disciples there was selfishness.

Many a saint of God has passed through the experience described by the words, "And he answered her not a word." One prophet asks, "How long, O Lord?" (Hab. 1:2); an Old Testament believer cries, "Awaken, why sleepest thou?" (Psa. 44:23); another pleads, "Be not silent unto me." (Psa. 28:1). But many a saint has learned, like the Canaanite woman, that God's silences are vocal with a purpose and a message.

There are many reasons for unanswered prayer. If the fault lies with us, because of cherished sin, selfish motives, lack of earnestness or ignorant asking, then let us remove the obstacle. If, on the other hand, God has a

good purpose in making us wait, then let us trust and wait patiently for Him, for, as Spurgeon said, "It may be your prayer is like a ship, which, when it goes on a long voyage, does not come home so soon; but when it does come home it has a richer freight." But whatever the cause of the delay, let us not make it an excuse for the abandoning of prayer.

Seeming indifference. "But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel." These words reveal: (1) The privileged position of the Jewish nation. They are the "children" of God (nationally) by divine adoption. Ex. 4:22; Rom. 9:4. With them were all the covenants made, to them divine revelation was given, and to them the Messiah was promised. Therefore when the Messiah appeared it was but natural that He should go to His own people first, because for thousands of years God had been training them for the task of evangelizing all nations, and Christ had come to lead the Jews to ful-



Brother Welch among his girls on a campus day at Central Bible Institute

fill that task. Rom. 15:8, 9. God's plan was, "To the Jew first." Rom. 1:16; Acts 3:26; 13:46. (2) The hopeless condition of the Gentile world. If two applicants for work came to an employer, and he had promised a position to only one of them, who would secure the job? Naturally the one who had received the definite assurance. If the other received any employment, it would be through the employer's kindness (grace). Since God had promised to the Jewish nation the ministry of the Messiah, they could therefore claim His blessings by promise. Now, Christ was teaching this Gentile woman the following lesson: though she could not claim anything from Him by promise—by addressing Him as Son of David—yet she could receive the blessing by grace through faith. "O woman, great is thy faith." Compare Eph. 2:11-22.

Apparent reproach. Determined not to take "No" for an answer, the woman "worshiped him, saying, Lord, help me. But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread and cast it to the dogs." The "children's bread" represents those blessings ministered by Israel's Messiah; the "children" refers to the Chosen People from whom Messiah came and to whom He was primarily sent; the "dogs" (domestic dogs are referred to) refer to the Gentile world. To this seeming reproach comes the humble, gentle answer:

"Truth, Lord; yet the dogs eat of the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." She as much as says: "Among us Gentiles, we give even the dogs a share in the meal, allowing them to pick up the scraps that fall from the table. I will take the dog's place. Give thy children their bread, but let a few crumbs of thy mercy fall for the sake of this Gentile suppliant."

Notice the practical lesson taught by this answer: it pays to take the lowly place. The woman might have said: "Dogs! Is that the way I am described? Well I refuse to be insulted by a proud Jew. If that's the way He feels about me, then He can keep His healing!" But instead she bowed her head and said, "Truth, Lord." When we hear the rebuking of the Lord through His Word, the Spirit, or through a gospel message, instead of proudly justifying ourselves, let us admit the charge and say, "Truth, Lord." It will never pay to answer, as Peter once did, "Not so, Lord." Acts 10:14. For when we admit our need we can make that very admission an argument for God's grace. Said Martin Luther: "Like her thou must give God right in all that He says against thee, and yet must not stand off from praying, till thou overcomest even as she overcame, till thou hast turned the very charges against thee into arguments and proof of thy need, till thou, too, hast taken Christ in His own words."

II. THE TRIUMPH OF FAITH. 15:28.

"And Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt." We may well imagine the Lord Jesus relaxing the sternness of His countenance and uttering these words with a kindly smile. Compare the story of Joseph's dealings with his brethren. After he had tested the sincerity and repentance of his brothers by seemingly harsh words and rough treatment and after Judah had made his touching appeal (Gen. 44:18-34) we read, "And Joseph could not refrain himself before all of them that stood by." Gen. 45:1. In like manner the Lord yielded—as He had intended to do from the beginning—to the persevering humble, intelligent faith of the Gentile woman.

Let us remember the central lesson of this incident: the victory of persevering prayer. In some of His teaching on prayer (Luke 11:1-13; 18:1-5) the Lord used some strange illustrations to set forth God's attitude—a selfish neighbor who said, "Trouble me not," and an unjust judge who said, "Because this widow troubleth me, I will avenge her." And here is the reason. The Lord Jesus knows that many people, because of many discouragements in prayer, are tempted to consider God unjust and heartless, and to ask, "Does God care?" With such He gently reasons as follows: "Suppose God to be, what for a moment you were tempted to believe, indifferent and heartless; keep on praying just the same. Consider what perseverance can accomplish. The man received loaves from the selfish neighbor because he kept on asking. The widow received justice from an ungodly and unrighteous judge just because she refused to stop her crying. Therefore, even if God were like these people it would still be reasonable to pray. But since He is kind and considerate, much more so than earthly parents, surely He will, in due time, answer your cries and meet your need." And to these words of the divine Teacher, let us say with the Canaanite woman, "Truth, Lord!" —Myer Pearlman.

The Gospel in Foreign Lands

A MIGHTY MIRACLE OF HEALING

Mrs. A. E. Wilson

May 14, 1933 I fell and broke both bones in my arm near the wrist. The wrist was sprained also, as well as most of the fingers being thrown out of place. The arm was not properly set, in fact it was not set at all but just put in a plaster cast which was so tight that after three days it had to be removed and another put on. It was two weeks before I could be out of bed. The suffering was so intense that I began having sinking spells, and for awhile it seemed the shock was too much for me. After six weeks when the cast was removed we found that the arm was so crooked and the hand turned so far that I could not see the face of my watch when on that arm. Besides the deformity the joint and entire hand was stiff. It continued very painful and useless and for the last six weeks I have known without a doubt that I was losing the sense of feeling and that it was shrinking.

We had occasion to go to Ouagadougou and decided we would ask Brother Chastagner to go with us to see what the new doctor thought of it. As we do not speak very much French. Brother Chastagner explained the case to him and he examined it, and took a needle and had me close my eyes and tell him when I could feel the prick of the needle. Sometimes I could feel it and sometimes I could not. He drew a picture of the bones of the forearm and hand and the break and showed how so much secretion had come from the broken bones that they had not only knit together but had formed an overgrowth of bone catching the nerves that govern the sense of feeling in between the bones. He showed also that the two long bones in the forearm that move when the hand turns had grown together and become a solid mass. He said that if something were not done at once to release the nerves my hand would become completely paralyzed and nothing could ever be done for it. When asked what the chances were to re-break the bones and turn the hand he quoted a French proverb something like this, "The risk is greater than the gain."

This conversation took place about four-thirty, Jan. 6, and we went back to the mission station somewhat discouraged. After we had eaten our evening meal with the Smiths we were still sitting at the table talking about the advisability of having this operation performed, and as I thought of how very near the coming of Jesus is I decided I would just leave it alone since I might not regain the use of it anyway.

Suddenly the thumb began to move and I cried, "Oh, see what God has done for me already." We began to praise Him and the natives hearing us came running and oh the joy as we found that I could move my fingers, open and close my hand, and that every joint in the hand and fingers was loose and supple. My husband and I ran over to show the Chastagners the miracle that God

had wrought and there I found that my wrist joint was loosened and that my hand would turn thus proving that not only the nerves had been released but that the bones had been separated. I found that I could shake hands with my left hand with a strong grip. This the doctor had had me try in the afternoon but without success. Mrs. Chastagner brought in the typewriter and I found that the hand had already turned enough to enable me to touch almost all the left keys. I had had to type with one hand since my fall, but I am writing this with both hands. As the news spread the native Christians came from all directions, and it would be hard to say who rejoiced the most, black or white people. We missionaries were weeping and praising at the same time. Some of the natives after seeing me work my hand would cover their faces in awe and run out, others began to shout and the Spirit came upon some, and one dear young man with tears streaming down his cheeks ran to the church



Mrs. A. E. Wilson, whose broken arm was miraculously healed.

to pray. Oh I assure you we had a wonderful time for all knew of the months of suffering and the helplessness of the hand.

God has used this healing to stimulate faith and a greater love and zeal for Him both at Ouagadougou and here in Kaya since we returned. Now we can understand why He permitted such a condition to exist and why these seven months of suffering. It has been well worth it all to bring such glory to His name. Truly man's extremity is God's opportunity. We are stirred to expect the—"Greater works than these shall ye do." Can you wonder that I have given myself to Him anew? To love Him and obey Him implicitly until Jesus comes will not be enough to begin to show Him how I appreciate it. May He richly bless all who have prayed for me.

A VISIT TO TENNESSEE

Leaving Springfield on Saturday, February 3rd, it was the pleasure of our General Superintendent and myself to have several days of ministry in Tennessee. Sunday, the fourth, was spent at Memphis where Brother Williams spoke at one of the churches in the morning while I gave a missionary message at the other church. At night our preaching places were reversed while in the afternoon we had a pleasant union meeting which was largely devoted to Missions. Pastors of the Memphis churches are the two Pickthorn workers of California.

From Memphis we went to Dyersburg for a Bible and Missionary Convention which began Monday night in the church of which Brother E. C. Sumrall is pastor. The next three days were spent in intensive ministry, there being three meetings daily. At these meetings our Superintendent gave instructive messages in the mornings, which were followed by a time devoted to questions and answers, which proved very interesting and helpful. The afternoon meetings were largely missionary in character and we enjoyed telling the people about the work of the Assemblies of God in India. At the night meetings there was first a missionary message which was followed by an evangelistic sermon, except the last night which was entirely devoted to missions.

Leaving Dyersburg by auto we had a cold drive to Columbia where we were cordially received by Brother and Sister J. E. Hamill, through whose ministry the work at Columbia was started, and where we spoke on Friday night in the neat new church which God has recently given to His people there. Brother Robert H. Delancey, with whom we traveled in his auto, is now taking over the work at Columbia.

From Dyersburg we continued on to Knoxville where we were again most kindly received and where we enjoyed another Bible and Missionary Convention in the nice new church over which Brother J. C. Leatherwood is pastor. It was also our pleasure to speak for Brother R. L. Wilkerson on Sunday afternoon in the large tabernacle which he has secured for meetings on the north side of Knoxville. God blessed the meetings at Knoxville and a goodly number pledged to do something definite for missions each week.

In all the churches which we visited the pastors were desirous of co-operating with the Foreign Missions Department in its program to create further interest and giving for missions.

We greatly appreciated the kindness of District Superintendent I. A. Smith, who made our itinerary possible and who accompanied us throughout our trip. We also greatly appreciate the interest in missions which is being taken by the different pastors and workers who attended the conventions. —D. S. Mahaffey.

GLEANINGS FROM MOSI LAND

Tenkodogo

As we stood before those Christians in the little straw shelter which they use as a church, our hearts leaped for joy. There sitting on the ground were many who had just recently yielded their hearts to God, and their faces shone as they eagerly listened to the gospel which has changed their lives. Two years ago there was not a single witness there but now there are a large number of Christians who are glad to testify for the Lord who has redeemed them.—Mr. and Mrs. E. Chastagner.

Goursey

As many of you have already heard, this town has had a real visitation of God's grace. Some of the Christians from Yako first went there and began telling the good news. One year ago at this time there were but thirty people who had asked pardon. Now there are over two hundred and fifty Christians. The first baptismal service was delayed in order that we might know of a surety that all the candidates intended to follow God with their whole heart.

We recently went there to help them build a place for worship and class rooms. The work started out in good fashion, each one having a part in erecting the buildings. Although some of them had built several big houses for their chief, they were a continual trial to us because of their ability to follow curves rather than to follow a straight line, but in spite of many difficulties the building progressed quite well. Sunday morning arrived and still the native grass roof church building was not started. We felt impressed at this service to explain to the natives that the buildings so far had been built from the native church fund and not with white man's money, but we felt God would have them personally take the responsibility of their own building. As they offered their labor to the Lord, He in return opened up the windows of heaven and poured out such a blessing that we felt our hearts were not large enough to receive it.

After the morning service 26 were baptized in water. This was our first baptismal service at Goursey, and how our hearts rejoiced as these first fruits followed their Lord in baptism. To all appearances they actually buried their old customs, habits, etc., and now realize that they are raised with Him to live in newness of life. It is only the transforming power of our risen Lord that can do this.

This work was started in the beginning by the natives and the carrying on has been in the hands of the black man, the white man only offering advice now and then. Pray that God will give us more churches of this type.—One of the Missionaries.

Ouahigouya

In less than two months more than 200 have found mercy at the feet of Jesus, most

of these being within the last 10 days. Saturday was native New Year at Ouahigouya. All the native Christians gathered from far and near to praise God for their crops of the past year, as did our forefathers at Thanksgiving time. In appreciation of His help, they who had in previous years given a portion of their grains as a sacrifice now brought their offerings to Him, the giver of every good and perfect gift. As they knelt in prayer to thank God for what He had done for them the Holy Spirit came and filled one of their number. What a glorious time of prayer and praise they had as they stayed on their knees until the sun sank into the west. This boy, upon being filled with the Spirit, was gripped with a desire to go and preach as were those on the day of Pentecost. He began with those nearest him with the result that practically his whole family confessed their sins and found pardon. Thirty or forty were added to the church as a direct result of his preaching.

About a month later four more received the mighty Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Some

31st, two more of our 8th year students received the Baptism. Now all our graduating class are not only saved but baptized as well.

"Watchnight service was one of real joy and blessing. It lasted until about 2:30 a. m. A woman from another church received the Baptism. The blessing of the Lord has so rested upon the school all this week that classes have been suspended most of the time. I cannot tell you how many have been blessed for we have not yet counted up, but nearly all the children from the first year up have been saved, and many of them baptized. It surely has been just like heaven to us all.

"A girl about 15 years old had a vision. She lay for hours. After getting up she began to look for something. When asked what, she said that Jesus gave her something beautiful which she held in her hand, but that she did not know where it was now. For two or three days she seemed dazed by the vision, and just wanted to pray or be quiet. A small girl told me she saw Jesus dressed in a white robe and white slippers, and many people with Him dressed as He was, and they walked among many candles."

PERSONAL TESTIMONY OF A KROO BOY

During the time I was going to school, I was thinking that when I graduated I would like to be a lawyer or minister, but at that time my aunt, who was supporting me, died. So I quit school and went to the Kroo country. On my arrival there I began to find medicine—witch medicine—thinking to find comfort, but all in vain. As I was returning to Freetown, another aunt who has a church in the Kroo country was telling me when I came to Freetown I must come to the Pentecostal Church. But I thought, "Oh, that church is for old men; if I go there they will not allow me to have two wives. They would expect me to be married to one wife."

I had a friend who came with me from my country. We were both Catholics. But one thing surprised me. When my friend became very ill he did not send for Catholic members to pray for him, but for the Pentecostal people. This caused me to think, because we were always taught that the Catholic Church was the High Church. I talked it over with a friend. He said if we go to the Pentecostal church we will have to leave smoking, drinking, card playing, having lovers, and two or three wives. I said, "Yes, my friend, it is no use for us young men to go to such a church as that." After that I became seriously ill with rheumatism. For two years I suffered, and was unable to even lift my hand. Then the Lord touched me and I had rest for one month, that I might turn to Him. But again I fought against God. I went on a Spanish ship with a Pentecostal member. On the

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Kaya Medicine Men and dancers as they appear in public upon the request of the government official and at ceremonial occasions

of these didn't sleep for seven days or nights as God had given them such a real vision of the need and of His soon coming that they felt they must continually preach. As they preached the Holy Spirit would again come upon them in such a way that the hearts of unbelievers were gripped with fear until they cried as the jailer of old, "What must I do to be saved?" Two more have recently received the Holy Spirit and still the fire continues to fall.—Related by a native evangelist.

SHOWERS OF BLESSING IN EGYPT

Sister Doney writes from Cairo, "For months the spiritual tide has been rising, but on December 29th during an all-day meeting the flood came. Two of the teachers, two of our 8th year girls, two from another class and a man received the Baptism, and a man was saved and filled with great joy. Messages in tongues were given on the soon coming of our Lord. One of the brethren sang a song in Arabic as given by the Spirit. This made a great impression on the people. On Sunday morning, December

In the Whiten'd Harvest Field

YUBA CITY, CALIF.—Evangelist and Mrs. J. K. Gressett, recently held a precious campaign with us. Several were saved and one sister received the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4. Two whole families stepped out for the Lord. Our Sunday school has increased greatly, and the results are apparently permanent.—R. L. Brown, Pastor.

OTTUMWA, IA.—We praise the Lord for the 3 weeks' revival recently closed here, conducted in the Pentecostal Church, of which Brother A. D. McClure is pastor. About 65 or 70 wept their way through to old-time salvation. Several received the Holy Spirit and 51 united with the church. The last Sunday night, 36 followed the Lord in baptism.—Stanley Comstock, Evangelist.

WEST DULUTH, MINN.—I have started meetings in this place and God is blessing. Duluth is a city of 125,000, and there is only one Pentecostal assembly here—about 4 miles away. We have English services Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays, 3:00 P. M., and 7:45. Scandinavian services, Wednesdays and Fridays. We have rented an old Lutheran Church, at 57th Avenue West, and Roosevelt Street. It is called "Old Time Religion Tabernacle."—Maurice H. Ness, Route 5, Box 14.

MASSILLON, O.—For a number of years the saints in Massillon worshiped in halls and rented buildings. God graciously answered prayer by giving them a chapel in a fine section of the town, which was dedicated to the Lord. Throughout the year the blessing of God has rested on the congregation, and at the first of this year we opened a campaign with Evangelist Mattie Howard, Denver, Colo. She remained through most of January, and God used her to stir the city perhaps as it has never been stirred before. The meeting is being continued under the ministry of Evangelist Edith Mae Pennington, and will go on indefinitely. Everyone is rejoicing that God in the old time way is doing a new thing in Massillon.—Robert A. Miller, Pastor Peniel Chapel, Fourth and Oak Avenues, S. E.

ELLENSBURG, WASH.—We praise the Lord for the way He is blessing the work in Bethany Pentecostal Church. Last June Evangelist and Mrs. Wesley W. Fleming came to us for a 2 weeks' meeting. At the close Brother Fleming was called as pastor. God has been doing great things for us in the past 8 months. By His help we have been enabled to pay over \$400 on the church building and property, leaving both free of debt. The Sunday school has increased greatly and is growing continually. There has also been a marked increase in the attendance at the regular services. Sunday morning 3 weeks ago the power of the Lord fell upon the assembly in a remarkable way. Real heart confessions were made and God moved in our midst. The meeting lasted until 2 in the afternoon. One lady was saved last Tuesday night in our weekly prayer meeting.—Mrs. Wilber Wright, Sunday School Superintendent.

ST. JAMES, MO.—We just closed a 3 weeks' revival with Evangelist Dorothy V. Brooks, Secretary-Treasurer of Christ's Ambassadors, Bismarck. Our church, seating about 500, was filled to capacity almost every night. Ten wept their way through to a real experience of salvation, and 4 received the Holy Spirit Baptism, according to Acts 2:4. These were the first to receive this experience in this place. The Lord manifested His power also in the healing of the sick. Brother S. E. Williams, Joplin, C. A. President, was with us one night, organizing the Young People's band. They are greatly encouraged in the Lord.—W. L. Stephens, Pastor.

WACO, TEX.—The past 6 months God has wonderfully blessed the work at Waco. After resigning as pastor of the Boulevard Assembly at Fort Worth, I took charge here, July 16. More than 50 new members have been added and the Sunday school is growing. For almost 4 weeks we have been in a revival. The first 3 weeks it was conducted by Brother E. J. Robinson, President of the District Christ's Ambassadors. During that time 12 received the Baptism and several were saved.

February 11, we had a Christ's Ambassadors' Rally. Young people from various parts of the Waco Section assembled. The interest was so great we are continuing the revival. The Lord is saving and blessing.—B. F. Markum.

COVINGTON, IND.—June 1 I resigned my pastorate at Plainview, Tex., and went into evangelistic work. At Albuquerque, N. Mex., the Lord saved several souls. After that I conducted a meeting in Mounds, Ill., where I was formerly pastor, Miss Opal Shaffer in charge. I was called here by Lyda Paino, to conduct a revival. After the meeting the pastor resigned to accept another pastorate and I was asked to take charge. We have recently closed a revival conducted by Evangelists Nola West and her mother, St. Louis, Mo. About 26 found Christ as their Saviour; 4 received the Holy Spirit; 7 followed the Lord in baptism; and 26 united with the church. Several also testified to having been healed. We organized a young people's band and now have 45 enrolled.—B. R. Minton, Pastor, 1103 N. 5th St.

WITH THE LORD

We desire to extend our profound sympathy to our brother, Pastor Raymond Phillips, Marshall, Mo., in the loss of his dear wife who recently departed this life to be with Jesus. Her dying testimony was that she would soon be with the King. Brother Phillips is left with a large family of small children. May God grant him wisdom and grace according to his need.

Sister Jennie Williamson, wife of Brother James G. Williamson, pastor of the Assembly of God in Terre Haute, Indiana, departed to be with the Lord on Feb. 5th. She has entered into "the joy of the Lord" and we rejoice with her. And may the Lord Himself comfort the heart of our lonely brother who is left behind for awhile.

PANAMA, OKLA.—We praise the Lord for the 2 weeks' revival just closed, Evangelist Morris Lefkovitz in charge. About 20 wept their way through to Calvary. God is still blessing the church in a mighty way. There is greater love and greater unity among the saints than previously. We have been here about 2 months, and the presence of God has been constantly in our midst. We have just organized a young people's class with 25 members, all on fire for God. All Council brethren passing this way will be welcomed.—Henry C. Gotcher, Pastor, Box 82.

PRATT, KANS.—We have completed a 5 weeks' revival, Evangelist and Mrs. O. E. Gaddis in charge. The blessing of the Lord was upon the people and the crowd became so large that we rented the Christian Church up-town. This was well filled, and the Lord continued to save and baptize with the Holy Ghost. Around 40 were at the altar for salvation; 11 were baptized with the Spirit, 17 received Christian baptism, and 10 received into the church. Our Sunday school also got a real boost, rising to a new record of 206. We are anticipating building a new church, as the Lord leads, in the near future.—Leonard Palmer, Pastor.

ZION, ILL.—In January Evangelist and Mrs. Watson Argue, Winnipeg, Can., began a 4 weeks' campaign with us. Large crowds attended and on some occasions an overflow crowd was seated in the basement. For their benefit an amplifier was purchased. From time to time the long altars were lined with those who were heavy laden with sin and seeking Christ for rest. During the campaign 24 followed Christ in baptism and 36 names were added to the roll. The Sunday school, which already numbered around 200, received much benefit from this campaign. The evangelists took special interest in that department and it increased in numbers until the last week of the revival there were 325 in the school. We praise God for the way He is honoring the preaching of Pentecost here in Zion.—Finis J. Dake, Pastor.

SNOOK, TEX.—Just before Christmas I closed a 6 weeks' revival at Snook, in which the Lord wonderfully worked. About 35 were saved and 31 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. Up to this time there had been no Pentecostal work there. God molded the people into unity—Baptists, Methodists, and Zecho Moravians with some outsiders were brought together into one group. They now have their own church services, Sunday school, and prayer meetings, well attended; also plans are under way and much of the money is on hand, to build a tabernacle just as soon as the weather will permit. The Lord has also blessed the children. Several of them under 12 years of age were baptized with the Holy Ghost. They worked at the altar with such freedom and zeal that anyone could see God in it. One girl who came to visit two others received her Baptism in their home.—Joe Talasek, Temple.

KENTUCKY MOUNTAIN MISSIONS.—The mission work in these mountains is going forward with the leading of the Master. We seek His grace and favor daily, and find Him answering in drawing souls unto Himself and showing His salvation. It is a plodding work, but God is bringing forth salvation in the souls of the few, and all around the darkness is being dispersed by the light of the gospel.

We recently had a conference of the Breathitt, Magoffin, and Wolfe County missionaries, and a delightful, profitable time it was. As it was wet and muddy it was difficult for some to come, but nevertheless some walked from 25 to 30 miles in 10 to 15 mile stretches. It did our hearts good to see their earnest desire and interest. We had conference 4 days, discussing problems and methods of the work, morning and evenings, and held an open meeting for the people, afternoons. The inspiration and encouragement from hearing the experiences and revealed light of different ones was well worth the effort all made to come—so the missionaries said. We certainly appreciate these earnest and loyal workers. There are now 50 workers with 15 stations and 10 outstations.—Pastor O. E. Nash, Overseer, 2012 Sherman Ave., Norwood, O.

KILGORE, TEX.—We resigned the pastorate at Greenville about one year ago, evangelizing about as far south as the Rio Grande Valley. We came here Oct. 1, 1932 and found a few faithful ones praying for help. A church building had been started. We held a tent meeting and accepted the pastorate temporarily. The church is now finished and a parsonage has been bought. We called the J. B. Smith Evangelistic Party for a revival. From the first service God wonderfully blessed the audience. Brother Kelly assisted the last week. About 25 or 30 found the Lord and a goodly number were filled with the Spirit, as on the day of Pentecost. Ten followed the Lord in baptism. People have been awakened for miles around. Our presbyter, Brother D. D. Lewis, set the church in order, and we were called as pastors. We have organized a Christ's Ambassadors' band and have from 100 to 120 in Sunday school. Already we need more room for Sunday nights. Ministers in fellowship with the Council are invited to stop when passing this way.—J. L. McKinley, Pastor.

CONNEAUT, O.—We have just concluded a very successful 5 weeks' meeting, Evangelist Stanley Cooke, of the Eastern District, in charge. The Lord blessed the Word until 42 believers were filled with the Holy Ghost, according to the Bible pattern. It was a precious sight to see members of the Baptist, Methodist, Christian, and Lutheran denominations, as well as those of the Pentecostal faith seeking the Baptism with the Spirit. Ever since we came to this field 6 years ago we have been praying for an outpouring of the Spirit. In a previous meeting many were saved, and now God has filled them with the precious Holy Ghost. One little girl, after receiving the Spirit began meetings of her own, and soon 5 other little girls were filled with the Holy Ghost. One of these, who had had a defective eye and had to squint to see, upon receiving the Baptism, was healed. Six in one family were filled with the Spirit. About 20 were saved and many others are under conviction. Fourteen were received in-

to the assembly. One Lutheran brother, after receiving the Spirit came up shouting, "Oh, it's real!"—Alex Clattenburge, Pastor, 409 Harbor St.

CHICAGO, ILL.—We closed a 5 weeks' meeting in North Laverne Full Gospel church in January. As the pastor was leaving in February, the church board requested us to continue the meetings through the month. People from the Stone Church, Bethel Tabernacle, and assemblies from near-by towns also, came to our help, and the Lord has blessed. About 25 have sought for salvation, and others have

been baptized with the Holy Ghost. One sister, while being anointed for ear trouble was instantly healed and also received the Holy Ghost at the same time. Many others have testified to the healing of their bodies. The saints have been built up and encouraged in the Word of God. The people have a fine church building, with every facility and accommodation. The Sunday school has been growing and last Sunday we took up a good missionary offering. This is a good field for a man and wife who are able to trust God for a living and do plenty of knee work and real labor.—Mae Eleanor Frey, Evangelist.

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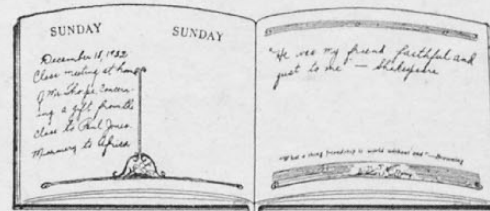
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ship he talked to the men about God. I opposed him and told the boys he was an unlearned man, and what did he know about God. If God revealed anything to anyone it would be to me. When off duty they sang and prayed. I prayed in English just to let them know I was the only one who could pray in English. Then the sickness came back on me, so I asked them to pray for me. The Lord touched me and I promised when we arrived at Freetown, I would go to the Pentecostal church. Since I obeyed God and came, I have not felt any pain, so I promised I would follow the Lord all the days of my life. I am asking God to give me power to tell my people about God. Remember me when you pray.—Potee Robinson.

DALLAS, TEX.—We have just closed one of the greatest revivals the North Dallas Church has ever experienced, with Evangelists Vernon M. Murray and William A. Edwards, singing Evangelists, in charge. The crowd kept increasing until the building was packed to the door. One Monday night 14 were saved, and 5 received the Holy Ghost. On another night there were 23 at the altar seeking salvation. Our pastor, Brother S. A. Tharpe, said he had been preaching for 32 years and had never before been in a revival like that. Hard-hearted sinners trembled and wept their way through to God. Some of these had never attended services in this church before. The altar rails were filled every night; a large number were saved; several were filled with the Holy Ghost. A good number followed the Lord in baptism. The revival was supposed to close after 10 days, but it continued over 4 weeks. The last night the interest was so great that our pastor decided to carry the revival on. The fire is still falling.—A member.

ST. AUBERT, MO.—We have closed a 2 weeks' meeting, with Evangelist J. F. Quick in charge. The saints were greatly refreshed. Brother Quick has been called as pastor. As this is a union church we have services Sunday mornings and evenings, second and fourth Sundays. Council ministers will find a welcome.—Mrs. Paul Thee, Church Secretary.

Forthcoming Meetings

CHANGE OF DATE

FREEHOLD, N. J.—The meeting announced for March 4-25 has been postponed until March 25-April 15.—Reba E. Norcross, Pastor.

GREAT FALLS, MONT.—The date of the meeting which was announced to begin here March 4 is to be changed. Meeting cancelled until further announcement.—F. G. Frank, Pastor, 213 9th St., N.

ARCHER CITY, TEX.—Evangelist and Mrs. R. E. Parten, Austin, Tex., will begin revival March 4. Neighboring assemblies urged to co-operate.—Earl J. Rogers, Pastor, Box 484.

OKMULGEE, OKLA.—Beginning March 11 Dr. J. N. Hoover, Santa Cruz, Calif., will hold a series of Bible studies at the Okmulgee assembly.—J. W. Zimmerman, Secretary.

ST. JAMES, MO.—March 17, regular monthly fellowship meeting for this part of District. Basket lunch. All ministers and assemblies within reach expected to be present. Bring musical instruments.—W. L. Stephens, Pastor.

COVINGTON, IND.—Evangelist and Mrs. E. F. Cunningham, Elkhart, will begin revival April 1, to continue as the Lord leads.—B. R. Minton, Pastor.

EVNA, MD.—Revival beginning March 13, conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. Pete Saleskey, Westernport.—T. B. Pierce, Glencoe, Md., Pastor.

TIOGA, N. DAK.—Evangelist C. P. Jones, Minot, will begin a revival campaign March 5. Surrounding assemblies invited to co-operate.—C. R. Norman, Pastor.

LONDON, ARK.—Evangelist R. L. Brandon, Poteau, Okla., will begin revival March 18, for 3 weeks or longer. Co-operation from neighboring assemblies desired.—Haynie Nichols, Pastor, Box 75.

GRANITE CITY, ILL.—Evangelist Stanley Cooke will be with us in revival March 13-April 1. Each night, 7:30. Local assemblies cordially invited to co-operate.—E. H. Chamberlain, Pastor, P. O. Box 145.

WILMINGTON, DEL.—Evangelist and Mrs. Watson Argue will begin 3 weeks' revival at Tenth and King, March 14. Every night except Saturdays, 7:30. Sundays 10:30 also.—R. P. Hughey, Pastor.

BERWIND, W. VA.—Revival beginning March 18, Evangelist and Mrs. James E. Hamill, Big Stone Gap, Va., in charge. Services nightly 7:30. Neighboring assemblies asked to assist.—A. H. Morrison, P. O. Box 83, Pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Evangelist Harry E. Bowley will begin Evangelistic services in Highway Mission Tabernacle, March 4, to continue indefinitely. Those from out of city will find room and board near the church at reasonable rates.—Flem Van Meter, Pastor.

CHATTANOOGA, OKLA.—Southwestern Sectional Fellowship Meeting and Christ's Ambassadors rally, March 15-16. James Hutsell, District Superintendent, will give Bible lessons. Basket lunch Thursday. Write Roy L. Steger, Presbyter, Anadarko, or E. W. Pickel, Pastor.

NEW YORK CITY.—First quarterly credentials committee meeting for Eastern District, Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 325 W. 33rd Street, April 4, 10:00 A. M. Ministerial candidates are invited to meet the committee on this date.—E. C. Sikes, Secretary, Box 113, Green Lane, Pa.

IRVINGTON, N. J.—Dr. Chas. A. Shreve, formerly pastor McKendree M. E. Church, Washington, D. C., will open campaign at 58-60 Paine Ave., March 11-April 1 or longer. Nightly except Mondays, 8:00 P. M. Sundays 10:45 also. Friends of Dr. Shreve are asked to rally for a great revival.—Joseph R. Potter, Pastor.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.—Missionary convention, March 9-11. Speakers: John G. Warton, Persia, D. S. Mahaffey, India, Noel Perkin, Missionary Secretary. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hatch will direct music. Guy Phillips, Pastor Full Gospel Church, N. 26th Street, near State.

NEBRASKA DISTRICT COUNCIL
HASTINGS, NEBR.—In city auditorium, April 10-12. Ministers, delegates, visitors, provided sleeping quarters as far as possible. Speakers to be announced later. About entertainment write Pastor Gordon Millard, 601 S. Lincoln St.—Edgar W. White, District Superintendent.

OKLAHOMA SECTIONAL CONVENTION
WOODWARD, OKLA.—Sectional convention Northwest Section, March 13-14. First service 7:30. Free entertainment for ministers. All ministers of Section expected. Those wishing license or ordination apply in person. Write Pastor A. J. Wilcox, Woodward, or F. E. Conrad, Presbyter, Fairview, or James S. Hutsell, District Superintendent, Slick.—F. E. C.

TEXICO DISTRICT COUNCIL
CLOVIS, N. MEX.—The third annual convention Texico District, Armory Building, April 17-19. Ministers and one delegate from each assembly will be given free lodging if possible. Meals served at small cost. Christ's Ambassadors rally April 19. Those desiring credentials write A. C. Bates for application blank. All applications must be in one week before convention begins. Christ's Ambassadors desiring information, write C. R. Love, District President, 1957 Texas Ave., Lubbock, Tex. Others write A. C. Bates, District Superintendent, Box 48, Clovis.

TEXAS SECTIONAL CONVENTIONS
Yoakum Section, Yoakum church, March 10-11; Houston Section, West End Tabernacle, Houston, March 13-14; Beaumont Section, North Pearl Street Church, Beaumont, March 15-16; Lufkin Section, Smithfield church, March 17-18; Tyler Section, Red Oak Flat church, March 20-21; Greenville Section, Greenville church, March 22-23; San Angelo Section, San Angelo church, April 4-5; McCamey Section, Iraan church, April 7-8.

All conventions begin at 10:00 A. M. first day. All licensed ministers are expected to be present and renew license, according to resolution passed at last District Council, page 23, District Council Minutes.—E. L. Newby, District Superintendent, 2621 W. 26th St., Ft. Worth.

GREENSBURG, KANS.—Southwest Sectional Christ's Ambassadors Rally, March 16. Services, 10:30, 2:00, 7:45. Please bring basket dinner along. As this is a fellowship rally for all—old as well as young—co-operation from each assembly near is expected. A. Thornton, Pastor.—Leonard Palmer, Sectional Secretary, 524 S. Pine, Pratt, Kans.

OPEN FOR CALLS

Evangelistic

TULSA, OKLA.—Mrs. Mary H. Scribner, Route 8, Box 215, "Prefer calls in Oklahoma and Arkansas. Fellowship in Arkansas-Louisiana District Council. Reference, Pastor Dan Lee, Booneville, Ark."

Evangelist Mabel E. Daley, 3001 N. W. 19th St., Oklahoma City, Okla. In Pentecost 21 years. In fellowship with Oklahoma District Council. Reference, James Hutsell, District Superintendent, Slick, Okla.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—Paul C. Samuelson, Woodston,

Kans.
WANTED—Evangelist on fire for God; with references; man or woman; for a 2 or 3 weeks' revival.—Pastor Paul Baughman, 219 N. Market St., Mechanicsburg, Pa.

NOTICE—The name of the First Pentecostal Church, Corey, Pa., has been changed to "Bethel Tabernacle of the Assemblies of God." Council brethren passing this way are invited to meet with us. Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday services.—Carl Horn, Pastor.

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February 16-22 inclusive

All personal offerings amount to \$875.81
 .65 Assembly of God S S Bassett Nebr
 .71 Weeks Assembly Coffee Springs Ala
 .95 C A's Wilburton Okla
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 1.28 Gospel Tab Wood S Dak
 1.35 Pent'l Church Camden Ill
 1.50 Cherry Creek S S Sioux Pass Mont
 1.50 Assembly of God S S Archer City Tex
 1.50 Bethel Assembly of God North Little Rock Ark
 1.68 Assembly of God Dad's Corner Tex
 1.77 Pent'l S S Rush Springs Okla
 1.80 Assembly of God Carlsbad N Mex
 2.00 Assembly of God Flippin Ark
 2.00 Children's Church Pent'l Gospel Mission Detroit Mich
 2.00 Trinity Pent'l Tab Kokomo Ind
 2.00 Assembly of God S S Clovis N Mex
 2.00 Pent'l Assembly Des Moines Ia
 2.00 Passover Prayer League Chicago Ill
 2.00 Assembly of God Alva Okla
 2.00 C A's Bellevue Mich
 2.00 Open Door Mission Eugene Oreg
 2.30 Pent'l S S Ava Ill
 2.40 Assembly of God Globe Ariz
 2.50 C A's Kansas City Kans
 2.50 Glad Tidings S S Hanford Calif
 2.55 Church of the Open Door Dillon Mont
 2.55 Pleasant Grove Assembly Hoxie Ark
 2.65 Assembly of God Tab Muskogee Okla
 2.65 Glad Tidings Assembly Idaho Falls Idaho
 2.68 Assembly of God Highway Tab & S S Hugo Okla
 2.85 Assembly of God Marietta Ill
 2.85 Mt Pearl Assembly of God Kit Carson Colo
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 3.00 Junior Church Pueblo Colo
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 3.00 Geneva Gospel Assembly Hollandiae Minn
 3.00 Women's Miss Council McCamey Tex
 3.00 Full Gospel S S Whitetail Mont
 3.03 Assembly of God Aurora Mo
 3.11 Gospel Tab Arlington S Dak
 3.15 Oak Grove Gospel Tab Monterey Calif
 3.15 Pent'l Assembly of God Arvin Calif
 3.27 Assembly of God Shawnee Okla
 3.27 Pent'l Mission Riverbank Calif
 3.30 Assembly of God N Highlands Columbus Ga
 3.31 Mountain View Assembly of God Gillette Wyo
 3.40 Assembly of God Morland Kans
 3.47 Full Gospel Assembly S S Hebo Oreg
 3.51 Finnish Pent'l Mission Naselle Wash
 3.60 Pent'l Assembly of God Paonia Colo
 3.76 Childress Chapel Monette Ark
 3.83 Full Gospel Assembly S S Columbia Tenn
 3.95 Assembly of God Church Ewing Mo
 4.00 Assembly of God Highgrove Calif
 4.00 Ladies' S S Class Assembly of God Columbus Ga
 4.00 Pent'l Mission Waterford Calif
 4.20 Assembly of God Mounds Ill
 4.25 Glad Tidings Tab S S Shepherd Mich
 4.25 First Pent'l Church Brawley Calif
 4.25 Assembly of God S S Scottsbluff Nebr
 4.35 Bethel Full Gospel Church Hayward Calif
 4.40 Whitefield Tab Curve Tenn

4.50 Sherman Assembly of God S S Sherman Ill
 4.60 Sunday School Gracemont Okla
 4.61 Assembly of God Church & S S Borger Tex
 4.61 Cottage Meeting Pocomoke City Md
 4.85 Assembly of God Gridley Calif
 4.90 Gospel Church Selridge N Dak
 5.00 Pent'l S S Kitzmiller Md
 5.00 Full Gospel S S Tyler Tex
 5.00 Assembly of God S S Jakes Run W Va
 5.00 Glad Tidings Mission Ceres Calif
 5.00 Faith Tab Waco Tex
 5.00 Full Gospel Assembly So Dennis Mass
 5.00 Full Gospel Tab Raymond Wash
 5.00 Bald Hill Assembly Haskell Okla
 5.00 Full Gospel Church Redwood City Calif
 5.00 Rosedale Pent'l Church Rosedale N J
 5.00 Glad Tidings Mission Davenport Ia
 5.00 Mt Zion Assembly Tampa Fla
 5.00 C A's Four Fold Church Bellflower Calif
 5.00 Calvary Evangelistic Church Lomita Calif
 5.00 Full Gospel Church & S S Astoria Oreg
 5.00 Pent'l S S Toppenish Wash
 5.00 Full Gospel Tab S S Fairview Okla
 5.00 Pent'l Assembly of God Yale Okla
 5.00 Assembly of God St Louis Mo
 5.17 First Pent'l Church Dyersburg Tenn
 5.21 Pent'l S S San Jon N Mex
 5.25 Fairhaven Gospel Mission Bellingham Wash
 5.25 Assembly of God Baker Oreg
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 5.60 Zion Grove Assembly of God Sydney Fla
 5.70 Lighthouse Mission Springfield Mo
 6.00 First Pent'l Church Hollywood Fla
 6.00 Church of the Full Gospel Los Angeles Calif
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 6.00 Gospel Tab Wisconsin Rapids Wis
 6.02 Gospel Assembly Siletz Oreg
 6.15 Full Gospel Tab Appleton Wis
 6.20 Assembly of God Memphis Tenn
 6.26 Full Gospel Church Hamilton Mont
 6.43 Full Gospel Tab Newberg Oreg
 6.54 Pent'l Assembly of God Ponca City Okla
 6.68 Assembly of God New Philadelphia Ohio
 6.73 Assembly of God S S Wetumka Okla
 6.75 Full Gospel Tab Comfrey Minn
 7.00 Bethlehem Assembly Ozark Ala
 7.00 First Pent'l Church Eaton Ohio
 7.00 Rocky Mt Bible College Denver Colo
 7.06 Kingston Assembly & S S Laurel Miss
 7.10 Full Gospel Assembly of God Morganton N C
 7.19 Pioneer Assembly of God Erick Okla
 7.25 Full Gospel Mission San Luis Obispo Calif
 7.37 Full Gospel Church Los Banos Calif
 7.85 Full Gospel Tab Selma Calif
 7.96 C A's Front Royal Va
 8.00 Highway Tab C A Youngstown Ohio
 8.20 Full Gospel Tab Naugatuck Conn
 8.25 Assembly of God Linn Grove Ia
 8.28 Assembly of God S S Birmingham Ala
 8.50 Grace Tab Lyman Wash
 9.00 Full Gospel Church Delano Calif
 9.00 Oakwood Hungarian Assembly of God & C A Detroit Mich
 9.00 C A's Pent'l Church Goulds Fla
 9.41 Pent'l Assembly of God Albany Oreg
 9.50 Full Gospel Mission S S Sanger Calif
 9.59 Community Gospel Tab Milwaukee Wis
 9.70 Full Gospel Assembly Los Angeles Calif
 10.00 Assembly of God Yonkers N Y
 10.00 Christ Covenant Church Chicago Ill
 10.00 Lettish Pent'l Church Philadelphia Pa
 10.00 Full Gospel Tab Brooksville Fla
 10.00 Pent'l S S Salem N J
 10.00 Woodworth-Etter Tab S S Indianapolis Ind
 10.25 Assembly of God Church Westby Mont
 10.40 Berta St Assembly of God Tyler Tex
 10.50 Full Gospel Assemblies Calistoga & Porter Creek Calif
 10.75 Assembly of God Santa Rosa Calif
 10.80 Pent'l Church La Crescenta Calif
 11.00 Pent'l Prayer Band Oncoenta N Y
 11.30 Full Gospel S S & C A Tulare Calif
 11.68 Gospel Tab Berlin Wis
 12.06 Pent'l S S Corvallis Oreg
 12.45 Full Gospel Mission Windber Pa
 12.57 Highway Church & S S Garibaldi Oreg
 13.00 Full Gospel Assembly & S S Kingsburg Calif
 14.50 Gospel Tab Saginaw Mich
 14.53 Full Gospel Assembly S S Alexandria Va
 14.65 Assembly of God Church & S S E Alton Ill
 15.00 Gospel Tab New Kensington Pa
 15.10 Assembly of God Roundup Mont
 15.15 Gospel Mission La Grande Oreg
 16.00 Assembly of God Chambersburg Pa
 17.50 Assembly of God Okmulgee Okla
 17.53 Full Gospel Assembly Huntington Park Calif
 18.75 N Cumberland Assembly of God Church Cumberland Md
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 19.22 Assembly of God S S Centralia Wash
 20.00 Full Gospel Tab Auburn Calif
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 20.00 Pilgrim Class S C B S Pasadena Calif
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 20.00 Pent'l Assembly Norristown Pa
 23.73 Assembly of God Terre Haute Ind
 24.23 First Pent'l Tab Savannah Ga
 24.34 First Local Assembly of God Gooding Idaho
 25.00 Woodworth-Etter Tab Indianapolis Ind
 25.00 Evangel Tab San Jose Calif
 26.00 Grace Pent'l Church Atlantic City N J
 26.10 Full Gospel Church Morgan Hill Calif
 26.45 Pent'l S S Dunsmuir Calif
 30.00 Berean Assembly Los Angeles Calif

30.00 Glad Tidings Church Reno Nev
 30.00 Assembly of God Church & S S Coffeyville Kan
 31.50 Full Gospel Tab Shawano Wis
 31.69 Full Gospel Assembly Inglewood Calif
 34.45 Full Gospel S S Auburn Wash
 37.00 United Pent'l Church Bridgeport Conn
 37.03 Stone Church Wrightsville Pa
 41.00 Home of Peace Oakland Calif
 41.70 Assembly of God and S S Enid Okla
 42.50 Full Gospel Tab Sioux City Ia
 45.00 Berean Bible Institute San Diego Calif
 45.50 Full Gospel Mission Napa Calif
 50.92 Fremont Pent'l Tab Seattle Wash
 53.35 Full Gospel Tab Sacramento Calif
 53.85 Four Fold S S & Church Bellflower Calif
 60.00 Full Gospel Assembly Washington D C
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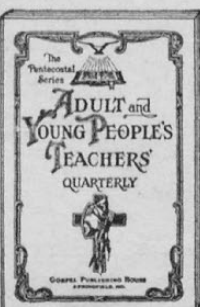
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