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Knowing the Time

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PAUL, in writing to the Roman believers, said unto them, "Knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed." Romans 13:11. You will notice here that salvation has a finished and an unfinished aspect. We rejoice now in the salvation of our souls, but our salvation will not be perfect until we have the redemption of our bodies. The Scripture says, "For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now; and not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first-fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body." Romans 8:22-23.

There is much emphasis placed on the coming of the Holy Spirit into our lives as the "earnest" of our inheritance. We now have the earnest of our salvation, and are only awaiting the time when we shall come into our inheritance,—a glorious and full salvation, for "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love



Quite Suddenly

"In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, . . . we shall be changed."
1 Cor. 15:52.

Quite suddenly—it may be at the turning of a lane,
Where I stand to watch a skylark soar from out the swelling grain,
That the trump of God shall thrill me, with its call so loud and clear,
And I'm called away to meet Him, whom of all I hold most dear.

Quite suddenly—it may be as I tread the busy street,
Strong to endure life's stress and strain, its every call to meet,
That through the roar of traffic, a trumpet, silvery clear,
Shall stir my startled senses, and proclaim His Coming near.

Quite suddenly—it may be as I lie in dreamless sleep—
God's gift to many a sorrowing heart, with no more tears to weep—
That a call shall break my slumber, and a Voice sound in my ear.
"Rise up, My love, and come away, behold the Bridegroom's here."
—The Evangelical Christian.

Him." Paul wishes the Church not to miss the consummation of this great blessing, and we find him earnestly exhorting those at Rome, saying "Knowing the time, that now is our salvation nearer than when we believed."

These present days are perilous ones, not only as regards material things but also spiritual, because they are days of indifference to the things of God. The whole creation is disturbed and there is a growing unrest; therefore it behooves us, if we are going to make our calling and election sure, to look above and live above the sordid elements of the world, that we may not imbibe the spirit of this present age. How often the Scriptures warn us that the days are evil, that the times are perilous, that this dispensation is quickly drawing to a close! The Bible is being fulfilled so rapidly that I believe the end is very near at hand, and ere long there will be a redeemed Church, washed in the blood of the Lamb, rising up to meet her Lord in the air.

We are living in a time when before us lie the last but most wonderful possibilities to labor for God.
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The Indwelling Spirit

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"But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you." John 14:26.

1. The believer is a temple indwelt by the Holy Spirit. 2. He is our divine Teacher, instructing us in the truths of salvation, sanctification, and service. 3. We should be receptive pupils in His school.

The Comforter

That God Himself is the Comforter is blessed news. That He who strikes will also heal; that He who gives the cup of sorrow will also give the strength to drink it; that chastisement is not punishment; that our whole duty is the duty of a child; that in Christ we are the children of God, is blessed news. Blessed, too, to find that in the power of the divine Majesty we can acknowledge the unity and know and feel that Father, Son, and Holy Ghost are one; their glory equal, their majesty co-eternal; their justice is mercy; their power is goodness; their very sternness love, love which gives hope and counsel, help and strength, and the true life which the world's death cannot destroy. This is the Comforter which shall abide with us forever.

Quench Not the Spirit

Whatever obstructs or disparages His work in the souls of men, whether in others or in ourselves is thus forbidden. It is a strange and awful, but very real power we have to resist the Holy Spirit. Acts 7:51. He is a fire, as appeared on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:3), and this fire may be quenched. This emblem sets forth the sudden and vehement activities of the Holy Spirit with His gifts of warmth for the heart and light for the mind, and His power to kindle the human spirit. Prophecy exhibited His presence under this aspect in its intensity and ardor. On the other hand He appears in gentler form under the emblem of the dove, in whose guise the Spirit descended on Jesus at His baptism.

Makes Christians Fearless

"Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marveled." Acts 4:15. Ideas will never save a man, nor did the resurrection change the disposition or temper of those

men. Even after the resurrection they were timid. They hid themselves away in a room, closed the doors, and bolted them. But on the day of Pentecost something happens, Somebody comes. The Holy Spirit baptizes them with a new power. Instantly the screening doors are thrown open and Simon Peter stands up in the presence of a great crowd, defending himself and the men who stand behind him, and explaining the cause of their tumultuous joy.

No Effectual Work without the Spirit

Jesus taught distinctly that the Christian should have the co-operation of the Holy Spirit in witnessing for Christ. The Spirit is to convict the world of sin and of righteousness and of judgment. There is all the difference in the world between preaching in the power of the Holy Spirit and simply in the power of one's natural ability. Preaching without the power of the Holy Spirit is like shooting with a bow and arrow. The strength that sends the arrow rests simply in the arm and the bow. But preaching Christ in the power of the Spirit is like shooting with the latest improved rifle. The power that sends the bullet rests in the powder that is set on fire behind it. You simply pull the trigger and the fire and powder do the rest.

The Spirit for Today

God does not give the Holy Spirit at one time in such power that we can forever afterward dispense with His presence and purifying power. We must be renewed day by day in the inner man. The mission of the Spirit is that He may abide with us forever for we need daily cleansing. In the daily cleansing of the heart there must be a willingness to take life's experiences as God sends them. It is easy to be lovely when experience is pleasing. But it is not easy to keep a sweet temper and an equable spirit when experiences are harsh and disappointing and painful. The Holy Spirit's presence is given for just such needs as this. He will help us to keep a happy heart and will cleanse away complaining and discontent.

Joy of Work With the Spirit

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of joy. He is the Comforter. He is the author of peace. He gives to the soul an understanding of the only real happiness of which it is capable. The Christian then

should be happy. Attaining to happiness brings him into sympathy with the Spirit, not indeed the happiness which is found in fleeting pleasures, but that which is in the grand activities of the Christian's contest and the Christian's victory. The joy of the Lord is our strength in doing the work of the Lord. This is amply illustrated in the lives of the most successful Christian workers. They are as happy as they are earnest. They are thus one with the Spirit, and the work of the Spirit is done by them. Would we be workers together with God?

Corrects Our Errors

This illustrates the meaning of Comforter showing His method: Here is a boy in school, head down, puzzling over a sum. It won't come out. He figures away, his brow is all knitted, and a worried look is coming into his face, for he is a conscientious little fellow. But he cannot seem to get it right, and the clouds gather thicker. By and by the teacher comes and sits down by his side. It awes him a little to have her so close. But her kindness of manner soon disperses the awe. "How are you getting along?" "Won't come out right," in a very despondent tone. "Let me see. Did you subtract that?" "Oh-h-h, I forgot that." And a little light seems to break as he scratches away for a few moments, then pauses. "And this figure here, should it be . . ." "Oh-h-h, I see." More scratching, and a soft sigh of relief, and the knitted brows become smooth, and the face brightens. The teacher did not do the problem for him. She did better. She let him feel her kindly interest, first of all, and then gave just the right, experienced touch that showed him the way out. Yet she allowed him the peculiar pleasure of getting through himself. That is what Comforter means.

The Day of the Spirit

Where it is said that the Spirit himself maketh intercession for us (Rom. 8:26), it is plain from the context that to the receptive and responsive soul there is guidance as to what to pray for, making real the promise of an answer to the prayer of faith. Let us remember in this connection that this is the spiritual, the Pentecostal dispensation. There is no provision for an anticlimax in this gospel except that which results from lack of faith.

Power of the Spirit

I believe in the Holy Spirit. To express another thought, I expect to see saints as holy as any named in the Bible because I believe in the Holy Spirit. I expect to see preachers as mighty in the Scriptures, and as able to sway men as any who ever shook the multitudes of Jerusalem, or Antioch, or Corinth, or Rome, because I believe in the Holy

Spirit. I expect to see churches as full of the works of faith and the labors of love as ever Thessalonica was, because I believe in the Holy Spirit. I expect to see towns and cities swept from side to side, and from highest to lowest extremes of society until righteousness shall reign in the streets because I believe in the Holy Spirit. I expect to see the dark regions of the earth clothed with light and the waste places blossom as the rose because I believe in the Holy Spirit. I expect to see the day when another Julian shall declare, "Behold, how these Christians love one another," because I believe in the Holy Spirit.

Grieving the Spirit

An old man once said to his pastor, "When I was seventeen I began to feel deeply at times, and this continued for two or three years. But I determined to put it off till I should be settled in life. After I was married I reflected that the time had come when I had promised to attend to religion, but I had bought this farm and I thought it would not suit me to become religious till it was paid for, as then some time would have to be devoted to attending church and also some expense would be involved. I then resolved to put it off ten years. But when the ten years came round I thought no more about it. I often try to think, but I cannot keep my mind on the subject one moment."

Then the pastor urged him by all the terrors of dying an enemy to God to set about the work of repentance. "It is too late," said he, "I believe my doom is sealed, and it is just that it should be so,

Encouragement and Warning

G. H. Lang

As soon as ever redeemed Israel stood on the resurrection side of the Red Sea they celebrated in advance their entrance into Canaan. The series of past tenses in their song (Exodus 15:13-15), and the certainty expressed as to the future (16-18), is arresting. "Thou hast led Thy people . . . Thou hast guided them to Thy holy habitation . . . Thou shalt bring them in and plant them."

Here are no "ifs," no conditions, no contemplation of failure, either of the nation or even of individuals. The entrance of all is asserted beforehand as if they were already in the land. Yet it is a fact, 600,000 there present and singing failed to enter in because of unbelief and disobedience (Heb. 3:18-4:6).

In form and in theme this passage is parallel to Romans 8:28-30: "Whom He foreknew He also foreordained . . . whom He foreordained them He also called: and whom He called them He also justifi-

ed: and whom He justified them He also glorified." Here also is a series of past tenses, and the attainment of glory by all the justified is asserted without any hint of possible failure to attain. Yet the array of conditional passages before presented declare clearly the possibility of missing the heavenly inheritance, as so many of Israel missed the earthly, and, indeed, in this very chapter 8, verse 17, the sharing of the glory of Christ has been set forth as conditional: "heirs indeed of God, but joint-heirs with Messiah, if so be that we suffer with Him that we may be also glorified with Him."

The pastor turned to his children, young men and women, who were around him, and entreated them not to put off the subject of religion or grieve the Spirit of God in their youthful days. The old man added, "Mind, if I had attended to it then it would have been well with me today. But now it is too late."

Available but Unclaimed Power

One of the bank buildings in Albany, N. Y., has been erected by using unclaimed deposits. There is enough of an unclaimed spiritual deposit for every Christian to make himself rich for time and eternity. Let us keep appropriating what is ours. Since the day of Pentecost we have been living in a stream of spiritual power; and all that is required if we should wish to be filled to overflowing is that we should dip up and drink of that river which flows from the throne of God. There is no more electricity in the world today than there was a thousand years ago. The difference is that we of today appropriate what has all the time been round about us. There is no more electricity in America than in Africa. The difference is that we have taken hold of it and made it light our streets and carry us to and from our homes, while in the heart of Africa they sit in darkness and plod wearily over mountain and valley. It is a principle of science that if one would command a force he must obey the law of it. It is a principle in our Christian religion that if one could command all the power of God he needs simply to obey the laws of God.

What does it mean where it says, "If any speak in an unknown tongue, let it be by two, or at the most by three, and that by course; and let one interpret." 1 Cor. 14:27.

knowledge. It was from no determination of God that the 600,000 did not reach Canaan, though He foresaw it. But where the statement includes the human response to the divine call the unavoidable facts of human frailty or perverseness are necessarily found, and possible failure is contemplated and attainment becomes conditional.

Thus 1 Cor. 15:23 is of the former class: "they that are Christ's at His coming" will be raised, no exceptions being suggested; but verse 49 (in by far the best attested reading) is of the latter class: "as we have borne the image of the earthy, let us also bear the image of the heavenly." So Jude 24: "He is able to guard you from stumbling, and to set you before the presence of His glory," sets forth the ability of God, which knows no restraint on His side; but 2 Pet. 1:10, 11 supplies the balance, and the corrective to presumption, by its urgent appeal. "Brethren, give the more diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things ye shall never stumble, and thus shall be richly supplied unto you the entrance, etc."

It has surely been a lamentably successful wile of the enemy of truth to persuade Christians to hurl these classes of passages at one another from opposing camps, instead of them being seen as complementary and in full harmony with the facts concerning both God and man.

Questions and Answers

What will become of our foreparents who lived for God, but who knew nothing about the Baptism with the Spirit and speaking with other tongues?

All believers in Christ who have walked in such light as they had will be saved. Can one sanctified, but who has not received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, be saved?

All believers who walk in the light will be saved. "The Lord knoweth them that are His."

Was Jesus crucified by the Jews?

Jesus was delivered by the rulers of the Jews, but was crucified by the Roman soldiers, after being delivered to them for this purpose by Pilate the governor, at the insistence of the Jews. Mark 10:33, 34; Luke 23:1, 21; John 19:1, 2, 23.—E. S. W.

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The Editor's Notebook



What Seek Ye?

I once heard a preacher say, "Don't seek power, seek holiness." My Bible was open at the first chapter of 1 Corinthians and I noticed the words, "*Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.*" Further on in the chapter I read, "But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption." And I said to myself, "I wish that preacher would just tell the people to *seek Christ*, for they would find in Him both the power of God and the holiness of God (holiness and sanctification are the same word in the Greek), and they would also find in Him everything else they need." David said to the Lord: "When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, *Thy face, Lord, will I seek.*" Psalm 27:8. Instead of seeking experiences, it is far better to seek Christ Himself, and He will not fail to give us such experiences, gifts, and graces as will enable us most to glorify Him.

His Love to Us

It is Christ, the wisdom of God, Himself who speaks out to us through His Word, declaring, "I love them that love me, and those that seek me early shall find me." Prov. 8:17. One night some years ago I went home tired, and lay down on my bed to rest. After a while a four-year-old tot came into the room, climbed on the bed and, giving me a smacking kiss on my lips, said, "Daddy, I love 'oo." That unexpected spontaneous expression of her love brought great joy to my father heart. And may we not bring joy to the heart of Him who first loved us by showing Him that we love Him? And remember, what practical love we show to the least of His, we show to Him.

Bearing the Yoke in Youth

What is meant by that expression, "those that seek me early"? There are two prevailing interpretations and I am sure there is truth in both. The first is that we should seek the Lord early in life and give to Him the "dew of our youth" rather than the dregs of our old age. I have just been re-reading the biography of Hudson Taylor, who early in life yielded His whole being to the Lord. What a choice vessel God made of this yielded youth—one whom a hundred thousand saved Chinese will rise up and call blessed. Hudson Taylor gave the Lord his best in early life, and as a result he

received from the Lord His best all through his life. It always works that way.

The Early Morning Watch

But there is another simple interpretation of this Scripture—that we should seek the face of our Lord *in the early hours of every day*—to render to Him the firstfruits of our time; and some of us can testify that this is unspeakably helpful. Ask the Lord to awaken you early each morning and to allow you to experience that which is set forth in Isaiah 50:4, "He wakeneth morning by morning, he wakeneth mine ear to hear." It is to those who have ears to hear what He has to say in the early hours of every day that He gives a word in season to speak to those who are weary. Seek His face early each morning to receive from Him a complete cleansing by His blood, a fresh infilling of His life, and a new unction of the Spirit, an anointing with *fresh oil*—and you will surely find Him. I met a dear old saint at a camp one time who had written on the front page of his Bible, "Dear Lord Jesus, will you read this Book with me each day?" You can read the Book through with Him as your interpreter, for He declares, "I am understanding" (Prov. 8:14), and you will find that He will make all its precepts and promises real to you. The early morning reading is the best.

The Cleansing of the Blood

I have just been reading the testimony of one who seeks the face of the Lord in the early hours of each morning, and he says: "I will tell you how God meets me in the morning. The Spirit says, 'Honor first of all Christ's death *for you*. Get into touch with the Father, and get a right attitude towards the precious Blood and the New Covenant, of which it is the seal.' The first step is to turn to God from all the nasty dreams, or the former day's business, and especially all that is looming dark on the horizon of the coming day. To be still, with this one point in your mind, till it glows over your whole being, that you are completely cleansed by the blood of Christ, and that you now enter by faith into the blessing of the new and everlasting Covenant that assures you of all things. When I awake in the morning I search for this point of rest, until the Spirit witnesses that faith is triumphant."

Abundant Life Within

"Then the next point is this: I cannot live in the death of Christ only. I want life for the day. 'How much life?' God

asks. I say, 'I want it especially for my body.' He says, 'Give your body to Me in all its weaknesses; I have brought it down that it should be weak, that you should know My strength that is made perfect in your weaknesses. Remember that after Abraham was 90 I did *the* principal work through him. Now wait upon Me on the ground of the Blood until life moves in you; then begin to praise Me for it.' And in a very short time comes the uprising of life overflowing my whole body."

Endued With Power

This writer continues: "I find my resting place for the whole day, and the devil cannot move me while I abide under the Blood. There is shelter in the Blood, there is provision in His life to meet all that lies ahead in His will. But what lack I yet? He tells me, 'The Baptism of power *upon* you, a power that will be manifested on many needed occasions throughout the day.' He will alike empower and guide you. I do not manipulate God but He manipulates me. I go *His way*, I walk with Him. I know that there is a law of His life (Rom. 8:2) and as I 'press the button' in the morning, it streams out all the day. That is what Christ does for me. He will do the same for you as you honor Him and give yourself up utterly, spirit, soul, and body to be a place in which He can live and act, and as you let the Blood cleanse away all the miasma of false vision. 'Morning by morning!'"

Early Hours

I once lived in a small country town and was interested in a couple whom I saw every day. The young man worked in a big city some twelve miles distant and had to catch an early train each morning. But a full hour before his train was due he would make his appearance at the house of a certain young lady who was always ready to meet him, and together they would wend their way to the railroad station. Not through the town. Oh, no, that way was far too short! They would take a pathway that led through some woods. There was not a morning when this young lady was not ready, her dainty dress immaculately clean, beautifully starched and carefully ironed. Her hair was always in perfect order and I knew that of necessity she must needs awake at an early hour each morning in order to get ready to meet her early visitor. But she never failed. And then when he returned each night she was always at the station. When the train pulled in there was always a smiling welcome for him from this dainty miss. She knew, even when he was working overtime, just when to meet him. When the train arrived he was always the first to alight, and the way they greeted one another caused me to surmise that they both must be deeply in love.

Rewarded

But one morning my dainty miss was not making her way to the station. Had there been a misunderstanding? Oh, no. I rather think there had been a very clear understanding about something. Rumor had it that she was going to receive a great reward that day. If you had looked in at her home and inquired, "It is true that you have a splendid reward coming to you today? Did you win ten thousand dollars in one of those special newspaper competitions?" she would have replied, "Oh, nothing so paltry as that! The reward I am receiving today for keeping my early morning and evening tryst with my lover is that he is giving himself to me." And so instead of those starched cotton and linen dresses she used to wear each morning there was a creation made of white silk that it would be impossible for a mere man like myself to describe. Also a veil, a bouquet, and a lot of those other inconsequential trifles that girls delight in. The young man was all rigged up with a

brand new outfit, and I found he had made an appointment at a church with a certain preacher to perform a certain ceremony.

The Marriage of the Lamb

And I thought of a day coming when those who have had a meeting with their lover Lord early every morning in order to have sweet converse with Him, and who are ever waiting for His return, will likewise receive a reward. What kind of a reward? The Lord said to Abraham, "I am thy exceeding great reward." He Himself will be the reward of His faithful ones. Could there be any reward greater than that? The old Book tells us that a cry will go forth from the denizens of heaven, "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him, for the marriage of the Lamb is come and His wife hath made herself ready." And the best preparation for this marriage has surely been that continuous fellowship in the early hours with Him who assures her that He loves those that love Him.

"Higher" Criticism

Professor Baynes, according to the *Life of Faith*, told his hearers that some critics of the Old Testament had "conjectured that when Elijah confounded the prophets of Baal by producing holy fire, he had a burning-glass concealed in his sieve. When he raised his hand to heaven, it was suggested further, that he held the glass so that the sun's rays poured on to a liquid which looked like water, but which was, in fact, naphtha, the secret of which was unknown to the prophets of Baal."

It has remained for modern scholarship (?) to discover that the prophet Elijah was just a conjurer and that the fire on Mount Carmel was one of his tricks!

Hearts Failing for Fear

The pistol shot and the assassination of an Austrian twenty years ago brought about the great World War, and all the world is again at high tension because of another pistol shot and the assassination of another Austrian—Engelbert Dollfuss, who was the virtual ruler of that land. There is undoubtedly much feeling in Austria in favor of that country's being united with Germany under Hitler—himself an Austrian. But the nations—especially Italy—are saying an emphatic No, to this. An article in *Today* states that Chancellor Hitler is just the puppet of the war lords of Germany—men who are once more planning for world war. And so all the nations are once more rapidly making preparations for a greater holocaust of slaughter.

There will be no lasting peace among the nations until the Prince of peace returns.

The Drouth

One of the promises to Israel was, "The Lord shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season." Deut. 28:12. It is estimated that 80% of the United States is affected by the drouth at this time, and officials at Washington are alarmed because of the prevailing opinion that it is a judgment of God for the cutting down of the crop acreage and other policies of the Department of Agriculture.

The drouth is also prevailing in other lands—in both Europe and Asia. The *Times* of London says: "The drouth in England surpasses all of which accurate records exist. The only comparable calamity is the drouth which is suspected to have covered the four years—1740 to 1743."

Rain can be both withheld and received through the prevailing prayer of the righteous. "Elias . . . prayed earnestly that it might not rain; and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit." James 5:17, 18.

The Passing and the Permanent

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

War and the Sermon on the Mount

How far our western civilization is from being Christian will be seen in the following statement from the *London News-Chronicle*: "During the late war, 20,000 copies of the Sermon on the Mount (printed without comment) were ordered to be destroyed by a Leeds magistrate as seditious literature. The would-be distributor was sent to jail for three months' hard labor."

Anti-God Drive

The Russians are discovering that religion has the proverbial nine lives of a cat. Therefore we read that "An intensification of the atheist war against all religious beliefs in the Soviet Union has been ordered by the president of the Society of the Militant Godless in Moscow. It is stated that as a result of the slackening of the anti-religious campaign religion is again lifting its head in the U. S. S. R."

Agitation Against War

The increasing agitation against war is an indication of belief in and fear of an imminent conflict. According to an English daily, "With right hands raised, 3,000 people, the largest congregation ever gathered in Trafalgar Square, London, recited a covenant against war. Declared their leader, the popular preacher Dick Shepherd: "We believe with our whole souls that war is of the devil. No Christian ought to touch it in any circumstance. We will not touch war again at any cost or price. War is hell complete and entire."

Hitler Dictatorship

With the passing of President von Hindenburg, Chancellor Adolph Hitler becomes the supreme ruler of Germany. It is declared when, at the beginning of his dictatorship in Germany, Hitler commenced a special boycott of the Jews, von Hindenburg intervened, reminding the Chancellor that his oath of office compelled him to protect the rights of all German citizens, which included the Jews, and thus the boycott was limited to one day. What will happen to the Jews in Germany in days to come since the kindly hand of the aged President can no longer be reached out to restrain?

Rome's Revival

In Italy much honor is being given these days to Cæsar, the founder of the Roman empire. M. Federzoni, the president of the Italian senate, addressing a great assembly of high officials said, "Italy, Fascist Italy, sees in the name of Cæsar the greatest symbol of national glory and of faith in the future of Rome." Ernest Gordon writes in the *Sunday School Times*: "The press of Italy echoes this theme. It compares the two Roman dictators (Cæsar and Mussolini), who, separated by nearly two thousand years, have succeeded by nearly the same means in restoring the fate and mission of Italy. All of which is interesting to Christians who remember that our Lord was born in the days of Julius Cæsar's nephew, Augustus Cæsar, and was crucified in the reign of Tiberius Cæsar." Will He return in the days of Italy's modern Cæsar?



"Keeping Healing"



Chas. E. Robinson

For thirty-three years I have been teaching Divine Healing and praying for the sick. For several years past I have been editing the department in the *Evangel* covering healing testimonies. From this extensive experience I am convinced that large numbers of persons receive Divine Healing and afterwards lose it; probably a large majority of healed persons lose their healing. This causes me to look upon the theme under discussion as one of primary importance. It is important (a) Because it is a dreadful thing to have such a large number of delivered sufferers forced back into their sufferings; (b) Because the heart of the Lord is greatly grieved in that notwithstanding His full and ample provision for the healing of His people, Satan is yet their tormentor; (c) Because people's losing their healing is a vast deterrent to others, keeping back from exercising faith for healing a multitude of suffering ones; and (d) Because thus bringing Divine Healing into disrepute results in many people who would be *saved* in seeking the Lord for healing, instead, going on to hell.

The subject of backsliding is very closely akin to the subject under discussion, and it is also a matter of the greatest importance to the church. Why do people backslide? They do not intend to; they do not want to; and often they do not know how the sad fact came to be. There ought to be much clearer views generally prevalent about the cause and cure of backsliding than is now the case.

Why do people lose their healing? One reason is that the healed person persists in his life of careless disobedience, after he is healed. A lady wonderfully healed came back to the minister after a few days and told of having been healed and being made entirely free from sickness for a few days; but asserted that now she was as bad as before if not worse. At once the minister inquired, "How have you been spending your time since you were healed?" "Why just as usual," she said, "keeping my home, going to bridge parties in the afternoons, and to the theater of nights. Just the same old round." Is it to be wondered at that the disease demon returned? Didn't the Lord Jesus warn, "Behold thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee"? John 5:14. Surely one of the things moving God to *heal* a person is akin to one of the reasons He has for saving a sinner—to provide another worker for the spreading of the gospel. God loves the sufferer, truly, and heals him out of love; but just as surely when healing one, those other needy ones whom

this healed one can help are in His mind. When He healed the possessed man at Gadara His motives were complex: He found the devil there carrying on and, having been manifested that He might destroy the works of the devil (1 John 3:8), He cast him out; but that was not all, for He loved the man and reached out to him the hand of helping in loving sympathy; but still that was not all, for He loved all those people whom He, in His own person could not get to see but who were in need, and whom the healed man *could* see. He healed the man of Gadara that he might go home to his friends "and tell them how great things the Lord" had done for him. If this man instead of going at the task the Lord gave him, had begun playing around, giving rein to his fleshly lusts, would it have been any surprise if the way had thus been opened for the return into him of the devils?

But we must look at another and possibly more prolific cause of people's losing their healing. Active faith, faith that brings salvation or healing or the Baptism, is not a state of the mind or of the emotions. I have heard people bewailing their lack of faith. They have expressed sorrow that they had so little faith and that, consequently, they could not be healed. They have seemed to think that having faith is something like having red hair or a good appetite—something that some people have and others do not, and about which there is not much that can be done.

Active faith is something to be *done*. The Scripture says, "Have faith in God." It is a command to do something, and with the command goes the necessary presumption that the one commanded has power to obey. God would be unjust if He commanded one to do something that that one had no ability to do, because disobedience would be sin, and if disobedience could not be avoided because of his inability to obey, God would be in the position of forcing one into sinning. He would not do that. A command to do, necessarily presupposes the ability to perform. So Paul said to the jailor, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." The jailor had inquired what he should do, and Paul *told* him what to do. To believe was something he *could* do. That is, active faith is a creature of the will.

The distressed father of the epileptic boy cried out, "If thou canst do any thing, have compassion on us, and help us." The Lord Jesus replied in substance, "It is not a matter of whether *I* can do anything.

The question is what can *you do*? If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that does so." Thereupon the man believed, and the boy was healed. The father didn't feel, emotionally, that he was believing for he prayed, "Help my unbelief"; but he *willed* to believe. Believing is a creature of the will. Some time ago we had in the *Evangel* the account of a man who was sick and had no one to pray for him. He anointed himself with oil, machine oil if I remember correctly and, bringing his fist down with a mighty blow upon his knee, he said, "I believe." His healing was instantaneous and complete.

As one's faith is, so it will be done unto him. This is not like saying if you happen to be a fat person or if you happen to have blue eyes you will be healed. Such a thing would be like mockery only to persons who had those characteristics. As you exercise faith or do not do so, so shall it be unto you. Exercising the necessary faith is a thing within one's own power.

Some people in praying for the sick act and speak in ways naturally calculated to assist those being prayed for to exercise their wills to believe. Their faith is only part of the reason for the sick one's being healed. Their words, looks, and manner assist the sick one to believe and, believing, he receives help.

Now this brings us to our theme. Away from the encouraging presence of the minister; without proper instructions as to the wily ways of Satan, the healed one feels something that strongly reminds him of his former condition. Instantly Satan brings the thought to his mind, "You are not healed. You honestly thought you were. You didn't lie when you testified to it. You *meant* all right. You *thought* you were healed." So the man ceases to believe. He is discouraged and disappointed. Ceasing to believe of course there is nothing to hinder the devil's setting up housekeeping again in the same old way and, likely as not, bringing in some of his associates, to make matters worse.

What should the man have done? The moment the thought came, "You are not healed," he should have declared with the full force of his will, "I *believe* I am healed. No symptoms make any difference to me. He sent His Word and healed me, and I am healed. I *believe* it." I was healed several months ago of a distressing case of asthma following influenza, which had lasted me about twenty months, and four times since then I have had to actively go to war with the devil when he has brought again the old familiar symptoms and tried to make me think I was not healed. I have set my will with all the power I have, to *believe* myself healed. I did not time myself; but I believe neither of those four temptations lasted

fifteen minutes. I did what God has made everyone of us capable of doing, I *believed* and so the healing could not be stolen from me.

While God has given us the power to believe, that is, exercise active faith, this power, in four particulars is like the physical ability we have to move our scalps. 1. We are likely not to realize that we have this power until we are told. 2. We have power to move the scalp but only within set limits, and we have power to believe but only when we see that we have the divinely laid down prerequisites of faith. 3. We are likely not to be able to exercise the power on the first trial. 4. The more often we move our scalps and the more often we exercise active faith, the more readily and successfully are we able to do it.

This calls for a few words about what are the prerequisites of exercising faith. We cannot believe anything which does not appear to us reasonable. Therefore we should lay down all the rebellion in our hearts and surrender our lives to God, for it will not seem reasonable to us that God would heal or keep healed a rebel against His government. Moreover we should comply with the directions for healing so far as is practicable; that is we should call for the elders of the church and be anointed with oil and prayed for, or have those who believe lay their hands on us and pray. We should make a clean breast of all sins that may come to mind as an incident of the prayer for our healing. If a man did not turn on the ignition switch or release the hand brake or operate the starter or throw in the clutch, he would have no foundation for believing the car would run, and he could not so believe. When a man has done what God directs about his healing then he has the foundation of God's Word on which to rest his faith, and it is within his power to believe.

Knowing the Time

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God has been pleased, in these last days, to pour out of His Holy Spirit, not in one place alone, but to the uttermost parts of the earth; and His *power* is being supernaturally manifested in breaking the power of the devil and setting captives free. The fields, also, are white, ready for harvest. If there are those here who have not yet known within your being the saving grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, I beseech you, in Jesus' name, *not to neglect* your soul's salvation, for this is the accepted time, this is the day of salvation. We are not trying to convince people that the world is getting better, but we point them to the Apostle Paul's warning, "*Knowing the time, that now it is high time to awaken out of sleep.*"

The world realizes that there is an awful condition pending. From coast to

coast we have been asked the question, "What does it all mean, and where will it end—have we come to the end of the world?" Dear people, it is just as Jesus said it would be in these last days, "*Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth.*" However, to His *redeemed people* He has said, "*When these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh.*" Luke 21:26, 28.

How we need to heed the exhortation to "*awaken out of sleep!*" The tendency of mankind today is to fall into a state of lethargy, both morally and spiritually. Morally, the world seems to have gone to *sleep*; spiritually, many of the children of God have gone to *sleep*. The late President Coolidge, and other men of affairs, have made the statement that what the world needs is a *revival of religion*; that unless our *spiritual* progress keeps pace with our *material* progress, *we are doomed!* They realize that something has gone wrong with the religious condition of the people, that our material prosperity has gone ahead of our spiritual uplift, and that it has brought forth corruption in politics, in business, and in our social structure. Not only those having the light of the gospel, but men of the world, realize that *something* is coming; and yet, how *sleepy the Church* is, despite the fact that the clarion call has gone forth from all corners of the earth,—"*The coming of the Lord draweth nigh! He is even at the door!*" *If I could only* awaken men and women out of their lethargy, that they might realize the *momentous days* in which we are living.

My friends, I wonder if the Church of Jesus Christ has been faithful to her mission? I fear not! The devil, with his stupefying power, is all about us. I am convinced that there are people within the sound of my voice who are *spiritually asleep*. Dear people, if the Church of Rome back there in Paul's time was in that dangerous condition, how much greater is *the danger* in these perilous times. I fear sin, with its *stupefying power!* I fear *backsliding* tremendously! Remember, "*we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places!*" Therefore, *it is high time for us to awaken out of sleep*, ere our wills are undermined and the very backbone of our spiritual life is broken.

Satan, in these last days is seeking to take the keen edge off of our experience of salvation, causing a spirit of indifference to control us—and we forget the exhortation to "*Watch and pray.*" If the Bridegroom were to come knocking at our door just now, where would He find us? Would we hasten to open to Him, with the cry,

"Come, Lord Jesus!" Or would we shrink back and say, "*Lord, delay thy coming for yet a little while.*"

There is also *another phase of sleep* that is apt to overcome us in these last and perilous days. The uncertainties, discouragements, and sorrows, the cares of this life, through which many of us pass, seem to have an influence in taking away *the spirit of watchfulness*, causing us to *yield to sleep* as the disciples did in the Garden. Jesus selected three disciples to stand with Him in that crucial time, while He went aside to pray. It was there that He passed through the conflict of the ages. When He came back He found the disciples sleeping, and said unto them, "*What, could ye not watch with me one hour?*" What was the secret of their slumber—was it just *ordinary sleep*? No! It says they *slept because of sorrow*. Luke 22:45. They were touched by the hour that Jesus was passing through. All the opposition that Satan was bringing to bear upon the Son of God seemed to fall heavy upon them also.

My friends, the opposition *from the principalities and powers of darkness of this world* is primarily against the cause of our Lord. Because of the fact that we are living in the closing days of this age, Satan is opposing the progress of the Church, *seeking whom he may devour*. The land of Russia says they will get God and Christ out of their country, and you know what efforts have been put forth to that end. Look at the opposition that is now being raised against the progress of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in China, India, and other lands. Go where you will and you will find Satan marshalling his forces to withstand the onward march of the Church and to hinder her ministry. God forbid that the Church should *sleep* in the hour of battle!

What is our condition tonight? What, if in the face of the light that has been shed across our pathway, we are "*weighed in the balance and found wanting*"? How shall we answer to God? Beloved friends, make your calling and election sure! Arouse out of sleep! "*The night is far spent, the day is at hand!*"

Attitude of Trust

"When we believe for a blessing, we must take the attitude of faith; and begin to act and pray as if we had the blessing. We must treat God as if He had given us our request. We must lean our weight over upon Him for the thing that we have claimed, and just take it for granted that He gives it, and is going to continue to give it. This is the attitude of trust."

God has never promised the righteous exemption from afflictions, but He does say, "*The Lord delivereth him out of them all.*"

The Way of Salvation

A General's Conversion

A general was invited to be the guest of a certain Christian family. The first night, after a pleasant evening, he retired to bed. He was, like many officers, very honorable, regular in his attendance at church, and blameless in his conduct. He did not believe there was any future wrath of God; and, if there were, he felt no disquietude, for he had never done anything very sinful in his life. So he fell asleep at peace with himself.

On opening his eyes in the morning he saw the words on a card hanging on the wall: "My sins deserve eternal death." The terrible fact—carried by the Holy Spirit—pierced his heart like a sword and caused him to tremble with such violence that the bedstead shook. Terror stricken, he got out of bed as best he could, fell on his knees, and cried out: "What shall I do to be saved?" He felt that he was lost, and that he could not possibly, by any religious efforts of his own, liberate himself from the sentence of death justly denounced on him because of his sins. In his desperation he felt something saying to him: "Look again at the card." He did so, and this time saw the words: "But Jesus died for me." In a flash—for the Holy Spirit can in an instant reveal truths that fill eternity—he saw that Christ had suffered that death for him. He sprang to his feet—he shouted: "I'm saved!" In a tumult of joy and wonder he hastily dressed and hurried down to breakfast to tell his delighted hosts of what had occurred. That morning family prayer and personal praise mingled at the footstool of God.

Do you know that *your* sins deserve eternal death? Even though you have never done anything very wrong in your life, as we foolishly say, you have rejected the Lord Jesus and this is the worst sin you could commit. "God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Jesus, the spotless Lamb of God, died for *your* sins. Will you accept the salvation that He so freely offers you now?

Large Enrollment at Central Bible Institute

Young people all over the country are awake to their need of Bible training such as is provided at Central Bible Institute and are making plans to enter this fall. Applications have been coming in, and quite a large number have been accepted as members of the first year class. It looks as though larger quarters will have to be provided. The School Management has made arrangements to accommodate all who meet requirements and

are accepted; but it will be to the advantage of prospective students to get their applications in at once.

A letter or post card to the school will bring a catalog with all necessary information together with an application blank. Address Central Bible Institute, Route 5, Box 42, Springfield, Mo.

Although there has been a general increase in the cost of living, the cost of attending Central Bible Institute has been decreased about one fourth! This will mean a great deal to those who have been saving money for their Bible training. Central Bible Institute is now the cheapest school, all things considered, in the Pentecostal Movement.

Seed Thoughts

Gathered by Alice F. Rice

The ancients used to say, "Justice walks with leaden footsteps, but she strikes with an iron hand." Compare Eccl. 8:11.

Men are living so entirely for the present moment—improvident, heedless, thoughtless as to the future—that it needs preaching in the power of the Holy Spirit to make them *look ahead*.

God is still making His sun to shine on evil and good alike, sending rain on just and unjust, and being kind to the unthankful everywhere.

But this will not last for ever. As regards the government of this world God is *keeping silence*; but shortly will come the time when "Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence." Psalm 50:3, 21.

When Paul stood before a hardened sinner, he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and *judgment to come*. Acts 24:25. We are not told that Felix repented; but at least he could never have the excuse that no one had warned him whither he was hastening.

A world that is vainly prating of a weak, spineless Deity, "too loving to condemn His creatures to endless torment," needs preachers like Paul who are not afraid to declare God's eternal justice and the judgment that will fall on those who refuse to repent.

Jesus, the meek and lowly in heart, the loving, gentle Saviour, was the preacher who proclaimed with no uncertain sound the literalness and eternity of hell fire. See Mark 9:43-48; Matt. 23:33. "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, *we persuade men*." 2 Cor. 5:11.

If you know of some who are thinking of attending Bible school tell them about the cut in the expenses at Central Bible Institute. It is now one fourth less than formerly.

"Seven days of self-indulgence make one weak."

A Three Minute Sermon

Faithfulness in Daily Life

The common drudgery of daily life can be a divine calling. We often speak of a young man as "being called to the ministry"; but it is as fitting to speak of a carpenter being called to the bench, the blacksmith to the forge, and the shoemaker to his last. "Brethren," said the apostle, "let every man wherein he is called, therein abide with God."

Remember that your life has been appointed by God's wise providence. God as much sent Joseph to the drudgery and discipline of the prison as to the glory and responsibility of the palace. Nothing happens to us which is not included in His plan for us; and the incidents which seem most tiresome are often contrived to give us opportunities to become nobler, stronger characters.

We are called to be faithful in performing our assigned duties. Not brilliance, not success, not notoriety which attracts the world's notice, but the regular, quiet, and careful performance of trivial and common duties; faithfulness in that which is *least* is as great an attainment in God's sight as in the greatest.

In every piece of honest work, however irksome, laborious, and commonplace, we are fellow workers with God. We must help God to give men their daily bread. It is for Him to cause the growth of the corn, but man must reap and thresh, grind out the flour, make and distribute the bread. The tailor is God's fellow workman, helping Him to clothe the bodies which He has made to need garments of various textures. The builder co-operates with God in housing His children. The merchant helps to bring the products of the East to refresh and enrich the toiling masses of the West. God uses man in a thousand ways to serve the children of men; and thus we work together with Him.

Take up your work, then, you who seem to be the nobodies, the drudges, the maids-of-all-work, the clerks, or shop assistants. Do it with a brave heart, looking up to Him who for many years toiled at the carpenter's bench. Amid the many scenes and actions of life, set the Lord always before your face. Do all as in His presence, and to win His smile; and be sure to cultivate a spirit of love to God and man. Look out for opportunities of cheering your fellow workers. Do not murmur or grumble, but let your heart rise from your toil to God your Maker, Saviour, and Friend. So the lowliest service will glisten, as grass blades do when sun and dewdrops garnish them.—F. B. Meyer.

The Sunday School Lesson

Hosea Preaches God's Love

Lesson 9, August 26: Hosea 11:1-4, 8, 9; 14:4-9.

The dominant message of Hosea's prophecy is, God is love—a message that was stamped upon his soul with the weight of a heart-crushing experience. A careful study of Hosea 1:2, 3 and 3:1-5 will yield the following incident. The prophet married a woman who deserted him for a lover, and strange to say, Hosea tells us that it was all in God's will. Later, on walking through the slave market Hosea saw his wife, forsaken by her lover, and on sale as a slave. To his surprise the Lord commanded him to redeem her from bondage and restore her to conjugal rights, "according to the love of the Lord toward the children of Israel." Then Hosea understood that his grace toward his prodigal wife was an illustration and a parable of Jehovah's grace toward backsliding Israel.

The Fatherhood of God. "When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt." (1) Thus does the Lord describe His election of Israel to be His covenant people, and to be His adopted son (in a national sense). Before the Most High there was spread an array of mighty kingdoms and great peoples; he passed them all by to lay His hand upon a puny, despised slave-nation in Egypt. It was as if a mighty emperor would disregard the sons of princes and adopt an unloveable slave boy to be his son. What was the basis and motive of Jehovah's strange choice? Not numerical greatness (Deut. 7:7), or righteousness (Deut. 9:4, 5); but "because the Lord loved you." Deut. 7:8. Our redemption, like that of Israel, is based upon the pure grace of God. "For by grace are ye saved through faith: and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works lest any man should boast." Eph. 2:8, 9. (2) "I taught Israel also to go, taking them by their arms." The illustration is that of a nurse or parent teaching a child to walk. God took a fickle, crude, and petulant people, and educated them spiritually through His moral, civil and ceremonial laws. They were literally brought up "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord!"

The Kindness of God. "I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of love: and I was to them as they that take off the yoke on their jaws, and I laid meat unto them." The illustration is that of a team of bullocks in charge of a kind driver, who does not lash or drive them, but with words of sympathy draws them after him. When the yoke began to rub and press he would ease it with his hands, and when they would get to the top of the hill he would rest and feed them. In like manner God employed gentle methods to overcome His people's waywardness. God does not desire to DRIVE men with iron authority; He would rather DRAW them by tender persuasion.

The Mercy of God. "How shall I give thee up, Ephraim? how shall I deliver thee, Israel? How shall I make thee as Admah?

how shall I set thee as Zeboim? mine heart is turned within me, my repentings are kindled together. I will not execute the fierceness of mine anger, I will not return to destroy Ephraim." Verses 8, 9. In the heart of God there exist mercy and justice—the loving desire to pardon the sinner and the righteous urge to punish him. An ancient Jewish parable shows how both attributes are necessary in God's dealings with man. There was a king, so the record reads, who desired to fill two empty glasses. He said, "If I fill them with hot water they will burst; if with cold water, they will break." What did the king do in the end? He mingled the cold with the hot water and filled the glasses and they were not damaged. So with the Holy One. He said, "If I create the world with the attribute of mercy, sin and injustice will prevail; and if the attribute of justice, how will the world be able to continue? I will therefore create the world with both attributes and it will be established.

Our text describes mercy pleading against justice, and mercy triumphing over justice on behalf of a guilty nation. At Calvary both mercy and justice were completely satisfied and reconciled. Christ bore the guilt of every sinner in order that mercy might be freely given to every guilty one. On the one hand the divine law is honored by the payment of the penalty; on the other hand the guilty one is delivered from the penalty of the law, and fully justified. Thus in relation to the vilest sinner God can be completely just and yet completely merciful at the same time. Rom. 3:25, 26.

The Restoring Grace of God. After beseeching the nation to repent, God offers them His free pardon. "I will heal their backslidings, I will love them freely: for mine anger is turned away from him." God promises to heal the wounds caused by Israel's backslidings—a promise that surely

can be appropriated by all penitent backsliders. When the unregenerate sinner comes to God for forgiveness, God pardons him and then treats him as if he never committed a sin in all his life. That is divine justification. And when the truly repentant backslider returns to "father's house" God receives him and then treats him as if he had never backslidden. That is divine restoration. Heine, the famous German poet, had been dissolute in life and skeptical in belief. On his dying bed, when asked about his standing with God he replied, with curled lip and cynical tone, "He will pardon me; that's His business." What this embittered genius said sneeringly we can say reverently: To forgive is God's business; and He knows His business! Where there is genuine sorrow for sin He completely pardons and utterly forgets. "Their sins will I remember no more."

The Refreshing from God. "I will be as the dew to Israel." Under this beautiful figure God promises to Israel the refreshing, quickening, sanctifying, beautifying, and fructifying influence of His Spirit. We may compare this figure with that of the "outpouring" of the Spirit. I once asked myself this question: Since the Spirit is a Person how can we speak of a PERSON'S being POURED OUT like water? An answer came in the reading of Psalm 72, which predicts concerning the Messiah that "HE shall come down LIKE RAIN upon the mown grass." The Holy Spirit is described as being "poured out" in order to illustrate the drenching, saturating, and overwhelming of a human personality with the presence and power of a divine Personality. To every soul who feels his dryness God is still saying, "I will be as the dew."

The Fruitfulness from God. As the response of fields and vineyards to the productive presence of dew was fruitfulness and plenty, so Israel's response to the effusion of God's Spirit will be spiritual fruitfulness. The effects of the outpouring on Israel in the last days are true of any soul bedewed of God. (1) He shall grow as the lily—a picture of purity and beauty. This illustration teaches us that "ugly Christianity is not Christ's Christianity." Believers are obligated to "adorn the doctrine." As Christians, we must be Christlike; as saints we must be saintly; as those who are "grace full" we must be graceful; as those who have faith we must be faithful. "Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us!" Psalm 90:17. (2) "He shall cast forth his roots like Lebanon" symbolizes the strength and vigor that follows the divine bedewing. Strength and beauty must be combined in the symmetrical Christian character, for beauty and gentleness without strength may become sickly and sentimental. The Christian needs steel in his spiritual framework so that he shall be strong to desist from sin, resist the devil, persist in faith, and insist on righteousness. (3) The God-inspired soul, pure, beautiful and strong, will bear fruit. "His branches shall spread and his beauty shall be as the olive tree." The beauty of the olive tree is not in its appearance, but in its fruitfulness. "After all," writes Dr. Maclaren, "it is the outcome in fruitfulness which is the main thing about us. God's meaning, in all His gifts of dew and beauty and purity and strength, is that we should be of some use in the world."—Myer Pearlman.



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The Gospel in Foreign Lands

SIXTEEN BAPTIZED IN HONG KONG

Leland Johnson writes from South China: "On Sunday June 3 we held a joint baptismal service with Brother McKinney at the Kowloon Hong Kong Tabernacle. It was a blessed time when sixteen new converts followed their Lord in water baptism. The tabernacle was crowded full in spite of a heavy oriental downpour of rain. We usually expect small crowds during the rainy season, but there seemed to be a touch of revival spirit at this time and people came from far and near. Along with the natural rain on the outside there came a downpour of spiritual rain in the church. It was a blessing to see these dear people so sincere in their desire to follow their Saviour. Brother McKinney spoke very forcefully on the subject of water baptism before we baptized the candidates. There were a few who wanted to be baptized at that time but could not get there, so we expect to have another such service soon."

DEDICATE DOCTOR'S OFFICE

Mr. W. R. Williamson tells of an unusual dedication service which he conducted in Ping Chau, South China. He says: "It was a real privilege to be invited to the opening of the new office of a lady doctor, one of our oldest Christians in this place. God has blessed her business until she has been able to open this new building.

"The usual way the heathen do when they open a new store is to have a great deal of idol worship, but thank God, here was a blessed exception. This office had a gospel meeting. We sang Christian hymns and prayed to the living God, in the presence of a house full of heathen. Then I spoke on the duties of a Christian and their walk in their homes and in their businesses. Nearly all the Ping Chau Christians were present and often we had a happy hour of fellowship together. I offered the prayer dedicating this new office to the Lord. We believe the service was a real testimony to the people around about."

80 SAVED, 110 BAPTIZED IN CONGO

A splendid report comes to us from Mr. and Mrs. Axel Oman, missionaries in the Belgian Congo, of the work being done for God in the dark land of Central Africa. Parts of the letter read as follows:

"We praise God for the trips we are able to make to our outstations where we have placed the work under the care of native evangelists. We want to tell you a little of our most recent trip. However, wonderful as the blessings of the Lord are, we need the material things that we might be able to subsist while we are proclaiming the good news. If we could

live just as the natives do, it would be very convenient, especially on these long trips, but native food is entirely too heavy for us, and should we expose ourselves to mos-



Group baptized in Hong Kong, June 3

quitoes in this fever infested country, we feel that we should not last long. Because of this we have to take our camping outfit and food supplies. Our means of travel is our bicycles, and in many places the trails are not passable on the bicycles, and streams have to be crossed so that a great deal of the way has to be taken on foot.

"The first day of our trip we made only a short journey in order that we might get used to traveling. By ten o'clock we had covered about fifteen miles and had arrived in the first village. In the afternoon we had

a service with the Christians and in the evening all of the natives were called together for an evangelistic service, when fourteen stepped out of the first time for the Lord.

"The next day we had a trip of over thirty miles to make and wanted to get started early, but were warned that if we left too early we should run into danger from elephants; so we finally left a little after six o'clock. We arrived at our destination long after midday and the natives who were carrying our supplies did not come in till nearly evening, however going without food till that late hour was soon forgotten when in the evening five more accepted Jesus as their Saviour."

"The third day we traveled only a short distance, then spent two days with about sixty believers, forty of whom are filled with the Holy Spirit. How it rejoices our hearts to see these dear friends standing true to God.

"In the course of our trip to the outstations it was a blessed privilege to see eighty accept Jesus as their Saviour, and we have heard since that some who were seriously considering the step at that time have now taken their stand for Him. Among those who believed were old people who had only a few more weeks to live on this earth, but now are rejoicing in the hope of eternal life. One by one as they came forward to accept Jesus, they took off their charms and threw them into the fire.

"We had the joy of baptizing one hundred and ten while on this trip. At one of the villages there was an old grandmother who could barely hobble along, but she was very desirous of following the Lord in baptism, so she, too, went down into the water. There were many more who wanted to be baptized but we believe it best to ask them to wait for a few months in order to prove that they are really following the Lord.

"At one of the villages God wrought a miracle in the body of a man whose back had been broken by a falling tree. For two weeks he had been suffering great pain and had not been able to sleep. When we went in to pray for him we asked him to remove his charms, explaining that God does not want His glory to be given to another. Against the protests of his relatives he had me cut off all his charms, and when we finally put him to the test of having them burned he consented even to that. At this point his relatives became very indignant, saying that he was as much as committing suicide. Looking up to them in pain he said, 'For two weeks I have had those charms and they have not helped me in the least. I am going to allow the Lord to heal me now.'

"As we gathered around, laying our hands on him, we prayed, and immediately God gave us the victory. Today the evan-



Seated at right is the doctor, whose new office was dedicated to the Lord by W. R. Williamson. The others are members of her family.

gelist from that village has come in saying that from the day we prayed for him he has slept well at night and is able to use his legs, which he could not do before. He is claiming God as his healer, even though many are trying to persuade him to put his charms on again. Only God knows how many souls this may be the means of saving.

"We are praying earnestly that God will save at least a thousand souls each year. There is a population of about 50,000 around us whom we are anxious to reach with the gospel."

INDIAN CHAPEL FINISHED

From time to time mention has been made of the work that is being done in Northern California among the American Indians by our Brother and Sister D. L. Brown. Some time ago Brother Brown asked the readers of the Evangel to stand with them in prayer that it might be possible to build a place of worship in the town of Alturas where the Indians could be free to seek the Lord.

He now writes: "In answer to prayer God has undertaken to build this fine little church, seating two hundred and fifty, and it is free from debt. We want to express our gratitude to those who have helped us with funds as well as those who have prayed for this work. We have just baptized ten in water, and one has received the Holy Ghost and two have been saved in the new chapel.

"We are going to move to Alturas to open this new field, leaving our lookout work in the hands of another pastor. We expect to reach out to a large territory around Alturas where the Full Gospel has never yet been preached. Mail will reach us at Alturas, Modoc County, California."

38 BAPTIZED IN POLAND

Mr. Albert Clause, writing from Lzubin, Poland, reports a glorious baptismal service when thirty-eight witnessed to the world that they had taken their stand for the Lord Jesus Christ. Some of these are seeking the Baptism with the Holy Spirit and many of them are already filled and on fire for God.

The meeting place for these dear believers is a barn, the rooms of the farm houses being too small to accommodate the crowds. The work is growing steadily in Eastern Europe in spite of much opposition and persecution.

NISHINOMIYA ORPHANAGE, JAPAN

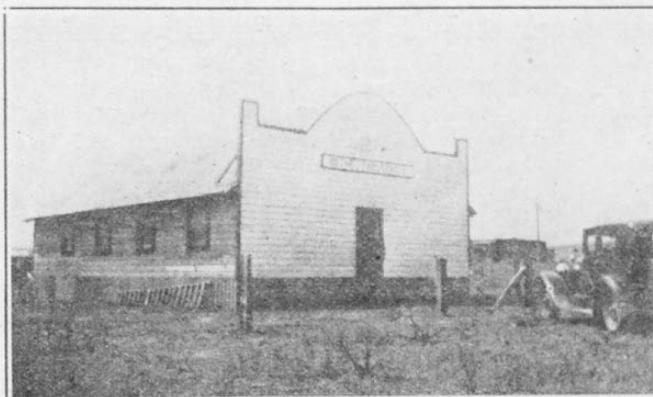
Miss Florence Byers

Over a year and a half ago I came to this needy but blessed work when the former missionary and founder of this orphanage, Miss Mae Straub, went to be with her Lord. Before coming here I was doing evangelistic work and with the help of a native worker

opened a mission in a country village, Urawa Machi. Last year we opened another Sunday school in a near-by village where we also do evangelistic work, the children of the

school. We trust you will stand with us in prayer that God will make them mighty soul winners for His glory here in Japan.

Tokugi San, my native worker, was married last December and a short time later they were gloriously filled with the Holy Ghost in their home and mission in Urawa Machi. They have recently moved to I-Ma-Zu to open a new outstation, leaving the work at Urawa Machi in the hands of other workers. Please pray for a revival in Urawa Machi and also that souls may be saved in the new mission in I-Ma-Zu.



New chapel for the American Indians of Northern California at Alturas

orphanage taking part in that work each Sunday afternoon, and daily evening and morning services. The thing for which I am most grateful is that the Lord has saved all of my big family of children, and they are happy in their Saviour.

The past year has been quite a hard one, but a most blessed one, for God's blessings far outweighed the trials, difficulties, and sufferings. One Sunday morning we had very special united prayer that the Holy Spirit might be poured out upon all in the home. The Lord met us in a real way and two of the girls prayed and praised the Lord all day and in the evening received the fullness of the Spirit. How their faces did shine, illuminated with the glorious light of heaven! They spoke and sang in the Spirit for over an hour, witnessing that the Holy Spirit had come into their hearts.

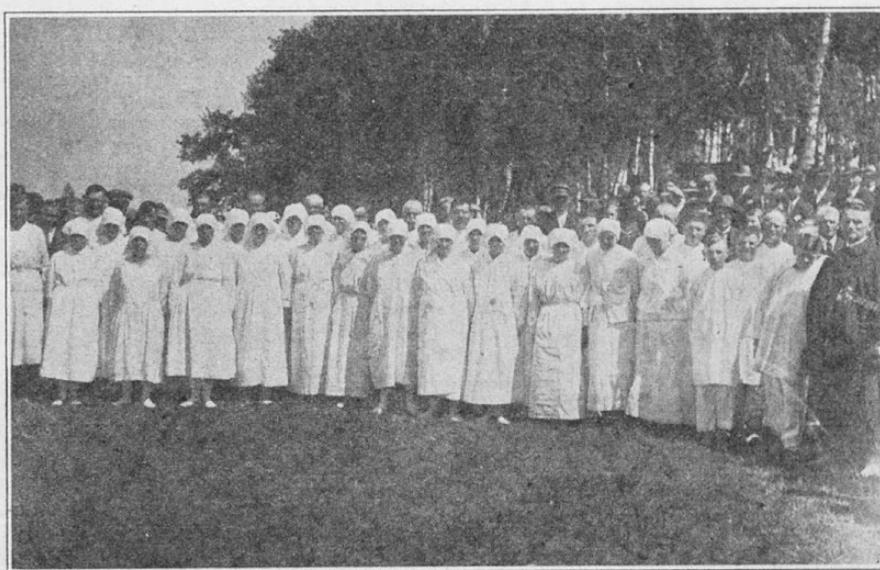
About two months ago I had the extreme joy of sending the oldest boy and one of the girls who received the Holy Spirit to Tokyo to the Bible school. Since there they have written some precious letters, telling of the blessing of God upon their lives. This is the first year that children from the orphanage have been sent to a Bible training

so apparent, yet the Word was preached faithfully and went forth in the power of the Spirit (The true record is better known in heaven). Ruth Melchen, a young minister of our District spoke one afternoon on missions. At the close one of the preachers, who had a dollar and five cents in his pocket came up and laid the dollar on the altar. Others followed until there had been given and pledged \$305, an amount sufficient to provide her outfit and fare to China. Also for her support on the field, \$50.00 a month, was pledged.

The second camp was at Miami, June 14-24. This camp was mightily blessed to the seven assemblies in the Miami section. All were represented and the tourist cottages were all occupied. Fred G. Symonds, Pastor Pleasant Grove, was the evangelist. As he gave forth the Word the saints were greatly edified. Some were saved and baptized with the Holy Ghost.

The third camp was at Orlando, June 4-15. Here Sister Myrtle Snair was the evangelist. Brother McPherson was the principal day speaker, and the Spirit used him mightily (He united with the Council at this camp).

Sister Snair was truly God's anointed for this meeting. Altar services would continue through the entire night, and until the sunrise prayer meeting, at 6:30. Many were saved or reclaimed and about 40 received the Baptism. Pansy Blossom, another District Missionary, spoke, and as she was lacking \$175 toward her outfit and passage, she received same. Also \$21 was given to the General Council missionary treasury. Sister Mabel Davis, now in India, is also a product of this District. She sailed last spring. These 3 young women all graduated from the 1932 Class at Central Bible Institute.—A. G. Voight, District Superintendent.



Baptismal service when thirty-eight were immersed at Chalupka, Poland

In the Whiten'd Harvest Field

PHILADELPHIA, MO.—We recently closed a 4 weeks' meeting here. Two were saved. Mrs. Gumm assisted with music and singing, and Evangelist and Mrs. Louis Martin also helped.—Con Gumm.

DAISETTA, TEXAS—We have just closed a 2 weeks' revival with Richard S. Day, of Houston, in charge. About 15 were saved and several received the Baptism. The saints were made to realize their need of a closer walk with God.—Roy Shelton, Secretary.

HARRIET, ARK.—We have just held a precious meeting which continued 3½ weeks. One received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, and 11 were saved. Evangelist A. N. Baum was the speaker.—Obie Sutterfield, Pastor.

WILBURTON, OKLA.—For our revival, we had Evangelist and Mrs. Morgan, There were 14 saved; 5 reclaimed; 9 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost; and 15 were immersed. J. H. Suttmiller is pastor.—Jennie Powell, Secretary.

HOCKLEY, TEXAS—Evangelist Royal Fairchild has just closed a revival at Spring Creek Church. The Lord blessed the listeners; hearts were moved to get closer to Him; and the Sunday school passed the record mark.—Charlie Hunter, Pastor.

RISCO, MO.—God has been wonderfully blessing in a 3 weeks' revival conducted by Evangelist Mrs. Chadwick, of Jackson. Nine were saved; 2 received Christian baptism; 1 was baptized with the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4; and the church was greatly blessed.—J. Wells, Pastor.

MACEDONIA, ARK.—We have just closed a 3 weeks' meeting at this place. About 21 were saved; 3 were baptized with the Holy Ghost; and 7 were immersed. The meeting was conducted by Evangelists Reed Ball and Herman Adams, from the Texarkana assembly.—L. O. Waldon.

DIMMITT, TEXAS—In April we held a meeting here, a new field for Pentecostal teachings. Ten or more were saved and a great interest was awakened. In May we conducted a 9 weeks' revival in Alamogordo. A large number were saved; 6 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost; and 16 received Christian baptism. At this writing we are in a meeting at Deming, N. Mex.—Evangelist and Mrs. Ira M. Bryce.

CROCKETT, TEXAS—My sister and I began an evangelistic campaign near here, July 3. Great interest was shown from the first. About 20 were saved and reclaimed, and about 18 were received into membership. We organized a Sunday school with 75 members. We wish especially to invite ministers in the fellowship to call when passing this way.—Hazel T. Byers, and Vaudie Mae Everitt.

BAXTER SPRINGS, KANSAS—We began a revival July 8 which continued one week, in which about 6 were saved and 14 received the Holy Ghost Baptism. The meeting was conducted by the Hertweck Brothers, Springfield, Mo. G. P. Hertweck has accepted the pastorate.—V. L. Hertweck.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO.—Evangelist Fern Hufstutler and Verbal Esque, of Granite City, Ill. recently closed 17 days' revival with us. God honored His Word by saving 5 from sin and baptizing one with the precious Holy Ghost.—Pastor and Mrs. Powhatan Huffman.

TEXARKANA, ARK.—A 3 weeks' meeting, conducted by Evangelist Dovie McCoy, has just come to a close. From the beginning the meeting was marked with the blessing of the Lord which rested upon each service. There were 54 saved and 21 baptized with the Holy Ghost.—L. O. Waldon, Pastor.

KINGSPORT, TENN.—We have just closed a 6 weeks' revival at the Maple Street assembly. Evangelist and Mrs. W. H. Couch and son Gains, St. Petersburg, Fla. were in charge. Thirty-one prayed through to victory; 11 followed Christ in baptism; 12 were added to the church, which is growing rapidly.—Brother Kennedy, Pastor.

MIRANDO CITY, TEXAS—We have just closed a 2 weeks' meeting in charge of Evangelist C. Ferrell, of Harlingen. Good interest was shown every night. There were 4 saved; one received the Holy Ghost Baptism; and 7 were baptized in water. Our Sunday school was doubled and the church was greatly encouraged.—E. C. Baker, Pastor.

LEVELLAND, TEXAS—We praise God for the refreshing of the Latter Rain that has been falling in our midst, in which God saved 18 and baptized 10 in the Holy Ghost. We are all encouraged to go on with God, Brother and Sister Ridener, Sweetwater, Okla., were the evangelists.—L. R. Misener, Pastor.

GOSNELL, ARK.—We praise the Lord for the way He is blessing His work here. Coming here last November we found a few saints with no place to worship. We have built a nice little 32x44 church and are now in the midst of a revival. Brother C. R. James, Advance, Mo., is in charge.—Elmer B. Smith, Pastor.

RIDGE STATION, ARK.—The revival at Ridge Station, conducted by Evangelist Hilda Bresch and Pastor John R. Dunn, brought in 66 saved; 34 baptized with the Spirit; 56 who received Christian baptism; and 75 who were added to the church. The Sunday school and Christ's Ambassadors Band have been wonderfully built up.—W. W. Turman, S. S. and C. A. Superintendent.

MERCER, MO.—Since June 19, 9 have received the precious infilling of the Holy Ghost; God is moving on the hearts of the unsaved leading them to Himself; and backsliders are getting hungry to get back. We heartily invite those in the fellowship passing this way to stop over with us.—Mrs. Etta Rhea, Pastor.

DETROIT, TEXAS—Brother F. S. Murray came to our community June 23 to conduct a revival for the third consecutive year. In this meeting 19 were gloriously saved and 6 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. We have had the church set in order, and have built a small church building which is paid for.—Mrs. Lillie McMikel.

JEFFERSON CITY, MO.—Our sectional fellowship meeting was held July 24, and we had a wonderful day with the Lord. There were 17 ministers present, including J. Lon Hale, Assistant District Superintendent, and L. C. Ramsey, Presbyterian of this District. In order to conduct our fellowship meetings better, we organized. Brother Hale was elected as chairman, Raymond Phillips, assistant chairman, and E. F. Sanders, Secretary-treasurer. Our next fellowship meeting will be at Lexington, M. C. Cronin, Pastor, the fourth Tuesday in August. All ministers of this section are urged to be present.—E. F. Sanders, 113 East Dunklin.

RICH HILL, MO.—I have just closed a meeting at Brush College Schoolhouse, about 17 miles southwest of here, in a new field. There have been 3 conversions and 7 baptisms with the Spirit, among the latter being the Nazarene minister. One farmer who is not yet saved, offered the ground and \$50.00 cash toward a church. A boy, run over by a car and left unconscious, was healed, as were several others. We are trying to get the church set in order here in Rich Hill. Sister Culver, of Rich Hill, Brother and Sister Sturgess, of Nevada, and Pauline Wilson, of Commerce, Okla., have been assisting. All Council ministers are invited to stop at Rich Hill or Brush College Schoolhouse.—Mrs. Ben Ellis, Pastor-Evangelist.

COVINGTON, OKLA.—We took the pastorate here in the Garber-Covington oil field last September, and since then have had almost a continuous revival. We had as our first evangelist, Billie McIntosh. God gave us a great revival then, and the wonderful part of the meeting was so many couples getting saved. It was precious to see husbands and wives march down to the altar together and pray through. Evangelists Paul Bruton and William McCafferty gave us meetings during the winter, which were greatly blessed of God. Evangelist F. C. Cornell has just closed a revival here. A goodly number were saved and baptized with the Spirit, and thirty-two over double what it was and the revival fires are still burning.—Jimmie Mayo, Pastor.

GENERAL COUNCIL FELLOWSHIP

The following 95 names were added to our General Council ministerial list during the month of July, 1934. This is the largest list we have ever added to our membership in any one month.

Acena, Benito P., Watsonville, Calif.
 Ahlberg, Arthur J., Tacoma, Wash.
 Anderson, Edward W., Astoria, Oreg.
 Anderson, Paul A., Oakland, Calif.
 Asher, Claud H., Fort Worth, Tex.
 Babbitt, Ray, Cuero, Tex.
 Bakkedahl, Clifford A., Madison, S. Dak.
 Beckett, Russell G., Vale, S. Dak.
 Bennett, E. Maurine, Willows, Calif.
 Blomberg, Evar Harry, Hibbing, Minn.
 Bohnet, Martin P., Arcata, Calif.
 Bounds, Roy, Lexington, Tex.
 Brooks, Noel W., Santa Anna, Tex.
 Brown, Leah, Cedarville, Calif.
 Buchheister, Mrs. Zula M., Coquille, Oreg.
 Carlson, Axel H., Seattle, Wash.
 Cockerell, J. M., Weatherford, Tex.
 Daley, Edwin, Thief River Falls, Minn.
 Dunbar, W. Franklin, Canyonville, Oreg.
 Dunn, T. Glenn, Greenville, Tex.
 Eckles, Claude H., Haskell, Tex.
 Eliason, Oscar C., Cook, Minn.
 Evans, Roy, Winters, Tex.
 Fairchild, Robert R., Houston, Tex.
 Fee, Donald H., Ashland, Oreg.
 Ferriotti, John L., Waco, Tex.
 Finch, Orin T., Bryan, Tex.
 Fox, Lorne F., Clarissa, Minn.
 Funk, Elizabeth B., Wolf Point, Mont.
 Furguson, Ernest, Ark, Tex.
 Gibbs, Jeff, Archer City, Tex.
 Gomes, Edward R., Yelm, Wash.
 Graner, Esther M., Happy Camp, Calif.
 Graner, Lydia H., Happy Camp, Calif.
 Grau, Minnie A., San Antonio, Tex.
 Greene, William E., Portland, Oreg.
 Hall, Clifton, Houston, Tex.
 Hall, Woodrow W., Splendora, Tex.
 Hart, Clarence W., Mountain Lake, Minn.
 Heinze, Bennie C., Vermilion, S. Dak.
 Hild, Christian F., Fargo, N. Dak.
 Holman, Horace E., Houston, Tex.
 Hooker, John W., Smithville, Tex.
 Hunter, Charlie, Hockly, Tex.
 Hyland, Arthur D., Lakeport, Calif.
 Jamison, John S., Rainier, Oreg.
 Jillson, Kenneth E., Fort Bidwell, Calif.
 Jones, Robert C., Abilene, Tex.
 Jones, William C., Elton, Wis.
 Kelsey, Wesley I., San Pedro, Calif.
 Larson, Algot, Noonan, N. Dak.
 Larson, Levi A., Lake Stevens, Wash.
 Lewis, Phinis A., Terrell, Tex.
 Livingston, Raymond A., Luling, Tex.
 Mason, Ebon L., Fort Worth, Tex.
 Moore, Mary Elizabeth, Waterford, Calif.
 Morrison, Alfred J., Nampa, Idaho
 Murray, Vernon M., Dallas, Tex.
 Nichols, Charlie G., Denton, Tex.
 Nixon, Mrs. Cecilia G., Coquille, Oreg.
 Parten, James F., Austin, Tex.
 Pearson, Alvin L., Electra, Tex.
 Pearson, Emmy M., Cedarville, Calif.
 Pigors, William, Hebron, N. Dak.
 Ragsdale, Arden, Ontario, Oreg.
 Ramby, Charles E., Texas City, Tex.
 Ramby, William S., Temple, Tex.
 Rape, Mrs. Elizabeth, Midlothian, Tex.
 Retherford, Major C., Gonzales, Tex.
 Ridout, Francis W., Tacoma, Wash.
 Savidge, William, Redwood City, Calif.
 Sawyers, James M., Edinburg, Tex.

Sayer, Ada M., Hamburg, Calif.
 Selness, Joseph J., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Shelton, Bluford M., Seattle, Wash.
 Sherlund, Luther, Fargo, N. Dak.
 Simmonett, Charles, Erie, Pa.
 Skelly, Robert S., Leesburg, Fla.
 Skelly, Mrs. Robert S., Leesburg, Fla.
 Sloane, Lothare H., Houston, Tex.
 Smith Varnel L., Houston, Tex.
 Smith, Virgil I., Houston, Tex.
 Spradley, Lyle B., Mossyrock, Wash.
 Steele, Mrs. Flora H., San Diego, Calif.
 Stolsen, Karl G., Seattle, Wash.
 Stubbs, Edwin L., Las Cruces, N. Mex.
 Talasek, Joe, Temple, Tex.
 Thompson, Thomas B., Pringle, S. Dak.
 Uselton, Robert T., Vernon, Tex.
 Vowell, Lee, Jewett, Tex.
 Wakefield, Harry N., Siletz, Oreg.
 Waters, Curtis D., Wapato, Wash.
 Wester, Mary Frances, Seymour, Mo.
 Wilhite, Carl F., Westport, Oreg.
 Zecher, John L., Berkeley, Calif.

The following names were removed from our General Council ministerial list during the month of July, 1934.

Akin, Myrtle, Fresno, Calif. (withdrew)
 Cunningham, Mrs. Addie, Bristow, Okla. (withdrew)
 Dawson, Mrs. Nataline, Beaumont, Tex. (withdrew)
 Hall, Woody D., Big Spring, Tex. (dropped)
 Kline, Herbert W., Chevy Chase, Md. (deceased)
 Nichols, Elmer M., Potter, Nebr. (withdrew)
 Sims, Allen B., London, Ark. (deceased)
 Tate, Henry C., Marianna, Fla. (withdrew)
 Thorkildson, Jorgen P., Los Angeles, Calif. (deceased)
 Vanbiber, W. C., Blytheville, Ark. (withdrew)

HUNTSVILLE, ALA.—We have just concluded an 8 weeks' meeting in Huntsville. Almost 100 were brought into the kingdom of God. A good spirit prevailed throughout the meeting, with very little opposition. The Pentecostal truths were carefully explained, and as a result much prejudice was broken down. There were some remarkable cases of healing. One woman was completely healed of a paralyzed hand. The crowds were large and great interest was manifested in the full gospel truths. One feature of the meeting, now being continued by Evangelist Wm. A. Cole, Jr., was 75 Evangelists sold each week without the least difficulty. I believe if all the evangelists on the field would follow this policy, the Evangel subscription list would double in a short time.

This Northern Alabama District is a new field. We plan to place competent workers in every city in this vast industrial section. Our plan is to remain in each city until a church can be organized and then place a competent pastor over it. I should like to get in touch with young men who have a real vision of seeing this country taken for God. If God has put the fire in your soul and you long to get out into the field, write me at General Delivery, Huntsville, Ala.—Gordon Lindsay.

Our Lover Divine is coming some of these days—coming for those who have been in His Beauty Parlor, and who through the use of Heavenly cosmetics have developed a Christ-like character.—A. G. Ward.

MORAN AND CENTRAL LAKE, MICH.—J. J. Clark, Woodlake, Nebr., conducted revivals during June and early July. He found needy fields with few workers, but many hungry for God's Word. About 29 acknowledged Christ as their Saviour and were buried with Him in baptism. Five were baptized in the Holy Spirit. Throughout the revivals there was a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit. A man who had suffered much from rheumatism was wonderfully healed, and walked away without the aid of his crutches.—Alda M. Applegate, Secretary.

SNOOK, TEXAS—A 3 weeks' revival in June brought many blessings from the Lord to our new church. Evangelist and Mrs. O. T. Finch, of Bryan, conducted the services. Thirteen received salvation; 15 were baptized with the Holy Ghost, as in Acts 2:4; 2 children were dedicated to the Lord; and several united with the assembly. Our church has been strengthened in every way. Two who speak only the English language, when receiving the Baptism spoke clearly in the Czech tongue and were distinctly understood by the Czechs present. Just before our revival and since the revival closed about 60 were baptized in the Brazos River.—Mrs. T. W. Giesenschlag, Secretary.

HARLINGEN, TEXAS—Giving up the Houston West End Church, I headed for Harlingen, Miss Gracie Kirkland pastor. Two weeks were spent in revival at Rosenberg, where Paul Chamless is raising up a new church. Sister Masongale, at Blessing, was holding a revival in an unused Baptist Church. People were astonished as the truth was revealed. God blessed a message also to the El Campo church, where Brother Spires is making progress. The people are encouraged and working with him. A revival was found in progress under Brother J. B. Chamless, at Port Lavaca. Large crowds were attending and good was being accomplished.

The first week here in Harlingen has produced good results. New people are hearing the message. The church attended a general meeting at Rio Hondo, where Brother Ransom is pastor. At the close he baptized 7 converts.—Fred G. Eiting.

BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS—I began a revival about 10 months ago with a few saints who assisted by prayer and sacrifice. The meeting continued 36 weeks with little success apparently. Altogether about 50 have been saved; 8 have received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost; and a great number have been healed, some so miraculously as to cause widespread interest. One was healed of rheumatism, another, wasting away and despairing of life was raised from his bed to which he had been confined for years. Another was healed of weak eyes, and another, blind for 14 years can now distinguish colors, and seems to be recovering her eyesight. One was healed of high blood pressure and heart trouble of 7 years' standing. The revival spirit still continues with all looking to God for even greater outpourings. Our church was set in order with 21 members, July 1, by W. B. Lane, Sectional Presbyter. We rejoice to be able to enter the great fellowship of the Assemblies of God.—John L. Franklin, 1336 W. Elizabeth St.

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Forthcoming Meetings

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TULARE, CALIF.—Tent revival, Aug. 12—; J. R. Elsom, Evangelist.—Frank Kooistra, Pastor.

FOSTORIA, ORE.—Camp meeting, Aug. 8-Sept. 3.—Mrs. R. A. Hoffman, 656 Lynn St.

DODGE CENTER, MINN.—Dodge Center Gospel Tabernacle, Aug. 5—; Louis O. Rynning, Evangelist.—Milo W. Gibbs, Pastor.

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Potters and Prairie Avenues, Sept. 2-30; Benjamin A. Baur, Evangelist.—Peter Jepsen, Pastor, 198 Broad St.

WINDSOR, N. C.—Aug. 22—; Fred Powers, Evangelist.—Sarah Elizabeth Snow, Pastor.

CROOKSTON, MINN.—Aug. 22—; C. A. Jones, Evangelist.—Edwin N. Oster, Pastor.

MAYVILLE, N. DAK.—Aug. 19, for 3 weeks; Blanche E. Brittain and Mildred A. Westerlund, Evangelists.

FARGO, N. DAK.—Gospel Tabernacle, Aug. 12-Sept. 2. Wm. F. A. Gierke, Evangelist.—Luther Sherlund, Pastor.

NEW CASTLE, PA.—Aug. 19-Sept. 9, at First Pentecostal Church; Mary Louise Paige, Evangelist.—John Kellner, Pastor.

WICHITA, KANS.—Lincoln and South Main Streets, Sept. 2-30, Otto J. Klink, Evangelist.—Chas. Sheall, Pastor.

MT. NEBO, W. VA.—Nicholas County Camp, Aug. 12-26; Oliver P. Brann, Night Evangelist.—Oda B. Teets, Aurora, W. Va., President Camp Association.

BREMERTON, WASH.—Ninth and Veneta Streets, Sept. 2, for 3 weeks or longer; Meyer and Alice Tan Ditter, Evangelists—Karl Leonard, Pastor, 1231 10th St.

PRATT, KANS.—Sept. 2, for 3 weeks. Dedication of remodeled church, Sept. 2. Morning and afternoon services conducted by Fred Vogler, District Superintendent; revival services, Ralph Salzman, Evangelist.—Leonard Palmer, Pastor, 614 S. Ninnescah.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

APPALACHIAN DISTRICT COUNCIL
RACELAND, KY.—Sept. 4-6. All ministers in the District are urged to attend. Each assembly may send 2 delegates. Entertainment by local assembly.—M. B. Hampton, District Superintendent, Route 1; W. T. Millsaps, Secretary, 740 Fairview St., both at Bristol.

BRITISH COLUMBIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE
VANCOUVER, B. C.—The Sixth Avenue Tabernacle, Aug. 26-31; Fred Squire, of England, and A. G. Ward, Evangelists.—Address John E. Barnes, District Superintendent, or Pastor H. Earl Winburn, 3449 West Second Avenue.

TENNESSEE DISTRICT COUNCIL
MEMPHIS, TENN.—Sept. 4-6; ministers and delegates entertained free; licensed ministers bring papers for renewal or mail, if unable to attend, to W. A. Spain, Secretary, Route 4, Milan, Tenn.—L. A. Smith, District Superintendent.

NEW ENGLAND CAMP
EAST NATICK, MASS.—Wellesley Park; Evangelist and Mrs. Carl E. Hatch, Speakers and Musical Directors; Aug. 23-Sept. 3. Special program for Young People on Labor Day.—Alfred Wight, Superintendent, 93 Oak St.

WESTERN W. VA. DISTRICT CAMP
MT. HOPE, W. VA.—In tabernacle, Aug. 23-Sept. 2. P. C. Nelson, assisted by Mrs. Nelson and son, —W. P. Broyles, Oswald, W. Va., or S. W. Sublett, Montcalm.

TEXICO DISTRICT CAMP
LUBBOCK, TEXAS—Fair Grounds Park, Aug. 17-26; E. B. Crump, Secretary Texico District, will bring the evangelistic messages and give Bible lessons daily. Other ministers and many musicians will participate. Particulars from Pastor C. R. Love, 1957 Texas Ave., Lubbock; or District Superintendent A. C. Bates, Box 48, Clovis, N. Mex.

CHRIST'S AMBASSADORS' CONVENTION
FLINT, MICH.—Riverside Tabernacle, Sept. 1-3; Pastor Paul H. Ralstin speaker, Ministers' Fellowship meeting and Sunday school conference, Sept. 4. Rooms free as far as possible; meals at reasonable cost.—Write Pastor Chas. W. H. Scott, 1321 Mabel Ave., Flint, or D. G. Foote, President, 83 Cherry St., Battle Creek.

INTERSTATE CAMP MEETING
EUREKA SPRINGS, ARK.—Municipal Auditorium, Aug. 16-20. Modern tourist camps, cottages, apartments, rooms, etc. Free camp grounds. Bring your tent. Howard Carter, Otto J. Klink, Evangelists; Carl W. Barnes, Choir Director; and his family of singers, and Fred Henry Blind Pianist, and family. For posters, or other advertising matter or information address Secretary E. J. Bruton, Box 300, Pine Bluff.

OHIO STATE CHRIST'S AMBASSADORS LABOR DAY RALLIES
Bethel Temple, Dayton, Jack Bishop in charge. Ashland, Tent on West Main Street, 2 blocks from Post Office, Cecil Good in charge. Byesville, 283 W. Main, Bud Morgan in charge. Warren, tent, Dorothy Ellis in charge. Massillon, 407 Oak, Glenn M. Horst in charge. Pastors bring your young people, musical instruments and lunch baskets; 3 services.—Glean M. Horst, President, 1810 E. 34th St., Lorain.

MEMPHIS, TENN.—Union tent revival sponsored by the two Council churches Third and Lucy St.; J. C. Leatherwood Speaker; other evangelists to follow; meeting to run nightly through the District Council, Sept. 4-6, when Ernest S. Williams, General Superintendent, will be with us.—Albert and William Pickthorn, Pastors, 946 S. Somerville.

WISCONSIN AND NORTH MICHIGAN DISTRICT CAMP
BYRON, WISC.—Ten miles south of Fond du Lac, Aug. 26-Sept. 4, Bible conference and camp meeting. Special speakers, J. N. Hoover, Wm. F. Gierke, and Paul Peterson.—For information write D. M. Carlson, District Secretary, Shawano, Wisc.

OPEN FOR CALLS

Pastor
Garland N. Robbins, 413 York St., Warren, Ark. "15 years' experience in pastoral work. Reference, David Burris, District Superintendent, Russellville. Am resigning pastorate at Warren."

Loyd Wallace, Warren, Ark. "References."
R. E. Lister, Kaw City, Okla. "Mrs. Lister, Pianist. Will go anywhere."

J. F. Quick, Stanton, Mo. "My time at St. Aubert, my present pastorate, has expired. Would accept small church. Only Mrs. Quick and myself in family. Reference, S. L. Johnson, District Superintendent."

Ernest and June Anderson, Gildford, Mont. "We have had several years' experience as pastors. Have recently come into Pentecost. Two children under school age."

Evangelist and Mrs. Con Gumm, Philadelphia, Mo.

Evangelistic or Pastoral
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E. C. Mehagan, 317½ Boo-ville Ave., Springfield, Mo. "Reference, James Hutsell, Slick, Okla."

Evangelistic
Aug. Fusco, 705 Fargreen Ave., Youngstown, O. "Can hold tent meetings in Central District. Song leader and pianist, both Spirit filled, accompany me with tent.—Reference, G. F. Lewis, District Superintendent, Youngstown."

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—Pastor and Mrs. F. S. Egan, Tampa, Fla., 3217 Harbor View.

NEW ADDRESS—I have accepted the pastorate here.—Scott F. Mitchell, Seagraves, Texas, Box 203.

NEW ADDRESS—"I have resigned the pastorate in Belleville, Ill., for the evangelistic work.—L. E. King, 707 N. Peoria St., Tulsa, Okla.

NOTICE—The gospel is greatly needed in this community in the hills. We desire someone to come and visit us and look the field over.—Mrs. Silby S. Kilgore, Low Gap, Ark.

NEW ADDRESS—Having resigned the pastorate at St. Paul, after 12 years' service we have accepted the pastorate here.—W. T. Millsaps, 740 Fairview St., Bristol, Va.

WORLD MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS

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All personal offerings amount to	\$768.71
.90	Junior Church Springfield Mo
1.00	Brush Assembly of God Snyder Colo
1.00	Missionary Prayer Band Tulsa Okla
1.00	Lighthouse Assembly Ke-drick Colo
1.00	Assembly of God S S Flippin Ark
1.35	Pent'l Tab C A Glen Burnie Md
1.40	Pleasant Green C A N Agra Kans
1.45	Full Gospel Bible Class Reseda Calif
1.50	Assembly of God Church Mt Vernon Mo
1.52	Assembly of God Busy Bees Mt Hope W Va
2.00	Dodge Center Gospel Tab Dodge Center Minn
2.00	Gospel Tab Hermosa Beach Calif
2.00	C A's Bad Axe Mich
2.00	C A's Willowbrook Calif

- 2.00 Glory Barn Hartford Conn
 - 2.25 Assembly of God W Tulsa Okla
 - 2.50 Ladies' Mid-week Prayer Band Kennett Mo
 - 3.00 Assembly of God Williamsville Mo
 - 3.05 Assembly of God S S Scottsbluff Nebr
 - 3.23 C A's Bojger Tex
 - 3.75 Bethel Assembly Arifton Ala
 - 4.00 Gospel Tab Walker Minn
 - 4.14 Glad Tidings Assembly Idaho Falls Idaho
 - 4.28 Bethel Assembly S S Elkhart Ind
 - 5.00 Glad Tidings Mission Davenport Iowa
 - 5.00 Assembly of God S S Arcadia Kans
 - 5.00 N Howell Community Church & S S Silver-ton Oreg
 - 5.00 Pent'l Full Gospel Tab C A San Diego Calif
 - 5.00 Fremont Pent'l Tab S S Seattle Wash
 - 5.00 Oakwood Hungarian Assembly of God De-troit Mich
 - 5.00 Bald Hill Assembly Haskell Okla
 - 5.00 Full Gospel Mission Glidden Wis
 - 5.00 Assembly of God Jakesrun W Va
 - 5.00 Full Gospel Mission Healdsburg Calif
 - 5.00 Full Gospel Tab S S Belleville Ill
 - 5.00 Assembly of God Atco N J
 - 5.28 Assembly of God S S Hereford Tex
 - 6.00 Missionary Society Midland S Dak
 - 6.25 Full Gospel Tab Naugatuck Conn
 - 6.62 Full Gospel Tab Selma Calif
 - 6.68 Assembly of God Spearman Tex
 - 8.00 C A's Bellflower Calif
 - 8.29 Full Gospel Church Burbank Calif
 - 10.00 Calvary Tab Centralia Wash
 - 10.00 Goulds Pent'l Church Goulds Fla
 - 10.00 Livinston Gospel Tab Livingston Mont
 - 10.25 Gospel Mission S S Costa Mesa Calif
 - 10.38 Assembly of God & S S Minot N Dak
 - 10.50 Gospel Assembly Midvale N J
 - 10.84 Full Gospel Assembly Westbrook Maine
 - 11.00 Assembly of God Church & S S Mossyrock Wash
 - 11.00 Meh'ida Pent'l Mission & S S Canaan Center N H
 - 11.00 Full Gospel Tab Ladies' Bible Class E St Louis Ill
 - 12.00 Full Gospel Church Morgan Hill Calif
 - 13.69 Full Gospel Temple C A & S S Pampa Tex
 - 13.92 Highway Pent'l Assembly Sunnyvale Calif
 - 14.60 Assembly of God Sayre Okla
 - 15.00 Assembly of God Okmulgee Okla
 - 15.00 Assembly of God & S S Enid Okla
 - 15.37 Assembly of God Collinsville Okla
 - 15.75 Benston Assembly of God Graham Wash
 - 15.80 Assembly of God Joplin Mo
 - 16.87 Tri City Park Tab S S Madison Ill
 - 19.50 Gospel Tab Paynesville Minn
 - 23.00 Pe't'l Full Gospel Tab S S San Diego Calif
 - 22.00 Full Gospel Church Mallet Creek Ohio
 - 23.30 Assembly of God Olympia Wash
 - 30.00 Bethel Pent'l Tab Pittsburgh Pa
 - 35.00 Full Gospel Church Trafford Pa
 - 35.00 First Pent'l Tab Wilmington Del
 - 37.53 Bethel Tab & P A C & S S Watonsville Calif
 - 38.50 Full Gospel Tab Napa Calif
 - 40.00 Gospel Tab Sioux Falls S Dak
 - 41.41 Full Gospel Church & S S Nontune N J
 - 42.71 Trinity Full Gospel Church Pasadena Calif
 - 50.00 Elm Tab Rochester N Y
 - 57.44 Highway Mission Tab Philadelphia Pa
 - 62.54 Evangelistic Full Gospel Assembly & S S Salem Oreg
 - 68.00 Pe't'l Church Jeannette Pa
 - 73.71 Pent'l Full Gospel Tab San Diego Calif
 - 73.14 Bethany Temple Everett Wash
 - 80.73 Fremont Pe't'l Tab Seattle Wash
 - 87.25 Calvary Pent'l Church Wilmington Del
 - 90.24 Assembly of God Bremerton Wash
 - 92.00 Full Gospel Assembly Washington D C
 - 125.00 First Pent'l Church Wilkes Barre Pa
 - 171.82 Missionary Meeting Annual Camp Centralia Wash
 - 178.00 Assembly of God Church & S S & C A Spring-field Mo
 - 215.18 Pent'l Tab & S S Tacoma Wash
 - 220.67 Bethel Tab German Branch Milwaukee Wis
 - 675.50 Pent'l Church Cleveland Ohio
 - 995.00 Glad Tidings Tab New York N Y
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| Total amount reported | \$4,805.36 |
| Home missions fund | \$ 38.59 |
| Office expense fund | 64.33 |
| Deputation expense fund | 4.47 |
| Reported as given direct to mission-aries | 385.60 |
| Reported as given direct to home mis-sions | 41.54 534.53 |
| Amount received for foreign missions | \$ 4,270.83 |
| Amount previously reported | 14,535.70 |
| Total amount received for foreign missions for July | \$18,806.53 |

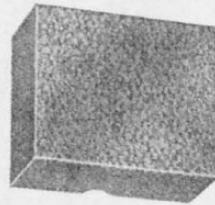
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Irrigate or Flow

I was going along the banks of the River Nile, and one day I noticed a man irrigating his land. He had a long pole fastened into the muddy bank, and along the top of it was fastened a second pole, to the end of which were suspended two ropes. At the end of one rope was a heavy stone, and at the end of the other a bucket. He was spending his day pulling the bucket down into the water, lifting it up, and pouring the contents into the channel through which it flowed on to his land. He was thus able to irrigate by a continuous, laborious day's work about a quarter of an acre. Week by week I noticed that the Nile was steadily rising, and one day I watched the man as the Nile rose above the level of the land. He pulled up his pole, he threw his bucket on one side, and dug a channel through the bank. Immediately the water flowed over in a free and effortless way on to the soil. Instead of irrigating about a quarter of an acre, the water flowed over miles of country, carrying life and growth wherever it went. Paul, in his Epistle to the Romans, speaks of abounding grace, and the word he uses is the same word in Arabic for the inundation of the Nile: it is *the overflowing grace of God*.—W. Wilson Cash.

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J. R. Evans, Secretary

RUSSELL SPRINGS, KANSAS—We closed a meeting July 8 at the Riverside schoolhouse, 19 miles from Jetmore. We began in the schoolhouse then pitched a tent. Seven were saved; 3 filled with the Holy Ghost; and 3 followed the Lord in baptism. It was the first revival held there in 15 years. Prejudice was swept away and many went to reading the Bible. Brother Loose, of Bazine, and others will preach at the schoolhouse on Sunday nights. At this writing we are in a revival near Russell Springs.—Raymond Leitzel and Party.

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK.—The West Fork Summer Bible School camp closed Sunday with a total enrollment of 73. During the session 6 were saved; 10 were baptized with the Spirit; and 5 were immersed. One day the power fell for 3 hours and classes had to

be suspended. Six were saved and 4 received the Baptism that day. The entire camp was a spiritual feast. The real backbone of the camp was the Young People from the Fayetteville and West Fork Assemblies, who had previously exchanged visits and enjoyed each other's fellowship. In spite of intense heat the students and teachers continued their work untiringly. Recreation features had been planned, but the students preferred praying to playing. Pastor Chas. E. Ray and his people gave splendid cooperation. There was rich teaching from the Word, perfect freedom in the Spirit, and a blessing for everyone.—Grace Reese Adkins.

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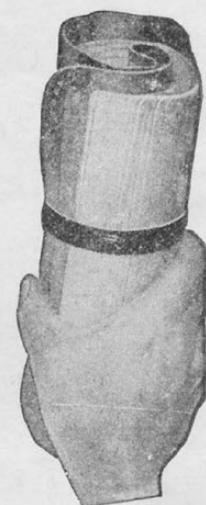
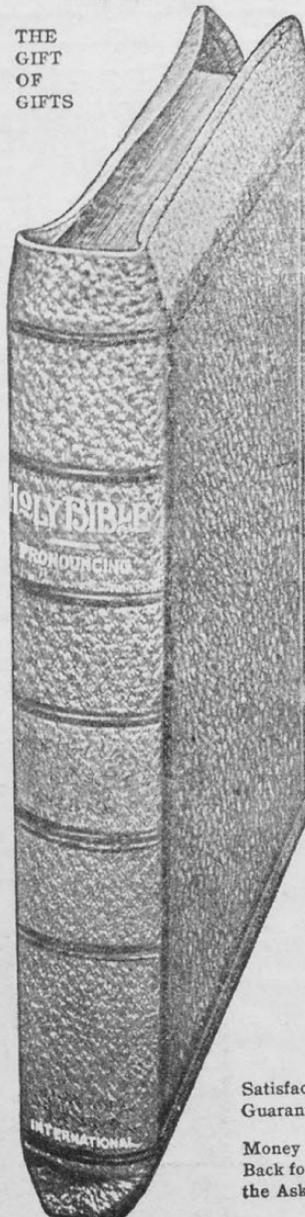
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