

Though he slay
me, yet will I
trust in him.
Job 13:15



Followers of
them who
through faith
and patience in-
herit the prom-
ises. Heb. 6:12.

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"Blessed Is He, Whosoever Shall Not Be Offended"

DO you think Joseph fully understood all the dealings of God with him when He allowed him to be mistreated by his brethren, sold into Egypt as a slave, and later, though perfectly innocent of the charge laid against him, thrust into an Egyptian dungeon?

Do you think Elijah fully understood God's dealings with him, when after the brook Cherith had dried up, in obedience to God's command he went to Zarephath, only to find upon his arrival that the widow whom God had appointed to sustain him, instead of being in easy circumstances, was herself at the moment preparing to share the last morsel of food she had in the world with her son and then die?

Do you think John the Baptist fully understood the dealings of God when, soon after the arrival of Him who was God's Anointed, he was shut up in Herod's prison? Apparently he did not, and so he sent his disciples to inquire of Jesus. "Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?" In that same hour Jesus wrought such miracles, the news of which would certify to John that He was indeed the Christ, and He sent word to John—whom He still left in prison—"Blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me!" There is a special benediction to those who believe and trust when they cannot understand the dealings of God with them.

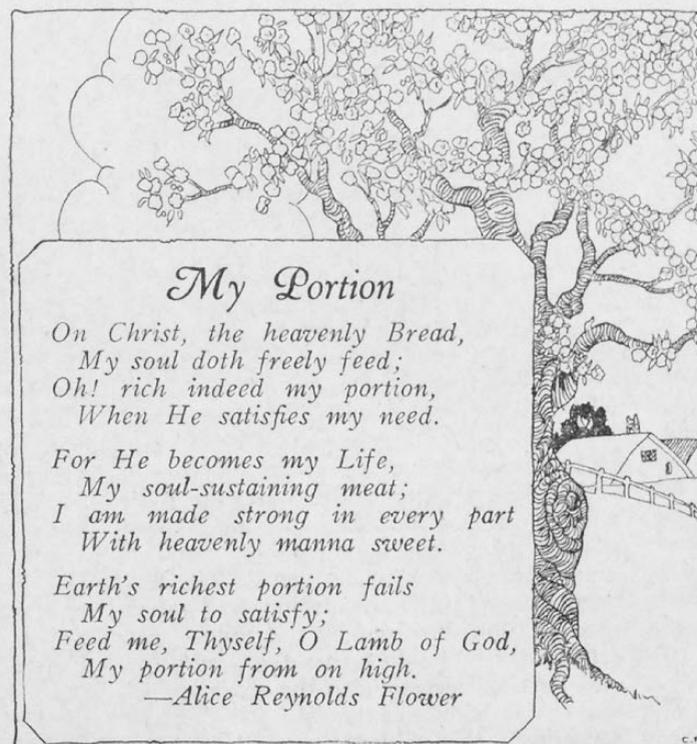
God dealt with David in a strange way. He was chased from the land he loved and from the tabernacle of the Lord where he longed to worship! He saw the priests at Nob slain because one of them had been friendly to him! Those who should have helped, like the Ziphites, sided with his enemies! But David de-

clared, "What time I am afraid, I will trust;" and when in the place of danger he had trusted and proved the mighty deliverance of the Lord, he was able to further declare, "In God have I put my trust, I will not be afraid."

Infinite love backed by infinite wisdom has chosen and will choose all your experiences for you. The Master says, "In the world ye shall have tribulation." Do not be offended with Him when the tribulations come, but take the attitude: "What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee." In Him you will have peace—a peace the world cannot take from you. He will prove His grace is all-sufficient and will bring you through to the place where you will be able to declare, "I will trust, and not be afraid." He will never leave you nor forsake you, so that you will not need to fear what man shall do to you. You can boldly say, "The Lord is my helper."

Let us talk with this aged prisoner. "Paul, what are you doing in this Roman prison? You said, 'Woe is unto me if I preach not the gospel!' And here you are a prisoner of Nero. Your wonderful evangelistic ministry has terminated. Are you not languishing in this prison, fretting out your heart that your mighty ministry of preaching has come to such an abrupt and untimely end?" No, he is not offended. He says, "I have learned, in whatsoever state I am therewith to be content. I am learning yet more fully the message of Habakkuk, that message that has been the keynote of my ministry, 'The just shall live by his faith.' I have learned to constantly sing Habakkuk's psalm of faith, 'Although the fig tree shall not blossom . . . yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation.' And so I am sending out that word to others, 'Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice.' The things that have happened unto me have fallen out rather unto the furtherance of the gospel, and therein I do rejoice, yea, I will rejoice."

You may not be able to understand all of God's dealings with you. You may have besought the Lord thrice and perhaps thirty times thrice to remove the thorn, the messenger of Satan—and the trouble has not disappeared. Learn to take the attitude of trust, and trust and trust and trust, refusing all the tormenting fears the enemy would bring. Do not be offended with the Lord. Think it not strange concerning the fiery trial that is to try you—but rejoice. He means it unto good. Joseph recognized this, many years after his trial. So will you. Elijah saw the Lord did not fail either him or the widow and her son, as the meal barrel and the oil flask received the daily replenishing. David
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My Portion

*On Christ, the heavenly Bread,
My soul doth freely feed;
Oh! rich indeed my portion,
When He satisfies my need.*

*For He becomes my Life,
My soul-sustaining meat;
I am made strong in every part
With heavenly manna sweet.*

*Earth's richest portion fails
My soul to satisfy;
Feed me, Thyself, O Lamb of God,
My portion from on high.*

—Alice Reynolds Flower



The Joy that Was Set Before Him

J. Narver Gortner



We read concerning the Lord Jesus that "for the joy that was set before Him" He "endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God." Heb. 12:2. We have taken it for granted, without giving the matter much thought, that this joy consisted in the prospect of being exalted to the throne where, at His exaltation, He was given "a name which is above every name;" such a joy, for instance—only, of course, on a purely unselfish and much more exalted scale—as characterizes that man who is to be given a position of prominence and prestige, upon a pinnacle of power, above his fellow men, so that he will receive the plaudits and homage of the multitude. Evidently we have been mistaken.

I venture to make the suggestion that "the joy that was set before Him" was the joy of *seeing souls saved and being instrumental in their salvation*. Our Lord asserted that "there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth" (Luke 15:10), and we have assumed that Jesus meant that the angels rejoice when a sinner repents. But it is not said that the angels rejoice, although they doubtless do, but rather that the joy is "in the presence of the angels of God." It would seem that the joy is the joy of God: God rejoices when a sinner repents, and the joy is "in the presence of the angels." Perhaps we should have understood the passage in question better if it had been rendered thus: "There is joy of God in the presence of the angels over one sinner that repenteth." That the angels rejoice we can well believe, for, as in the days of David "whatsoever the king did pleased all the people" (2 Sam. 3:36), so undoubtedly in heaven whatsoever God does pleases all the inhabitants; when God rejoices the angels rejoice too. But the angels only rejoice in what God rejoices in. God is their source of joy; so if the passage in question is interpreted in the way in which we have been accustomed to interpret it, the conclusion reached must be the same: the salvation of a soul causes God to rejoice.

John wrote that "as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so

must the Son of man be lifted up: that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:14, 15. The word rendered "lifted up," according to Thayer's Greek lexicon is to *exalt*. Thayer states that in John 12:33 the evangelist "himself interprets the word to the lifting up of Jesus on the cross, but a careful comparison of John 8:28 and 12:32 renders it probable that Jesus spoke of the heavenly exaltation which He was to attain by the crucifixion." The word rendered "lifted up" is rendered *exalted* in Acts 2:33 where we read concerning Jesus that, "being by the right hand of God *exalted*, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, He hath shed forth this which ye now see and hear."

We have usually thought of Jesus, in connection with the lifting up of the serpent in the wilderness, as having been "lifted up" to die on the cross that through His death upon the cross we might be saved from sin. That it was necessary for Christ to be thus "lifted up" we are bound to concede; that His death upon the cross was essential to our salvation we all believe. But that the *exaltation* spoken of in the passage quoted goes beyond the exaltation upon the cross seems quite evident.

Look at the preceding verse. There we read, "And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but He that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven." Evidently John is the writer. The Master's words end, if I interpret the Scripture aright, with verse 12. John ceases to report what Jesus said, and proceeds to comment on it. Years had gone by. The Christ who had conversed with Nicodemus had ascended into heaven and taken His place there, a place of exaltation at the right hand of the Father, and so John was able to say that He who had "come down from heaven, even the Son of man," was now "in heaven." He had been exalted; His exaltation had taken place. John, inspired by the Spirit, was setting forth the fact that the *exaltation* was just as necessary to the salvation of sinners as had been the *lifting up* of the serpent in the wilderness to the saving

of the lives of the people who had been bitten by the fiery serpents.

To whom do we look for salvation? Do we look to a Christ who is hanging on a cross? Do we not rather look to a Christ who hung there once, but who, having died for our sins, rose from the dead, and, ascending into heaven, sat down at the right hand of God? "This Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God." Heb. 10:12. "This Man, because He continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood. Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them." Heb. 7:24, 25. So it is apparent that it is to a living Christ, a Christ *exalted* at the right hand of the Father, that the sinner must look in order that he may be saved from sin. In the exalted Christ the sinner will always see "a Lamb as it had been slain," ever bearing the marks of Calvary. The song of the redeemed will always be "Unto Him that loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood."

Doubtless "the joy that was set before Him," the joy that proved to be a great support in the hour of His rejection and suffering, an inspiration that enabled Him to triumphantly endure the cross and victoriously despise the shame, was the joy that He knew would be His, as sinners would look away to Him during the dispensation of grace that was soon to begin, and, looking, live.

And Jesus said to His disciples, "These things have I spoken unto you, that My joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full." John 15:11. He had been speaking of bearing fruit; He had just said, "He that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit," and, "Herein is My Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be My disciples." If some person says that by fruit-bearing He did not mean soul-saving, but rather the bringing forth of the fruit of the Spirit defined by Paul in Gal. 5:22, 23, I remind him that He meant, *not only that*, but also soul-saving, for almost immediately afterwards He said, "Ye are My friends, if ye do whatsoever I

command you." And one of His commandments was that they should go and "make disciples of all nations." On only one occasion do we read that Jesus "rejoiced in spirit," and that was when the Spirit moved Him to give thanks to the Father for the fact that the Father had "hid these things from the wise and prudent and had revealed them unto babes." And who are babes? Born-again people; in other words, souls that have just come to a knowledge of the truth. So it is evident that our Lord was made glad by the fact that souls were being saved.

The greatest joy that can be experienced by a true minister of Christ, or by any true Christian, is the joy of seeing men and women saved. And it is a part of the plan and purpose of God that each of us should be a soul winner. "He that winneth souls is wise." Prov. 11:30. "And they that be wise," or, as Rotherham renders it, "they that make wise," i. e., the instructors who properly instruct the people so that, as a result of the instruction, the instructed ones are made wise unto salvation, "shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn may to righteousness as the stars forever and ever." Dan. 12:3.

As Christians our supreme ambition should be to adequately represent Christ so that others will desire to know Him and to follow Him. We have been saved to serve; and there is joy in service if it is unselfishly rendered. The service of the Master was unselfish service; and ours should be like His. He, "for the joy that was set before Him," the joy of seeing souls saved, "endured the cross, despising the shame," and we, if we have the spirit of the Master, will count no sacrifice too great, no service too menial, no burden too heavy, no hardship too hard, no task too exacting, no experience too humiliating, if, as a result of it, we can be made soul-winners.

"The joy of the Lord is your strength." How often we have quoted those words, and we are sure they are true. The Spirit of God has so said. But is the joy of the Lord mere ecstasy? Is it not rather the joy of rendering efficient service? The great end of all Christian service is salvation.

Let us not forget that to be a Christian is to be a follower of Christ, and that Christ came, "not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many."

Make me like Thee, my Lord; I would
In Thine own image shine;
Dead to the world, to sin, to self,
Lord, let Thy joy be mine.
Give me that mind that Thou hast had,
That mind that still Thou hast,
And mine shall be true joy in Thee,
Joy that shall ever last.

It Happened to Me

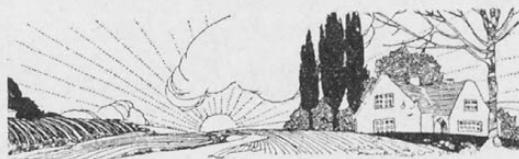
A Presbyterian Minister Receives the Baptism

It happened about four and a half years ago in a little church way up in the north-western part of North Dakota. It happened to a man who had been saved for several years. It happened, that as he desired the presence of God more than anything else, that God met him and filled him with His blessed Holy Spirit.

I say it DID happen. Not may, not might, not could, not would, but it DID. Hallelujah. Since that experience this individual has traveled around a bit and has met up with a number of theories concerning this blessed infilling. Oftentimes these theories have had a great effect upon his life causing him to wonder how to answer many questions that are brought up. Yet as he comes before the throne of grace to seek the face of God he is always faced with the blessed reality, IT DID HAPPEN.

There may be many people, who, in one way or another seek to deny the power of God. They seek to deny the miraculous working of God today. They ask question after question as to why things do not happen in every case of prayer. As one travels along he discovers that while these sit back with their questions and doubts, nursing them along in fact, things are going on; God is working; great and mighty things are being accomplished through the power of God plus the prayer of faith. Many faithful servants are pressing on in spite of the opposition of scepticism; even in spite of some doubts of their own, willing to believe God even though they do not understand. By these the whole world is being blessed, and for more like them the whole creation groaneth and travaileth until now, waiting for the revealing, or unveiling, yea the manifestation of the sons of God.

Now this doesn't mean that God despises the doubter. He wants to help



AT THE DAWN

Very early in the morning. Mark 16:2.
Let our first thought be of Jesus
At the dawn of each new day,
For we dare not tread without Him
In an unknown, untried way!
Clear, He sees what lies before us—
Well, He knows each coming hour—
Let our first thought be of Jesus,
Of His Love, His Will, His Power.
—F. M. N.

him. God loves us the same as he loved Thomas and all others who have honest doubts and fears. But, oh how I have needed, as well, no doubt, as many others, not to sit idly by nursing my doubts but rather to thrust forward and see what God will do. Somehow God has challenged me with this thought.

A time ago a brother in the Lord was telling me that he didn't believe in the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. He gave a great many so called arguments. These arguments seemed logical. In many ways I could not see through it all. Finally I said, "Brother, your arguments sound very logical. They are, to an extent, interesting. But let me ask you one question. For you it is easy to denounce the Baptism with the Spirit, speaking with other tongues, and other supernatural manifestations. But what would you do if you were I? I have received of God, that of which I speak, I HAVE been filled with the Holy Ghost. Through me the Spirit has spoken in unknown languages. You see, brother, it has really happened to me. Not only so but since that time my life's trend has been more toward Godliness than ever before."

For a moment silence ruled. When the brother spoke it was to ignore my question entirely. He talked about something else.

There are many theories floating around. One thinks this, another thinks that. But, dear friend, it isn't what you think that matters. The fact that really ends all argument is, "Well brother, it DID HAPPEN TO ME." Let us testify to what God has done for us. Pray for me that I may be more faithful than ever before, will you?—E. R. Robertson, Spring Valley, Minn.

He Promises to Keep

A man whose heart had been deeply touched by the death of a friend expressed a desire to begin the Christian life, and he told the minister so. "There's just one thing that makes me hesitate," he added, "I'm afraid I can't hold out. You know, where I work there are some pretty rough fellows." For answer, the minister reached down and lifted a flower from the vase on the table. "Do you see this flower, Arthur?" he asked. "It grew right in the mud and slime of a marsh. Yet see how clean and spotless it is. That's because God kept it. And He can keep you, too."

An Important Question

An infidel said, "I am seventy years of age, and have never seen such a place as hell, after all that has been said about it." His little grandson, of seven years of age, who was all the while listening, asked him, "Have you ever been dead yet?"

BY night the sign of fire!
By day the sign of the cloud!
For the Shekinah, meaning "Jehovah dwells," was the visible sign of His presence among them.

A sign people, led daily, hourly, by the visible manifestation of the presence of God! Whenever Israel stepped outside their tents, there it was—always; the fiery, cloudy pillar. According to it they rested, whether a day, or two days, or a year. According to it they folded their tents and journeyed. It was there by night. It was there by day, a constant presence. It never left them in all their journey. Whenever they looked, it was there.

"So the sign of the fire by night,
And the sign of the cloud by day,
Hovering o'er, just before,
As we journey on our way
Shall a guide and a leader be,
'Til the wilderness be past,
And the Lord our God in His own
good time
Shall lead to the light at last."

The fiery, cloudy pillar had come on the day that the tabernacle in the wilderness was reared up, in obedience to what God had spoken to Moses. Ex. 40:34. On that day suddenly it had appeared, a cloud covering the tent of the testimony, by night taking on the appearance of fire. It, as an integral part of their deliverance from Egypt's bondage, had come in response to the sighing and crying of Israel's intercession for deliverance. How like the promise of Jesus when He said, "I will give you another Comforter, and He shall abide with you forever." As the fiery pillar was their guide, so the Holy Spirit is to guide us. The Spirit too was given in answer to intercessory prayer. "I will pray the Father, and He shall send another Comforter."

The fiery, cloudy pillar remained with them by God's amazing mercy rather than by their merit. And God's mercy was extended to them because of the unbounded intercession of Moses. "Yea, when they had made them a molten calf . . . yet Thou in Thy manifold mercy forsookest them not in the wilderness; the pillar . . . departed not from them . . . to show them light and the way wherein they should go." Neh. 9:19. This amazing mercy of God had come because Moses had pleaded with a broken heart for his people, freely confessing their sins against Jehovah, and asking that his name be blotted out rather than that God should destroy this people, thus letting the heathen rejoice in their defeat.

The fiery, cloudy pillar had come after confession and obedience, Moses confessing his weakness, and the sins of the

The Shekinah

IS THE FIERY, CLOUDY PILLAR
OURS THROUGH CONFESSION
AND CONTRITION?

By Zelma Argue

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land!
I am weak, but Thou art mighty,
Hold me with Thy powerful Hand!

Open Thou the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing streams do flow;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through!

"The Lord went before them
. . . by night in a pillar of fire to
give them light." Exodus 13:21.

"He took not away . . . the pillar
of fire by night." (v. 22).

"The pillar of the cloud departed
not from them by day . . .
neither the pillar of fire by night,
to show them light and the way
wherein they should go." Nehemiah 9:19.

people, yet diligently seeking to obey God's revealed pattern in each minutest detail, in the true humility of a servant in God's house. Then the miracle-working power of God was ever present for every need.

The Shekinah of God!

Cloud and fire! Of what do they speak? Clouds! How often has God appeared in a cloud! A cloud-covered the mount when Moses went into it for forty days and nights to meet God. "I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy seat," was God's word later concerning the wilderness tabernacle. "The cloud filled the house of the Lord, so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud; for the glory of the Lord had filled the house of the Lord," we read of the Shekinah cloud's appearance at the temple dedication. "The cloud filled the inner court," is Ezekiel's record. A cloud but the size of a man's hand told Elijah a great rain was coming. At the transfiguration of Christ, "a cloud overshadowed them." The Son of man is coming back with clouds. In the meantime, for our inspiration and to spur us on to faithful efforts, we are encompassed about with a great cloud of witnesses, says the scripture. Thus, the sign of the cloud by day.

By night, however, this sign was to be fire. The darker the night, the bright-

er the light. Are we not approaching the midnight of the world's history? Are we not too a supernatural people, to ever keep our eyes on the pillar of cloud and fire?

Fire! We are a people of Holy Ghost fire! Our ministry must be a fire ministry. "He maketh his ministers a flame of fire." A fiery ministry still startles and shocks the indifferent until still they run together crying, "What meaneth this?" People may be indifferent enough to an ice wagon passing down the street, but they never are indifferent to a fire wagon hurrying on its way. Still the crowds hurry to see where the fire is burning. Fire arouses curiosity.

Fire in the life and in the ministry! Who will have it, and who lack it? Scriptural accounts of great souls who most retained the fiery zeal throughout their life and ministry seem to suggest that there is a very close connection between taking a very lowly attitude before God, and having the fire of the supernatural come freshly, direct from above.

The Shekinah fire fell thirty years ago upon a people confessing their own lack and failure, and entreating God for the Holy Ghost fire. Often it came most quickly upon some new convert, whose heart was tender with repentance over remembered sins, before it would fall upon a near-by seeker, who had lived a good life for years, and consequently expected it sooner on that account.

Of Whitefield it was said by Spurgeon, who made him his pattern, that he was "ever on the wing; and like a flame of fire." How did Whitefield retain this unction? Was it because he never forgot his great sins of blasphemy and godlessness prior to his conversion when he as a sixteen-year-old boy was a bartender?

John Bunyan retained the fire of devotion and zeal for souls through the long years of his ministry and imprisonment. Was this because he never forgot nor lost the horror of his sins, when as a tinker he had blasphemed and broken the laws of God?

Paul the Apostle perhaps outdoes all the church when it comes to his matchless record of flagless zeal, unremitting toil, arduous journeys and the joyous abandon with which he pursues his heavenly calling despite stripes, frequent imprisonment, shipwreck, false brethren, hunger, cold and care for all the churches. How did he, as years passed by, continue to retain that first passionate love and touch of fire in his soul? I wonder if there was a secret in the fact that he never permitted himself to quite forget he had held the clothes of those who stoned Stephen while that

pure spirit was going back to God, the first Christian martyr? He recounts his former sins in writing to Timothy, "He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry, who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious . . . Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief . . . I obtained mercy." He never lost the wonder of it, "I obtained mercy!"

Confession precedes fire!

Isaiah admitted, "I am a man of unclean lips."

It was when Isaiah made confession that the fire came to him. "Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips." We are told that *then* flew one of the seraphims having a live coal, and laid it upon Isaiah's mouth. Thenceforward it is claimed his flight soared the highest and the most sustained of all prophets.

Daniel too, who has revealed the deepest mysteries, said, "I prayed . . . and made my confession. . . . And while I was speaking and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel . . . the man Gabriel touched me about the time of the evening oblation." Yet Daniel stands practically alone in that the faithful scriptures record no blemish upon his character.

Jeremiah was one of the

"Sinners whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall."

It was through this he was enabled to cleave true to his calling. Sometimes he felt bitterly the mocking of his associates, and was tempted to quit his daring prophesying. He complained, "I am in derision daily; everyone mocketh me. . . . Then I said, I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name." But immediately he admits, "But his word was in mine heart as a burning fire . . . it was as burning fire shut up in my bones . . . I could not stay (stop)." Jer. 20:9. In Lamentations 3:19, 20, the same prophet says, "Remembering the wormwood and the gall . . . my soul is humbled in me."

Peter, who started out to follow the Lord rather over-confidently, later learned true humility. In the early part of his walk with Christ he said, "We have forsaken all," and later, "Though all men should be offended because of Thee, yet will not I." Christ, seeing through his over-confidence said he would be the one to deny him thrice. But later on, after the denial, after the crucifixion, after the disciples led by Peter had returned to their fishing, Christ met Peter at Dawn by the Sea of memories, the Sea of Galilee, and asked him three times, "Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me?" Simon Peter's answer was full of humility. It was as if to say, "You ask me if I love you with a divine love.

After my deep failure I dare no longer say I do. I dare only humbly say I am deeply fond of you." It was a chastened and subdued answer. But its contrition brought an answer of fire a very few days later, and then how Peter preached!

When the Holy Ghost fire fell upon Peter, the onlookers were confounded and amazed. They marveled. They mocked. But Peter's former timidity was gone with his former self-confidence. His cowardice was conquered. Standing up, he was given a fluency of utterance that was as though electric power had been turned on. He now spoke with assurance. His words carried the power of conviction. No longer frozen of heart and of mouth, his words now were like a flowing gulf stream. They were simple, but warning, and resultful.

When the fire fell hypocrites were discomfited, as Ananias and Sapphira. Honest doubters were convinced, as Saul of Tarsus. National barriers were leaped, until Cornelius and all his household could come in. God send again the Shekinah cloud!

By night the sign of fire! Contrition and confession bring fire. Fire melts the frozen until the dumb can speak. Fire brings persecution, until the disciples are threatened after the healing of the lame man at the temple gate. But fire also brings daring, for they pray, "Stretch forth thine hand to heal," reckoning little that one healing had brought them trouble, they asked for many! Fire melts the congealed and brings the dross to the surface. Fire sends light into dark corners. "Our God is a consuming fire." In this day of dense darkness abounding, may He send fire—yes, the fiery pillar—to guide us through, and may we ever follow His Shekinah cloud.

"Blessed Is He, Whosoever Shall Not Be Offended"

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saw the overthrow of all his foes. After being abased, he was exalted to the throne.

Paul from his Roman prison awaited his execution with joy, utterly unoffended with his Lord as he wrote his last instructions to his beloved son Timothy, declaring: "I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."

Paul in this the last word he wrote to his beloved son Timothy said to him, "Endure afflictions." Don't be offended when the many afflictions pile up, one upon another. Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the dear Lord, in His own time, and in His own way, delivereth them out of them all. Even though the furnace be heated to sevenfold heat, you will have One with you who is none other than the Son of God. "In all their affliction He was afflicted."

Fortify yourself for the "much tribulation" (literally, "Many tribulations") that the Apostle warned the saints would be theirs before they would inherit the kingdom. Fill yourself with the Word of God, for "great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them." And be filled with the Spirit, with the mind, the nature, the grace, and the disposition of your Lord, who endured the cross and despised the shame, knowing that there was an eternal joy set before Him. Thus will you inherit the special benediction given in these words of the Master, "Blessed is he whosoever shall not be offended in me." Though your lot be like John the Baptist's, and your prison life, your test and your trial continues, fill the prison house with songs of praises. The Lord will teach you to sing on all occasions the song of the prophet: "Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labor of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation." —S. H. F.

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The Sunday School Lesson

Jesus and the Samaritan Woman

Lesson for April 25. Lesson Text: John 4:4-30.

"Needs must." Jesus was well aware that the leaders in Jerusalem were despising and rejecting Him, and so He returned to Galilee. He did not take a roundabout course to avoid going near the hated people of Samaria as did most. He "needs must" go through Samaria. Why? He purposed that a greater awakening should come to Sychar.

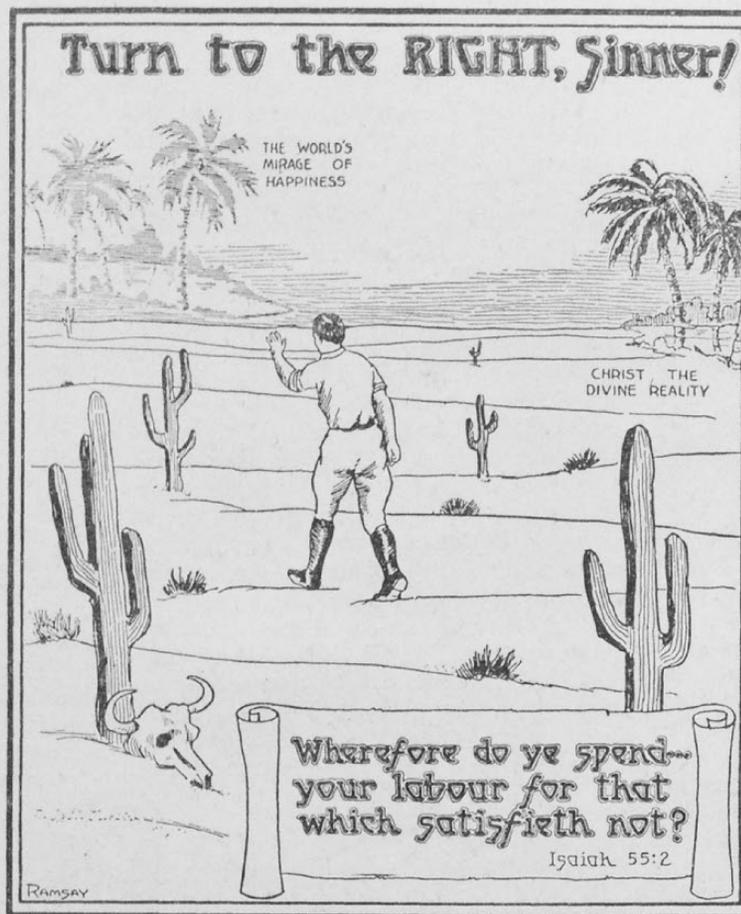
"The gift of God." The ways of the Lord are different from our ways. He did not hire a hall at Sychar and start nightly preaching services. No, when His disciples were out of the way He sat wearily waiting by the well for the poor sinful woman who came at hot noon-tide to draw water. He made request of this woman, "Give me to drink." She was full of wonder. "How come?" she inquired. A Jew, a member of the race who counted themselves so superior, asking her, a Samaritan woman, for a favor? The Master had not come so much to take from her as to give to her. The devil tries to persuade us that He comes to rob us of our best. Oh, no, He comes to deliver us from our worst—our sins; and to bring us His best. He said to this woman, "If thou knewest the gift of God . . . thou wouldest have asked of him." We have not, because we ask not. He has blessed spiritual gifts for us, and the Apostle says concerning them, "I would not have you ignorant." If we knew the profit of these spiritual gifts we would earnestly covet them. If we knew what a great outpouring of the Spirit would do to this world, we would not cease to ask for rain in the time of the latter rain. Zech. 10:1.

Limiting Him. Jesus said, "If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water." The woman did not realize that He was speaking of the water of life that brings salvation, and could only think of natural water. How could He, without a bucket and a rope, procure water from this well? She little knew that the One before her was the Creator and Upholder of all things, the One who had "measured the waters in the hollow of his hand" (Isa. 40:12)—the waters of all the vast oceans.

The Satisfying Fountain. Then He showed her that those who drank of this earthly well would thirst again, but that they who drank from the eternal heavenly spring which He gave would be completely satisfied and never more thirst. Nothing of earth can permanently satisfy. Some of us can testify, thank God, that we have found Him who completely and eternally satisfies. Our answer to the ever

uppermost question of the day, "What think ye of Christ?" is just this: "HE satisfies." Is your soul longing, as the hart after the waterbrook, for a spring of living water? You will find such in our lovely Jesus. He satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry with goodness. He HIMSELF is all we need—the Fountain of living water. Alas, that so many forsake Him, and hew themselves out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.

Uncovering sin. The woman made request,



"Give me this water." But even then she did not understand. He was speaking of the heavenly and not of the earthly. Then He said to her, "Go, call thy husband." She answered, "I have no husband." He said, "Thou hast well said, I have no husband: for thou hast had five husbands; and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband." We must all face the problem of our sin and face it in all its hideousness, before we fully realize our need of the Saviour. He uncovers sin that we may see it in its awful blackness and cry to Him: "Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me." He will wash us in His all-atoning blood and make us whiter than snow.

Worship. This word was decidedly personal, so the woman tried to switch the subject. There was a never-ending controversy between Jew and Samaritan as to whether Jerusalem or Gerizim was the proper place for wor-

ship. What was His view on this point of controversy? He revealed this truth that *where* you worship the Father is not important. The question is *how* you worship. God is a Spirit and there is only one acceptable way to worship Him. "They that worship Him *must* worship Him in spirit and in truth." What did our Lord mean by this? There were some worshiping only with the lips, but their hearts were far from Him. There were those even in Jerusalem who like that Pharisee who went up to the temple to pray, were congratulating themselves on their fasting and praying and paying their tithes, but their religion was a mere outward, formal thing. Such never sent up the heart cry, "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me." But there

were some like that poor publican, the man with a broken spirit, who were conscious of a great need, and who could but humbly cry, "God be merciful to me a sinner." This cry from the heart will prove a prelude to the incoming of the Lord, bringing with Him into us the righteousness of God and everything else we need in our lives. God will give us the blessed Holy Spirit who will lead us into true spiritual worship.

Worship in spirit. There is an acceptable way of worship that few Christians understand. Paul said: "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries." 1 Cor. 14:2. Paul said later in the same chapter, "For if I pray in an unknown tongue, *my spirit* prayeth . . . I will pray *with the spirit*, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will *sing with the spirit*, and I will sing with the understanding also." The Spirit of God will come so fully into our yielded spirits that He will enable us to truly "pray in the Holy Ghost." He will anoint us to utter acceptable praises in the Spirit, in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in our hearts to the Lord. He, the Spirit of truth, who will lead us into all truth, will see that we worship "in truth"—that is, in reality, in contrast to the dead, formal and unreal thing that passes for worship with those who have but a form of godliness and deny the power thereof.

Confessing His Messiahship. The woman began to think of the promised Messiah and said, "I know that Messiah cometh . . . when he is come, he will tell us all things." Jesus said to her, "I that speak unto thee am he." Her eyes beheld Him who was God's salvation. Looking, she lived. As one has aptly put it, "Jesus first revealed this woman to herself, and then, Himself to her." And she went forth from His presence as a missionary. Her sermon was not a long one. Most preachers end with an invitation. She began her message with one: "Come, see." Come to

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The Passing and the Permanent

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

ANTI-GOD STAMPS

It is reported that the Russian government is issuing anti-God postage stamps selling them at double price. They expect to realize much from the sale of these stamps to collectors abroad.

Would that some of the so-called Christian countries would take suggestion from this and place good gospel texts on all stamps.

THE WAGES OF SIN

It is reported in *Living Church* that "Every year in the United States there are an average of 11,000 homicides, 23,000 suicides, 36,000 auticides, 4,000 maternal deaths through abortions, and 700,000 aborted lives. All this is achieved despite the law of the state as well as the commandment of religion."

Is there need for revival? Should we not pray for such?

ATTENDANCE AT MOVIES

Signs of the Times reports that "more than one billion dollars was spent by American moviegoers in 1936, according to figures released in a survey. The number of tickets totaled 4,180,000,000. The American people paid an average of 25 cents to see a motion-picture show." Alas the people of this land are "lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God."

A FRIEND OF ISRAEL

"The evangelization of Israel has met a severe loss in the death of Sir Leon Levison," writes Ernest Gordon in *Sunday School Times*. "He was the son of a distinguished rabbi in Safed, Palestine, and was knighted for important diplomatic services during the war and for his relief work in Palestine at the same time, in the course of which he raised \$1,000,000 for refugees. After his conversion he worked two years in a factory, giving his spare time to mission work."

A MODERN SAVONAROLA

Dr. Uhde, a Catholic priest of Austria, started a campaign against liquor, even urging the use of unfermented wine in the celebration of the Mass. He was fought by the powerful drink interests and finally silenced by the Pope. But the result was unexpected. Scores of protest meetings were held, and the church threatened to excommunicate all who would attend. Thousands left the Catholic church.

God has not left Himself without a witness even in the most corrupt times.

MOVING THE MOSQUE OR OMAR

Graham Scroggie writing on Zechariah 14:1-11, says: "Verse 10 predicts the exaltation of Jerusalem in that day, literally and spiritually. It would appear that there shall be a change of that part of the Land by means of an earthquake (4, 5). In no other way can the Mosque of Omar be got rid of. Britain cannot remove it, but heaven will. In verse 11 we get a glimpse, in three brief sentences, of the blessed condition of the inhabitants of Jerusalem 'in that day': they shall abide in the city in peace; there shall be no more curse, and the unwalled city shall itself be secure."

GETTING READY FOR THE YEAR 8114 A.D.

It is reported that, "According to plans from Oglethorpe University, an imperishable vault is to be constructed on the campus, in which phonograph records, motion pictures, books, magazines, drawings, and photographs will be placed. This vault is to be sealed, with instructions not to open until the year 8114."

These well meaning people have doubtless overlooked the word of 2 Peter 3:10, 11: "The earth also and all the works that are therein shall be burned up. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be?"

RAIN IN RESPONSE TO PRAYER

Albert Widmer writes from Joinville, Brazil: "There arose a very difficult question as to how to baptize, as this region was very poorly watered and only a small brook ran through the place. The brethren cut big lumps and made with them an artificial basin, filling up the holes with clay. But all efforts seemed in vain; there was insufficient water to baptize a large number of converts. We prayed to the Lord, that He would help us in this unfortunate situation. A mighty thunderstorm was the immediate answer to the prayer: a whole day and night heavy rain fell, and our basin was transformed into a vast deep lake, with plenty of water to bury hundreds of old Adams! We immersed 10 by 10 and within half an hour 150 new converts were baptized according to the Scripture. The joy was so great that they sang aloud, and various ones left the water-grave receiving the Baptism in the Holy Ghost!"

Questions and Answers

Where does the Bible teach that the grave is hell?

Some have thought that *sheol* of the Old Testament, and *hades* of the New Testament refer to the grave. This seems incorrect since the rich man lifted up his eyes in *hades*, which would indicate that in *hades* he was in a conscious state. Luke 16:23. *Sheol* or *hades*, "is revealed as the place of departed human spirits between death and the resurrection" (*Scofield Bible*).

Is it possible for a born again person to sin and yet be saved?

It would be impossible to "wilfully" sin and retain one's standing, but were one "taken in a fault" "we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." The best of us always require the atoning blood of Christ and His high priestly intercession because of the many infirmities which hinder that absolute perfection which divine holiness would require. We usually speak of our weaknesses as infirmities to distinguish them from carelessness of walk, or indulgence in things which we know to be evil. See Rom. 8:26; Heb. 4:15, 16; 1 John 2:1, 2.—E. S. W.

JAPAN WANTS CHRIST

Dr. George W. Truett, president of the Baptist World Alliance, said a few weeks ago: "Whenever our testimony for Christ is backed by the right sort of life, men will seek our Saviour."

"In Japan I saw keen Japanese students in the great university, as I spoke on the Scripture 'I am the light of the world,' confess Christ, saying, 'Yes, we take Him to be our Saviour.' If I were a young man, I wonder if any power in the world could keep me in America."

JUDAH'S CRISIS

In the *New York Times*, Otto Tolischus, writing from Warsaw, says that the situation of Jews in Eastern Europe is approaching "a final disaster of truly historic magnitude."

To him it seems there is nothing left for these Jews save another Exodus (and whither are they to go?) or slow death by economic strangulation.

God's answer to all Israel's troubles is found in Romans 9, 10 and 11. Is your attitude that of God's holy apostle, "My heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved"?

A SIGNIFICANT TRADITION

A Jew narrated the story of an Arab king who was told that when the Messiah came he and the Moslems would be killed, and also peoples of other nations. He asked how the Messiah could kill them all. A wise Jew said he would answer the question. He built a wall with doors and windows, and enclosed inside eighty cocks. They were left for three days. After that the Arab king came to see them. All were dead except one small cock. The Jew explained that they had fought and killed each other. He said: "So shall it be when the Messiah comes. The nations will kill each other, and after the slaughter the Messiah alone will be left to reign over the remnant."

A JEWISH RABBI'S TESTIMONY

Dr. MacInnes, Bishop in Jerusalem, reports an interview with Rabbi Stephen Wise in New York: "I was surprised to see a picture of an incident from the life of Christ; then I looked round and to my surprise every picture in his drawing-room was a picture taken from the Gospel. When he came into the room, he said, 'I see you are interested in my pictures. I expect you are surprised to find these pictures from the life of Christ in a Jewish Rabbi's room.' I said, 'It is very surprising to me. I had not the least idea that that would be your mind. Tell me what it means.' 'We regard Him,' he said, 'as not yours only but ours. He was the greatest Jew that ever lived. We want to venerate Him; we do venerate Him.' I said, 'Yes, that I can understand entirely, but what beats me are these pictures of the Crucifixion. What do they mean to you? Why have pictures of the Crucifixion? Who was He whom you crucified?' He looked very grave. 'Well,' he said, 'that was the most tragic blunder we ever made. But there are bad men in every age. Caiaphas was a bad man. We have suffered for his iniquity ever since. But you want to know more of what I think of Him whom we crucified. I think the position is this. We regard him not so much as God come down to man, as a Man who lived so near to God that He drew others with Him into the Holy Presence.'"

The Gospel in Foreign Lands

NEW STATIONS IN JAPAN

Marie Juergensen

In July of last year the Lord enabled us to open a new station in Sendai (a large city three hundred miles north of here) and also an outstation there. During the fall we were very busy in evangelistic work. In seven weeks we were in four different evangelistic campaigns in four different places. Our hearts rejoiced to see God work.

It was my joy to visit Sendai recently for the first time and to encourage our dear workers up there, and to hear Shoji San—our Bible woman in charge of the outstation—who entertained me in her little house, tell how God has given her souls, though at first she went out on the street corner all alone, and it was very hard for her. Later I looked into the happy faces of ten or more converts—the fruit of only a few months!

It was also my joy to tell the blessed story of Him crucified in the Sendai station where Brother and Sister Omaki are located, and to see hands raised in every service. This is a fine, spacious native house and yet all the partitions had to be removed to make room for those who came to hear. One of the pictures shows this fine Sunday School with Mr. Omaki sitting in the center with the old man, upon whose heart God operated, inducing him to rent us his building. He faithfully attended every one of the evangelistic services. Pray for His salvation.

The vision of the rural towns and villages, which are practically unevangelized and lie so thickly all around us, has come to us afresh these past months and especially to our Brother Yumiyama, our native pastor. He, with our Bible school students, has gone out on several trips, and each time their hearts have been more stirred with the need of the whitened harvest fields. Tremendous possibilities and blessed opportunities for God lie at our door! Recently a small car was rented for this evangelistic work and one record day they reported with radiant faces that they had traveled one hundred and forty-five miles, passed through about ten large towns and about thirty-five villages, distributing tracts, and stopped to bring the gospel message in seven of these towns. All this within a radius of sixty miles! We feel so much could be done for Him and for souls if we had a gospel car to use freely at all times. Will you please pray with us for this need?

Offerings should be sent to the Foreign Missions Department, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri, designated clearly for what purpose it is to be used.

SPECIAL MEETINGS IN HAMAMATSU

Miss Agnes Juergensen writes a very interesting letter, telling about the tent meetings held in a different section of the city from where the mission is located.

We quote a few of her paragraphs: "On the main street of this upper eastern district we found a perfect lot. A working man with pick and shovel leveled the ground for the tent and your missionary, herself, weeded out part of the lot. As I pulled hard and long at stubborn weeds I thought, 'If only souls could be pulled out of darkness as easily and in such great numbers as the weeds!' Surely winning souls in Japan is far more than just preaching to them!

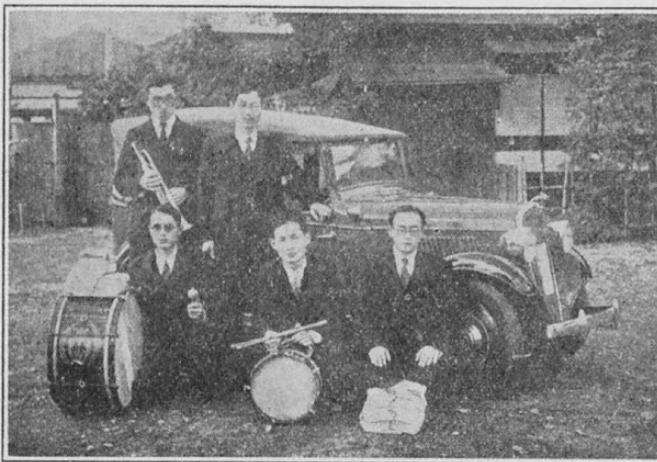
"Our Brother Ogawa of Kyoto City was our evangelist for the campaign and he brought his new tent. It was delayed in transit so we had to begin the meetings on the lot, with benches and platform arranged, but no roof over us. So it was under the clear blue sky we welcomed more than one hundred and fifty children to occupy the benches and began the meetings. Oh, how quickly the children learn to sing. Their voices brought many curious grown folk to see and to hear. When the children's hour was over we invited the adults, standing around, to come in and take their places, but it is hard to move them. But each evening a few more dared to come in farther and occupy the benches under the electric lights and to listen more closely to the gospel message.

Eternity only can reveal the true results of such crowds from night to night. We pressed a few personally to a deciding point and have taken such names and want to follow them up personally. In dealing with one man, I learned that he was seventy-two years old and was hearing of Christ for the first time, then, with a new light in his eyes he exclaimed, 'I never knew that the Jesus God was the true light of man. Thank you teacher, I want to believe in this light.' Now he has a portion of the New Testament and with dim eyesight he is reading the good news for himself.

"I am sure that God has touched many, many others who will be in that good line of redeemed ones in the day of the Lord. Japan with all her education needs Christ and His message of love."

HELP FOR ALASKA

We are glad to announce that our Alaska field is to be favored with



Top—The Sunday School of our new Sendai station in Japan. Mr. Omaki, missionary to the lepers is seated in the center.

Center—Mr. Yumiyama (native pastor) and Bible school students ready for an evangelistic trip.

Bottom—The Sendai outstation. Miss Shoji, Bible woman in charge, seated in center.

a visit by the Superintendent of our Northwest District Council, Brother T. A. Sandall, with the purpose of extending the work in that neglected field. Brother Sandall plans to leave April 6, going direct to Juneau to begin a campaign with Brother C. Personeus on the eleventh. From there he expects to come back to Ketchikan for a few meetings with Mrs. Gilmore, arriving back in Seattle May 5. Brother Sandall asks the Evangel readers to pray that this, the first official visit of a General Council representative, may prove to be a blessing to the work in Alaska and pave the way for opening further work there.

Our Brother and Sister Watson Argue are also preparing to visit Alaska soon to hold evangelistic meetings. May the Lord make both these visits times of great blessing and refreshing to the missionaries and the towns in which they are working.

LITTLE ONE LAID AWAY

We have just received a letter from A. G. Johnson bringing word that little Ralph Bolton, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Bolton, who have recently returned to their work in Southwest China, passed away February 1. Word had been received a few weeks ago that he was very ill with a bad case of smallpox. Brother Johnson reports that the smallpox crisis had passed but complications set in and he died of spinal meningitis.

Brother Johnson says: "A little coffin was purchased in one of the local shops and the ladies here lined it beautifully with white silk and made a little silk-covered pillow. On the following day the funeral service was held here in the home, after which the little coffin was carried by two men to the British-American cemetery outside the North Gate of the city, and the friends who attended the funeral rode out in rickshaws.

"After a short service at the cemetery the coffin was lowered into the grave, where the little form will rest until the great resurrection morning, when the trumpet sounds and the dead in Christ shall rise to meet the Lord. This is the second loss the Boltons have had in Yunnan, their other baby having died of pneumonia at Wei Hsi just before they went home for furlough."

Our deepest sympathy goes out to our Brother and Sister Bolton and the three remaining children in their sorrow. May the Lord give sustaining grace till that day when their family will be reunited.

WELCOME!

We are happy to welcome another little member into our great missionary family. Brother and Sister Elmer Schwalbe, new missionaries to the Gold Coast, announce the arrival of little Joel Edward on the morning of February 10. May the Lord bless this little life and protect it from all harm, and bless our brother and sister as they take up their new duties on the mission field.

NEWS FROM THE PLYMIRE

Recent word from Brother and Sister Plymire assures us that they are safe and well, although they have passed through great danger during the recent Red invasion of West China. They hope to be able to return to their mission station soon.



Paul Stephen Rahneff of Bulgaria, in Macedonian costume. (A part of Bulgaria was in the old Macedonian territory.)

Brother Paul Rahneff has recently paid us a visit at Springfield and preached in the Assembly and at the Bible School. He asks for special prayer for Bulgaria at this time that there may be continued religious liberty, for a bill is being put through which if passed will mean the closing of all our Pentecostal assemblies in Bulgaria. Brother Rahneff also asks prayer that the Lord will enable him to broadcast the Gospel from a radio station in every language of Europe. The Bolsheviks are broadcasting their Communistic ideals in that way and he believes that the best antidote for Communism is the Gospel broadcast in Russian and all other European languages.

BRIEF NOTES FROM FAR AND NEAR

India

On the Sunday following our arrival at Rupaidiha we had the privilege of baptizing a man whom Brother Nicodem had promised to baptize soon after he should come back from the hills. As we know, our dear brother did not return, but was promoted instead, so it was given me to reap where another had sowed. We are now busy making alterations and repairing some of our buildings, preparatory to the opening of the Bible school. We shall have good accommodations for six married students with their families and fifteen single men. Our course will extend over a period of two years. Real evangelistic efforts in our district and others will be a part of the training. We are in need of two good Indian men teachers for the work.—Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson.

Southwest China

A few weeks ago a Lisu woman was very sick. She sent for the Lisu Christians to pray. She exhorted them all to be true to God and said she was willing to go if He wanted to take her then. The Christians believed she died. However, the Lord touched her body and she is now rejoicing in what He has done for her. We believe this is a testimony to her neighbors.—Mary E. Lewer.

Congo

One of our evangelists and out-school teachers went into untouched territory this last week and reported several saved, one man laying down all his witchcraft, fetishes, and charms. God is opening the hearts of men here as never before to the gospel.—Miss Nellie F. Meloon.

North China

The Lord continues to bless and use Mr. Chang, one of our native workers who has received a special ministry of praying for the sick. Nearly every time I see him he has some new case of healing to tell about. One mother brought a child to him to be prayed for. The following day she noticed that not only was the child delivered of that particular ailment, but the cataract which had made him totally blind in one eye was removed and the child had normal sight. Mr. Chang did not know about the cataract when he prayed for the child. A man was healed of deafness and before many witnesses gave definite evidence of his healing. Please pray that those whom the Lord heals may also turn to him for salvation. Mr. Chang always makes it plain that salvation is more important than physical healing, but some do not return to give Him the glory.—Miss Henrietta Tieleman.

South China

A sea of yellow faces, clamoring coolies, women carrying heavy loads, peddlers yelling their wares, little children with babies tied on their backs, beggars on every street, people everywhere, jostling and pushing, but through it all good natured! Canton! One of the world's largest cities, with one million five hundred thousand people crowded into it. It is here we moved late last year to enter a new language school. Since coming here we have continued preaching regularly in Hong Kong. We make the trip over the week-end (about one hundred miles) by train or river boat. Please pray for us.—Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dunn.

North China

Praise Jesus for saving the Suen family—father, mother and son. The father was an opium addict, which meant little food, bedding, clothing, and heat in the bitterly cold weather. The mother was always sick, through lack of nourishment. The son was the first to become interested, and began to sing the hymns that were sung at the "Jesus Hall." The father became curious, came to the hall and found Jesus and was delivered from opium. This was too much for the mother—son good and obedient, father happy in Jesus, no more opium, better living conditions, no more fighting. She must go and see what went on in this Jesus Hall. She came and the Lord graciously met her, healed her body and filled her heart with praise and a peace which passeth all understanding. We can now count one more happy Christian home in China.—Percy Bristow.

FOR GOOD OR FOR EVIL?

It is reported that there are 25,000 radio stations in operation in the world today, according to the report of the Federal Communications Commission. Nine years ago there were only 1,700 stations in the world. Thus have the air waves increased their power to communicate to all men everywhere.

In the Whiten'd Harvest Field

WHITE OAK, OKLA.—We have just closed a 4 weeks' meeting at the Blue Hawk Schoolhouse. Seventeen prayed through to victory. We have organized a Sunday School here and the Lord is blessing.—James R. Harris, Tulsa, Okla.

CHANUTE, KANSAS—We have just closed a very successful meeting, Evangelist and Mrs. C. A. Brown, Carthage, Mo., in charge. The services were better attended than in any meeting previously. A goodly number were saved and filled with the Spirit. The revival spirit continues, for which we praise the Lord.—Pastor and Mrs. A. Gaddis.

LEBANON, MO.—The Lord has blessed in a 4 weeks' revival conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. Cecil Collins, assisted by our Pastor, Elmer E. Hombree. We were favored with good crowds and good order. About 35 were saved or reclaimed, 4 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and 29 were added to the church. Council ministers when passing this way are invited to visit us.—Tom C. Osborn, Secretary.

LINCOLN, NEB.—For the last 3 weeks we have enjoyed the blessings of the Lord as Ruth Cox, Yukon, Oklahoma, led us in a blessed revival. We had the best attendance and interest we have ever had. About 50 professed salvation, some were filled with the Spirit, and many people of other churches as well as people of our own congregation were drawn nearer to the Lord.—Glenn E. Millard, Pastor.

BATESVILLE, ARK.—Our new tabernacle has been completed and we are now having services Wednesday and Sunday nights, also Sunday School at 9:45, and preaching at 11:00. In spite of sickness and bad weather, our Sunday School has been doing fine. We have started a singing class for the little children. Brother W. A. Lawson is here at this time and has delivered some wonderful sermons. Council brethren passing this way are invited to stop over with us. Our church is located in West Batesville, on Bayou Street.—Georgia Dean Grubbs, Sunday School Secretary.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—A very profitable campaign has just been closed here, Evangelist and Mrs. Harvey McAlister in charge. Several were saved and are now helping to win others. The tarrying services were times of real blessing and a number received their Baptism. Our work has been strengthened and new families have become interested in our assembly as a result of Brother McAlister's evangelistic and teaching ministry. God also blessed our brother's ministry to the sick and many testified to definite healings. Sister McAlister's message to the Young People was an inspiration. Her music on the vibra harp was used of the Lord in edification.—E. C. Sumrall, Pastor.

MARTINS FERRY, O.—In a 3 weeks' revival at Trinity Pentecostal Assembly of God, conducted by Ethel Bennett Lawrence, many were saved, and there were many miraculous healings. Eyesight was restored, pneumonia victims were completely healed, and evil spirits were cast out in Jesus' name. We are giving Him all the glory. William J. Frayer is our pastor.—Alvie Horner, Secretary-Treasurer.

HOLDENVILLE, OKLA.—Since coming here October 10, we have had two revivals. Norman Wilson, of Wetumka, conducted our first revival in November, in which 25 found the Lord and several received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. In February the Moore and Morgan Evangelistic Party, of Wewoka, conducted a campaign, in which Brother Moore did the preaching and Brother Morgan assisted in music. Eighteen prayed through to victory, and 5 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Both revivals proved a blessing to our church. The Lord is still blessing.—B. W. Morgan, Pastor.

MITCHELL, S. DAK.—We arrived here September 19, and since that time have been acting pastors of the assembly. We enjoyed a few weeks' revival last fall, Evangelist and Mrs. John Timm in charge, at which time the Lord blessed in our midst. The severe winter months have been very hard and trying, but the Lord has wonderfully provided and seen us through, and we are looking forward to a prosperous season spiritually, even though this is somewhat of a drough-stricken field in the natural. March 8 District Superintendent Arthur F. Berg, of Sioux Falls, was with us, at which time the assembly was set in order, the constitution and by-laws accepted, and the assembly came into Council fellowship. Among other business, we were elected pastors for an indefinite period. There seems to be a spiritual hunger throughout this district, and we are expecting to see many new works opening up.—Pastor and Mrs. H. E. Rolfe.

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We receive inquiries from time to time from our many friends regarding the printing of tracts, books and pamphlets for them. We wish to notify all our good friends that we are not in a position to do this class of work.

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AMES, IOWA—We have resigned the pastorate at Conrad, and accepted the pastorate here. The work here is new and still small, but there are bright prospects for a fine assembly. The work was started here by the Lord moving upon a few earnest saints to pray. Then C. B. Bell, of Marshalltown, gave them a few nights' meetings in the Senior High School music hall. He then secured Mrs. D. Skiles and Marjory Stiles to continue the meetings. Mrs. Skiles continued to pastor the work. Brother Scott set the church in order on February 2, 1937, with 17 charter members. L. B. Bell, Elmer, Mo., gave the assembly a 12 days' meeting in February. Two were saved and one received the Baptism. Others have been saved in the regular services. A former Lutheran brother received the Baptism while visiting the Conrad assembly. Many others are hungry for the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.—Brother and Sister D. E. Skiles, Pastors, 930 Duff Ave., Ames, Iowa.

CHELSEA, MASS.—The fourth annual fellowship meeting of the First Pentecostal Church was held February 22, Alex. Lindsay, Pastor. This was one of the very best fellowship meetings that we have held in New England. There was a note of victory from first to last. The afternoon service was given over to the various ministers from the District, and very encouraging reports were given, showing that God is still moving in New England. Clarence Maloney gave a short talk and the message of the afternoon was given by Brother Terlizzi. The evening message was brought by Emma Dickerson, who told how God had marvelously healed her after she had been a cripple for 16 years. At the close of the message every one stood and praised the Lord for what He had done. The church was packed, and some were standing. Nearly all the ministers of the District were there. The ladies of the church served an excellent lunch between the afternoon and evening services.—H. H. Shelley, District Secretary.

KENNETT, MO.—Since coming here last September, God has been blessing the work. Many indifferent members have been drawn close to the Lord. In fact, all departments of the church show a marked improvement, both in interest and attendance. In November, Brother and Sister C. E. Robinson were with us in a 3 weeks' meeting, at which time souls were saved and the saints were drawn close to Him who is altogether lovely. January 3 found us in a revival again, Sisters Verbal Eskew and Fern Hufstutler in charge. About 20 were saved, and 10 were baptized in the Holy Spirit. This despite the fact that we had to use old-fashioned coal oil lamps and walk through sleet and snow. Before this meeting was over there was much danger of high water, but God undertook for us and gave us a very blessed meeting. Thirteen new members were added to the church. At present we are engaged in building a 20 foot addition to the church. This much needed space will be used largely for Sunday School and Christ's Ambassador work. A baptistry and many other improvements are included in our building program.—E. L. Hance, Pastor.

At Central Bible Institute

TIMES OF REFRESHING AT CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE

L. R. Lynch

For days we had expected something to happen. The air seemed laden with heavenly power. Nobody knew what to do to insure God's best for us. Everybody was eager to learn more about Jesus. All unconsciously on our part we had reached a stage in the course of our study of the Word when the Holy Ghost wanted to make it a living reality to us.

Messages had been brought revealing the exceeding sinfulness of sin. Slowly, silently, but certainly, this was entering into our hearts. All were aware something ought to be done, but nobody seemed to know what. There was yearning for revival, for heavenly visitation, for the clearing up of special calls for service, and for healings, all of which were needed, but the course to take to secure these blessings was not clear. At length the Holy Ghost in all His Sovereignty took charge. Confessions! Yes, confessions they were. "I have grown indifferent to the cries of the lost." "I feel so hungry for God; I feel like I'm lost." "Please pray that I may be delivered from the sin of unbelief." "I have been critical, and I know Jesus wants me delivered from this spirit." "I used to be hungry for the Baptism in the Spirit, but I have grown indifferent. Please pray for me." On and on for hours and hours until all hindrances to the Heavenly Dove's lighting upon us were removed. The flood-gates of heaven were

opened for us. God heard our humble cries. When we reached the foundation-rock, the heavenly fire blazed from the supernatural glory, while shouts of praise and thanksgiving rose from exultant hearts, proving that the sacrifice had been accepted.

The slain of the Lord were many. If anybody had misgivings regarding the propriety of some things, they paled into utter insignificance before the sweeping omnipotence of the Spirit's distinctive ministry. It was universal. None were passed. From one end of the spacious assembly hall to the other His servants were sitting, standing or lying under the control of the mighty Spirit.

Those whose experience qualifies them to speak say Central Bible Institute never before had a visitation of such proportions. This is doubtless due partly to the larger enrollment, but it is surely because of the Spirit's own peculiar working. All were engrossed in the one vital matter of seeking Christ's face.

"Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to thee." Hallelujah! During five short school-days God wrought a work whose true value only eternity can reveal. Many were healed. Seventeen received the precious Baptism in the Spirit. Sixteen received calls to different fields of labor, including India, China, Africa, and South America. In many a case the Lord's will for a life was revealed by the Spirit and made as clear as the noon-day sun.

Glorious days! Unforgettable days of heavenly victory and gladness. Burn on, O fire of God, burn on!

REVIVAL AT SOUTHEASTERN

The Lord's provision in a material way for Southeastern Bible Institute, has been marvelous in our eyes. He has met the needs of individual students and the entire school in answer to prayer. Also His bountiful hand has kept sickness out of our midst for which we are thankful. Moreover our spiritual blessings have been great. Because of the blessing and presence of the Lord, classes have been suspended for a half day upon a number of occasions, and the time was spent in consecration, prayer, praise, and joyful song.

The longest time that classes were dispensed with because of the power and presence of the Lord extended over three consecutive days. On Armistice Day and the two days following, only two classes met for recitation. Morning chapel service which ordinarily lasts from eight to nine could not be terminated. Volumes of prayer mingled with tears and at times strong crying, ascended to the throne of grace. Messages and wonderful interpretations were given by the Spirit. It resulted in a breaking up in practically every heart.

One after another confessed shortcomings, faults, or petty sins; but after prayer the weeping and humiliation gave place to praise and great rejoicing. There were shouts and songs of joy, dancing, rejoicing, and much praise and adoration of the Son of God. Some received definite calls to the work of the Master. One young lady received a call to Congo, Africa.

Semester examinations and constant study have seemingly caused a spiritual calm of late, but we are looking to the Lord to give another outpouring before the close of this last semester.—Edgar W. Bethany, Secretary.

PEORIA, ILL.—A real visitation from God was manifested in the special services conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. J. D. Saunders, at the Full Gospel Church, 1800 Prospect Road. Thirty-four received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, some of whom had sought for many years. Twelve were saved or reclaimed. Many other hearts were touched, and though not receiving a definite experience they are giving serious thought to their need of God. The church as a whole, set aflame by the fire of God, is continuing to seek deeper depths in Christ. Many definite healings were wrought. God reached down and touched one who was facing death and restored strength until even doctors marveled and admitted that it was of God. Another sister, who had been afflicted for many years, received an immediate definite touch.—W. E. Wood, Pastor.

WITH THE LORD

Brother W. R. Fowler, of Jay, Florida, fell asleep in Jesus on February 13, 1937. We extend our sincere sympathy to the loved ones left behind.

Sample Packet of Tracts—25 cents.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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this blessed Jesus and see in Him a Saviour for all thy myriad needs.

Urgent. She evidently urged the sinners to come at once and not delay. How foolish are they who do not accept immediately God's offer of salvation. Said one, "I cannot come now, I am going to a dance tomorrow night." She went, had a terrible heart attack and fell down dead upon the dance floor. The Lord calls us all to be heralds and to lift up our voices in crying, "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat." The Samaritans responded. The Master had to stop two days in Sychar to give help and instructions to those who came and saw.

Meat. The disciples came back with their provisions and said, "Master, eat." He said, "I have meat to eat that ye know not of." He was not speaking of earthly meat, any more than He had spoken of earthly water. He explained, "My meat is to do the will of him that sent me." It was ever His delight to do the will of God. Is it yours? The will of God is the sweetest thing under heaven. It is the will of God for us to bring sinners to the knowledge of Himself. Spurgeon once sat in his study full of weariness and pain. Was it really worth while attempting to go on? He picked up a missionary report and began to read. A missionary in Hayti told of meeting a native who had read a sermon of Spurgeon's translated into the French language, that had been the means of his becoming soundly converted. Said Spurgeon, "I was dull no longer. I had meat to eat. Had an angel stood in the study I could not have felt more delighted with his visit than I did when I read of a sinner saved. Here was a sermon translated into French, which was carried far away to Hayti, and there was read by a Romanist, who found by it salvation. You cannot faint after such a success, can you? As for myself, despite my sickness, I resolved to go on again, preach with all my might, and print more sermons, and send them out to the ends of the earth. Never say die. Never dream of giving up. Let God's blessing on your work refresh you."—S. H. F.

PHENIX CITY, ALA.—We praise God for a recent meeting conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Louie W. Stokes, Atlanta, Ga. The gospel messages in song and the deep Bible studies were a source of comfort and blessing to all the saints. About 12 were saved, some received the Baptism in the precious Holy Ghost, and there were several healings. This is a new church. We praise God for the way He has blessed and for the wonderful interest that is shown.—E. T. Andrews, Pastor, Girard Assembly of God.

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The largest number of Teacher Training certificates have been issued to pupils in the class taught by Sister Robert Beisel, 834 Union St., Allentown, Pa.—70 in all.

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The next largest number of pupils to receive certificates is a tie of 51, in classes taught by Pastor J. L. Lugo, 40-44 W. 115th St., New York City, New York; and Pastor R. M. Riggs, Springfield, Missouri.

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Our Brother Luis Y. Maldonado, 112 Grand St., Brooklyn, N. Y., is first to complete the 12 textbooks and receive diplomas on both courses of the Sunday School Teacher Training Courses.

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The Arkansas-Louisiana District has a District Sunday School and Christ Ambassador President. Our Sister Agnes Stokes of Russellville, Arkansas, holds this highly important office.

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The names of 40 Sunday Schools have been added to the Honor Roll of First Class Sunday Schools. They have all received their free "First Class Banners."—M. L. G.

Forthcoming Meetings

Due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 14 days before the date which appears upon it, all notices should reach us 16 days before that date.

QUINCY, ILL.—April 4-30; Evangelist and Mrs. Christian Hill.—V. R. Jackson, Pastor.

AURORA, N. Y.—April 5-25; Evangelist and Mrs. E. A. Schink. L. Maracle is the pastor.

SAN JOSE, CALIF.—Upper Room Mission, 4th and San Antonio Sts.; April 12-May 9; Watson Argue, Evangelist.—Max Freemark, Pastor.

SOUTH SIOUX CITY, NEB.—April 11—; Carl and Edna Goodwin, Compton, Calif., Evangelists.—Paul Copeland, Pastor.

CALDWELL, KANSAS—April 4-25; D. M. Hople, South Gate, Calif., Evangelist.—Earl J. Hance, Acting Pastor.

KITCHENER, ONT., CANADA—April 18-May 10; Otto J. Klink, Opa Locka, Fla., Evangelist.—Geo. A. Chambers, Supt.

LEWISTOWN, PA.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, 108-110 Logan St.; April 4-25; L. Wesley Jaeger, Richmond, Calif., Evangelist.—H. A. Christopher, Pastor.

SALEM, OHIO—Lighthouse Tabernacle, 175 W. State St.; April 13-27; Fleming May, of Canada, Evangelist.—M. R. Searles, Pastor.

SIOUX FALLS, S. DAK.—Gospel Tabernacle; April 13-25; George Hayes, Houston, Texas, Evangelist.—Arthur F. Berg, Pastor.

TYRONE, PA.—Pentecostal Tabernacle; April 11—; Jack and Esther Martz, Reading, Pa., Singing Evangelists.—Jack Peters, Pastor, 515 W. 17th St.

DYER, ARK.—Assembly of God; April 14, for 12 days; D. W. Thorn, Amarillo, Texas, Evangelist.—P. H. Flurry, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Lakeview Assembly of God, 3142 N. Racine Ave.; April 11—; Anna C. Berg, Evangelist.—John A. Westman, Pastor.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Assembly of God Tabernacle, Virginia and Osceola; April 13, for 3 weeks; Chas. C. Robinson, Evangelist.—H. E. Waddle, Pastor.

WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS—Assembly of God, 5th and Broad; April 14, for 3 weeks or longer; Wm. F. McPherson, Sanford, Fla., Evangelist.—T. S. Miles, Pastor.

ORD, NEB.—Assembly of God; April 11—; Evangelist and Mrs. Russell Rexroat.—Lester W. Dickinson, Pastor.

TRINIDAD, COLO.—Full Gospel Church, 924 Nevada Ave.; April 7-25; Evangelist and Mrs. L. R. Faith, C. A. President.—S. E. Williams, Pastor.

PITCAIRN, PA.—Pentecostal Church, 3rd St. and Brinton Ave.; April 6-25; Evangelist and Mrs. E. T. Quanabush.—W. F. Voodre, Pastor.

CHANEYSVILLE, PA.—Pentecostal Church; April 11—; Pete and Verna Saleskey, Westernport, Md., Evangelists.—E. C. Hunt, Pastor.

BEND, ORE.—Assembly of God, 822 Bond St.; March 28—; Evangelist A. Knudson and Party, Crosby, N. Dak. D. E. Gribbling is the Pastor.

SEATTLE, WASH.—Hollywood Temple, 8th Ave. N. E. and 69th St.; April 6, for 3 weeks or longer; V. R. Jackson, Evangelist.—Henry H. Ness, Pastor.

MASONTOWN, PA.—Assembly of God, Harvey Ave. at street car stop; April 4-25; J. Earl Douglass, of Pittsburgh, Evangelist. Paul Brown is the Pastor.

YANKTON, S. DAK.—Gospel Tabernacle, 3rd St. and Capital; April 11, for 3 weeks or longer; Mary E. Crump, Pittsfield, Ill., Evangelist.—E. E. Zimmerman, Pastor.

NEWARK, N. J.—Bethel Pentecostal Church, 4th and Dickerson Sts.; April 4-25; Zella E. Anthony, Jasonville, Ind., Evangelist.—Ray S. Armstrong, Pastor.

NORFOLK, VA.—Glad Tidings Church, Colonial at Spottswood; April 4, for 3 weeks or longer; Rogers and Renfro, Evangelists.—Arthur H. Graves, Pastor.

STORM LAKE, IOWA—Dedication service, April 18; District Superintendent Roy Scott and Presbyter Willis Smith, Speakers. Basket lunch.—Wm. and Irene Andrews, Pastors, 604 W. 5th.

HOUSTON, TEXAS—Magnolia Park Assembly of God, 79th St. and Baltimore Ave.; April 4-25; Wm. F. A. Gierke, Los Angeles, Calif., Evangelist.—E. M. Yeats, Pastor.

DALLAS, TEXAS—Full Gospel Church, Peak and Garland Sts. Revival and Bible Conference, March 14-May 2. For information write Evangelist L. B. Staats, 4831 Junius St.

LOVELAND, COLO.—Assembly of God, 7th and Railroad; April 4, for 3 weeks or longer; Oral G. Burns, Evangelist.—Gilbert B. Cunningham, Pastor, 623 Grant Ave.

WEST HARTFORD, CONN.—Hartford Gospel Tabernacle, Warren Terrace and West Beacon St.; April 4, for 3 weeks or longer; Cecil and Mollie Perks, Evangelists. Pastor Lewi Pethrus, Stockholm, Sweden, will be with us one evening, April 22.—Roy Smuland, Pastor, 16 Lockwood Terrace.

FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS, S. S. AND C. A. RALLIES

BRATTLEBORO, VT.—Fellowship Meeting, April 12, 2:00 and 7:00 p. m., at 58 Elliott St. W. T. Mitchell, District Superintendent, will preach April 13-16, 7:30 p. m.—J. T. Reed, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—The Chicago Full Gospel Fellowship, April 12, Full Gospel Assembly, 538 N. Laverge Ave. Services: 2:00 and 7:30. Evangelist Anna C. Berg, Evening Speaker.—John A. Westman, Secretary, 3142 N. Racine Ave.

CANTON, O.—Bethel Tabernacle, 313 Elgin Ave. N. W. Sunday School Convention, conducted by A. L. Branch, April 13-16; Bible Conference, April 18-May 2; A. L. Branch, Speaker.—Fred H. Neubauer, Pastor.

ARDMORE, OKLA.—Sectional Council and Fellowship Meeting, Assembly of God, 5th at Masters St., April 26-27; first service, 7:45 p. m. James Hutsell, District Superintendent, Sick, Okla.—W. S. Bragg, Secretary-Treasurer, Box 128, Okmulgee, Okla.

NEWCASTLE, TEXAS—C. A. Rally, all day April 22. Services: 10:00 a. m., T. D. Thompson, speaker; afternoon, Woman's Missionary Council, Mrs. T. S. Miles, leader; evening service to be conducted by C. A.'s, Mrs. E. B. Crump in charge. Bring musical instruments.—Mrs. E. B. Crump, Sectional C. A. President of Wichita Falls Section.

OKMULGEE, OKLA.—Sectional Council Meeting and Sunday School Rally, April 12-13. First service 2:30 p. m. Ministers will be cared for as far as possible. James Hutsell, District Superintendent, Slick, Okla.—W. S. Bragg, Secretary-Treasurer, Box 128, Okmulgee, Okla.

TAYLORSVILLE, KY.—The Spring Fellowship Meeting of Kentucky District Council will convene at the new Assembly of God here, April 12-13. Services: 10:00, 2:00, 6:00, and 7:30. Special C. A. and Bible school meetings 6:00. District Superintendent O. E. Nash will be present. G. Ralph West, C. A. President, will have charge of the Ambassador hour. Ministers entertained free as far as possible. Bring your instruments. For further information write J. J. Humphries, Pastor.—Theo E. Gannon, Secretary-Treasurer.

SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT COUNCIL
The Annual Southern Missouri District Council will convene at Assembly of God Church, Marshall, Mo., April 27-30. E. S. Williams, General Superintendent, principal speaker. Beds furnished free to ministers and delegates. Meals at reasonable rates. For further information write David Hogan, Pastor; or S. L. Johnson, District Superintendent, Dexter, Mo.

CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNCIL
The 18th Annual Central District Council will convene May 4-7, at Memorial Hall, First and St. Clair Sts., Dayton, Ohio. Those arriving on Monday should meet the Entertainment Committee at Bethel Temple, 104 Buckeye St. All arriving on Tuesday or later come direct to Memorial Hall, D. P. Holloway and Noel Perkin, Special Speakers.—James D. Menzie, Secretary, 808 Connecticut St., Gary, Ind.

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL
The semi-annual business meeting of the New England District Council will be held in the United Pentecostal Church, 285 Wilmot Ave., Bridgeport, Conn., May 4-5; H. L. Ettinger, Pastor. First service 10:00 a. m. for prayer and ministry of the Word. All ministers of the district expected to be at all the services. Elder Flem Van Meter, of Eastern District, will bring the Word to us.—H. H. Shelley, Secretary, Box 2, Cumberland Mills, Me.

TEXICO DISTRICT COUNCIL
The 7th Annual Texico District Council will convene April 28-30 at First Methodist Church, Plainview, Texas. Those applying for ordination must appear in person. All licensed ministers of the District, who plan on renewing their papers, must secure an application blank from their presbyters and have it filled out and signed before coming to the Council. Meals and rooms at reasonable rates. Free rooms to ministers as far as possible. For further information write Pastor H. M. Reeves, Box 1404, Plainview, Texas; or A. C. Bates, District Superintendent, Box 5048, Amarillo, Texas.

EASTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL
PHILADELPHIA, PA.—The 21st Annual Conference of the Eastern District Council will convene at Highway Mission Tabernacle, 19th and Green Sts., April 27-30. Credentials Committee will meet April 26, afternoon and evening. Application blanks can be had by writing to the Acting Secretary, A. Newton Chase, 3660 N. 4th St., Harrisburg, Pa. Room and light breakfast will be furnished ministers and delegates as far as possible. Meals served in the church during the Council meeting on free-will offering plan. For reservations and information write Pastor Wesley R. Steelberg, 6641 N. 17th St., Philadelphia, Pa.—A. Newton Chase, Acting Secretary.

OPEN FOR CALLS

Evangelistic
Ira F. Stanphill, 513 W. 9th St., Coffeyville, Kansas.—"Am doing my own preaching, as well as taking charge of singing and playing accordion. Have had 5 years of radio work."

M. M. Johnson, 115 American Ave., Lexington, Ky.—"In full fellowship with General Council. All-round message, play guitar and sing. References: O. E. Nash, District Superintendent, 2525 Gilbert Ave., Cincinnati, O.; Wm. F. A. Gierke, 256 N. Hicks St., Los Angeles, Calif."

Elmer E. Gore, 335 N. Ritchie St., Gainesville, Texas.—"No place too small. In full fellowship with General Council."

Evangelist and Mrs. Aaron B. Kelley, 8 Parkway Terrace, Pleasantville, N. Y.—"Have a ministry in the Word and song."

Evangelistic or Pastoral

James Shurron, Koshkonong, Mo.—"Open for calls as pastor or evangelist."

C. M. Riggs, Jenny Lind, Ark.—"I have resigned the pastorate at Skellytown, Texas."

Pastoral

Evangelist and Mrs. Vernon M. Murray, 510 Walton St., Houston, Texas.—"Will consider a pastoral call; have had a broad ministry and experience in both fields of labor."

WANTED TO BUY—Gospel tent in good condition. Give full particulars in first letter.—J. Monroe Graham, 3200 Hamilton Ave., Columbus, Ga.

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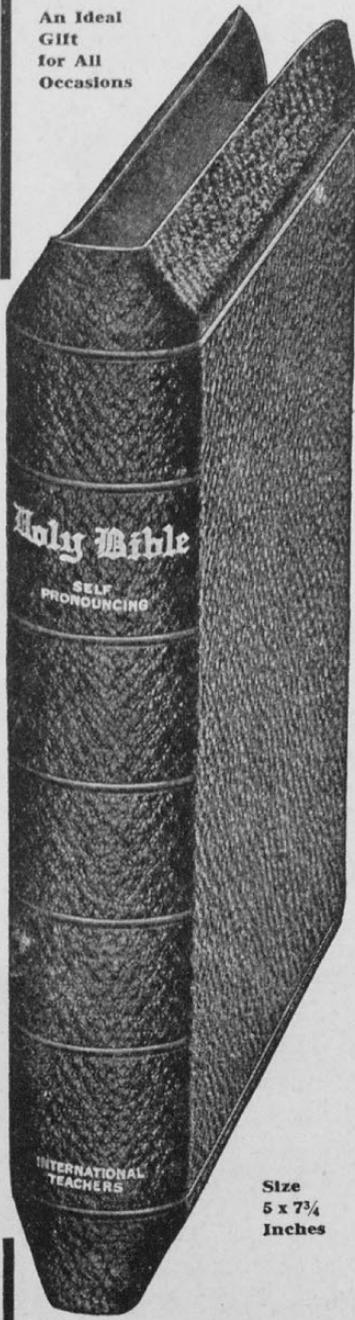
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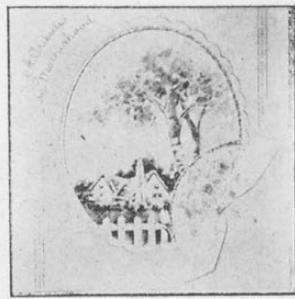
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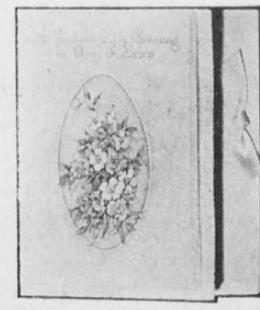
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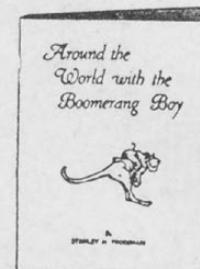
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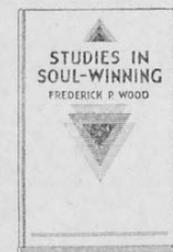
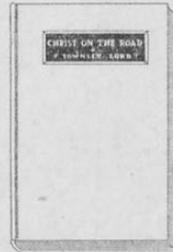
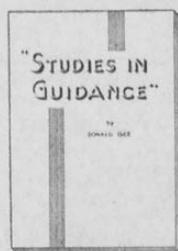
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