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The Psalmist's Prayer

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NE thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple."—Psalm 27:4.

- That Chamber still and stately waits us ever, That sacred pure retreat—
- That rest in Arms of tenderest enfoldings, That welcome passing sweet.
- O Home of God my Father's joy and gladness, O riven Veil whereby I enter in!
- There can my soul forget the grave, the weeping,
 - The weariness and sin.
- O Chamber, all thine agate windows opened To face the radiant east—
- O holy Temple, where the saints are singing Where Jesus is the Priest-

Illumined with the everlasting glory,

Still with the peace of God's eternal Now, Thou, God, my Rest, my Refuge, and my

Tower-My Home art Thou.

My title might suggest that there is only one prayer accredited to the Psalmist, but that of course is not true. He made many, many prayers. I have selected this verse from a psalm which declares his faith in such assuring terms it holds in digest the secret, as it were, of his prayer life. Right in the midst of his declaration of assurance and faith in his God, he drops this little nugget. It is an epitome of his teaching on prayer.

It is particularly helpful and suggestive because of its sheer simplicity. So much has been written on the subject of prayer that one sometimes either becomes bewildered or tired by the elaboration and side issues involved in the subject such as faith, earnestness, God's power, etc. Here he comes directly to the points he wishes to make and leaves the mind and heart fresh and buoyed in faith, because of the simplicity of prayer which invites the confidence of even the weakest suppliant.

Let us once more read our text: "One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple."

This is direct, comprehensive and inclusive because it covers the essentials of a deep and fruitful prayer life. First he says, "One thing have I desired of the Lord." In other words he has gotten away from the complex complicated atmosphere of the material realm. Life today has become too complex for very definite and particular seeking of God. The appeals from all angles of life clamor and call, making demands and attracting our attention, until it is almost impossible to get any freedom from the present drive of seemingly legitimate demands. This spirit of complication has crowded its way into the spiritual realm and would make fatal inroads upon the Christian's prayer life. Here we find the Psalmist has reduced his prayers to one thing. This is indeed a blessed and fortunate position. He has been able to pass judgment upon the issues clamoring for attention and has now sifted them down again and again until the essential and vital element remains. So often we think many things are essential when after all many of them (after deep consideration) may be dropped out and we find in the last reduction that perhaps, as here, one thing after all is necessary.

Did you ever notice the "one things" mentioned in the Bible as being essential when one might think other elements should be forthcoming to complete the situation? "O n e thing thou lackest," "This one thing I do," "But one thing



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is needful," etc. So it is here, "One thing have I desired of the Lord." However he does not let it remain in the early stages of desire, but it grows into an intense attitude of seeking. Prayer is more than desire-that is but the first stage of it. The desire becomes paramount and finally overwhelms the lesser wishes and desires until this desire, which at first may not seem so strong, has been fed and nourished by the zvill and heart until it becomes the driving force in the prayer life. It fills the consciousness of the person and so his thought life carries it continually to the front. This desire now fills his vision and becomes the vehicle upon which the strength of his life rides out.

What is the character of the prayer? "That I may dwell in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life." In other words it is lifted from the realm of the natural, above asking for *things* and material blessing, up to the plane of the spirit. It is spiritual in character and in its last analysis suggests "spiritual adjustment." It is the essential and necessary prayer for all of us. This same teaching is again given to us by Christ Himself in the sermon on the mount. "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

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THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL

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This River Must Flow!

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Many of God's people are feeling a sense of responsibility in relation to a spiritual awakening in the world. Before we are able to sense such a feeling of responsibility, our hearts must be awakened and quickened. Let us read Revelation 22:1-9; then Ezekiel 47:1-9. In this last passage we may see a picture of the gracious moving of God in pouring out His Spirit upon the earth in our day. God has been pleased to visit the earth in marvelous ways down through the ages, and we stand somewhere along the line where the volume of this river described in Ezekiel is being increased in its flow to bring its immeasurable blessing.

You remember that familiar passage in John 7:37-39 that seems appropriate in this relationship. Here the Holy Ghost, in His outpouring, is likened to rivers of living water, not poured out at random over the whole countryside, but through lives that are yielded to Jesus Christ.

It is a known fact that the things of the Spirit of God, the marvelous provisions of this great salvation, were wellnigh lost to the world a few centuries after the day of Pentecost and the estab-lishment of the Church. And then out of the chaos of the Dark Ages God began to uncover from the rubbish-heap of religious accumulation those choice and valuable things that were provided in the Gospel but which were lost to mankind. God raised up Martin Luther, and nobody can deny that through him and that little group that he represented there was uncovered a jewel of this great salvation which was practically lost to mankind. It was brought forth that men might partake of its marvelous benefit; but not alone by a direct and definite move of God's sovereignty-it was restored because some folk on earth had come into close enough contact with God and had got sufficient vision to be stirred in prayer. Then in answer to that prayer God made living and real the truth of justification by faith. The experience of justification by grace alone without the works of penance was again made real to men.

So other truths were restored through the ages. God raised up the Wesleys, and those associated with them, and from under the rubbish-heap of religious accumulation again there came forth truth. Although their efforts met with persecutions, and much pressure was brought to bear upon them to suppress their movement, the truth came forth, and there developed an association of people in the world who knew God in a new way. And so the truths have been brought forth. But every time new truth has been brought forth, it has been because men have caught enough of the vision from God, and have been sufficiently stirred, that they held on to God in prevailing and persistent prayer. They have prayed through until it has seemed that by their persistence they have punctured another cloud of Heaven's blessing. Something more of God's grace has been brought down to earth because they pressed through and touched God.

We have the exalted privilege of living in a day when something more that had been lost through the centuries has been restored. It was restored in somewhat the same fashion. A large number of God's people who knew the Word and trusted God's promises began to pray with a deep hunger. Perhaps they didn't see what the end would be, but they were deeply concerned. Thirty-five years ago groups all over the world prayed for God to move by pouring out His Spirit as at Pentecost. They read in the Word how the normal Church proceeded under the mighty anointing and power of God-souls were saved, men were brought into the Kingdom, and the benefits of salvation were dispensed freely and generally. So they prayed for a renewal of that supernatural power. They prayed until their hearts became more burdened. As we pray on, we get a clearer vision, our desires deepen and thus we pray more and more. So after praying for a while we see more clearly that what we are seeking for is a glorious possibility. So we are constrained to press in and hold on to the promises until we receive the thing we desire. Every shackle of doubt is shaken from us as we pray, and we get the substance of that hoped for.

Now this Pentecostal revival, of which you and I in the infinite grace of God find ourselves a part, was begun in answer to this prevailing prayer—prayer in perfect accord with the will of God. So when enough people on earth got concerned about God doing what He wanted to do, God did it, and there was a great religious awakening.

Now we find ourselves moving along with a people who have yielded themselves to the Lord and are hastening towards the day when Jesus shall come back. We are moving along Ezekiel's river, to where the water is quite deep. We are in the river and the river is in us. John 7 says, "Out of their inner-most being shall flow rivers of living water." Now if I mistake not, we who call ourselves Pentecostal are occupying here and now a most crucial position. And if we here represent the great fellowship, then as God deals with us and draws out our hearts after Him as He has been doing these days, getting us free from condemnation, clarifying our vision, moving us out into a liberty we have not known before, touching our lives with His power in a new way, He is doing these things with a view to benefiting the whole.

Now there is no doubt that the Baptism of the Holy Spirit is given to produce in the world a Church that in one respect is the exact counterpart of the first century Church. If we have been baptized by the Holy Ghost, the river is intended to flow through us. "Out of your innermost being shall flow rivers of living water." We are part of this great Pentecostal fellowship through which these rivers are supposed to flow. If these rivers are not flowing, then we who have been laid hold upon by God, to bring the waters to the world, are damming up the rivers instead of being the channels God has chosen us to be.

Thousands of people have been baptized in the Holy Ghost all over the world, and the purpose is to bring benefit to the ends of the world and to bring it so rapidly and universally that Jesus can come before very long. Jesus cannot come until the rivers get out there with their benefit to the world. The Baptism of the Holy Ghost creates flowing rivers. Every religious movement that God has raised up was intended by God to be flowing rivers, but after they flowed a while, lo, instead of actually being part of the flowing current, the human instrumentality has become a dam across the river.

Then God has gone to work on that

dam. He has put the dynamite of the Word in the dam, to blow it up and get it out of the way so that the rivers could flow. And as fast as God dropped sticks of dynamite to blow it up, they patched it up again, and made a denominational dam. God waited with patience and tried and tried, with His heavenly dynamite, to blow out the obstructions. Every once in a while there would be an explosion here or there, and people on the other side of the dam would get wet, but each time men would patch it up again and the dam would hold back the flow. Are we building a Pentecostal dam? What a responsibility is ours! We here represent a large portion of the Pentecostal movement. God has brought us to where we can see a little more clearly as we look back on our lives, and a little more clearly as we look ahead, to what God wants to do.

Here are some Scriptures, very familiar to us, that stress our responsibility. May they move us to such intercession and concern for God's will to be done in the world, that something will happen through these days that will cause the bursting of dams and the flowing of rivers that will never stop until the whole world is reached.

"Go ye into all the world . . . " Mark 16:15, 16. Certainly since God poured out His Spirit in such a marvelous way we have been going into all the world. During these years of depression, when other religious bodies have recalled missionaries and cut down their budgets for mission work, our missionary work has been going forward. More missionaries have been going out year by year, and larger and larger funds of money have been flowing through the channels of service.

"Serpents and poison." Mark 16:18. This promise is not to allow us to show off, but if these dangers befall us inadvertently, such as, if somebody puts poison in the cup to kill us because we are Pentecostal preachers, then God will protect us from all harm.

"They went forth and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following." Mark 16:20. You say, "Haven't we got signs following?" Yes, thank God for what we see of signs, but, oh, what God wants to do! What God is prevented from doing-because we have thrown a dam across the river. That dam is built of rocks and concrete and all sorts of hard substance-unbelief, sins of every kind, professionalism, and the substitution of psychological and natural methods of doing things instead of absolute dependence on the Spirit of God. The dam has been thrown across. God is trying to blast it out.

In Hebrews 2:3, 4 we read, "God al-

coming back. He may be waiting for so bearing them witness . . . both with signs and wonders, and with divers $% \left({{{\left({{{{{\rm{b}}}} \right)}_{\rm{cl}}}_{\rm{cl}}}} \right)$ miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to His own will." It is the will of God, not for something to happen at one place as a most outstanding and exceptional thing, and then away yon-der another exceptional happening; but it is the will of God that, along with the preaching of His Word, there should be the confirmation by signs and wonders and miracles and gifts of the Holy Ghost. This is not a time for us to pat ourselves on the back, say we are all right, and we are realizing all the will of God for us. God is endeavoring to bring us vision. Experiences that first make us bow in the dust, then release our spirits so that we can soar up into the presence of God, show us new objectives to move towards in the power of the Holy Ghost. He has been seeking to bring us into the place where we have a clear outlook upon God's spiritual landscape and God's purpose in the world today. If we have allowed a dam to be thrown across the river, whether we feel we are personally responsible for it or not, we should make it our concern. It is our duty to go down before God realizing that we are part of the fellowship and it is our responsibility to pray until God restores His power and glory. God is ready to give to every pastor and worker in our fellowship all over the land an urge to rise up against every dam that is blocking the work of God. If we will take the burden upon us, then God will dynamite the dams and we will get word from all around the world that the dams are crashing and that the rivers are flowing.

Somebody has got to pray! Some-body must get under the burden. Somebody must trust God. God is bringing us up into His presence by clearing away obstacles and awakening new desires for Himself. If we are satisfied to go out with a preaching message, and do not want to see the power of God in signs following, confirming the Word, then we are out of place.

one more outstanding manifestation of His power as the Word is preached. The Word is being preached all right, but the manifestations and signs that should follow are not being seen in fulness, and the reason may be that we measure ourselves by the wrong standard. We look at other groups of religious people and consider ourselves in advance of them. We fold our arms and look at our accomplishments in a self-satisfied way. We may be unwittingly throwing a dam across the Spirit's Pentecostal flow. It is our responsibility to pray through until such dams are broken and the "signs following" are restored. We cannot pray any other way touching this matter and be praying in the will of God. The Holy Ghost prays through us with groanings that cannot be uttered. He is searching the hearts of people these days to find those through whom He can pray for a renewing of the days when the signs fully followed the Word. "He saw there was no man and wondered that there was no intercessor.". God has pledged Himself to bring into cooperation with Himself humankind who are willing to get under the burden.

God told Israel they were a vine from which He expected grapes-but instead, he found sour grapes. God is looking at the Pentecostal movement today and is saying, "I am looking for Pentecostal fruit. I am looking for deeds that are wrought in the Holy Ghost." What is He seeing? Does He see programs put over? Does He see people at the altar worked over and handled as if the Holy Spirit were incompetent to do the work? We may have God's power in our midst, so that the scoffer who stands by and watches will be forced to say, "It is beyond the realm of the human: it is supernatural!"

Have we permitted the construction of some dam? Let us pray until God puts the dynamite of His power under it and blows it to pieces so that the water of the river of life may gush forth and flow on, bearing the wonderful life of the Spirit to all that it touches.

Perhaps this is holding Jesus from



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Who does not know the meaning of "the burden and heat of the day" heat, disquiet, weariness, fatigue, rush, hurry, anxiety to get through, solicitude for the solving of problems? But the sun goes down, the shadows deepen, the fresh breeze of eventide arises, and as the day's work is laid aside there falls a coolness and rest upon the spirit. Adam and Eve, even after sin had entered, "heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day."

The word "cool is rendered wind in the margin, and is the same one variously translated as wind, breath or spirit. It speaks to us of the Holy Spirit of God coming like the cooling breath of even upon a world heated with the fever of sin. Troubled one, hast thou heard this Voice of the Lord God, walking in the garden of thy fevered soul, calling thee to Jesus (who is the WORD) that thou mayest find rest? Only He can help thee, only He can deliver thee, only He can touch thy hand that the fever may leave thee, and so thou shalt arise and minister unto Him. Listen to His voice, and hand over full control of thy life to Him.

This age of grace is drawing to a close; and as we see the signs foretold being fulfilled one by one in unmistakeable clearness, we know that the evening shadows are upon us, and the night cometh when no man can work. Perhaps the greatest need of the Christian worker today is this "cool of the day" a fresh breath of the Holy Spirit that will calm all feverish rush and hurry, make time for real intercession for worldwide revival, and give to each one "a heart at leisure from itself to soothe and sympathize."

The very study of prophecy itself and the heart-rending condition of the nations, while one country after another is closing its doors to the gospel, tend to bring distress into our hearts. How can we be at peace while there so much sorrow all over the world and when everything is going from bad to worse? Jesus knew all about this when He said that there would be "upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring, men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after the things which are coming on the earth." Then He added: "When ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars, be ye not troubled."

An untroubled heart with a deep, settled peace that permeates the whole life is what the Holy Spirit waits to bestow on every worker for God. The mad rush and hurry of the age is entering into the church; and nothing but a fresh inflowing of the Wind of God can counteract it. Can we not, like Ezekiel of old, call unto the Wind of God to come and breathe His own calm and rest upon our troubled spirits? All around us we see distress, perplexity, fear, and strife. Those who dwell on the earth (see Rev. 13:8 and compare v. 6) know nothing else; and if we who "dwell in heaven" have not the untroubled heart and the perfect peace to offer them, where will they find it?

Satan is very subtle in his tactics, and he has had nearly six thousand years of experience in dealing with the human race. When he sees a life wholly consecrated, following hard after the Lord, he will even urge a more whole-hearted devotion and more unsparing sacrifice of time and strength, in order that he may push the worker ahead of the Lord, out of the pathway of His will, into a physical breakdown. When the nerves are all overwrought and the body weakened, the enemy gets a hold that is often very hard to shake off. Let us be wise as serpents in our prayer life, and claim the physical strength which is promised through the indwelling Spirit of God.

This does not mean any holding back in surrender or willingness to bear burdens. On the contrary, it will make us *stronger* in spirit as well as in body, to be ever yielded completely to the Lord for Him to lay burdens of intercession upon us and to take us into fellowship with Himself in His plans and purposes for the church and the world. It will mean that our prayers will be not merely destructive—casting down the strongholds of Satan—but also *constructive*. We are not only to pray against the evils around us, but also to build up the kingdom of God in the hearts of men. This is the time for the maturing of the bride of Christ, so that soon we may hear the cry, "The marriage of the Lamb is come and His wife hath *made herself* ready." That making of herself ready, the putting on of her beautiful garments of needlework, must be done down here, before the rapture to glory.

before the rapture to glory. It was eventide when Rebekah saw her bridegroom approaching and got down in lowliness from her camel. But she also "took a vail and covered herself." There must be a deepened humility and an intensified communion—entering into the hidden place behind the vail before the bride of the Lamb can be prepared for His coming and be taught His secrets. May we lay down our rush and hurry, our fevered activity, and our fleshly energy, that the Breath of God may breathe upon us in the cool of the eventide.

The Secret of Moody's Power

We note the great crowds that came to hear Moody preach in those early days. But he was depressed and often in his closet cried out, with tears, "Oh, God, what's wrong with me?" Soon his congregations began to decrease, and he came to the most awful decision a Christian minister can ever know—"The Gospel would not draw—by itself. He'd have to resort to some kind of sacred concerts, or get some one to lecture to get his crowds back again."

In the fall of 1871, when speaking in Brooklyn, his congregation dropped to eighteen. Moody despised failure and then one night, after the service was over, some unnamed woman quietly said to him, "We have plenty of preaching in Brooklyn, but if you will tell us something about the Bible it will be blessed to us." That broke his unfruitful methods forever. The next afternoon he gave a simple Bible reading, and the ravishing sweet fires of God at once came down, enveloping not only the little mission, but sweeping right up into Cuyler's home church. He had a heart for nothing now but the glory of the Word.

One November night of that year (age thirty-four), he walked the streets of New York, sobbing, "O God, why don't You compel me to walk close to Thee always? Deliver me from myself! Take absolute sway! Give me Thy Holy Spirit!" And so mightily did the Spirit of God come upon him, that he had to rush to the home of a near-by friend, and ask for a room where he could be alone, where there were hours following of which it is unlawful to speak, and he seldom did.—Wilbur Smith in Dawn.

Jesus Shall Reign

Dr. George P. Lorimer, of Boston, told me his experience. It was on the closing day of that great farce known as the World's Parliament of Religion. Sixteen thousand people were assembled in the building. Four speakers were to conclude the parliament: a Buddhist, a

Mohammedan, and two Christians. The purpose of the parliament was to measure all the religions of the world against Christianity. Dr. Lorimer said that when he stepped on the platform, and saw that great crowd, he began praying, "O God, let Jesus have a chance here tonight!"

The first speaker was the Mohammedan, and he fairly carried the audience away with his eloquence. Then came a Christian, who read his speech, and failed to grip the crowd; then came the Buddhist with flowing robes and spectacular appearance generally, and the oration that he delivered was very impressive. Dr. Lorimer said that as his own time to speak approached, his heart came near breaking, as he prayed, "O Lord, glorify Thyself now!" But he got nervous, dropped his notes on the floor, and they scattered so that he could not get them. He tried, but his message had no weight, and he sat down crestfallen, feeling that he had failed to magnify his Lord.

The Buddhist and Mohammedan looked triumphant, and the Christians looked ashamed. But suddenly Professor Tomlin, who sat in the first balcony with a great choir of trained singers, sprang to his feet, raised his baton, and that choir began singing, "Jesus shall reign, hallelujah!"

The entire audience soon took it up, and such a chorus as swelled from the mighty throng had never been heard in that city before; "Jesus shall reign, hallelujah!" It rose to the gates of heaven, and made the angels rejoice. Dr. Lorimer said that he looked to see what had become of the Buddhist and the Mohammedan, and they were gone. When that mighty chorus swelled forth, they sneaked out, and they have never been seen before a similar audience since. "Jesus shall reign, hallelujah!" Will you be with Him when He reigns?—Len Broughton.

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Matt. 6:33. Again Jesus emphasizes the necessity of putting spiritual things *first*. It is a law or principle fundamental in the Christian life and is as exacting, effective and operative as any law in physics, chemistry or in the realm of nature.

The Bible does not contradict itself but rather the laws and principles it holds for Christian living are at once the same in any part of its wonderful teaching. The psalmist discovers and voices the spiritual principle which Jesus two thousand years later again takes up and emphasizes. Jesus continually stressed the spiritual meaning of life. Not by ignoring the natural but by placing proper emphasis where it belonged. The fact was ever clear before Him—man is essentially spirit. Therefore the absolutely

essential items concerning him will be of spiritual character. The natural order will by divine arrangement follow when the fact of his spiritual relations are *first* regarded.

The psalmist surely does not mean by this desire that he wants to move bag and baggage into the house of the Lord and sit down. Please do not think along such crude lines of interpretation. Rather, he wants to move "in the spirit" from the distracting, complex materialistic arrangements of the natural into the realm of the spirit or "the house of the Lord." Here (in the house of the Lord) his spirit, which is the essential element in his makeup, may find adjustment and poise in God. The heart was neither made for the world nor for anything the world may offer. It can never find peace, rest or true happiness in material things. Jesus says, "Come unto ME all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." The psalmist here calls it "the house of the Lord." After all, this is not merely a picturesque but a very happy statement of truth.

Dear one, have you found your way into the house of the Lord? Or do you still find the pressure and struggle of life driving you to seek rest in material things, all of which are *outside* His house? In His house we find *Him* and He is all *we need*. "Yes," someone is saying, "that sounds good in a hymn or a talk as a theory, but I want bread and butter." Very well, I do too. God never wants us to be so spiritual that we do not eat. We are to live normal, healthy, natural lives, balanced and sensible. We do need bread and butter—some need it badly. But we are Christians and must abide by the law or principle which Christ has established. What law? The law mentioned in Matt. 6:33, as I just



quoted. If we seek *first* the things which He says we are to seek, we at once become involved in an arrangement of God's doings which will make it possible to *release* for us the material things. The very first verse in the Bible gives us the divine order, "In the beginning God." Let us see that we keep Him there.

Now we find a twofold purpose in this seeking of God. First—"to behold His beauty." In other words we are to be occupied with Him. His glory, beauty, purpose and person. It is the same thought suggested in the Lord's prayer. The first part of the prayer has to do with His position, honor, will, kingdom, purpose, etc. Then the question of daily bread follows, but God *first*.

Do you notice that David is first occupied with the beauty of the Lord? This does two things for us. It pushes out of the mind and heart the lesser items. Sometimes in prayer (when we first come into His presence) we are so full of thoughts, plans, suggestions, reasons, ways, wishes and what not, that it makes a perfect screen between the heart and God. The psalmist has found out the danger of this and so tells us what occupies his attention first-"the beauty of the Lord." His beauty, grace, love and mystery soon place the other things in shadow (and sometimes we even forget about them). How strange some prayers would sound if we truly realized that we were in the very immediate and glorious presence of Jesus. The second thing that happens by beholding Him is that an atmosphere is made. How much at times depends upon "atmosphere"!

The second part of the desire is, "to enquire in His temple." The Holy Spirit creates this atmosphere of faith and confidence by enabling us to behold Him. Then it is that the Holy Spirit brings to our hearts the petitions and things for which we should pray. While occupied with His beauty *how* could one ask foolish and non-essential things? To be occupied with Him brings the heart so close to His that we shall be bearing the same burden and have the same interest that is on His heart. Being now in divine order we are free to open our hearts in a most personal and wonderful way.

Shall we not afresh let the Lord work in our prayer life and if necessary revolutionize it a bit? Let Him reduce it. Let Him sift and search until we are reduced in the desires and wishes which demand so much attention. Life will become more livable and God-honored when we follow the divine plan for prayer as for any other phase of Christian living. This article is not to be technical. I do not want to put anybody in bondage and make him feel he must pray only thus and so. Let it rather be a little suggestion in building up and enriching our prayer life for His glory.

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Jesus at the Feast of Tabernacles Lesson for May 16. Lesson Text: John 7:1-53.

Pilgrims. The season of the Feast of Tabernacles was to be one of rejoicing before the Lord, a sort of harvest thanksgiving after all the crops were gathered in. At this season the children of Israel were to take branches of palm trees and the boughs of thick trees and willows and make themselves booths or arbors. For seven days they were to dwell in these arbors—a reminder throughout all their

generations of the time when they came out of Egypt and dwelt in booths. What lesson do we get from this? That here on this earth we are only pilgrims and strangers; that here we have no continuing city, but we seek one to come. Dean Alford recognized this truth when he arranged to have engraved on his tombstone, "The inn of a pilgrim on his way to the celestial city." Our treasure and our hearts are to be in heaven. All our affections are to be set on things above, not on things on the earth. Col. 3:1-4.

Our times. The brothers of Jesus were setting forth to Jerusalem to attend this feast and they counseled Him to go up also. They were evidently in uncertainty about their brother. The works He did were surely marvelous, but no leader seemed to indorse Him. They suggested that He go up to Jerusalem to show the rulers of Israel some of His wonderful miracles. It might be that they would pronounce Him the Messiah and crown Him king. Carnal minds have always plenty of carnal advice to give us. The Son of God did not spend His days seeking counsel of flesh and blood, but was much of the time alone with His Father. His one desire was to please Him. He learned what the will of His Father was in those

secret hours of communion, and steadfastly set His face like a flint to do the will of God. Spend much time in the presence of the Lord. Read and meditate much on His holy Word, for the Lord will ever guide us by means of His Spirit in conjunction with His Word. As we let the Word of God abide in us richly we shall have no difficulty in finding the will of God. A life in the Holy Ghost is one that will be perfectly ordered and timed by the Lord. The Master did not go up when they suggested that He should, for He said, "My time is not yet come." He ever did God's will in God's time. Said Dan Crawford, "If you seek to translate the Hebrew of that scripture, 'My times are in thy hand,' into the Bantu language you have to put it into these words, 'All my life's why's and when's and where's and wherefore's are in God's hand.'"

The yielded will. In the midst of the feast

Jesus went up to Jerusalem and taught in the temple. The Jews marveled at the words that fell from His lips and questioned, "Where did this man get all his learning? He has never been to any of our great schools." He told them, "My doctrine (teaching) is not mine, but his that sent me." Then He taught them the great secret of learning the will of God, declaring, "If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine." If you seek a place in His school the first requisite that you need. is a yielded, fully-surrendered will. This



the Lord once illustrated in His story of the two sons who were told by the father to go and work in his vineyard. The first said, "I will not," but later repented and went. The other said, "I go, sir," and went not. The publicans and harlots who heard the Word repented and entered the kingdom; while those who made high profession of doing the will of God rejected Him who brought them the revelation of that will. They "repented not," and as a result were rejected from the kingdom. The willing and obedient ones will always have God's best, but those who refuse and rebel will have to suffer His judgment. Ever seek to be filled with the knowledge of God's will and then to be obedient to it. Among the documents left by Cecil Rhodes, the South African millionaire, was found this statement: "If there is a God and He cares for men, then the most important thing in the world for me is to find out what He wants

me to do, and then to go and do it." But alas, this man was so busy in making money that he did not take time to read the Word of God and thus receive a knowledge of the will of God.

The Messenger and His ministry. There are two loud cries reported in this chapter. In verses 28 and 29 we hear the loud cry of Jesus as to who He is—the One sent of God —that is, the Messenger of the covenant for whom all Israel waited. God had spoken through Israel's last prophet, Malachi, "Behold, I will send my messenger . . . even the messenger of the covenant"; and this Messenger here declares, "I am not come of myself, but he that sent me is true, whom ye know not. But I know him: for I am from

him, and he hath sent me." The second loud cry is found in verses 37 and 38, where Jesus declares what He will do for those who come to Him. He will completely satisfy their hearts' thirst, causing them to be channels through whom rivers of living water-of salvation-shall flow. Wise are they who will listen to these loud cries, who learn to know the Messenger of the covenant, and learn from Him the terms of that glorious new covenant that He sealed with His own blood, that blessed covenant that insures us a new heart, a new spirit, and the gift of the Holy Spirit to enable us to do the will of God.

The last day. On the last day of the feast of tabernacles there was a special ritual. The priests would go to the pool of Siloam, draw water from the well, and filling a golden bowl, would march in procession to the temple. Here they would pour this water upon the altar while the song arose, "With joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation." They did not recognize on this occasion that the real Well of salvation was in their midst. This feast was held as a memorial of that time in the wilderness when the rock was smitten and out of it gushed the stream of water that satisfied the thirst of thousands

of Israelites. On this occasion there stood unrecognized in their midst the Rock who was so shortly to be riven for them at Calvary. The people saw only the ritual but were missing the Reality which could be theirs, and which the loving heart of God longed to be theirs. That is why there came out this loud cry which has rung down through the centuries, "If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water." Are you thirsty? There are but three things to do: "come to Jesus, drink of Him, believe or trust in Him. Come and keep coming. Drink and keep drinking. Trust and keep trusting. Let the rivers flow and keep flowing. Fred Arnot said to an African native, "One man can lead a horse to water, but ten cannot make him drink." The African (Continued on Page Eleven)

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WAR-FEAR

The following item is a significant comment on the war-fear that is gripping Europe. "A British firm advertises a hermetically sealed, gas-proof baby carriage which will supply properly filtered air to babies during gas attacks."

FLYING TRUTH

"Truth flies on ceaseless wings," observes *Dawn.* "For the past 83 years the Bibles purchased, printed or imported which have passed through American Bible House total 134,179,512, or three every minute night and day."

NEEDED—A SPIRITUAL EARTH-QUAKE!

Recently the Archbishop of Canterbury sent a circular letter to his clergy suggesting that they meet with him for a "quiet day" in London. One of the clergy replied, "Your Grace, in my village we do not need a quiet day, but an earthquake."

FALSE STIMULATION

Comments a writer in the Sign: "In one very modern college the students—all girls smoke right through the lectures. This is not permitted in most men's colleges and seems a silly thing to allow. The faculty think it all right—they say it helps the girls think! What kind of world is this turning into anyway, where you have to give a physical stimulant to the young to enable them to think?"

The missing factor in man's personality is the Holy Spirit.

REGENERATION-NOT LEGISLATION

Said Roger Babson, noted statistician: "Our own belief is that when the facts are secured by the Brain Trusters of the future, they will find the underlying cause of the business cycle to be spiritual. Then there will be an entirely different approach to the solution of economic problems. Instead of working for 'isms' or even legislative remedies, there will be a great national movement—through the homes, schools, and publicity channels—to change the 'hearts' or desires of people."

We would amend the above to read that a great *spiritual* movement is needed to change the hearts of the people. "Not by power, nor by might but by my Spirit, saith the Lord."

MUSSOLINI COURTS THE MOSLEMS

Does Mussolini have designs on Palestine? "The estrangement in Anglo-Italian relations produced by Italian activities in Spain was enhanced last week by Mussolini's ten-day tour of Libya reports Foreign Policy Bulletin. "This tour, marked by an impressive naval display and the ceremonial proclamation of Il Duce as champion of Islam, reached a climax on March 16 when Mussolini made a triumphal entrance into Tripoli. At the opening of the Tripoli commercial fair on the following day Mussolini received a symbolic sword of Islam, and was applauded for his praise of Moslem aid in the conquest of Ethiopia and his promise that Italy, as a great Moslem power, would continue to respect Moslem laws and religious traditions."

PALESTINE ORANGES

It is reported that, the orange crop in Palestine this year is the best ever. 1930-31 saw the shipment of $2\frac{1}{2}$ million cases for export; 1933-1934—5 $\frac{1}{2}$ millions; 1934-35—7 $\frac{1}{2}$ millions. The next season saw the drop of a million cases because of the hot, unseasonable winds, but the present season, 1936-37 is seeing approximately 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ million cases of oranges exported, mostly to Europe.

A CALL TO PRAYER

The Home Missionary Reference Council of the Assemblies of God in Great Britain have issued a call to prayer for the following objects:

- A greater number of fresh missionaries during 1937 than in any previous year.
- A proportionate increase in our missionary income to insure their support on the Field.
- 3. An outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the whole work to achieve these objects for the glory of God.

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest." Matt. 9:38.

Let us unite in this prayer for more missionaries, for more funds and for the outpoured Spirit, and that from every section of our Pentecostal fellowship all over the world, Spirit-anointed laborers may be thrust forth —to give the gospel "to every creature."



Do the directions given for compounding the holy anointing oil, and the warning that should any one put this oil upon a stranger such an one should be cut off from his people (Exod. 30:33), mean that it is possible that a child of God's service for the Lord may be such as to cause him to be cut off from the Lord? If so, how could one render such unworthy service?

The text mentioned refers to a ceremonial law, to the effect that the oil used for the anointing of the priests was sacred and not to be used upon a layman. To do so would involve the sin of sacrilege, the penalty of which was excommunication or death. Since this Tabernacle ordinance no longer applies to the Church we cannot use it to determine whether a Christian would be cut off for misuse of God's gifts. The legitimate spiritual application of Ex. 30:33 would be as follows: the holy anointing oil was to be poured only upon those who had been consecrated as priests; in like manner the anointing of the Holy Spirit, which was symbolized by oil, is only for those who have been consecrated as spiritual priests by the blood of Christ. Rev. 1:5, 6. Apart from the text you mentioned we refer you to 1 Cor. 11:21-31 where Paul teaches that sickness and even death may be the penalty for partaking unworthily of the Communion.

Mr. Duff Cooper, English Secretary of War, speaking recently, declared: "The prospect of Europe and the world today is one to terrify the stoutest heart. We see nations arming for war and preparing for war with an enthusiasm and rapidity which is unmatched and unparalleled in the history of the human race."

Has the time come for the call of Joel 3:9, "Proclaim ye this among the nations; Prepare war."

ROME'S LEGIONS

Mussolini, addressing his troops at the conclusion of the annual maneuvers, made a speech which was broadcast to the nation. In boasting of his strength, he said: "In a few hours we can mobilize 8,000,000 men by means of a simple order. . . We must be strong, we must be ever stronger, and we must be so strong that we can meet all eventualities and look unflinchingly in the eyes of destiny." We are reminded of the story of Uzziah: "He was marvelously helped, till he was strong. But when he was strong, his heart was lifted up to his destruction." 2 Chron. 26:15, 16.

THE "PROTOCOLS" CONDEMNED

The official organ of the Harand Movement to combat anti-Semitism, *Gerechtigkeit*, reproduces in its last number an article by Professor Italo Tovalatto on the "Idiotic Protocols of Zion," published in the Rome periodical *Affari Esteri* ("Foreign Affairs.")

Professor Tovalatto, who is said to be in close contact with the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs, writes that "it seems almost impossible that at the present day any public debate on the comic pamphlet of the 'Protocols of the Elders of Zion' can be possible. This pamphlet is too idiotic even for the brains of diseased fantasy-mongers, but a number of gentlemen like Feder, Rosenberg and others, take this forgery seriously and use it to carry out anti-Semitic propaganda in Germany. The moral prestige which the 'Protocols' still enjoy in certain circles has lost its power and can no longer be restored." Professor Tovalatto concludes: "After the verdict of the Berne Court, this stupid pamphlet has lost its importance even as a means of anti-Jewish propaganda."

ROYAL TESTIMONIES

A correspondent of the Sunday School Chronicle says that one Saturday King George and Queen Mary of England, were out in the country and came to a humble cottage. Desiring to sit down and rest for a few minutes, the Queen asked if she might enter. The good woman who answered the knock at the door ran inside and cried, "Oh, William, here's the King and Queen. Whatever shall we do?" "Let 'em in, of course," said William. When the Royal visitors were seated in the spotless little parlor, they noticed the family Bible in a prominent position. "I am glad to see you have got the good Book," said the King. "Aye," said William, "Would you like to hear about my conversion?" "Of course I should," said the King. The story was told with enthusiasm. The Queen, with tears in her eyes, turned to the good wife. "And have you had an experience like that?" Yes, she had; and she told how she was converted. When they rose to go, the King and Queen thanked their hosts, and said simply, "We love Him, too, you know."

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DOWN IN EGYPT Noel Perkin, Missionary Secretary

We had crossed the Suez Canal at Kantara after having waited for the passing of a big Italian troopship crowded with soldier boys perhaps on their way to Abyssinia. We were now in Egypt. It is supposed that at about this point Abraham and Jacob passed into Egypt and probably it was the route used by Mary and Joseph when escaping from Herod's massacre. We now hear the Arabic language alone as the Jewish population has been left behind except for a few who are found in almost every country in the world. French is spoken by the educated Egyptians and many of them know English. We have changed trains and have entered a comfortable coach on one of the better trains of the Egyptian State Railways. The coaches are divided into small compartments to seat about twelve persons each. Because of the crowded condition we were obliged to get seats wherever possible, but the time soon passed, and it did not seem long until it was announced that we were nearing Cairo station.

Our dear Brother

Randall who for so many years has lab or ed among the Egyptian people was unable to meet the train because of ill health but Mrs. Randall, Brother Crouch, and the Egyptian pastor, Brother Riad, were on the platform to welcome us to the land of the Pharaohs. How good it seemed to see these dear friends



especially Brother Crouch whom we had parted from a few months previously. He almost seemed like a little bit of the homeland, and we should judge from his hearty welcome that he was just as glad to see us. As strangers and pilgrims in a foreign land how good the people of God look especially when we have been separated from them for a time. Mrs. Randall kindly made us welcome in her home, although she has few facilities for the entertaining of guests, and after a night's rest we had opportunity to look around the city and make plans for our visit up country to see some of the different assemblies.

Sunday was a blessed day and one of happy surprises. We found that the meeting place where Pastor Riad ministers was crowded in both morning and evening services and the worship and prayer was so blessed. The people seemed to enter in so heartily and their testimonies although not understood by those of us who were visitors, nevertheless bore a witness to our hearts that they were real and in the Spirit. We were particularly interested in some of our dear Egyptian brethren from the country who had come in for service. They all preferred to sit on the floor as is customary in their village homes but how they did sing and clap their hands and worship the Lord. Some of their faces just beamed as they looked up to heaven while they sang of Him who had washed them from their sins and is coming again. We ministered the Word through the pastor who fortunately knows English as well as Arabic, so he could interpret to his congregation what we said and although perhaps some of the things we said may not have been fully understood there was much that went home to their hearts as one could tell by the look of appreciation and the response in the Spirit that we could feel.

Visiting Egypt's Assemblies

What we found in Cairo was also true in nearly every place where we had opportunity to have meetings in Egypt. Is Assiout where there is an assembly apart from the work of Miss Trasher there was not room in the building for all the people who sought to get in. The impression of the work as a whole was that Egypt is ripe for revival; in fact there is already a revival spirit on in many places. There are groups of Christians in some of the villages just pleading for someone to come and hold meetings for them and when a worker can go it frequently happens that a little assembly is soon started. There are over twenty assemblies in Egypt that are in fellowship with the General Council work, and there are other places that could be opened up if suitable workers were available. The great need is for native preachers who can reside in these towns and larger villages so as to really reach the people properly.

When we left Cairo in Brother Crouch's car we had some new experiences of native Egyptian life. After driving down some of the excellent boulevards of Cairo and seeing the great pyramids in the distance we soon found ourselves getting away from paved highways and on to hard but dusty roads. There was little automobile traffic that we met but lots of camels and donkeys and pedestrians. Little companies of women would be seen near every town or village carrying heavy loads on their heads or proceeding with their water pots, which often are gasoline cans, down to the river or canals in order to get water for the household. All the life of Egypt gathers around the course of the Nile except where canals have been dug carrying the water a little further afield. One of these canals, history tells us, was actually dug by tens of thousands of slaves who were not given any tools for the purpose but were obliged to dig it with their bare hands, and so many died that their bodies were just thrown into the heap of dirt on the banks of the canal and that was all the grave they had. Surely Egypt like most other lands has witnessed terrible suffering throughout the years. Cruelty invariably prevails where God is not known. Whenever we came to a crossroads there would be a policeman who would caution us to slow up while he made a note of the license number of our car. There are so few cars traveling in the country districts that the police can keep an absolute check on all cars traveling through.



A happy Christian from Miss Dean's mission. The young lady to the left is Miss Dean's assistant and interpreter.

Our first stop was at the town of Magagha where there is a little assembly and church building owned by the Council. There were some business matters to take care of in this place while at night we had a good meeting. In this place there was no floor in the church building other than the dirt with a few carpets thrown down to sit on. The poor women as is usual were in a division by themselves with very little light or view of the speakers. At the close there were several of the women who brought their children to be prayed over that they might be blessed while others asked that our hands might be laid on their heads for blessing. This appears to be quite a customary thing and no doubt dates back to the times of the patriarchs who pronounced blessings upon their children. How much it means to so live in touch with God that one may bring blessing to seeking souls by a touch and by a prayer.

Another day's ride brought us to Minia where we visited the home and little assembly of our Sister Dean. What an oasis her home did seem after traveling through dusty country and feeding on bread and cheese. Bread and cheese and oranges are good and we thanked God for them but it seemed nice to sit around



A typical family scene in the villages of Egypt



A village scene near Miss Trasher's orphanage

a table nicely set, and although the meal was prepared by Egyptian girls, yet they were Christians and had been taught by Sister Dean so that it was just like a good old American supper. We did so enjoy the little time of fellowship we had with our sister, and appreciated greatly the way in which she so generously shared her home and gave us of her hospitality. Miss Dean has trained a number of girls who are now serving in different capacities and all are a credit to her. Some of them received their start under Sister Trasher and the finishing touches were given by our Sister Dean. We were much impressed with these young women and could see the wonderful change that the gospel has made in their lives. Their very faces look different from those of the poor village people who have not known of the grace of God. In one of the pictures you will see the sweet face of a native Christian from Miss Dean's assembly and at the side is one of the young ladies Miss Dean has trained and who is now such a help in the ministry.

Bidding farewell to Miss Dean the next morning after holding two services in Minia we hurried on our way to Assiout where a conference of the preachers had been called. Brother Abdel Malik pastor of the local assembly in Assiout was the host and in some way managed to find room for the fifteen ministers and workers who came to represent their respective assemblies. We were much impressed with the appearance of the brethren who are in the ministry both in regard to their

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intelligence and spirituality. The conference which was mainly in regard to the installing of the new superintendent went off beautifully and a blessed spirit of unity and loyalty to the General Council was manifest. The general meetings for worship and ministry of the Word were crowded to capacity, and one felt spiritually refreshed in attending them. The result of the Conference was the unanimous acceptance by the Egyptian brethren of Brother A. F. Crouch as the new superintendent of the District Council in Egypt. Before presenting Brother Crouch to the ministers it was explained that whereas our dear Brother Randall still has his heart in the work, yet because of age and ill health it had become impossible for him to continue in active service. The ministers expressed their appreciation of Brother Randall's ministry but felt sympathetic to his taking things more easily during his remaining years. A real spirit of brotherly love seemed to bind the brethren together and we feel optimistic for the future of the work in Egypt.

What We Found at the Orphanage

We must not close our brief report without some reference to the excellent work that is being accomplished by Miss Trasher who is mothering a family of about 700 including widows and orphans. Our hearts were thrilled as the children filed into one of the large rooms in the orphanage, and sang for us gospel songs in both Arabic and English. Many of the children had come to the orphanage with serious eye diseases and other afflictions in their little bodies but under the careful supervision of Miss Wespatat, a trained nurse, and able assistant of Miss Trasher the diseases are kept from spreading and the majority begin to improve in health immediately. What a contrast it is for so many. They have come from the poorest homes in most cases. They have not known the comforts of a little bed to rest in at night or the benefit of regular and proper food or clean water. We were so glad to notice several nice looking cows and a well-filled chicken house which belong to the orphanage and provide nourishment particularly for the babies. The heart of every mother would be glad to peep into the nursery where in nice clean little cribs the babies are kept and cared for by young women who have been raised in the institution. Each crib is carefully covered with mosquito netting to keep off the flies. A large number of the young people who have grown up in the orphanage are now out in different walks of life



Our missionary Secretary with a group of the brethren in England. Standing left to right: Donald Gee, W. F. P. Burton and John Carter. Seated: Noel Perkin and G. J. Tilling.

still following the Lord, while some are in the ministry. Most of the helpers have been brought up from just small children by Sister Trasher, and though they are now grown men and women they affectionately call her "Mama." In fact our sister is known by this name by many who have never been members of the orphanage family.

Miss Trasher has a call from God to this work. This is manifest as one sees her stoop down and embrace a little Egyptian peasant woman in her hut. The woman may not have known the benefit of a bath for a long time and perhaps may be suffering from some disease, but the Spirit of Him who touched the lepers dwells in His consecrated child and she is happy in helping those who so need the love and comfort she so generously bestows upon them. We had hoped to have condensed our report sufficiently so as to have included what we wanted to say about Egypt in a former edition of the Evangel in which Miss Trasher's picture and the picture of some of her family appeared so we shall have to ask our readers to refer back to the number dated April 24.

When we left Assiout the children gathered together and in Arabic and English sang "God be with you till me meet again," and we felt conscious that we were going to meet many, many of these dear children who through the (Continued on Page Eleven)



Egyptian preachers and believers eating dinner on the roof.



Left—Salib Bolus, District Treasurer. Right—Egyptians saved from lives of crime

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PARMA, MO.—Have recently closed a 3 weeks' meeting here. We are grateful for the bountiful blessings bestowed upon us. Some were saved or healed. Fair interest was manifested, and there was an increase in Sunday School attendance.—J. T. Davis, Evangelist, Dallas, Texas.

BAYARD, NEB.—We recently closed a 10 days' meeting, Guy Shields, Ft. Worth, Texas in charge. The neighboring churches joined in this meeting and the blessing of the Lord was with us. Several were saved and baptized in the Holy Ghost, and the church in general was greatly helped.—Raymond L. Sherman, Pastor.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y.—The Light Bearers Quartette were with us for the month of March and God met us in a gracious outpouring of the Spirit. Twenty-four received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and many who had grown cold were revived, and some were saved. Seven of our young people have consecrated themselves for God's service and are planning to enter Bible school next fall.—A. N. Trotter, Pastor.

MIDWAY, MONT.—Here at Fort Peck, where the largest earth-fill dam in the world is being built, people of every class gather from all over the country, and one of the small towns has the name of being the most sinful town in the United States. God is working, souls are being saved and bodies healed. We just closed a very profitable campaign conducted by Evangelist Clarence H. Jenson. The Lord blessed and several received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost.—C. C. Wilcox, Pastor,

CENTRAL LAKE, MICH.—God truly worked in a marvelous way in the revival that began February 24, with Mr. and Mrs. James Sheltrown, of Gladwin, in charge. Twentyfour came to the Lord for salvation, and 31 were filled with the precious Holy Spirit. There has been an increase in Sunday School attendance as well as in the other services. Mr. and Mrs. Sheltrown were elected pastors here.—Mrs. Helen Harter, Secretary, Gospel Tabernacle.

FRANKFORT, KANSAS.—April 11 we closed a 3 weeks' revival. The pastor was in charge of the first week's services. Easter Sunday Brother and Sister M. Blodgett and small daughter, of Morrill, arrived, and continued with us 2 weeks. God gave us a mighty outpouring of the Spirit. One Sunday morning Pentecost was repeated. How the glory of God came down! Everyone in the building received a refilling, and how the saints shouted, danced, and wept as two received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit in the morning service. In all, 4 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Saints who came from other towns received great blessings. The curch was built up and greatly refreshed. Our work is not two years old, and we have our own fine church to worship in, with just a small debt on it.—Minnie Steel Walker, Pastor. BARNESBORO, PA.— The Lord has blessed us in a 3 weeks' meeting conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. Troy B. Helms, of Alabama. Several found the Lord as their Saviour, and the community was stirred. On the closing night we were unable to seat the crowds. The power of the Lord was present in the meeting in a precious way.—K. W. Wilkerson, Pastor.

VAN BUREN, ARK.—We have just closed a very successful revival here conducted by Hildreth Ethridge. A large number were saved, and 20 or more received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. People of other denominations were greatly interested, and some are tarrying for the Baptism. The baptismal service, held April 4, was well attended. Sister Ethridge's messages proved a great blessing to the entire church.—J. W. Hudson, Pastor.

ALTON, ILL.—Under the direction of Alvin Branch, Orwell, Ohio, a Sunday School Convention and Bible Conference was conducted at the Edwards Street Assembly of God. Our Sunday School was inspired to greater efforts under his teaching, and the school is working hard to come up to the standard set for them. Brother Branch's ministry along the lines of Personal Evangelism was particularly blessed, and a number of people were definitely saved in their homes as a result.—Everett L. Phillips, Pastor.

BONIFAY, FLA.-Our beloved pastor, H. T. Mathis, was called to serve the Bonifay assembly in October. Since that time, by his faithfulness and continuous efforts, also with the help of our faithful brother Wade Andrews, God has blessed us with a 30x50 ft. church building in a lot 50x47 ft. The church has been completed and a new piano has been purchased. Brother Mathis did well in securing the services of W. A. D. Hill and daughter Ruby, of Milton, for a 19 days' meeting, which has just closed. God met us in a wonderful way. Twenty-three claimed the victory over sin during this revival, 7 received the Baptism with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues, and 8 new members were added to the assembly .-- Carley C. Marlow.

BAUXITE, ARK .- February 28 was the beginning of a 4 weeks' campaign, Evangelist and Mrs. George Asher, Ft. Worth, Texas, in charge. Eighteen received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost and spoke in other tongues as the Spirit of the Lord gave utterance. Eleven were truly born again, and we can say there was a continuous outpouring of God's power, every service being different and full of glory. Especially did the young people give heed to the preaching of the Word. One man who had been a drunkard, gambler, and tobaeco soak, came with tears in his eyes one night before the sermon was even finished. Two nights later he received the Baptism, and his wife was saved and filled. This church is 6 years old, with 100 members, and is moving on for God .- R. C. Jones, Pastor.

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DALLAS, TEXAS—We recently closed a revival, Evangelist and Mrs. Frank R. Anderson in charge. A number of souls were saved, and a number were filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother Anderson's ministry was a real blessing to the saints. His message was more on the line of the need of real spiritual worship, and God confirmed the Word with signs following. We also had some outstanding healings. The ministry of Brother and Sister Anderson left our church in a good spiritual condition. The revival fires are still falling, and God is saving and filling souls in almost every service.—J. C. Hibbard, Pastor.

DOVER-FOXCROFT, ME.—We have just closed a 3 weeks' campaign, Evangelist Emma Dickerson, of Elizabeth, in charge. Nineteen came to the altar for salvation, and one was gloriously filled with the Holy Spirit. The Lord graciously met us night after night, and there was rejoicing in heaven and on earth. Our lives were reconsecrated to the Lord, and we feel as though much has been accomplished for time and eternity. God also healed those who by faith touched the hem of His garment. One sister requested prayer for her eyes and left the church with her glasses remaining on the piano, and has not asked for them since.—Clarence L. Motz, Pastor.

BUTLER, N. J .- Shortly after our arrival home on furlough from Africa, we accepted the pastorate here. During the past 8 months we have felt that God was moving as we continually ministered the Word. We have just closed a very precious 2 weeks' revival, conducted by Evangelist Amy Bee, of Staten Island. The Lord used Sister Bee and her messages have brought real blessing to both young and old in the assembly as well as to others who came to the meetings. Sinners and backsliders have sought the Lord, the assembly has been revived, and numbers of our young people put on fire for God. Every night found many around the altar seeking the Lord for the Baptism in the Holy Spirit .-- Edgar D. Pettenger, Pastor.

EL CENTRO, CALIF .- Our Sunday School has been growing steadily, until it has outgrown the church. Now we have, practically finished and with only a small indebtedness, a beautiful tabernacle, 36'x70', with basement, 36'x30'. In it we have Sunday School class rooms, a C. A. hall, missionary council room, and pastor's study. The building has also been equipped with a furnace. A friend presented the church with a Neon sign, 3 feet high and 16 feet long, telling in both red and blue that Jesus died, and Jesus saves. We have purchased a large Sunday School bus, to send out into the highways and byways, bringing in those who could not otherwise come. Bv this means, we have been able to reach numbers of youngsters and families we could not have reached otherwise. Our goal of 200 in Sunday School has been reached and passed-210 last Sunday. During the past year, quite a number of souls have found their way to the Saviour, and the fire is still burning. We have just closed a meeting with Brother Wil. Kelsey, of San Pedro, in which some were saved or reclaimed, and others were filled with the blessed Holy Spirit .- Lucy M. Stark, Secretary.

HARVEY, IOWA — Evangelist Austin Schoonover, Willis Ave., Perry, Iowa, was with us for a 3 weeks' revival. Eleven knelt at the altar for salvation and many enjoyed the good messages of the evangelist. Since the meeting closed 3 more have professed salvation. Many hearts are hungry and God is manifesting Himself in many precious ways. Council brethren passing this way are invited to stop over with us.—LaVerne Willis, Pastor.

NEW CASTLE, PA .- Our assembly has been blessed and God has given an increase under the ministry of Evangelist Marie Wilson. Much outside interest was manifested. In checking on the attendance we discovered that almost every city, town and village within a radius of 50 miles was represented at some time during the meetings. We believe a rich harvest will come from the seed thus sown. God's power was also manifested in healing the sick. One sister was instantly healed of curvature of the spine. Her public testimony of the miraculous' deliverance brought much blessing. I have been deeply impressed with the Spirit-anointed ministry of our sister .---Boston W. Turner, Pastor.

McCOOK, NEB.—Percy and Dorothy King, Niagara Falls, N. Y., have just concluded a 5 weeks' evangelistic campaign with splendid results. Every department of our church was gloriously affected by the revival. Adults converted number over 30, besides many children who were saved. Six received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Through the hard work of the Evangelists our Sunday School reached the highest mark in years. We secured the beautiful Methodist church for two Sunday afternoon mass meetings. The Evangelist preached fearlessly and powerfully, to around 600 the first Sunday, and around 800 the next. The musical and vocal talent of "The Kings" was greatly appreciated by all, but the high light of the whole campaign was the power of our brother's messages. The Word preached under Holy Ghost anointing brought conviction on saint and sinner, and resulted in a general reconsecration of the church. Eighteen followed the Lord in water baptism during the meeting .- Glenn A. Reed, Pastor.

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patience and teaching of Miss Trasher and her assistants have come to know the Saviour. Miss Clayton a missionary from England acts as head of the school department and it is she who has trained the children in their singing which they do so beautifully. God bless Sister Trasher and the whole orphanage family was the sincere prayer on our hearts as we drove away headed once more for the city of Cairo.

While in Cairo we visited the work and home of Brother and Sister Doney and appreciated very much their kindness and hospitality. The school work of Mr. and Mrs. Doney is very well ordered and of a spiritual character. Miss Carl from New York is working with Mr. and Mrs. Doney and is getting a good grasp of the language.

Brother and Sister Plants are nicely located in Alexandria and we hope that the Lord may help them in getting the Arabic language soon so that they may have as effective a ministry as possible where the field seems so ripe.

It was a real regret that although plans had

been made for Brother Williams to stop off for a visit with our brethren in England on the way home, he was taken quite ill just before reaching Marseilles so that it seemed wiser that he should not get off the boat but continue on his journey direct to New York. The Missionary Secretary was scheduled to travel by way of England so as to pick up his family who through the generosity of the children's Grandpa, who supplied their fare as well as that of Mrs. Perkin to England and back, were enjoying the novelty of a new land with so many new sights and sounds to occupy their attention. We found on arrival in England that the brethren of the Assemblies of God through their General Secretary Brother John Carter had very graciously arranged a series of meetings for Brother Williams and we were so sorry that he had not been able to meet these appointments. We enjoyed sitting in the conference with some of the British missionaries as they talked over problems that confront them in their work which are so very similar to what we have, and we felt that the exchange of opinion was mutually helpful.

A nice spirit prevailed in the meetings and we believe God is leading our British brethren forward. It was a real pleasure to meet some of our old friends including Brother Gee the Assistant General Superintendent of the work in Great Britain and Brother Tilling the Missionary Secretary as well as our Brother and Sister Burton, pioneers with Brother Salter of the Congo Evangelistic Mission.

A WORD OF WARNING

It is reported to us that there are certain natives in foreign fields who have secured the names and addresses of some of our friends who contribute to missionary work and these same natives are soliciting funds on the ground that they are occupied in the work of the ministry. The Foreign Missions Department would like to caution friends about sending any funds direct to natives of other lands regardless of the strength of the appeal since unfortunately there are some who are seeking funds in this way who are not worthy of help. It is the policy of the Missions Department to send funds for native preachers to the missionary located in the same district so that if at any time there should be something unfavorable develop, the missionary could write to the home contributor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON (Continued from Page Six)

replied, "Bwana, but if you lead ten horses to the water, one of them will drink." There were some who refused to drink on this occasion. Will you be the one in ten who does drink?

"This spake He of the Spirit." Concerning these rivers of living water, John tells us that He spake of the Holy Spirit that He was shortly to give them. But first He must die, be buried, rise again, ascend to the Father, and be glorified. On the day of Pentecost this blessed gift of the Spirit was given. And the gift can be received in exactly the same manner today. Yes, say some, we want to have the Holy Spirit—but not the tongues! The disciples did not speak that way to the Master. When He told them, "These signs shall follow them that believe . . they shall speak

with new tongues," they did not say, "We prefer not to have that." I am very grateful that when the Lord baptized me in the Holy Spirit, that this blessed Spirit had such complete control of me that I spoke with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. On the day of Pentecost when all spake in tongues the multitude inquired, "What meaneth this?" Peter declared, "This is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel." If you want "this" which is "that," accept the same gift in the same manner and expect the same manifestation of His presence. God is making no difference between us and those at the beginning. No one is authorized of God to say that He will make a difference. You can tell when anyone receives this outpoured Spirit, just as Peter and his friends knew when the Spirit was outpoured upon the household of Cornelius, "For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God." Do not be satisfied with anything less than a like experience to that which the hundred and twenty received on the day of Pentecost. Said a Baptist preacher to some Pentecostal friends of mine, "You can give your testimony-but no tongues, mind." Said one of them, "Tongues are in my testimony." But remember this, you receive more than speaking with tongues in the Baptism. You receive God into your life in a new way. Let Him take full control.

"As the scripture hath said." Jesus reminded them that these flowing rivers were foretold in the Scripture. Ezekiel had a vision of a river flowing from the sanctuary, just a tiny stream at the beginning, then it became ankle deep, then knee deep, then loin deep, and after that there were waters to swim in. Israel had defiled God's sanctuary and God had to destroy it (Ezek. 5:11), yet He had promised Himself to be "a little sanctuary" to the remnant in all the countries where they were scattered. Christ was God's sanctuary. Isaiah prophesied of Him, "He shall be for a sanctuary." From Him the living waters flow and from Him we are to continually receive the Spirit. He will make us "little sanctuaries" everywhere we go, temples of the Holy Ghost, through whom the living waters of the Spirit shall constantly flow. The Mississippi and the Amazon rivers flow day and night, and we can look to the Lord to let the rivers of blessing flow from us to all around both day and night.

Rivers. When Pentecost came to Valparaiso, Chili, so Dr. Willis Hoover told me, all over the city in the night season folks would wake up under deep conviction of sin. The rivers were flowing. Some of these folks had never heard of the place where the Pentecostal revival had come, but when the newspapers began to make fun of the revival they found out that in this place people were getting saved from sin and filled with the Spirit. They went there, repented, were cleansed, and received the gift of the Holy Ghost. And soon the revival spread over a hundred towns in Chili. There is yet more and more and more of the Spirit for us. Let us come oft to the Rock and drink continually. Then the rivers will flow continually from us. God means the flow to be ceaseless. Many natural rivers dried up during the time of the drouth last summer, but God says concerning the flow of the living waters that are to proceed from you and me: "In summer and in winter shall it be." Zech. 14:8.-S. H. F.

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APPLETON, WIS .- The Gospel Temple; May 2-; Hattie Hammond, Evangelist .- C. D. Goudie, Pastor.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.-Grace Pentecostal Church, 205 Atlantic Ave.; May 2-12; C. S. Tubby, of Canada, Evangelist.-J. Heinrich, Pastor.

LA CROSSE, WIS.-Gospel Tabernacle, 327 N. 9th St.; now in progress; Evangelists R. R. and Miss Alyce Nichols in charge.-J. J. Selness, Pastor.

LAWRENCE, KANSAS-Assembly of God; Now in progress; Frieda Steinle, Dorrance, Kansas, Evan-gelist.--P. D. Pittman, Pastor.

COMPTON, CALIF.-North Side Full Gospel Church; May 2-; Minora Combs, Evangelist.-F. W. Smith, Pastor.

HOBBS, N. MEX.—Assembly of God; May 2-16; Evangelist and Mrs. Gideon O. DeMerchant, Bath, N. B., Canada. Archie Lee Henderson is the Pastor.

ALEXANDRIA, VA.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, 316 King St.; May 9-23; Evangelist and Mrs. J. Earl Douglass, Pittsburgh, Pa.—George James, Pastor.

OTTAWA, KANSAS-Assembly of God Tabernacle, 4th at Poplar; May 2-; Sanders Brothers Trio.-Leonard Palmer, Pastor, 2241/2 N. Main St.

BARNSDALL, OKLA.-May 16, for 3 weeks or longer: W. Hobson Kennemer, Evangelist.-S. M. Padgett, Pastor.

CORRY, PA.-Bethel Tabernacle, 36 E. Church St.; May 2-23; T. Horace Clark, of Alabama, Evan-gelist.-Glenn D. Jones, Pastor.

WASHINGTON, D. C.-Full Gospel Tabernacle, North Capitol and K Sts., May 2-23; J. D. Saunders, Evangelist.-B. E. Mahan, Pastor.

OMAHA, NEB.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, 19th and Cass Sts.; May 2-30; Willa Short, Evangelist.—L. E. King, Pastor.

BRIDGEPORT, CONN.-United Pentecostal Church, 285 Wilmot Ave.; May 2-; I. J. Bolton, Tampa, Fla., Evangelist.-H. L. Ettinger, Pastor.

GRAND ISLAND, NEBR.—Old Fashioned Church, 6th and Sycamore; May 11-June 6; Evangelist and Mrs. Russell Rexroat.—Silas S. Rexroat, Pastor, 1118 West 11th.

CHICAGO, ILL.-Full Gospel Assembly, 538 N. Lavergne Ave.; May 2-; J. H. Follette, New Paltz, N. Y., Evangelist and Bible Teacher.-K. A. Auten, Pastor.

JAMAICA, LONG ISLAND, N. Y.-Calvary Gos-pel Tabernacle, 122nd St., and Jamaica Ave.; May 2-23; W. F. Duncan, Evangelist.-Vernon G. Gortner, Pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Pentecostal Gospel Mis-sion, 11th and Westmoreland Sts.; May 2-23; Elder William A. Coxe, Evangelist.—Benjamin H. Cox,

ELIZABETH, N. J.-First Pentecostal Church; May 2, for 3 weeks; Wesley Jaeger, Richmond, Calif., Evangelist.-A. D. Christensen, Pastor, 645 S. Broad St.

PLYMOUTH, ILL.—Church dedication, May 8; 3 services. Speakers: District Superintendent Arthur Bell, W. E. Wood, and Samuel Bell. Basket dinner. —Stanley J. Miller, Pastor.

NOONAN, N. DAK.-Pentecostal Assembly of God; May 4-23, or longer; Carl and Edna Good-win, Los Angeles, Calif., Evangelists.-A. C. Chris-tenson, Pastor.

LA GRANDE, ORE.—Gospel Tabernacle, 2201 N. Fir St.; now in progress; Evangelist A. Knudson and Party, Crosby, N. Dak. Lester Carlson is the Pastor.

MOUNT UNION, PA.—First Pentecostal Church, Grant and Shaver Sts.; May 12, for 3 weeks or longer; Wilson E. Babcock, Cambridge, Mass., Evan-gelist.—Eugene W. Benjamin, Pastor.

POWERS LAKE, N. DAK.-Fellowship meeting, May 4. Services: 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30. Basket lunch. District Superintendent H. G. Johnson will be present.-K. Olson and L. Jorgenson, Pastor.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.-Full Gospel Tabernacle, North 26th St. at State; May 9, for 3 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Harold R. Carlblom. -Adolph Petersen, Pastor

BEAUMONT, TEXAS-Ave, A and Wald St.; May 2-; R. G. Cockerell, "Texas Evangelist" and Party.-Mrs. N. F. Dawson, Pastor.

TOPEKA, KANSAS-Assembly of God, 610 Lime St.; May 11-; Dr. J. N. Hoover, Santa Cruz, Calif., Evangelist.-Claude J. Utley, Pastor.

PITTSBURGH, PA.—Bethel Pentecostal Taber-nacle, 62 Chatham St. (opp. Central Y. W. C. A.); May 9-23; Asa Miller, Singing Evangelist.—H. C. McKinney, Pastor.

LONG BEACH, CALIF.—Central Gospel Taber-nacle, 10th and California St.; May 9, for 4 weeks; Joseph Terlizzi, Evangelist, E. B. and Emma Taylor are the Pastors.

FLINT, MICH.—Riverside Tabernacle, 2215 Lewis St.; May 9-23; Evangelist and Mrs. E. T. Quana-bush. Broadcasting Tuesdays 11:30 a. m.-12:30 p. m., from WMPC, Lapeer, Mich., 1200 kilos.—Chas. W. H. Scott, Pastor.

SOUTH BEND, IND.-Gospel Tabernacle, 1115 S. Michigan St.; May 9-30; Evangelist J. Philip Hogan will speak the first 2 weeks; Roy and Pauline Davidson, Missionaries, will speak 3rd week.-Thos. F. Zimmerman, Pastor, 917 Diamond Ave.

Notice

You are cordially invited to be present at the

Thirteenth Annual Commencement of the

Central Bible Institute Springfield, Mo.

May 30 and 31, 1937

Baccalaureate Service

Sunday Morning 10:30 at the Assembly of God Church

Campbell Ave., and Calhoun Street

Graduation Service Monday night 7:00 at the

Shrine Mosque

Kimbrough Ave., & St. Louis St.

Alumni Dinner and Fellowship Monday 1:00 p. m. at the Institute

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

NEWTON, KANSAS-Central District C. A. Ral-ly, May 1; services: 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30-Earl J. Hance, Sectional Secretary, Caldwell, Kansas.

SAMSON, ALA.—Home-coming Day, May 2; Assembly of God. First service, 9:00 a. m. Bring well-filled baskets.—Jonas Bell, Pastor, Route 1, Geneva, Ala.

FORT MADISON, IOWA-Fellowship Meeting, May 1-2. First service Friday night. District Sup-erintendent Roy Scott will be here.-Geo. Shepherd, Pastor.

NORWICH, N. Y.—Central New York Fellowship Meeting: Pentecostal Tabernacle, Silver and Waite Sts.; May 6. Services: 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30. Meals on free-will offering plan.—Vena Curtis, Pastor.

PONCA CITY, OKLA.—Assembly of God, 5th St. and Ponca Ave., May 2, all day services. At the afternoon meeting corner stone of new church will be set. Bring basket dinner. James S. Hutsell, District Superintendent, and W. S. Bragg, Secre-tary, expected to be with us.—S. J. Scott, Pastor.

FLORENCE, S. C.-World's Missionary Con-ference, Georgia-South Carolina Division of Assem-blies of God; April 29-May 2. Four days of prayer, praise and conference. District Superintendent S. W. Noles will be in charge.-Paul S. Knight, Mrs. Emma Knight, and Helen Hamilton, Pastors.

BILOXI, MISS.—Third Quarterly Conference, Southern Section of the Mississippi District, Oak Street Assembly, May 4-6. All ministers urged to attend as some very urgent matters are to be discussed. For information write Pastor M. W. Wilson, 321 Hoxie St., Biloxi, or District Superin-tendent H. M. Sandlin, 115 Fifteenth Ave., Laurel, Miss.

DURHAM, N. C.-E. Main St. and Hyde Park Ave.; May 6-; H. D. Ferrell, Evangelist.

HAMILTON, MONT.-May 2-; Th Evangelists.-Derrick Hillary, Pastor. ; The Tan Ditters,

BREMERTON, WASH.—Assembly of God Taber-nacle, 9th and Veneta St.; May 2-9; Einar Waermo, Evangelist.—Karl Leonard, Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.-Assembly of God, Campbell and Calhoun Sts.; May 2-30; Evangelist and Mrs. Christian Hild.-Ralph M. Riggs, Pastor.

ELECTRA, TEXAS-Assembly of God; May 10-30; William F. McPherson, Sanford, Fla., Evangelist. -E. R. Winter, Pastor.

SYRACUSE, N. Y.-Grace Tabernacle; May 9-30; Mary Louise Page, Evangelist.-David M. Wellard, Pastor, 662 South Ave. BRISTOW, OKLA.-Assembly of God; May 2--; The Sader Twin Sisters, Galena, Kansas, Evangelists. -J. I. Miller, Pastor.

TEXAS DISTRICT COUNCIL

TEXAS DISTRICT COUNCIL The 22nd annual session of the Texas District Council will convene at the Peak and Garland Sts. Church, Dallas, Texas, June 1-4. We urge every church in the District to arrange to send their pas-tor and one delegate. We have found it impossible for us to furnish entertainment for all in attendance, so we hope everyone will come prepared to pay expenses as far as possible.—E. L. Newby, District Superintendent, 2621 W. 26th St., Fort Worth, Texas.

ILLINOIS DISTRICT COUNCIL

ILLINOIS DISTRICT COUNCIL The 15th annual session of Illinois District Coun-cil will convene May 11-14, 1937, at the First Presby-terian Church, Quincy, Ill. Those desiring license or ordination should make application at once and be present at the conference to appear before the presbytery for a personal interview. For informa-tion write Pastor V. R. Jackson, 839 S. 12th St., Quincy, Ill., or Arthur Bell, Box 133, Belleville, Ill.

POTOMAC DISTRICT COUNCIL

POTOMAC DISTRICT COUNCIL NORFOLK, VA.—The semi-annual conference of the Potomac District will be held here May 4-6, at Norfolk Gospel Tabernacle, 13th St. and Omohun-dro Ave. General Superintendent Ernest S. Wil-liams, Principal Speaker. Free entertainment for ministers and delegates. Write Pastor Guy W. Duty, District Secretary, 322 W. Princess Anne Road, Norfolk, Va.

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.

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 Mon-day 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.

SOUTHWESTERN BIBLE SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

COMMENCEMENT ENID, OKLA.—The commencement exercises of the Southwestern Bible School will be held May 5-7. Wednesday night will be Home-Coming Night; Thursday Baccalaureate Night, Elder W. I. Evans, Dean of Central Bible Institute, preaching the ser-mon, Friday Commencement Night, when 43 young men and women are to receive diplomas and nearly 200 First and Second Year students certificates. These exercises will be held in Convention Hall seating 3,500. Special day services Thursday and Friday in the Tabernacle. All visitors welcome. Good music.—P. C. Nelson.

DURANT, FLA.—Camp Meeting, Pleasant Grove Camp Ground, 10 miles south of Plant City, May 6-16. Evangelist Guy Shields, Amarillo, Texas, Main Speaker morning and night. Other able speak-ers in the afternoon services. Bring water bucket, or pitcher, basin, toilet articles, bed linens, blankets, towels, etc. Dormitories for both men and women. For reservation write Violet Staser, Durant, Fla., or Mrs. J. L. Jameson, 305 Bungalow Drive, Tampa, Fla. A reasonable charge made for dormitory rooms. Restaurant on grounds; meals reasonable. For further information write R. L. Bartlett, Sec-retary, 707 Hugh St., Tampa, Fla., or C. C. Garrett, District Superintendent, 1119 E. 14th St., Jackson-ville, Fla.

FOR SALE-Tent 40x60 ft., square ends, white, good condition; poles, stakes, ropes and all ready to put up. \$175.00 cash.-Stanley J. Miller, Plymouth, Ill.

WORLD MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS April 7-13 Inclusive

April 7-13 Inclusive	
ALABAMA. Personal Offerings	7.00
New Brockton Southeastern Bible Institute	25.42
Phenix City Assembly of God S. S.	1.25
Prichard Assembly of God S S	2.08
Inomasville Assembly	2.00
ARIZONA. Douglas Assembly of God	
Ringman Full Gospel Church	4.50 14.97
Kingman Full Gospel Church Phoenix Assembly of God Somerton Assembly of God Church	2.00
ADVANSAS Dessenal Offerings	13 50
ARKANSAS. Personal Offerings Booneville Assembly of God Church Camden Assembly of God S S El Dorado Assembly of God S S Eureka Springs Assembly of God S S Hartford Assembly of God S S	1.50
Camden Assembly of God S S	3.54
El Dorado Assembly of God S S	2.00
Eureka Springs Assembly of God Church	5.00
Fayetteville Assembly of God S S	9.00
Hartford Assembly of God S S	12.61
Hartford Assembly of God S S Hope Gospel Tabernacle Muttig Assembly of God Paris Assembly of God S S Pindall Assembly of God Siloam Springs Assembly of God Church Wan Buren Assembly of God Van Buren Assembly of God S S Wesson Assembly of God S S	2.00
Monticello Assembly of God	4.25
Paris Assembly of God S S	5.22
Pindall Assembly of God	1.00
Pine Bluff Assembly	4.70
Siloam Springs Assembly of God Church	5.00
Swifton Arnold Assembly	1.09
Wesson Assembly of God S S	1.60
CALIFORNIA Dessent Offerings	280 44
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Alturas Bethel Tabernacle	4.05
CALIFORNIA. Personal Offerings Alameda Glad Tidings Church Alturas Bethel Tabernacle Arvin Christ Ambassadors Auburn Full Gospel Tabernacle Ballfouwer, Full Gospel Tabernacle	2.00
Auburn Full Gospel Tabernacle	20.00
Bellflower Full Gospel Tabernacle	
Boonville Pent'l Assembly	1.50
Campball Pant'l Minim	5.00 14.32
Carlshad Gospel Tabernacle	7.28
Auburn Full Gospel Tabernacle Bellflower Full Gospel Tabernacle Boonville Pent'l Assembly Calistoga Full Gospel Tabernacle Campbell Pent'l Mission Carlsbad Gospel Tabernacle Caruthers Full Gospel Assembly Centerville Pent'l Church College City, Computy, Church	10.00
Centerville Pent'l Church	16.80
College City Comunity Church	4.00
College City Comunity Church Colusa Full Gospel Church Corcoran Full Gospel Mission S S Covina Assembly of God & C. A.'s	5.00
Corcoran Full Gospel Mission S S	26.00 5.00
Delano Christ Ambassadors	1.50
Dixon Calvary Tabernacle	6.50
Dunsmuir Pent'I S S	56.36
Delano Christ Ambassadors Dixon Calvary Tabernacle Dunsmuir Pent'l S S El Cerrito Pent'l Open Door Mission Fortuna Pent'l Tabernacle	22.00
Fortuna Pent'l Tabernacle	2.75
Fresno Full Gospel Tabernacle	35.00
Half Moon Bay Full Gospel Church	2.50
Healdsburg Assembly Mission	3.00
Holtville Assembly of God Church & S S	5.00
Inglewood Full Gospel Assembly	37.00
La Mesa Gospel Tabernacle	12.00
Lodi Glad Lidings Temple	43.45
Manhattan Beach Assembly	5.51
Manhattan Beach Assembly S S	11.00
Manhattan Beach Assembly of God C A's	1.00
Manteca Glad Tidings Tabernacle	3.65
Montague Full Cospel Mission	1.50
Monterey Calvary Tabernacle	11.07
Newport Beach Gospel Assembly	4.00
Oakland First Pent'l Church	180.00
Oakland Havenscourt Colonial Church	7.00
Oldale First Pent'l Assembly of Cod	12 30
Palo Alto (Fast) Community Church	24.15
Pasadena Pilgrims Class S C B S	20.00
Pasadena S C B S Missionary Society	30.00
Paso Robles Church of the Full Gospel	20.62
Dunsmuir Pent'l S S El Cerrito Pent'l Open Door Mission	3.26
Pomona First Full Cospel C A's	2.00
Porterville Pent'l Assembly of God	10.60
Riverside Assembly of God Church & S S	20.00
Sacramento Full Gospel Church	91.35
San Bernardino Gospel Tabernacle	18.62
San Bruno Assembly of God Mission	2.00
San Diego (East) Glad Huings Assembly	30.30
Santa Ana Full Gospel Assembly	11.00
Santa Ana Full Gospel Assembly C A's	8.78
Santa Paula Pent'l Church	19.45
Santa Rosa Assembly of God	2.50
Tulara Full Cospel S S & C A's	12.00
Tuolumne Bethel Tabernacle	9.10
Ventura Full Gospel Church	2.60
Santa Rosa Assembly of God Seaside Pent'l Church Tulare Full Gospel S S & C A's Tuolumne Bethel Tabernacle Ventura Full Gospel Church Wasco Four Fold Gospel Mission Wasco Four Fold Gospel Mission C A's Waterford Pent'l Mission Waterford Pent'l Mission	20.00
Wasco Four Fold Gospel Mission C A's	3.00
Waternord Fent I Mission	5.00 5.00
Whittier Assembly of God S S	10.00
Willows Assembly of God	4.50
Wilmington Full Gospel Assembly	45.00
Water Fold Gospel Mission C As Waterofd Pent'l Mission Watsonville Elkhorn Union S S Whittier Assembly of God S S Willows Assembly of God Wilmington Full Gospel Assembly Woodland Full Gospel Assembly	18.77
COLORADO. Personal Offerings	20.55
Aguilar Full Gospel Church	3.55
Boulder Glad Tidings Tabernacle	3.60
Buena Vista Sunday School	3.30
COLORADO. Personal Offerings Aguilar Full Gospel Church Aurora Christ Ambassadors Boulder Glad Tidings Tabernacle Buena Vista Sunday School Chivington Assembly of God Colorado Springs First Assembly of God	4.12
Colorado Springs First Assembly of God	10.00

Colorado Springs Full Gospel Church	10.25
DeBeque Assembly of God	1.00
Del Norte Full Gospel Church	3.82
Eads Assembly of God Church	26.00
Grand Junction Pent'l Assembly of God	30.65
Greeley Assembly of God S S & C A's	8.42
New Raymer Assembly of God Church	1.00
Colorado Spings Fundos For Content and Colorado Spings Fundos For Collina Assembly of God	1.75
Paonia Pent'l Assembly	9.73
Rifle Assembly of God Church & S S	6.30
Rocky Ford Assembly of God	3.00
Saguache Pent'l Assembly of God	.86
Trinidad Assembly of God	6.75
CONNECTICUT. Bridgeport United Pent'l Ch	21.75
Danbury Pent'l Church & S S	10.81
DIST COLUMBIA. Personal Offerings Washington Bethel Pent'l Tab & S S FLORIDA. Personal Offerings Crasticity Assembly of God	25.00
FLORIDA. Personal Offerings	6.65
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Crestview Assembly of God	5.00
Durant Pleasant Grove Assembly	20.22
Durant Pleasant Grove C A's	5.00
Fernandina Christ Ambassadors	4.00
Lakeland Assembly of God	9.00
Lithia Holiness Church	3.00
St Petersburg Full Gospel Tab S S	26.00
Tampa Glad Tidings Tabernacle	19.34
Tampa North Bay Street Church	3.60
GEORGIA. Columbus East Highland Assembly of God & S S	52 00
LaGrange rent i Assembly of God	3.16
IDALLO Deserve Offeringe	10 50
Aberdeen Gospel Tabernacle	38.95
Aberdeen Gospel Tabernacle Boise Assembly of God Coeur B'Alene Assembly of God Church	4.35
Firth Full Gospel S S	8.64
Glenns Ferry Assembly of God	4.22
Nampa Assembly of God & S S	5.00
Payette Assembly	9.30
Payette Pent'l Assembly of God C A's	1.00
Boise Assembly of God Coeur D'Alene Assembly of God Church Firth Full Gospel S S Glenns Ferry Assembly of God Idaho Falls Glad Tidings Assembly Nampa Assembly of God & S S Payette Pent'l Assembly of God C A's Roy Community Church Sweet Assembly of God Weiser Assembly of God Weiser Assembly of God ILLINOIS. Personal Offerings	3.54
Weiser Assembly of God	6.55
Wendell Assembly of God	9.57
Belleville Full Gospel Tabernacle	21.30
Benton Assembly of God	2.74
Clinton Assembly of God S S	2.50
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Collinsville Calvary Full Gos Ch & S S	4.51
Decatur Assembly of God	5.50
East St Louis Washington Park Full Gos Ch	2.19
Galesburg Calvary Pent'l Ch S S & C A's	24.34
Gillespie Assembly of God S S	1.50
Greenville Assembly of God	2.38
Mason City & Easton Pent'I S S	2.67
Mattoon Assembly of God Ch & S S	26.20
Percy Assembly of God	4.91
Plymouth Assembly of God Church	13.25
Pocahontas Pent'l S S	2.00
Reno Assembly of God S S	7.28
Robinson Christ Ambassadors	4.35
Sorento Assembly of God Church & S S	7.92
South Pekin Assembly of God S S	4.72
Springfield Full Gospel Church & S.S.	15.57
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Many years ago, when the upper Peninsula of Michigan was almost unbroken wilderness, two men set out to reach a new mining camp.

From the straits of Mackinaw they hastened on in a westerly direction, hoping to reach their destination ere winter with its heavy snows set in. One bright November morning they started on what they hoped was the last stage of the journey. A flurry of snow during the preceding night had almost obliterated the faint track made by the former travellers, but they confidently set forward, believing themselves quite capable of keeping the right direction. As the day wore on, the woods through which they journeyed grew more dense, until they could not see the sun, which hitherto had been their guide. Still they pressed on, in what they believed to be a western course, choosing the places where the underbrush was crushed as evidence that others had been that way before.

What was their astonishment later on, to find out that they were not alone in their journey, for there were before them the fresh tracks in the snow of at least two. Reassured by this, they hurried on, hoping to overtake them, and were amazed still later, to find that others had joined the travellers.

This they looked upon as a sure token that they were on the right way, and that the camp was near, and were about to start again, when they were surprised by the appearance of an Indian-who proved to be the mail carrier of the district-standing by the side of a sturdy oak but a few feet from them. So absorbed had they been in examining the tracks in the snow, that they had not noticed him before, and involuntarily their hands went to their firearms.

Without, however, moving from his position, the Indian grunted out in broken English: "WHITE MAN, LOST!"

This they were ready to indignantly deny, but the Indian, pointing to the track replied, "White man, lost, he go round and round."

Sure enough, they were treading what has been termed the "Death track" and that explained the added footprints-they were their own; for they had been walking in a cirle. To continue thus meant death, and so realizing their helplessness they were glad to accept the proffered leadership of their Indian friend, who safely conducted them to their camp.

It is not difficult to perceive the danger these men were in-an unknown country, a trackless wild, without a guide, and treading the hopeless round of the "death track." But is the reader aware that we are all travellers -travellers to eternity, travellers to a meeting with God! Have you thought of it? Many have, who, being desirous of going to heaven, but not taking their directions from the infallible guide book, the Bible, are also going, each one in his own way. But what saith the Scriptures? "There is a way that seemeth right unto man, but the end thereof are the ways of death (Prov. 16:25).

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