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Salvation, Separation, Satisfaction

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The experience of the rich young ruler must have been puzzling to the disciples. The prevailing conviction among the Jews was that riches were an evidence of divine favor. This belief was taught, not by tradition only, but by the Scriptures. Had not God promised His blessing upon obedience by multiplying the fruit of the ground, of the flock, and of the herd?

When Jesus said, "How hard is it for them that have riches to enter into the kingdom of heaven," His teaching astonished the disciples, who asked, "Who then can be saved?" In other words, If the most divinely favored ones were to be excluded, what hope was there for the populace? Hope lay only in God, not in the abundance of the things which man possessed. "With man it is impossible, but not with God, for with God all things are possible."

Neither wealth nor any other human accomplishment will save. God can save, and God alone. His salvation is for the rich and for the poor. He has, however, but one means of salvation. Because it is applicable to all, and in it all are put on an equality, it is spoken of as "the common salvation." Salvation is through, and only through, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for our sins according to the will of God. He says to every sinner, rich or poor, learned or ignorant: "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

God also has a time of salvation. It is not for any of us to judge as to when a man has sinned away his day of grace. God is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. Because God is longsuffering to usward, man is inclined to neglect and to harden his heart. Man cannot at his own convenience come to Christ, but

must yield to the offer of salvation at God's time.

None were healed at the Pool of Bethesda except when the waters were troubled, and none find God except when the Spirit is moving in our behalf. "No man cometh unto me except the Father, which hath sent me, draw him." Each soul saved, from the great apostle Paul to the meanest of God's creatures, speaks to us of an act of divine favor and warns us not

your associations and aspirations glorifying to Him? Are you willing to "lay aside every weight and the sin which doth so easily beset you"? At a camp meeting not long ago, a man with a good voice and some ability took a rather active part although only a layman. After the service some reliable saints were much embarrassed and said they were sorry he had put himself forward as he did, because every one knew he was not living the life. Then they mentioned some things in which he indulged. Poor man. Self-deceived! He liked the fellowship and the joy manifest among the redeemed, but how about his soul? It will be sad in the last day if he hears the Saviour say, "Depart from me ye that work iniquity, I never knew you."

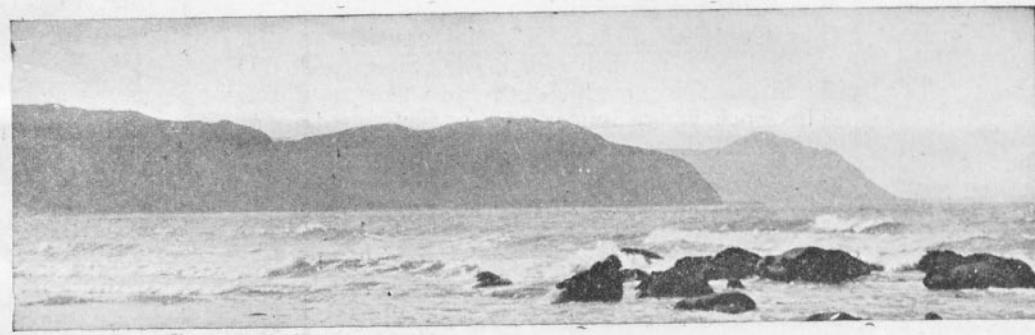
It pays one fully to separate one's life unto God. Separation for the sake of Jesus, because He is loved, and for the gospel's sake, that it might be adorned, bring to the soul that which the world cannot give—satisfaction.

No man hath left houses, lands, etc.—but shall receive an hundredfold in this life. He may not receive literally in houses and lands. If such were so, many would go into Christian discipleship merely as a commercial venture. What then shall he receive? Open homes, Christian and considerate friends, social fellowships with the redeemed. As God provided for Elijah, He will provide every need of him who trusts and obeys. And above all this, he will receive fellowship with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ our Lord. This brings the soul into the heavenlies. No earthly fellowship can compare with it in richness, purity and satisfaction. How greatly the comfort of the Holy Ghost transcends all comforts of time; how excellent is the love of

to treat with contempt any offer of pardon which God makes to us.

When saved of God the moral life of one is changed. As a result definite separations take place. Very few will be called upon to forsake wife and children. God formed the home and does not mean to destroy; but to beautify this abode of affection, peace and rest. Some would like to forsake companion and offspring. God would not encourage one to abandon such, although for Jesus' sake and for the furtherance of the gospel, some may be called to sacrifice the joys and comforts which home affords, and the fellowship of those most dearly loved on earth.

What are some of the outstanding separations which salvation brings? Do your habits and practices please God? Are



A Prayer for God's Infilling

*Upon the sandy shore an empty shell
Beyond the shell infinity of sea;
O Saviour, I am like that empty shell,
Thou art the Sea to me.*

*Not to the shell is any glory then:
All glory give we to the glorious sea.
And not to me is any glory when
Thou overflowest me.*

*A sweeping wave rides up the shore, and lo,
Each dim recess the coiled shell within
Is searched, is filled, is filled to overflow
By water crystalline.*

*Sweep over me Thy shell, as low I lie;
I yield me to the purpose of Thy will,
Sweep up, O conquering waves, and purify
And with Thy fullness fill.*

Some of the Hindrances to Healing

Carrie Judd Montgomery

"What are the hindrances to my healing?" Many an earnest soul is asking this question, and as we consider some of the hindrances which might be in the way of some of our dear readers, we trust that the Lord will give light on His Word so that they may be helped over their difficulties.

As we study the subject of Divine Healing in God's Word, we see that it is connected again and again with the command to "hearken diligently." This does not mean the attitude of an ordinary Christian on a low plane of experience, but one abiding in Christ. It is true that we have seen the Lord's willingness to heal even the unsaved (when they were willing to yield to the Lord) but it has often seemed easier for such people to trust God for healing than for those who have had a great deal of light in the past, and who have failed to walk in the light.

After one has had a touch of the Lord's healing power, and especially when one has been raised from what otherwise would have been a death-bed, by the miracle-working power of God, it seems that the body is sacred unto the Lord in a new way, and that such a one must walk in the light in a new and deeper way than ever before. We also believe that such a one must be continually faithful in his testimony to the Lord's healing power, in order to be kept in such a relationship to the Great Physician that he may be filled with His healing life. It seems comparatively easy at first for the sick to be healed by the Lord, as He meets them in His tender compassion and healing mercy, but when one has been thus healed, and has failed to stand as a faithful witness, or has not given that restored life to the Lord to be used as He directs, it is not so easy to find the Great Physician the next time.

It was after the children of Israel had been brought out of Egypt that God made with them His Covenant of Healing. Even before that, while they were still in Egypt, they were kept from the plague which destroyed the lives of all the first-born of the land of Egypt by the blood of the lamb upon the door posts and lintels of their houses. But now when they are separated from Egypt and all that pertains to it, God enters into a direct covenant with them in which He promises to keep the diseases of Egypt from them if they will diligently hearken to His voice and obey His statutes. Ex. 15:26. Then He says, "I AM THE LORD THAT HEALETH THEE."

We read of Israel that at one time there was "not one feeble person among their tribes," which shows how God displayed His power to heal and to make strong. But Israel would not hearken, for we read in Psalm 81:12, "But My people would not hearken to My voice; and Israel would none of Me. So I gave them up unto their own heart's lust: and they walked in their own counsels." Then we hear what seems

like a wail from the heart of God, "Oh, that My people had hearkened unto Me, and Israel had walked in My ways! I should soon have subdued their enemies and turned My hand against their adversaries."

It is true we are not now under the law, but under grace, but that very fact makes it possible for us to "hearken diligently" and to yield perfect obedience, because this is not to be done now in our own strength but by the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has fulfilled for us all righteousness, and who will work it out in us as we are fully yielded to Him.

Jesus was absolutely obedient, and He ever hearkened to His Father. As we take the place that God tells us to take, the place of death, while our lives are hid with Christ in God, we enter into His obedience and we may claim all the fruits of His blessed obedience, including healing of the body. When He says, "I am the Lord that

land" (verse 31) Hezekiah's heart was so filled with pride that he showed the ambassadors all his wealth, and all his "precious things," and so missed this most blessed opportunity for informing the heathen king about his wonderful and gracious God.

It is not so strange that Hezekiah in those days should fail God, but in these days of great light and privilege it does indeed seem strange that God's dear children should so fail to give Him glory for all His benefits. Hezekiah showed the ambassadors all his "precious things," but he did not tell them of that which should have been the most precious of all, the goodness of God in working a miracle for the healing of his body.

This brings us to the searching question, "What are our precious things?" If the things of this world are precious to us we shall be occupied with them, and will not render unto the Lord according to all that He hath done for us. After a failure of this kind I have often seen it very difficult for people to receive healing again from the hand of the Lord, and it has been necessary for them to humble themselves greatly before He would be entreated of them. But, praise His dear Name, He is so gracious, and so longsuffering that when we do humble ourselves, He forgives all our sins and failures, and turns upon us once more the light of His countenance.

In connection with the subject of hearkening diligently, I am sure God's people many times do not feed upon God's Word as they ought, or they would not have to go about mourning their lack of faith, for "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." Ask the Lord, dear reader, to fill you with a great love for His Word, and trust the Holy Spirit to open it to you, and you will then find it easy to keep in that attitude of hearkening and obedience which will make it possible for the Lord to keep His blessed healing life filling your body.

We have found that another great difficulty in the way of Divine Healing is the lack of divine love in the hearts of God's children. It is remarkable how many times we have found some child of God cherishing a secret grudge against another Christian. Sometimes it has been a thing which has long been buried and almost forgotten. The sting of it may even be past, but it has been a "root of bitterness," against which the Bible warns us. "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord: looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled." Heb. 12:14, 15. We see there is a diligent looking unto Jesus that such a thing may not occur, and if it does spring up in our hearts, it is because we have failed of the grace of God which would have kept us from any such sorrow and misery. No matter how far

Prayer and Faith

So silent, yet irresistible,
Thy God shall do the things impossible.
Oh, question not henceforth what thou canst do;
Thou canst do nought. But He will carry through
The work where human energy had failed,
Where all thy best endeavors had availed
Thee nothing. Then, my soul, wait and be still;
Thy God shall work for thee His perfect will.
If thou wilt take no less, His best shall be
Thy portion now and through eternity.

—Freda Hanbury

healeth thee," we may answer back in faith, "Thou art the Lord that healeth me."

Oh, that God's people may realize that it is not a light thing to be healed by the Lord and to have His life filling their mortal bodies! A body healed in this way is a most sacred thing, and as we realize that we are temples of the Holy Ghost we are to be very careful where we take these bodies, and for what purpose our strength is used.

God's Word says, "A faithful witness delivereth souls," and He requires us to be most faithful in this matter of bearing testimony to His healing power. On every side we see people flocking to meetings where are taught false systems of healing, false because they deny the atonement of our Lord Jesus Christ, and exalt the creature and not the Creator. Weak souls are often drawn into these terrible delusions because God's children have not been faithful to teach the true healing from God's Word, and to stand as faithful witnesses of what He has done for them.

We read in 2 Chron. 32:25, that "Hezekiah rendered not again according to the benefit done unto him; for his heart was lifted up: therefore there was wrath upon him and upon Judah and Jerusalem." When the princes of Babylon "sent unto him to inquire of the wonder that was done in the

in the past such a thing has been, it must be confessed, and put under the blood, and if possible confession must be made to the one against whom there has been ill feeling.

It is not a question of our being right or wrong about the matter which caused the trouble. You may have been right in the first place as to the thing which came up, but any lack of love to your neighbor made you all wrong in God's sight.

Jesus says we are His friends if we do whatsoever He commands us, and He commands us to believe in Him, and to "love one another." He also tells us that if we love our brother there is no occasion of stumbling in us, so if we want to be kept entirely from stumbling in our Christian walk, to the glory of God, we must give ourselves up to the Lord to be His love channels continually, and the very sweetness of His love will be life to ourselves, and life to those with whom we come in contact. Dear reader, if you will honestly yield your whole heart to the Lord, for Him to search it through and through, He will do it so tenderly and faithfully, and will show you if there is lurking in its hidden depths any root of bitterness, which is keeping back His healing life.

One dear sister with whom I was dealing said to me, "I have nothing against such a one." I replied, "It is not enough that you have nothing against him; but according to God's Word you must have a good deal FOR him." We must have an active love in our hearts for all of God's children, and also for all our enemies. "Love is the fulfilling of the law." We owe to everyone a debt of divine love, and as we yield to the Holy Ghost, who sheds abroad in our hearts the love of Christ, He will enable us to pay it. It will not have to be pumped up, but will flow through us as rivers of living water.

In the eleventh chapter of Mark, where we are told of the wonderful faith which will move mountains, we also read these words, "And when ye stand praying, forgive if ye have ought against any." Then these words are added, "But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses." So we see how absolutely necessary it is to be filled with forgiving love before we can pray the "prayer of faith." The Word also says, "Faith worketh by love," so the more love we have the more faith will work.

A jealous, critical spirit will hinder faith. We get a very solemn lesson on this subject in Numbers 12, where Miriam and Aaron "spake against Moses." At first sight it would not seem that they had spoken anything that God would condemn, but God had put great honor upon Moses, and had spoken with him face to face, and He gave this testimony in regard to him, "Who is faithful in all My house." God's faithful servants are unto Him as "the apple of His eye." He says, "Touch not mine anointed and do My prophets no harm."

When the Lord called Moses and Aaron and Miriam out to the Tabernacle of the Congregation, we read, "The Lord spoke suddenly!" It is very solemn to have the Lord speak suddenly to us about anything wherein we have grieved or offended Him. His voice was a very loud one this time, for when the cloud departed from off

the Tabernacle, "Behold Miriam was leprous, white as snow."

How sweet the immediate intercession of Moses for his sister, saying, "Heal her now, O God, I beseech Thee." So God answered his prayer, but Miriam was shut out of the camp for seven days, because of the uncleanness of this disease. How blessed to know that our great High Priest is touched with the feeling of our infirmities, and that "He ever liveth to make intercession for us." If we are filled with His divine love we shall be free from all criticism

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of others, and God will not have to speak to us suddenly because we touch some of His faithful little ones.

A murmuring spirit is often a cause of lack of victory. When the children of Israel murmured they grieved and angered God. We are commanded to "offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually," not merely with our hearts but with our lips, and if we obey this command there will not be much room left for a murmuring or unthankful spirit.

God told His ancient people that because they did not serve Him with joyfulness and gladness of heart for the abundance of all things, they would be compelled to serve their enemies in hunger and thirst, and nakedness and want of all things. (See Deut. 28:47, 48.)

Among the terrible sins spoken of in the first chapter of Romans we read these words, "Neither were thankful." (verse 21). In fact it would seem that many of these awful sins followed because they were not thankful. May the Lord enable us to give Him "thanks always, for all things," even as He has commanded.

We shall close with but one other suggestion, that many of God's children who do not have to plead guilty to any of the things already mentioned seem to lack zeal for the Lord, in pressing through to claim their inheritance along the line of healing. "The kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force." This is pleasing to the Lord, who wants us to press through all opposing forces of the enemy, and to receive from the Lord all that He has bought for us by His precious blood. Far above the mere fact of being healed for our own comfort, or for the sake of our friends, we must want healing for the Lord's glory.

If anyone is in doubt about the Lord's will in this matter of healing, this should be settled first, for one cannot pray "the prayer of faith," which the Lord says shall "save the sick" (Jas. 5:16, 17) while in doubt about the will of God. Do not take human counsel, but study your Bible with the Holy Ghost for your Teacher with the one desire to have God's will made clear to you, and He will reveal Jesus to you as the great Healer, as truly as He revealed Himself as the Healer of His people by the sweetened waters of Marah. When once you have this revelation through God's own Word, you will have an abiding faith for the body which will be sweet and precious to you beyond any words to describe.

We see that Jesus was pleased with the Syrophenician woman who would not be denied, even when He answered her not a word, and afterwards when He seemed unwilling to grant her petition. When talking to her He called healing the "children's bread" and praise God, this is what it is; so He wants all His children to have it.

He was also pleased with the woman who had the issue of blood, who pressed her way through all the crowd to touch the hem of His garment.

Yet again He was pleased with their bearing the paralyzed man to the housetop, breaking up the roof, and letting him down into the midst before Jesus. He healed the blind man who cried yet more and more when those around tried to stop him.

True faith is very bold, and says, "I will not let Thee go except Thou bless me." This faith comes through the light of the Spirit upon the Word of God when we are walking obediently before Him. He wants us to prove more and more the riches of His grace on all lines, for all the promises are unto us yea and Amen in Christ Jesus, "unto the glory of God by us."

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Prophecy Made Plain

I have just read the copy for the first installment of *Daniel Speaks Today*, a series of articles on the Book of Daniel that Brother Myer Pearlman has written for *Christ's Ambassadors Herald*. It is inspiring. And incidentally, one of the best articles I have ever read on practical holiness.

Don't fail to get the January *Christ's Ambassadors Herald* in which this will appear.—Stanley H. Frodsham.

The Need of the Hour

"The need of the hour is not more money, more real estate, or more stocks and bonds, but more self-control, more unselfishness, more faith and more courage. Self-control, unselfishness, faith and courage are spiritual qualities which can not be secured from bankers or stores, but only from vital religion."—Roger Babson.

"By Faith Enoch Was Translated"

Enoch is a pattern of the saints who will be caught away to meet the Lord. He lived in an age which saw the birth of scientific invention. Jabal, as founder of commerce, Tubal-cain of manufacture, and Jubal of art (Gen. 4:20-22) were the dawn of today's mighty age of success. Enoch's removal, many decades before the Flood, makes sure (by type) the escape of all latter-day Enochs from approaching judgment by secret translation like his.

"He was not found" (Heb. 11:5)—thus his disappearance was known. Because he was sought for on earth reveals that his removal had been secret. He lived in an epoch of rapidly deepening wickedness when the earth was filled with violence. In fact his feet stood on the brink of a judgment that was to sweep the whole earth. Enoch was, as the Holy Ghost emphasizes, "the seventh from Adam" (Jude 14)—that is, a type of all who, after six thousand years of sin, shall share the Sabbath Rest. His deliverance—the first of its kind in the history of the world, as ours will be the last—was by a sudden and supernatural removal, through a gateway into heaven.

Enoch's translation is the only catching away in the Bible used by the Holy Spirit as a model for us. So also the very setting of his record is luminous with spiritual light. For we know absolutely nothing of the physical facts of his life: not a single outstanding event in it is recorded: *out of complete obscurity he rose into heaven.* How profoundly suggestive! "Hearken, my beloved brethren, hath not God chosen the poor of this world, rich in faith"—His hidden diamonds—"to be (R. V.) heirs of the kingdom which He promised to them that love Him?" James 2:5. The Church knows nothing of her brightest stars, for she moves far beneath the range of their heavenly orbits.

Enoch prophesied, as recorded in Jude 14, saying: "Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of His holy ones to execute judgment upon *all*"—upon Jew and Gentile, Church and world. The man who is caught up to be with God is the one concerned with the testimony of the Lord's return. The saint who is eagerly watching for the coming of the Lord will have a like testimony to that of Enoch. "He was not, for God took him." Gen. 5:24.

The Spirit reveals a second ground of Enoch's translation. "By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death." Heb. 11:5. The faith which is so emphasized throughout the eleventh chapter of Hebrews, while it necessarily assumes saving faith, is never *only* saving faith. It is a faith far vaster and more potent. Abraham and Sarah begetting Isaac in extreme old age; Moses renouncing the Egyptian palace; Jericho leveled by marching priests; actual resurrections from the dead; kingdoms subdued; promises obtained; the mouths of lions stopped; the power of fire quenched; all these were the operations of something far beyond saving faith. Therefore we see the tremendous truth. *The faith for trans-*

lation, so far from being merely the faith for salvation, is ranked by the Holy Spirit among the great achievements of the world.

It is Enoch's experience of translation that is emphasized by the Holy Spirit. "For before his translation he hath had witness borne to him that he had been *well pleasing unto God.*" The reason given for Enoch's translation is the fact that he pleased God before it occurred. For Enoch was taken to be with the Lord when all the patriarchs, except two (Adam was dead, and Noah not yet born), were still on the earth, and remained so. It was not faith that he *would* be translated, for it is nowhere said that God revealed to him that he would be removed with death nor, since the event had never occurred, could he have imagined it. But it was the faith which made him well-pleasing to God which brought about his translation. The faith which pleased God lay not so much in the creed, as nestled in the heart of a sanctified life. To Enoch nine hundred or a thousand years of life on earth, with corruption at the end of it, was nothing as compared with a sudden heaven. In the noontide of life Enoch, the youngest of all the patriarchs, abandoned this earth and God has given him five thousand years in a better world.

So the Holy Ghost now draws a general lesson of the utmost practical and prophetic importance to us. The pleasure given to God by the translation is not the mere act of conversion, but a life of devotion. So the Old Testament phrase is: "Enoch walked with God" (Gen. 5:24) in continuous well-pleasing. It was his *walk* that preceded his *removal*. Notice also that *he changed his place but not his company.* For "without faith it is impossible to be well-pleasing unto Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder (a Renderer of reward, says Alford) of them that diligently seek Him." "God removed Enoch in so unusual a manner from the earth that all might know how dear he was to the heart of God." To a life of extraordinary merit God granted extra-

ordinary reward: he became Enoch the immortalized because he had been Enoch the sanctified. The very name Enoch means *dedicated, consecrated, separated.* So our Lord says, "Watch ye and pray always, that ye may be *accounted worthy* to escape."

"Behold I come quickly, and my *reward* is with Me, to render to each according as his work is." Rev. 12:12. Had not God designed to do Enoch special honor? It would have been easy to deliver him from the coming tribulation by ordinary death, as He did Methuselah. It has been said that the utmost reach some Christians attain is that they are pardoned criminals, but Enoch is one of the few men in the Bible against whom no sin is recorded. "In all ages it has been universally acknowledged that no higher honor was ever publicly bestowed on any man on earth than that bestowed on Enoch and Elijah. This exalted honor was evidently given to illustrate the unalterable principle that God *remarkably* honors those who are specially honoring to God."

"Not without Enoch's *faith*, let us rest assured, shall we be deemed worthy of an Enoch's translation. Not without Enoch's *walk* shall we be found among the wise and ready virgins. Not without Enoch's *testimony* concerning the coming of the King and Judge shall the precious promise to the Philadelphian Church (Rev. 3:10) be made good to us." Making supplication "*at every season to prevail*" is much more than regeneration, the work of a moment. One scholar's translation is very suggestive: "Take heed to yourselves in case your hearts get overpowered by dissipation and drunkenness, and worldly anxieties, and so that day catches you suddenly as a trap: from hour to hour keep awake, praying that you may succeed in escaping all these dangers to come, and in standing before the Son of man."

So now we see that all concentrates on the walk with God. The expression, "walked with God," occurs only three times in the Bible: of Enoch, type of the heavenly deliverance, *before* the Flood; and of Noah, type of the Jewish escape, *through* the Flood. It is recorded once of Noah (Gen. 4:9), but of Enoch twice (Gen. 5:22-24). For both Israel and the Church there will be no deliverance without a walk with God.

There is an exquisite beauty about the phrase, "Enoch walked with God." It implies close intimacy and unbroken communion—an agreement of mind and purpose, a union of heart and soul, a sympathy of sentiment and affection. "Can two walk together except they be *agreed*?" Amos 3:3. It means a lonely life for Enoch walked with God when all men were walking contrary to God. Nothing in the world is more valuable than the ability to walk alone, for it is the supreme prerequisite to walking with God. The man who walks with God becomes exceedingly sensitive to criticisms of Christ, and exceedingly sensitive to the inevitableness of judgment. Jude 15. The

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universal ungodliness obsessed Enoch like a nightmare (Jude 15), exactly as it did Elijah. Rom. 11:3. It is most remarkable that the only two men ever translated before Christ were each distinguished for extreme loneliness, and for fearless testimony in an age of dominant wickedness. The man who stands alone for right is the man whom God delights to honor.

It is an extraordinary comfort that Enoch's sole recorded distinction is his *goodness*. He was no administrator like Moses, nor warrior like David, nor statesman like Daniel. He was no hero of splendid exploits or world-shaking achievements. Enoch, the great type of the catching away of the saints in our present day, was simply an ordinary man filled with remarkable goodness. He was a morning star flooded with the light of the still unrisen Sun.

The law in the natural realm—that like attracts like—rules also in the spiritual: *heaven attracts the most heavenly*: until, in the set design of God, acting upon ever-deepening heavenliness of character the mighty magnet suddenly works (Mark 4:29), and the present day Enochs are gone.

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God above the most exalted love of the creature. Is this not satisfaction and an hundred-fold?

But notice the cause for which the separation is to take place. Not for personal gain, but for Jesus' sake, that He may be loved, honored, and worshiped. Have you made separations wholly for His sake? Have you given up something that was precious to you because you counted Him more precious still? Does your life, with its friendships, and its desires honor Him? And have you come out from among the things which His Word has bidden that we be separated from for the gospel's sake? The faithful make many sacrifices that they might adorn the gospel.

Recently a man of God was given tickets to a local fair, but refused to use them, not because he felt he would be contaminated were he to attend, for he would avoid the concessions and things which would hurt spiritually, but because he thought of his influence and what it might mean to others were they to see him taking in the exhibits. In all our decisions we need to remember that we are living for the gospel's sake, and for the sake of the gospel there are separations and denials of ourselves, often of things which might not seem to hurt us, but where our example might influence others wrongly. Through us the gospel is to be furthered, adorned, beautified, and dignified. We are to live, not for self, but for Christ.

Think of the reward of separated self-denial. We shall forever be with the Lord. We shall hear Him say, "Well done thou good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Such is the blessed truth; such is the reward to the one who hears the voice of God, submits to His call, separates from evil, yields his all, and walks in fellowship with our blessed Christ Jesus.

Reality and Romance

A True Story Retold by Charles Elmo Robinson

Kenyon A. Palmer, traveling representative of the Gideons sitting in my office learned that I am interested in true stories that will interest readers of the Evangel. He told me two which I shall repeat to you: He said:

"When I was fourteen years old I became an earnest, active Christian. At least I united with the church and was a busy church worker until I was fifty years of age. At that time one day I sat in a restaurant across from a boy, possibly nineteen years of age. I noticed that when his order came he bowed his head over his food and I could see his lips moving.

"This put me under deep conviction, for I knew he was giving God thanks for his food; and I felt sure there must be some force in his life that was not in mine which made him willing to do such a thing in a public place such as that. I did not speak to him, and he never knew that I had observed him; but the incident set me to seeking the Lord. I found that I had never been saved. I gave my heart and life to Christ and He blessed me with the new birth. I have been a real Christian since then."

That was one story. The other one goes this way:

"A prayer circle was accustomed to meet in the home of Mrs. Jackson in Los Angeles, and I was a member of the circle. It was one of the practices of that prayer circle to send a birthday greetings card to the attendants on their birthdays. Mrs. Jackson had a dear friend named Garr. Just before my birthday Mrs. Jackson said to Miss Garr, 'March 21 is Mr. Palmer's birthday. Will you please send him a birthday greetings card.' Miss Garr, although she said she didn't know me very well promised to send it. She meant to

get the card Wednesday afternoon at the Bible store, the prayer circle meeting being Wednesday night.

"She went down town Wednesday afternoon and made some purchases in a department store. When she had finished she asked the young woman who had waited on her if she would go home with her to supper. After supper she and the clerk went to the prayer circle, and there the young woman was converted. It developed that the clerk was separated from her husband, and that her husband was living in San Francisco.

"When Miss Garr got home from the prayer meeting and was getting ready for bed she remembered my birthday card that she had forgotten to get, and said to the Lord whom she knew so well, 'What shall I do?' The still small voice said, 'Take the letters of Mr. Palmer's name and make an acrostic, filling each letter of his name with a text.' She replied, 'But Lord I do not know his first name.' The still small voice said, 'Call him up and he will tell you his first name.' 'I could never call him up and ask him his name, Lord,' she said. 'You will not need to ask him his name,' the Lord said. 'Call him up and he will tell you his name without your having to ask him.'

"So she rang my 'phone and when I answered it Miss Garr said, 'Mr. Palmer, your business takes you to San Francisco doesn't it?' I said, 'Yes, it does.' She said, 'Do you know a Christian man in San Francisco to whom I could write concerning the husband of this young woman who was saved at the meeting tonight. He is somewhere in San Francisco, and if he could also come to know the Lord as his Saviour, then with the Lord Jesus Christ as the Head of their home these two could live together as they should.'

"I replied, 'Oh, Miss Garr I am glad you called me for I know the very man. His last name is exactly the same as my first name. KENYON! I spelled it out for her. 'He knows the Lord,' I continued, 'in a very real way, and you need not hesitate at all in writing him.'

"When Miss Garr heard his name spelled out she gasped and said, 'Oh, Mr. Palmer we have such a wonderful Saviour. I cannot talk any more tonight for I must go right in and thank Him for a marvelous answer to prayer.'

"That is the story. There is a sequel to it too, for in one year from that time I acted as best man at the wedding between Miss Garr and Mr. Kenyon."



Cause me to know
the way wherein I
should walk.

Psalm 143:8

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Pentecost in Central America

Melvin L. Hodges at the Interstate Camp Meeting, Springfield, Mo.

Central America is not as far away as some mission fields. Just below Mexico there are six little republics having no political connection with each other. In these American republics live about 6,000,000 people, who have a mixture of Spanish and Indian blood, and also pure Indian people. The Spanish language is spoken.

We have had the privilege of working in El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras, but our main labor has been in Nicaragua. God is blessing in a wonderful way. These people of Central America have their own songs in their own language. It has been a wonderful blessing to me and a blessing to them, for they do sing those songs which God has given them. I remember it was so wonderful to me—one of my first experiences there, as I went out into the country. I was trying to sleep in a hammock, and all night long it seemed these believers kept singing and singing. I went to sleep at about twelve o'clock with those glorious songs ringing in my ears, and in the morning I awakened to their songs as they were singing unto God. They have not passed beyond the singing stage of their Pentecostal experience and I hope they never will.

Millions are dying without the knowledge and without the light of the gospel of Jesus Christ, however it is also true that where God's Word has gone forth in Central America great things have been done for the Lord. Before we can appreciate what the light of the gospel means to these people, we have to take a little glimpse at the condition in which they are found before the gospel reaches them. Throughout Central America the average man with a family makes between sixteen and twenty cents of our money a day. That is not much. To support a family on that amount is not easy. As in all pagan countries there is filth, poverty, ignorance, and also terrible sin, drunkenness, vice and immorality on every side. So when the Lord saves those people there is nothing like it in all the world, to hear them sing, "Saviour mine, I truly love Thee."

I was talking to a man whom I had baptized and he began to tell me something of his former life. He said, "Brother, I was a very bad man." He went on to tell how he used to drink so much. He rolled up his sleeve and said, "Look here." His arms were covered with scars, with cuts. Others told me the man had been a terrible character, everyone around was afraid of him before the gospel came into his life. Now the drink is gone, the fight is gone, and now he does not kill people any more because the glorious light of the gospel of Jesus Christ has come into his heart, and he sings, "Saviour mine, I truly love Thee."

I never shall forget the time I had the privilege of attending a little service in El Salvador. Back in the hills we went to visit this little church. It was a church with just a straw roof. When church time came,

people crowded in until there were perhaps 150 people gathered together and the place was filled to capacity. We did not have a very good light—just about the light a match could give. A little pitch burning is the only light they have, but bless the Lord, there is a brighter light that fills the heart of men—it is the light of the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ and the light of the Spirit of God. What a wonderful service we had singing and praising God.

The pastor told me about that church. He said before the gospel came it was not safe for a man to go out in the country at night. He said there were too many killings. People were being killed every week. But now even the women can walk down the street and not be molested. There are only two families in this whole community that are not Pentecostal Christians, and they come to church. Glory to God! I do not say that this is the condition everywhere; but it is the condition in some parts where God's gospel has gone forth.

I believe God's Spirit is moving in these days in a special way. There is one incident that as far as I know no missionary or native worker had a hand in. God did it as a sovereign work of grace. We went into Honduras where we heard that God was blessing although we had had no missionary there up to this time. We found that God was blessing more than we had hoped to see. About three years ago there had been a work there of another denomination working that territory, and doing a good work to a certain extent. In a town where there was no established work was a man who was a believer, and he was seeking the Lord. God laid it upon his heart to pray for a revival. He called in two others to pray with him and they

prayed for several days. The outcome of it was that that man—although he had never been in a Pentecostal meeting or seen anyone baptized with the Holy Ghost—was filled with the Holy Spirit. He called in others and God began to send a little revival to them there.

Two years went by. This man after he had received the Spirit got in touch in some way with our workers in El Salvador. He wrote a letter to them and said, "Could you send somebody to teach us about this way?" The brethren prayed about it, and finally, as this particular town is not occupied by a gospel worker except this man that had received the Baptism, one native worker felt led of God to go. He worked with them for two years, and at the end of that time thirteen people in the town had received the Baptism in the Spirit.

Then they said, "This is the day of good tidings, and if we hold our peace we do not know what will happen to us. We had better tell our brethren about what God has been doing for us." And so, as they were not members of our church they explained to the heads of their denominational church that was working in that part of the country, and gave them an invitation to visit the town. One pastor was particularly sympathetic because he had been in El Salvador many years before and had heard something about this Pentecostal experience. He said, "Come into my church, and we will put on a prayer meeting and ask God to bless us." The result was that in three months 150 people had received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost and God sent a gracious and glorious revival to that section. When we went there about a year ago, we counted 335 Pentecostal believers without a missionary present, and only one native worker working in the different towns. There was a real spirit of revival.

But in one place in particular the missionary of that denomination felt called upon to oppose the work of God. He made the biggest mistake possible. He said, "I will take your building away from you," and tried to force them to give up the place. They said just as sweetly as you please, "Take the building, praise the Lord!" They left him with the empty building—absolutely empty. They built another one in the town. In that community practically every person is a Pentecostal believer. "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord." Glory be to God!

So God has been pleased to do a wonderful work among those simple, ignorant people, and has blessed them in a wonderful way. But oh, there is so much left to do. I cannot sit down and say I am satisfied with what God has done. Even in El Salvador where there are something like forty self-supporting assemblies, even where the work is strongest, perhaps half of the country is still untouched by the



I will hope continually, and will yet praise Thee more and more.

Psalm 71:14

gospel. Probably three fifths of the country is untouched. In Honduras we have just started. In Nicaragua we have a great section where there is no other denomination; so it is particularly an Assemblies of God field where we work. There is a large section where there is not a church of any denomination except those little churches that God has led us to form in the last three years. So we have much to do. It is not a time to sit down. It is not a time for people to fold their hands and say, "It is all right." It is a time to make a fresh consecration to God and say, "Forward for Jesus."

Her Milk Bottles

A True Story by Helen J. Purfield

For some years I have put tracts and Christian papers into the milk bottles I set out for the milkman. For four years I have put them into every bottle. Two years ago the fifth of April my milkman had come for his pay for the month's milk. When the bill had been paid he said to me:

"Is it you who puts tracts into the milk bottles?"

When I assured him I was the one he said: "I read them. I like to read them. I read them over and over. I read my Bible. I like to read it. My brother is a Christian, but I am not."

I said, "WHY NOT?" and he answered away down in his throat, "Oh, sometime." I said:

"Do you know there are millions in hell today who said, 'Sometime'? Suppose you loved a lady and asked her to be your wife, and she put you off; and again you asked her and again she put you off; and this was repeated time after time. How should you feel?"

His face took on the picture of despair. I said, "That is how Jesus feels when you put Him off."

"Oh," he said, "I never thought of that." I reached into my desk and took out a crown of thorns and put it in his hands saying, "And they platted a crown of thorns and put it on His head, and took a reed and smote Him on the head." That was for you and me. And Isaiah says that His face was marred more than the sons of men. The blood ran down His face."

Standing right there that milkman gave his heart to Jesus. As he accepted Christ he received the new birth.

The next April 4 another milkman was getting his pay, and I told him this story, word for word, and added:

"My husband when he was learning the carpenter's trade in England was asked by one of the men if he would go to a revival with him that night. At the close of the meeting they were standing and singing, 'Just as I am without one plea, but that Thy blood was shed for me, and that Thou bidst me come to Thee: Oh, Lamb of God, I come, I come.'"

As I finished telling him this he also accepted Christ as he stood there at my door. Six months later I learned that they were father and son. They still bring me milk and I still give them tracts in the bottles. When I ask them, "You are sticking close to Jesus aren't you?" you should see their faces as they assure me that they are.

A Study of the Book of Romans

Myer Pearlman

When Phoebe, a deaconess of the church of Cenchrea, left for Rome she carried under her cloak the future of Christian theology, for she was the bearer of Paul's letter to the Romans that someone has called, "The cathedral of Christian doctrine."

The theme is stated in Rom. 1:16, 17. The epistle is written to explain the what? why? and how? of the gospel. The central subject is, "The righteousness of God." How may one be right in the sight of God? What kind of goodness or righteousness does God endorse as a passport to heaven?

GOOD NEWS

THE BRIDGE HOLDS

On November 7 the Tacoma Narrows suspension bridge, which joined Tacoma and the Olympic Peninsula, fell with a tremendous roar into Puget Sound. This bridge cost \$6,400,000 and was considered very strong and secure, but it was not strong enough to weather the gale that swept over the Sound that day.

The Bible predicts a great gale in days to come. Jeremiah speaks of the whirlwind going forth from the Lord "with fury, a continuing whirlwind." He tells us, "It shall fall with pain upon the head of the wicked." Jer. 30:23.

When the winds of God's judgment come they will sweep away all the bridges that man may seek to erect between earth and heaven. No bridge of "Well, I am doing the best I can" will avail when God's gales of judgment sweep over the earth.

Sven Lidman, the converted Swedish novelist, wrote in one of his later books of a good woman who carried on a little orphanage work on faith lines. He says, "She lay in a coma, and all those by her bedside thought she had actually passed over. Suddenly she opened her eyes and looking on her relatives with a smile, said, 'Greet the friends, and tell them that the *Bridge holds*.' Then she shut her eyes and crossed over the chasm which separates us from the next world."

The name of that Bridge is Jesus. He says, "I am the way, the truth, and the life:" and He tells us, "no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me." John 14:6. He is the only Bridge to God. All others will fail. But if you are trusting in this Bridge, this One who died for your sins and rose again to make you righteous, you will find at the last that as it was revealed to this Swedish woman, "*the Bridge holds*."

There is an old song that was written in the eighth century, that tells us something concerning this Bridge that crosses the Jordan River:

Art thou weary, art thou languid,
Art thou sore distressed?
"Come to Me," saith One, "and coming,
Be at rest!"

If I still hold closely to Him
What hath He at last?
Sorrow vanquished, labor ended,
Jordan past.

If I ask Him to receive me,
Will He say me nay?
Not till earth and not till heaven
Pass away.

What is God's idea of a good man? How may one secure the character that is worthy of heaven? These questions are answered in the book of Romans.

Paul first shuts up the entire human race in the prison house of sin and proves that both Jew and Gentile are under condemnation. How shall they be released? Neither their conscience nor the law can impart the goodness that God accepts. Then what hope is there for mankind? Through Jesus the sinner obtains as a free gift the righteousness that justifies him in the sight of God.

The sinner is now released from Condemnation Prison. Now, does this mean that a man can live as he pleases? No, answers Paul. In the 6th chapter he points out that the man is united to Jesus by faith and has made a definite break with sin. It may be described as a death to sin, and this is the thought symbolized in water baptism. Henceforth a Christian must reckon himself dead indeed into sin and alive unto God.

Romans 7 describes a raging conflict in the heart of a man who wants to do right but he feels a sinful nature frustrating his efforts. Who shall deliver him in this struggle? The answer is found in Romans 8, where victory is assured through the Holy Spirit. It is not sufficient to be dead to sin and to abstain from that which is wrong; one must also live a positive life of service. This brings us to the practical section of Romans (Chapters 12-16) which has as its keynote, "I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice. . . ."

God loves the importunate pleader, and sends him answers that would never have been granted but for the persistency that refuses to let go until the petition craved for is granted.—E. M. Bounds.

Last-Minute Shopping

Many of our readers live in the Middle States. They will receive this issue in time to do last-minute Christmas shopping. Appropriate gifts are shown in this and previous issues of your paper if you still have them. Send your order at once and, if you ask us, we will wrap your gift in varicolored Christmas paper, attach a presentation card, "To....., From....." The gift will be mailed postpaid to your loved one or friend. Also, remember the **Pentecostal Evangel** or **C. A. Herald** are appropriate gifts.—Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Missouri.

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What's News in the Missions Department

Open for Meetings

Elsie Reese who returned from Southwest China about eighteen months ago feels that there is considerable uncertainty as to when she will be able to return and therefore will be devoting her time to evangelistic work as openings may occur. We feel that our Sister Reese would also be helpful in the conducting of missionary meetings.

Miss Reese has been severely tested in her body owing to a most trying term of service in China and would appreciate the prayers of God's people for full deliverance.

We can highly recommend her to any assembly and trust she may be given strength in her work for God. She may be reached at 310 Hawkins Ave., North Braddock, Pennsylvania.

Temporary Pastorate

In view of the unsettled conditions in the Far East it has been deemed advisable for Brother and Sister Gripp to wait until next year before proceeding to Ceylon. Funds that have been sent in for them will be held to their credit and will be available for their transportation and support whenever the time arrives that it may seem wise for them to proceed on their way. Brother and Sister Gripp have settled temporarily in pastoral work at Benson, Minn.

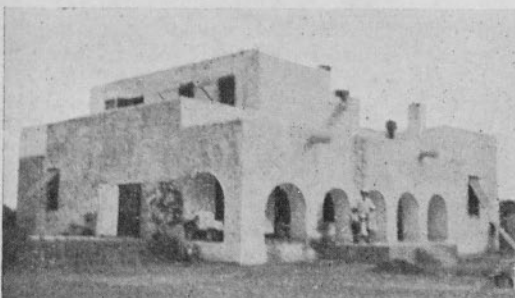
Through the Mails

In these days when mails are uncertain and interrupted we are endeavoring to utilize our Evangel pages as a means of communication between our missionaries and their friends and contributors in the homeland. A letter from H. L. Griffin under date of October 15 reported all well and safe in the Congo. By the same mail came word from H. C. Osgood in Southwest China that all is well with the missionaries there and meetings are being carried on as usual despite the effect of war conditions.

MISSION HOUSE COMPLETED

Brother and Sister Harold Jones are rejoicing in the completion of the new mission house at Koudougou, French West Africa. To look at the picture would you imagine it was made out of native sun-dried brick? It is the first house in that section built with an upstairs room. This room will provide sleeping accommodation which is cooler, more free from dust, and also safer for Mrs. Jones and the children when her husband is away.

Mrs. Jones writes, "God has been blessing and souls are being saved. There has been a wonderful response among the Gournsey tribe. Brother Jones spends his week ends in the bush country, but with the care of the children I have found it impossible to do very much village work, so began to pray that God would send



New Mission House, Koudougou, French West Africa

to the compound those who were hungry for the gospel.

Prayer Answered

"The following Sunday morning our service started with the usual group of Christians but soon visitors began pouring in until the chapel was crowded. They returned for the afternoon meeting in even greater numbers and stayed on until the sun started down, when being weary we were forced to request them to leave and return the next day. They went out, but instead of leaving sat down by the wall and our Christian boys again preached to them the message of salvation. God has promised that His Word shall not return void.

"Spinal meningitis is taking its toll among the natives here. Several thousand died last year in a district south of here, but not one Christian. Pray with us that God will again prove His keeping power."

YOUNG MISSIONARY CALLED TO HIS REWARD



The announcement made in the last issue of the Evangel concerning the death of Ernest Paul Lindholm, missionary under our appointment to the Belgian Congo, will have come no doubt as a shock to many friends of our beloved brother who was young both in years and in missionary service.

Brother Lindholm was born in Turlock, California, August 24, 1907, and passed away in the Congo on November 28, 1940. He was a graduate of Glad Tidings Bible Institute and for four years prior to sailing for the field held a license with the New England District. For some time he pastored a church at Milo, Maine.

In June, 1939 he was united in marriage to Grace Wallace. A few months later the couple sailed for the Belgian Congo, locating soon after arrival at Nobe together with Gladys Taylor and Angeline Pierce. At this new station Brother Lindholm has taken charge of building construction, in addition to language study and other missionary activities.

The cable sent to us from the Congo conveyed no further information other than the brief message, "Ernest Lindholm with Jesus." We sorrow not for our departed brother, but we do think of the one out on the foreign field who has been left a widow, with the care of a six months old baby. Our sympathy is extended to Mrs. Lindholm and our prayers surround her, that through the deep waters of affliction she may realize that comfort which the God of all comfort and grace alone can supply.

REFUGEE WORK

"Do not cease to pray for the dear suffering Chinese people in these days of great distress," write Brother and Sister Perdue who have been carrying on refugee work in Canton, South China. "We are still feeding over two hundred daily with supplies obtained from the International Red Cross. One of our Bible school students has been operating a first aid station. So many of the Chinese are suffering with terrible leg sores and other tropical skin diseases, and through this ministry to their physical

needs he has had opportunity to tell them of the Great Physician who can heal all our souls' diseases.

"We are thanking God for fifty who have been baptized during the past year and a half at Big East Gate Assembly in Canton. When we returned here last year the membership totalled eight.

"The church at Sai Naam, newly purchased and dedicated as a memorial to the Led-betters, was completely destroyed by fire caused when incendiary bombs were released before Japanese troops landed. You will be glad to know however, that we have now rented suitable quarters and have commenced ministering to the Christians who have returned. At Sai Naam we are feeding over a hundred needy ones each day from mission funds. Rice is still exorbitant in price, and we cannot do as much as we desire.

"We wish to express our most sincere thanks to all who have helped and once more ask that you continue to pray for us and for these Chinese sufferers."

MEXICO GIRLS BIBLE SCHOOL

Our little school was opened the first day of November. Before the opening we had two days of prayer when the Lord baptized two of our young women in the Holy Spirit. Altogether we have fourteen students, and we pray that God will permit them to graduate and become effective workers in His service. Our country greatly needs gospel workers at this time.—Rodolfo C. Orozco.

"The Poor Ye Have Always with You"

Helen Gustavson and Chrystal Ladner

Jesus said, "For ye have the poor always with you." Matthew 26:11. How often we have read this familiar verse while in America and complacently considered ourselves among that number, rejoicing that we were among the countless "common people" who heard Him gladly and who were truly saved. Yet to learn the fullest meaning of the word POOR we had to come to China. Here during these years we have seen life reduced to its lowest terms, poverty unknown, unheard of in God-blessed America. Every large city, town and country village has its full quota of helpless human beings, devoid of much that we consider the necessities of life.

Never a day passes but what we see them, the poorest of the poor who comprise so large a part of China's millions. Some are outright beggars and roam the streets continually.



Poor—but happy in their Saviour. Christians of Tsinan Assembly, Shantung, China.

Clothed in filthy rags, bodies crusted with sores, dirt, and vermin, they seek to eke out an existence at the mercy of the passer-by—pitiful wrecks of humanity! These beggars constitute only a negligible part of the worthy poor, for theirs is a life of meaningless indolence, while the common laborer of China toils with extreme fortitude and patience—and his reward? The simplest of food, a small brick home, families who must accept their lot, and ever more toil!

A Gospel for All

It has been our privilege in Tsinan, Shantung, to bring the gospel to these people as well as to the business and more fortunate classes. We find the common people, those who bear the heavy burdens of life, by far the most responsive to the gospel message.

Among our congregation we have all classes of people. A doctor and dentist with their respective families are in our number. We have several fine business men, three of whom are our leading Christians and take an active part in Christian service. We also appreciate a prominent retired postal official and family who regularly attend our services.

However, if you should join us in a Sunday morning service you would find the common folk in the majority, and women far outnumbering the men. Our women dressed in neat plain blue or black trousers and jackets practically fill one side of the chapel. Behind them, and sometimes in front, sit the poorest of the poor. Here you see them in the picture—five women to whom poverty is the only known existence—born in it, raised in it, and now well advanced in years, hopelessly resigned to it. Two of these women are blind as result of neglect and the unsanitary conditions in which they live. One comfort they do have—a comfort which this world cannot give—a precious Saviour who is no respecter of persons.

A Responsibility

From the beginning our Christians in the Tsinan Assembly have had much teaching concerning giving and their responsibility to the poorest of our flock. A special monthly offering is taken up and distributed among the poor. We are reminded of James 2:14-17, for how can we say, "Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled," notwithstanding we give them not those things which are needful to the body? The cry of the needy comes to us. What can we do to help them? Jesus said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matthew 25:40.

OUR INDIA-BOUND PARTY

Violet Schoonmaker writes from Kobe, Japan, where our India-bound missionary party was delayed for several weeks awaiting steamship accommodation to continue on their way to India:

"It is over a month since we set sail from Seattle and instead of nearing the coast of India as we had hoped to be doing by this

time we are delayed here in Japan for a whole month.

"The voyage across was a rough, stormy one. We struck the tail end of two typhoons and our little boat was often almost half submerged by the waves. We cried to the Lord to lay us upon the hearts of praying friends in America—and we believe He did.

"We are staying in a missionary home here in Kobe. The rooms are crowded with missionaries from China, Manchuria, and Japan. Boats are coming and going daily so our family here is scarcely ever the same two days at a time. Ruth and Paul are making good use of their time with the study of Hindi, in which I am helping them several hours daily.

"We hope to sail on November 21 and expect to reach India in time for Christmas.

To Friends in the Homeland

"I look back over the past year and a half with you at home as one of the happiest times of my life. We can never forget the great kindness shown to us and the good times we had together. We are counting upon your prayers as we go out in search of His other lost sheep. It will cost us all something, some



Group of Missionaries at Convention, Battle Creek, Mich. (This picture was taken by the photographer of the local newspaper at Battle Creek.)

of our own life's blood perhaps—but it is worth the cost.

"Remember that mail takes nearly three months to reach us, so do not be dismayed if you write to us and do not receive prompt answers. We know not what awaits us in the coming days, but He has said He would be with us and we go forward abiding in His love."

MISSIONARY CONVENTION BATTLE CREEK, MICHIGAN

Pastor S. Raymond Fostekeew reports the blessing of the Lord upon the Fifth Annual Missionary Convention at Battle Creek. The convention was held during the last ten days of an evangelistic campaign conducted by Evangelist Anna Berg, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

The following missionaries were present at the convention: Ida Beck, from Palestine; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Holleman, from India; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Tanner, from Africa; Arthur Johnson and Elsie Reese, from Southwest China. The ministry of these workers proved a real blessing and the means of inspiring a greater vision of the needs in the regions beyond. At the close of the convention pledges were taken for the coming year amounting to \$5,550.00—an increase over last year.

Every Assembly

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World Missionary Map

One of the most valuable helps the Missions Department has to offer to our assemblies for the encouraging of missionary interest and vision is the world missionary map.

These have been prepared especially for our use, with the Assemblies of God mission stations indicated in red. They are attractively colored, prepared on heavy canvas with wooden rollers at top and bottom and cloth tapes at the top for hanging. The size is 5½ feet wide by 3½ feet high.

The maps have adapted themselves to a variety of uses not only in assemblies in this country but also by some of our missionaries for the work on the field. On several occasions they have been converted into District Missionary Maps by means of an arrangement of the pictures of missionaries from that particular district as a border, with colored tapes running to the respective stations where the missionaries are laboring. Assemblies have employed

the maps in like manner, using pictures of missionaries from their own group.

An Attractive Offer

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addressed to the Foreign Missions Department, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.

BACK IN HAWAII

"It is so good to be back in dear old Hawaii," writes Bernice Strickland. "When Jane Horino and I arrived, there was a fine delegation down at the boat to greet us with a warm welcome. Sister Horino is very happy here and we feel that she is going to fit into the work well. She speaks ordinary conversational Japanese nicely, but it seems that there is a certain type of language used in preaching which is different from the ordinary conversation. Pray that she may be able to acquire this quickly.

"While in the homeland I asked prayer on several occasions for the two little Japanese boys who live with us. God has really been working in their lives, creating a greater desire for the Lord. They both play ukuleles in our little stringed orchestra, and one of them seems to be making special progress, attending prayer meetings with us regularly and taking part in the young people's services. Please continue to pray for them. We also ask you to remember in prayer some of our young people who have slipped away from the Lord."

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

The Outpouring at Cesarea

Lesson for December 29; Lesson Text: Acts 10.

Thus far, in our study of the Acts, we have seen the gospel preached in Jerusalem and Judea by Peter and others. It had been preached in Samaria by Phillip. But Christ's command had been to preach it to "all nations." Matt. 28:19. Yet standing in the way of fulfillment of this part of the commission lay what seemed humanly speaking, an insurmountable barrier—the Jews thought the gospel was exclusively for them and would have no dealings with the Gentiles whom they considered unclean and with whom they would not eat because the Gentile's food was not prepared in accordance with the law of Moses! The thrilling story of how this centuries-old prejudice was broken down is told in our lesson.

A SEEKING GENTILE. vv. 1-8.

Observe concerning Cornelius: (1) He was a Roman army officer, (2) a "devout man" probably a convert to Judaism who had influenced his entire household to follow his example. (3) He was a God-fearing man but not yet a Christian. Christianity is religion, but all religion is not Christianity! But though he did not yet know Christ, Cornelius's moral earnestness, simple faith, and genuine humility puts many a Christian to shame! (4) To those who live up to all the light they have, more shall be given! Cornelius was conscious of the lack in his life and was praying and fasting about it (Acts 10:30) when suddenly an angel appeared to him saying, "Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God." What a statement! What about our prayers, alms, fastings? Are we, by them, causing joy in heaven? Are we gladdening the heart of God with such memorials sent up to Him? (5) The angel did not explain to Cornelius the way of salvation. That was not HIS job! But he did tell Cornelius where he could get a preacher. Again notice the explicitness of the instructions (vv. 5, 6). The leadings of the Spirit are definite!

A PRAYING JEW. vv. 9-23a.

His praying. vv. 9, 10. God works at both ends of the line. Cornelius was preparing his hungry heart; God was preparing the preacher. While Mrs. Simon, the tanner's wife, was preparing dinner, Peter was on the housetop praying. Praying about what? Undoubtedly about this matter of how to carry the gospel to the Gentiles. In the Bible burdens, prayers, and revelations generally go together. See Dan. 9:1-22.

His vision. vv. 11-13. Picture in your mind the vision. The sheet represents the world; the various kinds of animals symbolize the nations of the world. Peter is told to eat of these animals.

His reaction. vv. 14-16. Peter was horrified at the thought of eating meat forbidden by the Law and classed as "unclean." Leviticus 11. He said, "Not so, Lord." "What a contradiction!" says Dr. Scroggie, "Whosoever says, 'not so,' should never add 'Lord'; and whoever truly says, 'Lord,' never will say 'not so.' It is not for the servant to dictate to the master."

Peter protested that he had never eaten anything common or unclean, whereupon he was told to call nothing common or unclean that God had cleansed. The vision was thrice repeated, then vanished, leaving Peter wondering as to its meaning.

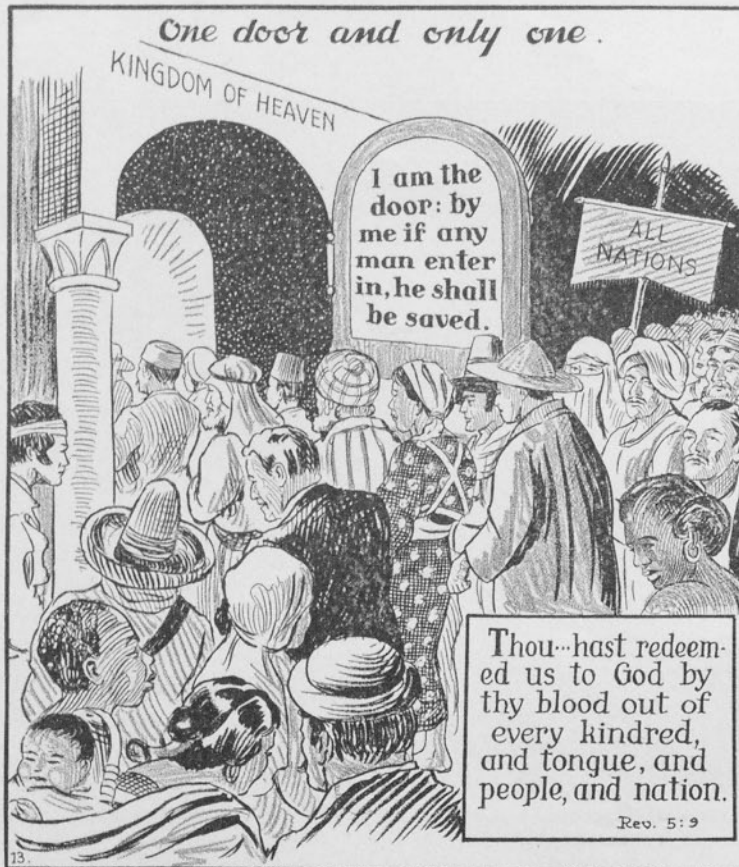
His visitors. vv. 17-23a. God times things perfectly. While Peter was pondering the meaning of the vision, the messengers from Cornelius ar-

rived. The Spirit told Peter they had come and that he was to go with them. When Peter learned that he was to go to the home of a Gentile, he must have felt that the plot was thickening!

Remember that God was leading both Cornelius and Peter in the dark. Cornelius, a Roman, is told to send for Peter, a Jew; Peter is taught to call nothing unclean that God has cleansed, but doesn't understand yet what it's all about; he is told to go to a Gentile home, but knows not why nor what he is to do when he gets there; yet everything dovetails together beautifully! Rom. 8:28. The lesson—IT PAYS TO OBEY GOD EVEN IN THE DARK!

THE JEW PREACHES TO THE GENTILE. vv. 23b-43.

Cornelius was not thinking only of himself in his search for God. When Peter arrived in the



home of the centurion, he found that he had gathered relatives and friends to hear what Peter had to say. As Peter heard Cornelius' side of the story, he began to see more clearly why God had dealt with him so strangely, and realized that before him were hungry hearts whereupon he began his sermon.

The introduction. vv. 34, 35. Read these verses. What a change had taken place in Peter's attitude! He did not mean that all religions are alike in God's sight, but all nations. Peter had been guilty of race prejudice, sectarianism, and religious bigotry. He had bundled up in a sheet all men such as Cornelius, all nations but his own, and held them in contempt. Have we been guilty of ever sharing Peter's attitude? How like some of us! We bundle up in sheets entire nations and consider their people inferior to us and less deserving of God's attention; we call them by nicknames which express our contempt. Whole denominations of churches are included in our sheets and we lord it over them in spiritual pride and bigotry, saying, "Can any good thing come out of any religious body but our own?" The man next door, the woman in the next pew, the underprivileged and down trodden who have never enjoyed the privileges we have had—all these

are sometimes brought under our scorn and included in our sheet. The sinner and backslider are there too. We look down on them and say, "Lord, I thank thee that I am not as other men." But when we get a vision of the illimitable grace of our God, we say with Peter, "Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons. But in every nation, and church, and denomination, among all classes of people, and especially among those I used to think of as beasts and consider impossible, God has those who fear Him, love Him, obey Him, and are accepted in His sight." See Acts 17:26; Rev. 5:9.

The sermon. vv. 36-43. Peter's sermon is a masterpiece, brief yet including the whole gospel in a nutshell. His theme was CHRIST—His divine appointment and anointing, His earthly ministry, His rejection, His atoning death, His triumphant resurrection, and His ability and willingness to save anyone and everyone.

THE EFFECT OF THE JEW'S PREACHING TO THE GENTILES. vv. 44-48.

Upon Cornelius and his household. "Whosoever believeth in Him shall receive remission of sins"—this was the word the Gentiles had been waiting for! As fast as Peter proclaimed the truth, they took it to heart. And the moment they accepted this last word, they were not only saved but filled with the Spirit. Note: Receiving salvation and the gift of the Holy Ghost need not take long! God is ready to give as soon as we believe, obey, and take!

Upon the Jews. v. 45. Why were the Jews astonished? "Because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost." What convinced them that these Gentiles actually had received? The fact that they heard them speak with tongues! The "for" in verse 46 shows that Peter recognized speaking with tongues by the Holy Spirit as the initial, physical evidence of the Baptism in the Spirit!

Upon the Gentiles. v. 45. Why were the 48. But what is the real climax of the story? When Peter and the six men he had wisely taken with him as witnesses (Acts 11:12; 2 Cor. 13:1) saw that the Gentiles had been filled with the Spirit, they knew beyond all doubt that they were saved (compare v. 47 with 11:15-18)! These Gentiles were then baptized in water and recognized as a part of the body of Christ. Thus, the middle wall of partition between Jew and Gentile was broken down (see Eph. 2:11-22) and the way was made clear for the spread-

ing of the gospel to all the nations of the world! —J. Bashford Bishop.

WHAT IS YOUR ATTITUDE?

An Oriental traveler says that on one occasion he offered a piece of money to an Arab beggar with the request that he run a short errand for him. "Judge of my astonishment," he remarked, "when the beggar drew himself up in his dirty blanket and said: 'I don't run errands. My business is to solicit alms.'" We may well ask ourselves if the attitude of the Oriental beggar is not, in a measure, frequently typical of our own attitude before God. We are ready enough to ask Him for favors, but are surprised that He expects us to render any service in return.

WITH THE LORD

Report has come to us of the home going of Brother J. Monroe Graham, who passed away on November 27, 1940, in Columbus, Ga. Brother Graham was one of the old pioneer preachers, and did a great work in the Southeastern section of the country. He was at the time of his passing pastor of the assembly at Hattiesburg, Miss. May the Lord uphold and sustain the bereaved ones at this time.

THE DYING WORLD AND THE LIVING WORD

FOR CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS

Any who are interested in the subject of conscription and the conscientious objector may secure valuable information from two booklets, "What About the Conscientious Objector?" priced at 15 cents, and the "Pacifist Handbook" priced at 10 cents. These can be bought from American Friends Service Committee, Peace Section, 20 South 12th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

GIDEON BIBLES FOR HOUSTON

It was an impressive scene at Houston, Texas on November 25 when a stack of Gideon Bibles 15 feet high and 12 feet wide were dedicated to God. They will go on the desks of 2155 Houston school teachers. Speaking to the 2,000 who attended the service, R. G. LeTourneau, international president of the Gideons, said: "Faith comes from reading the Bible. That is why we want the boys and girls of the nation to read God's Word. It is the only book that has stood the test of time and criticism."

NO SECOND COMING?

According to *News Week*, the tribunal appointed by the cardinals to determine what the Roman Catholic Church should teach has decided, after long research, that neither Christ nor His apostles said anything definite about the second coming! Let them read the words of their favorite apostle on the day of Pentecost, given in Acts 3:19-21. Let them also read what the same apostle wrote in 2 Peter 3:3, 4. "There shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, and saying, Where is the promise of his coming?" Thank God for the promise that Jesus will return, which God's Word gives very definitely.

THE CHURCH'S OPPORTUNITY

Writes J. C. Metcalfe: "I am more and more convinced that these days of human extremity are in reality the days of the Church's magnificent opportunity. All things are ours, and we are Christ's and Christ is God's. The Son of God is indeed with His people; and even if the fires of testing blaze up, heated sevenfold by a malignant enemy, God will give a triumphant witness of His wisdom and power that there will be no gainsaying." As "wars and rumors of wars" abound throughout the world, men's hearts everywhere are fearful. They have a sense of insecurity; they realize, many of them, that they are anchorless, "having no hope, and without God in the world." Now is the time to point them to Christ, the solid Rock. If this world ever again is blessed with peace before Jesus comes, the people of the world will grow more careless of spiritual things than ever, and we shall wish we had done more to win souls while they were troubled and tender.

NOW, THE "LONGER" BIBLE

Fifteen years ago a "Shorter" Bible was published, which eliminated the miracles and all the supernatural, in an effort to make it appear as a merely human book. Now a "Longer" Bible has come out. It is called "The Bible of the World," and is a general mixture of parts of the writings of Buddhism, Mohammedanism, Hinduism, Confucianism, Zoroastrianism, Taoism, Judaism, and Christianity. It appears that when Satan could not succeed in taking away from the Bible, he decided to try adding to it so that it would be lost among the writings of heathenism. But there is only one Book that is God's Word, and that is the Bible as we know it and love it. It shall never pass away. Any who try to change it only bring themselves into condemnation, as it is written: "If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: and if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life." Rev. 22:17, 18.

NATURE'S AIR-RAID WARNING

Sea gulls in England often create a bedlam with their shrill cries several minutes before an air-raid warning, states *Prophecy Monthly*. They are said to be able to detect approaching planes more quickly than anti-aircraft observers. "That which hath wings shall tell the matter." Eccl. 10:20.

THE LONGEST DAY

At New York the longest day is fifteen hours. At Montreal it is sixteen hours. At London and at Bremen it is sixteen and a half. At Hamburg it is eighteen and a half. At Saint Petersburg, Russia, it is nineteen. At Faroe, Norway, the longest day lasts for two months. At Spitzbergen it lasts for three and a half months. But in the New Jerusalem, the future home of all who believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, day will last forever, for "there shall be no night there." Rev. 21:25.

PLANNING WITHOUT GOD

The earthquake in Rumania in November brought a new element into the European war which is referred to in Bible prophecy. Jesus said that in the last days "nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows." Matt. 24:7, 8. Today we are witnessing war between the nations; this winter awful famines in Europe are predicted; pestilence has been reported from Poland; and now we read of earthquakes. It is said that the damage to Rumanian oil wells, apart from the thousands killed by the quakes, is a serious blow to the Axis.

Evangelist John Scroggie, son of W. Graham Scroggie of London, was asked recently in this country, "How long will it take England to win the war?" He replied, "With or without God: which do you mean?" The dictators have planned without God, but already He has taken a hand in the war. The outcome rests with God, and not with the best laid plans of any human beings. Our eyes should be upon Him.

MISSIONARY HEROISM

According to *Prophecy Monthly*, the Christian Jew who formerly was superintendent at Brussels for the American Board of Missions to the Jews is now languishing in a Nazi concentration camp. Nevertheless he still continues to work for the Lord. A letter from him, written from the Internment Camp, tells something of what Jewish gospel workers in his circumstances must go through:

"I am here with about 40 brethren" (these are mostly his own converts from the Brussels mission) "and about 50 other non-Aryan Christians, to whom I am giving my spiritual attention, having many interviews in the service of the Lord, and holding a public service every day. I can attend and advance them in the teaching of the Lord.

"My situation here is very hard. We are lying here in very bad barracks on straw. The walls are broken and when the mistral east wind storms" (a sand storm) "we are getting always covered with sand. During the day time it is very hot, and at night we have terrible cold. This coldness which comes from the ground has made me sick. I have terrible pains in my kidneys and chest. From day to day I am getting weaker, very often I cannot get up in the morning. With all my troubles I do my duty, just like in Brussels. I have my meetings and I give from the little I have to my comrades.

"From my poor wife, I know nothing! Alas! Please pray for us, that the Lord will deliver us and guide us together. The Word of the Lord is every day my great consolation. Excuse my fault, I am not in possession of all my faculties. I must write this letter on my knees, we have no table."

THE FRUITS OF SIN

According to *The Church Times*, Governor Luren D. Dickinson of Michigan plans to begin a lecture tour when his term ends on January 1. His purpose will be to combat "crime, disease, and insanity." This sin-hating governor said: "Crime begins somewhere, and that is in the home—usually early in life. If I can spend the rest of my days doing something to reduce the dreadful toll caused by such things as liquor, insanity and disease, I'll be contented. There is a definite relationship between the morals of our people and the cost of government. If the two can be brought before our people, then my mission can be accomplished."

WHY DOES BRITAIN SUFFER?

The following editorial appeared recently in the Canadian magazine, *Evangelical Christian*:

"May it not be that Britain suffers today as she is doing, as a result of her policy of indifference to the sufferings of others? Let us forget for the moment that other nations also are equally guilty. For three years China has endured all the horrors that Britain has experienced for the past weeks. Directly or indirectly, we contributed to the sufferings of China—with the help of the United States. One might almost go as far as to say that without that help Japan would have been unable to perpetrate the misery she has done upon the Chinese. In the sight of God Chinese babies and Chinese women are as precious as Europeans. May it not be that an indignant God permits such a demon-inspired creature as Hitler to work out the divine purpose of punishment upon those who have violated the injunction of brotherly kindness?

"When the Emperor of Ethiopia stood up in the assembly of the League of Nations a few years ago, and pleaded for his country as he had a right to do, some fifty-six nations turned a deaf ear to his plea and refused to listen. At the same time the Italians jeered. Then from the lips of the little man in black fell the fateful words: 'God and history will remember your judgment.' At that time we warned of the terrible consequences that would follow this deadly compromise with justice and with right. Now the world sees how God has remembered. The mills of God are grinding inexorably today. How long is it going to be before the English-speaking world learns its lesson?"

BRITISH ASSEMBLIES SPARED

Encouraging news comes from Brother Donald Gee regarding the welfare of the Assemblies of God in Great Britain. Writing from Wales on October 14, he states:

"So far only two of our assemblies have had their halls destroyed. In London and on the southeast coast, numbers are much depleted by evacuation, but our brave pastors there are sticking to their posts and carrying on with exemplary devotion. Offerings from all over the country are making up their financial loss. Indeed, a most beautiful wave of generosity is moving our people just now: true sympathy was never more manifest.

"Last week we held our executive meeting, and all enjoyed a sacred time of fellowship. The windows of our missionary office in London were blown in by the blast from a bomb outside, but no other damage was done.

"Brother Howard Carter is keeping much better in health, and he and I continue with our itinerating among the assemblies all over the country. Just now he is in Yorkshire and I am in Wales. Practically every night the air-raid warning sirens wail while I am in the middle of my sermon, but now the people have become so used to it that they scarcely take any notice and we just carry on with the service. We often get five or six such warnings a day here.

"The hall was packed out last night, and all meetings are full of blessing. I think I can truthfully say that I have never felt greater joy in the ministry of the Word than during the last thirteen months of war in Britain.

"We very deeply appreciate the prayers of our beloved American friends, and it means much to us to know you think of us at this time."

Peace on Earth

Far above the hell-born blitzkrieg
Belching out its death and woe,
Far above the heavens crowded
Black with wings of savage foe,
Far above the mighty engines
Built by men to kill the race,
I can hear a voice still speaking
And the form of One I trace,
Far above the war's convulsion
In a glory that transcends
Any that the nations fight for
With their selfish, brutal ends.

'Tis the light and hope of ages,
Once converged in lowly place,
In the Christ-Child born to Mary—
God's redemption for the race.
And the glory that descended

On that first, glad Christmas night
Is still shining in its brightness—
It is God's Eternal Light.
Never can there be a blackout
Of the glory of the Son,
O'er the world and death and Satan
Christ the victory has won.

Far above the bloody tumult
Of the nations' insane strife,
I can hear the angels singing
And I see the Prince of Life.
"Peace on earth" is still the message,
O'er the earth, O may it ring!
Join the chorus of the angels,
Fearful heart, look up and sing!

—John Wright Follette

MISSIONARY PRAYER REQUESTS

Feloka, Liberia—We praise the Lord for complete recovery from the effects of native poison. Hallelujah! We ask a continued interest in your daily prayers for added strength and necessary finances to carry the gospel tidings farther interior where Christ is not named.—Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Prinic.

Port Harcourt, Nigeria—Pray that the Lord will soon open the way for us to have a Bible School building. Our Bible School is by far our most important work.—Everett L. Phillips.

Leon, Nicaragua—Pray that we may have the help of the Lord both in spirit and in body as we make a special effort to win souls when so many are worshipping idols.—Ray and Ethel Jones.

25 de Mayo, F. C. Sud., Argentina—Please pray for the conversion of the Bogliotti, Dechurchi, and the Naveiro families; also for Senor Arturi and that his wife will be filled with the Spirit. Pray that the demon be cast out of Sr. Moroni.—Alice C. Wood.

Lavras, Minas Geraes, Brazil—Continue to pray for a young man afflicted with tuberculosis; also pray that believers will be baptized in the Spirit. We praise God for having baptized many.—Lawrence N. Olson.

Ribeirao Preto, Brazil—Pray for a native worker who was with us but is now in spiritual need. Pray that the Lord will provide some means of conveyance to our outstations.—Theodore Stohr.

Sao Carlos, Brazil—Pray that we may soon see a real Holy Ghost revival here and that two backslidden families will return to the church.—Erma L. Miller.

Sao Carlos, Brazil—Pray with us that we may see a real awakening in our two stations, especially in the Sunday Schools.—Lillian Flessing.

Working among Indians in Arizona—Special prayer request: Pray that an Apache Presbyterian minister will receive the Baptism and also pray for a mighty revival.—Ethel Marshall.

A PRESIDENT'S TESTIMONY

According to *The Presbyterian*, no President but Calvin Coolidge ever made a public profession of the Christian faith and united with a church during his term of office. He was a Congregationalist. Other Presidents were church members before they entered the White House.

The testimony of Mr. Coolidge as reported by J. R. Sneed is very inspiring. Mr. Sneed interviewed Mr. Coolidge on the front porch of his home. After the introductory remarks, he asked, "What do you regard as the major difficulty of the Church?"

"I don't know," replied Mr. Coolidge. "I wouldn't for a minute be critical of the Church or its work, but I think most of the clergy today are preaching Socialism. None of us know much about economics, but some preachers seem to know nothing at all. They are very apt to

study under some half-baked college professor who has never handled a payroll or had any knowledge of practical affairs."

"I think," he continued, "that the Church must preach a new birth, a change of heart and a change of living. I feel that too often this is not done."

The interviewer touched upon the question of ministerial influence in legislation. "What part should ministers play?" he asked.

"I remember, Sneed," replied Mr. Coolidge, "a sentence by an old writer to the effect that 'Jesus Christ never sat in the lobby of the Caesars.' In other words, He did not depend upon

legislation for the advancement of His principles and His kingdom."

The interviewer turned to Prohibition. "I've just decided that for you," interrupted Mr. Coolidge before Mr. Sneed finished putting the question. "Give a man a change of heart and the liquor problems will be solved for him."

Mr. Sneed felt that he must ask one very intimate question before he left.

"Mr. President, what value do you think there is in prayer?"

"Oh, I don't know," he very reverently replied, and then became silent.

The interviewer felt that he must press the question further, so he added: "I read that when you received the message of President Harding's death you knelt in prayer. Is that true?"

"Yes, sir," was his reply.

"Do you pray in every crisis?" continued the interviewer.

Mr. Coolidge made no verbal answer, but gave an emphatic affirmative nod. Undoubtedly he owed no small part of his leadership to his Christian faith.

The influence of the President is great. Let us pray continually that our President may use his influence for the encouragement of godliness today.

FEAR NOT

"Not now, but in the coming years,

It may be in the better land;

We'll read the meaning of our tears,

And there, sometime, we'll understand.

Then trust in God through all thy days;

Fear not, for He doth hold thy hand;

Though dark thy way, still sing and praise;

Sometime, sometime, we'll understand."

A Reminiscence Feature

Note: the S. S. Superintendent's Guide offers the suggestion of "A Reminiscence Feature" in the Sunday School for December 29.

The old year of 1940 is nearing its end. Assemblies will hold watch-night services, bidding farewell to the old and welcoming the new year. Doubtless in most every assembly there is another and quite different passing of the old and a gradual incoming of the new.

We refer to the precious old saints of the pioneer days of our fellowship. They have stood for Pentecost from the beginning, when there was much persecution and when it was distinctly unpopular to be Pentecostal. With the coming in of new workers, many of these old saints have been retired from active service and in some instances feel neglected. Their hearts may be lonely. Some may have dropped out entirely and their absence is unnoticed.

Some school may choose to give recognition to these old friends, even if it requires special invitation and providing cars for the transportation of those who need it. Let these

dear saints sit together in a reserved section in your auditorium. The songs which they used to sing should be used in the opening service. Some of them should sit on the platform, and lead in prayer and read the scripture lesson. Time should be given to testify and tell of the early days of Pentecost.

Make this service deeply spiritual. It will be good to encourage these old warriors who have been so faithful, and it should be an inspiration to younger groups who are now at the post of responsibility charged with the on-going success of the Sunday School and church.—M. L. G.

Good Times Ahead: Next week will appear the first of a series of nine Sunday School chats by writers throughout our fellowship, an article for each first Sunday in the month upon the general theme, "The Holy Spirit in the Sunday School." Next week's article will be "John the Baptist, the Pioneer Soul Winner." by Loine Honderick (C. B. I. '40) of Toronto, Canada.

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REPORTS FROM THE REAPERS

CUT BANK, MONT.—We have enjoyed a 3-day "youth campaign" with Evangelist Paul Hild, Fargo, N. Dak. Though it was a short meeting, we thank God for it. It was our privilege to have a "youth rally" in the High School auditorium the last night. People were reached who had never been reached before.—J. R. Edgar, Pastor.

WYNNE, ARK.—On November 12 we began a revival with Evangelist L. L. Riley of Russellville, and continued through the 24th. We had several saved and the Sunday School attendance was built up from 80 to around 100. The revival continued after Brother Riley had left, and we had one saved last night in our regular service. People shouted and cried. We thank God for sending Brother Riley our way.—A. N. Baum, Pastor.

S. CUMBERLAND, MD.—Just closed a very successful campaign with E. C. Conrad of Allentown as evangelist. Brother Conrad preached under heavy anointing just as in the days of old. Some were reclaimed who had been away from God about eighteen years. We appreciate the kindness of the Allentown Assembly in allowing their pastor to come here and be used in such a precious way. God has truly blessed in S. Cumberland. We are now entering a revival in one of our other churches at Wiley Ford with Mary Oestricher and Laura Dietrich of Philadelphia, Pa.—C. H. Jacobs, Pastor.

PRAIRIE GROVE, ARK.—We came here in June and opened a revival in the Legion Hut on Monday. By the last of the week we moved to the open air. In about 4 weeks, 22 prayed through to salvation, 5 received the Holy Ghost Baptism, and 9 were baptized in water. The closing Sunday we organized a Sunday School with a goodly number enrolled. We were still holding regular services and Sunday School in the open air, and the Lord was blessing. When bad weather set in we moved to a private home. But the Lord moved on the commander's heart and we are now having our Sunday School and services in the Legion Hut. We have purchased a lot, which is paid for, and have our permit to build. We now have almost enough money to put in the foundation of the building which will be 30x40. Council ministers passing by are invited to stop and visit us.—Jessie Gardner, Pastor; C. McKee, Secretary.

HOGANSVILLE, GA.—Last June, A. B. Robertson of Lagrange came here and started an open air meeting. The Lord blessed from the beginning, about 35 being saved and 25 receiving the Holy Ghost Baptism. We held a revival in Lagrange, at Brother's Robertson's church, at the time he was here. In August we came here and held a one-week meeting and accepted the oversight. The building was planned and we began to raise funds to build a tabernacle 70 ft. long and 34 ft. wide, with 3 rooms for living quarters. The Lord blessed. We now have the building up, and on November 3rd Brother Noles set the church in order with 30 members. The work is growing fine. Tommie Gilbreath held a 3-weeks meeting here, in which 16 were saved and 14 received the Holy Ghost Baptism. Pray for this new work. All Council ministers passing this way are invited to stop with us.—Palmer Jarrell, Pastor.

LOWGAP, ARK.—Our hearts have been filled to overflowing with thankfulness to God for the genuine spiritual revival He has given us. Jean Lucy, our evangelist of Midland, preached the Word fearlessly under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and God honored it by sending pungent conviction upon hard cases and confirming His Word with signs following.

In spite of disagreeable weather, the beautiful rock church in the mountains was packed to capacity. One Sunday night 41 were at the altar, and 10 of them wept their way through to Calvary. During the ten nights of revival, 17 were gloriously saved and one received the Baptism. The last night, 17 sought God and a large number of hands were raised in response to a salvation appeal, while conviction rested on saint and sinner. We can already see

great growth in our church. God is blessing our C. A.'s; many new ones were added to the group in this revival.—Silby S. Kilgore, Pastor.

A GRACIOUS REVIVAL

In the year 1935 the Lord convicted me of the need of faithful, persistent prayer as the surest means of obtaining a lasting revival. We were pastoring a German assembly at that time. We set aside every Thursday afternoon for prayer, asking any who were interested to join us in this. We met in the church and spent all the time on our knees. No time was spent in making speeches or singing. The mid-week services always followed in the evening of this day of prayer. One after another, people began to receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and the anointing of the Spirit rested upon the Thursday evening services in a special manner. For the spiritual people of the church this became the outstanding service of the week. During the first year 10 received the Baptism in the Spirit. This took place without evangelistic effort. We are not against evangelistic endeavor, but we wish to emphasize that God is the sender of revivals. Personally, we learned a new and practical lesson on the effect of faithful, fervent prayer.

One year ago we began our pastorate with the Wisconsin Rapids Assembly. It was evident that a revival was needed, and we soon began urging to special prayer. Since it was not practical in this congregation to designate a day for prayer, we began advocating that interested believers come to the Sunday and Wednesday night services one hour in advance of the regular service to engage in prayer for revival. A number responded to this call, and became so accustomed to coming an hour earlier that it became unnecessary to announce the hour of prayer.

We felt impressed in our hearts that still more prayer was necessary, but were at a loss to know how to arrange the time so that those interested could be present and participate. But the burden of prayer became more urgent, and the result was that a Saturday night cottage prayer meeting was announced for each week. The response was encouraging, and the Lord witnessed in our hearts that He was pleased with this procedure. Finally we stumbled upon the idea to announce two hours of prayer preceding every mid-week service, instead of but one hour. Thus prayer was made from six to eight o'clock, followed by one hour of service in the main assembly room. The interest continued, and we felt that the Lord would honor these efforts of His people.

The time came when we were impressed to have a special series of revival services. The Lord made it possible for Evangelist and Mrs. Jack Linn to come to us early in November. God began to work at once, and believers began praying themselves back into favor with God. Something happened in practically every meeting. Many of the believers who had lost contact with God, were restored to fellowship, backsliders were reclaimed, sick ones were healed, and sinners were saved. The evening service of the second Sunday of the campaign almost reached camp meeting proportions. After a Sunday morning sermon on tithing, many of the believers who had not been doing this, came forward expressing their purpose to do so henceforth.

The cold wave which suddenly blew in, with zero weather, could not cool off the ardor of the meetings. The attendance was sustained and God continued working.

The last Sunday of the campaign came, and the presence of the Lord rested upon the congregation as the morning sermon on the Baptism in the Holy Spirit was preached. An altar call was given, and many came to pray. Conviction rested heavily upon some, and pools of tears were seen upon the mourner's bench in places. Others prayed through to victory in Christ. More than an hour was spent in prayer before the last seekers left the building.

Sunday night the evangelist spoke on "What the Bible Teaches about Hell." A glorious altar call followed, which lasted until after one o'clock. Many souls were saved, one received the Baptism in the Spirit at this last service, and a spirit of joy rested upon all who were able to appreciate the work of God in our midst.

The faithful personal work done by the evangelists bore much fruit. Their singing and the solos of Mrs. Linn also reached hearts. The gospel was preached in its fullness, and God honored His Word.

The meetings are over, but we are continuing steadfastly to pray for revival. May God grant unto His church praying pastors, praying deacons, and praying church members, so that the spirit of revival may remain with us until Jesus returns.—E. C. Steinberg.

COMING MEETINGS

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

WILLARD, OHIO—Dec. 29—Jan. 19; Wm. M. Emenegger and L. C. Hicks, Evangelists.—H. W. Reeser, Pastor.

FT. WAYNE, IND.—2329 Winter St., Dec. 3—; C. D. Quackenbush, Nashua, Iowa, Evangelist.—Herman R. Rose, Pastor.

CHESTER, PA.—Dec. 1—; Harry Barton, Marlowe, W. Va., Evangelist.—Burton Pierce, Pastor.

BRITTON, S. DAK.—Dec. 8, for 2 weeks or longer; Hans F. Bretschneider, Chicago, Ill., Evangelist.—Grant A. Wacker, Pastor.

ERIE, PA.—1612 Sassafras St., Dec. 1—15; D. H. McDowell, Evangelist.—N. T. Spang, Pastor.

ALLENTOWN, PA.—125 S. Eighth St., Dec. 10—22; Gay Benson, Evangelist.—J. McShane, Pastor.

BRIDGEPORT, NEBR.—Dec. 4—; Evangelist and Mrs. Verne J. Crews, Denver, Colo.—Clair L. Walker, Pastor.

SACRAMENTO, CALIF.—Dec. 29, for 4 weeks; George Hayes, Houston, Texas, Evangelist.—W. T. Gaston, Pastor.

RUSSELLVILLE, ARK.—Dec. 28—; Paul Bruton, Evangelist.—Frank H. and Margaret Beard, Pastors.

CLAREMONT, N. H.—Dec. 31—; Alexander H. Clattenburg, Akron, Pa., Evangelist.—Fred Smolchuck, Pastor.

HOLLY, COLO.—Dec. 29—; Evangelist and Mrs. R. D. Zook and daughter, Dorcie B. Arnold is pastor.—By Evangelist.

GRESHAM, ORE.—S. E. Kelly and Lawrence Sts., Dec. 31—; Peter Jepsen, Evangelist.—O. R. Cross, Pastor.

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—Glad Tidings Temple, Dec. 11—; Evangelists Paul Grubb and Lura Johnson Grubb.—R. J. Craig, Pastor.

COLCHESTER, ILL.—Dec. 29, for 3 weeks or longer; Helen Cox and Dorothy Larson, Evangelists.—Myrtle J. Jones, Pastor.

PEKIN, ILL.—Dec. 31—; revival opens with watch-night service; Evangelist and Mrs. J. R. Harris, Tulsa, Okla.—Glenn Utley, Pastor.

EDGEMONT, S. DAK.—Campaign in progress until Dec. 22; W. Keith Reed, Grand Island, Nebr., Evangelist. Wm. Hawkins is pastor.—By Evangelist.

DETROIT, MICH.—16760 Lahser Ave.; Dec. 29, for 3 weeks; Jean and Angel Benefield, Loveland, Colo., Evangelists.—James A. Davis, Pastor.

KENOSHA, WIS.—Dec. 29—Jan. 19; Virgil R. Jackson, Evangelist. Broadcast Saturdays 7:30—8:00 p. m., Station WRJN, 1370 kilos.—R. S. Peterson, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEXAS—Patterson at Eli; meeting in progress; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Luther Davidson, Evangelists.—Joseph F. Sharp, pastor.

PARADISE, PA.—Prophetic Bible Conference, Calvary Monument Church, Dec. 10—; A. H. Clattenburg, Evangelist.—Clarence Lefever, Pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.—North Utica Street, Dec. 9—; Arthur S. Arnold, Christian Hebrew of Oklahoma City, Evangelist.—Robert Keith, Pastor.

DAYTON, MD.—Dec. 5—; Evangelist H. E. Hardt and Son, Falling Waters, W. Va. Neighboring assemblies invited to cooperate by prayer and attendance.—B. M. Sly, Pastor.

MISSIONARY CONVENTION
WICHITA, KANSAS—Three-day Missionary Convention, South Main and Lincoln Sts., Jan. 3—5. Missionaries attending will be announced later. Fred Vogler in charge.

FOUR-DISTRICT BIBLE CONFERENCE
HOPE, ARK.—4th Annual Four-District Bible Conference, Jan. 13—16. First service Monday night. Program under direction of F. D. Davis, H. M. Reeves, G. W. Hardcastle, and David Burris, Superintendents of the Texas, West Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas Districts respectively. Free rooms furnished to ministers as far as possible. No business; only a time of prayer, worship, singing, preaching and consecration. Begin the New Year with a new consecration.—J. E. Hamill, Pastor, 107 W. Avenue C, Hope, Ark.

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

CHEROKEE, OKLA.—All-day Fellowship Meeting, Jan. 7.—Warr F. Gilchrist.

LOCKNEY, TEXAS—C. A. Rally, Jan. 1. Claud Holt is pastor.—Fred E. Ball, Box 601, Olton, Texas.

EAKLY, OKLA.—Sectional C. A. Rally, Dec. 19, 7:00 p. m. Russell H. Bishop, Sectional Director, in charge.—C. J. Brown, Pastor.

PITTSBURG, KANSAS—New Year's Rally, Jan. 1. District Superintendent V. G. Greisen will be with us.—C. M. Smitley, Pastor.

PRATT, KANSAS—New Year's Day C. A. Rally. Services 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30. Basket lunch will be served.—L. Glen Ahlf, Sectional Secretary, Medicine Lodge, Kansas.

ORLANDO, FLA.—South Florida District C. A. Rally, Jan. 1. Bring basket lunch. Everyone invited.—Mrs. Jas. A. Cain, Secretary-Treasurer, 725 Patterson St., Clearwater, Fla.

ENID, OKLA.—All-day Fellowship Meeting, Jan. 1. Dinner on grounds. District Superintendent G. W. Hardcastle, Night Speaker. Visitors from many States expected.—B. L. Greene, Pastor.

PARAGOULD, ARK.—Fellowship Meeting, Northeast Section, Dec. 27—29. Sectional Presbyterian J. S. McMahan in charge. Dec. 31, special watch-night service.—Alfred A. Bradley, Host Pastor.

OKMULGEE, OKLA.—Sectional Young People's Rally and Watch-night service, Dec. 31, 7:30 p. m. Lee Krupnick of Tulsa, one of the main speakers. Bring special music.—Otto Goins, Sectional Secretary; Glenn E. Millard, Pastor.

GREER, S. C.—Sectional C. A. Rally. Recreation Hall, Dec. 29, 3:00 p. m. E. W. Bethany, of Spartanburg, will speak. Special music and singing; C. A.'s of Spartanburg, Greenville, and Greenwood counties co-operati g. C. A.'s of Columbia, S. C., and Augusta, Ga., are invited.—G. E. Wilson, Field Representative, 46 Moody St., Mo'iagh Mill, Greenville, S. C.

BOSTON, MASS.—C. A. Rally, 55 Berkeley St., Dec. 28, 8:00 p. m. Irving M. Mitchell is pastor. Evangelist Edwin P. Anderson, New England C. A. President, special speaker. All C. A.'s and those interested in C. A. Youth Movement urged to be present.—F. Wesley Pope, Sectional C. A. Secretary, 45 Hillcrest Ave., Melrose, Mass.

BATAVIA, N. Y.—Western New York Fellowship Meeting, Gospel Tabernacle, 27 Center St., January 1. Frank F. Peckham is pastor. Services 10:30, 2:30 and 7:30. Annual business meeting of ministers, 1:15. Bring basket lunch for noon meal; evening meal served by church on free-will offering plan.—A. T. Smith, Secretary, 327 Seneca Rd., Hornell, N. Y.

SILURIA, ALA.—Section 3, Alabama District (Autauga, Bibb, Chambers, Chilton, Clay, Coosa, Perry, Randolph, Shelby, Talladega, and Tallapoosa counties) will hold its quarterly fellowship meeting at Siluria, Dec. 29. Morning service 11:00; afternoon service in charge of C. A.'s of Section 3. For further information write O. C. Hickman, Pastor, or Grover M. Langston, District Presbyter, P. O. Box 108, Clanton, Ala.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

WANTED—Old Evangels for free distribution in a new field.—J. C. Awtry, Brunswick, Ga.

WANTED—Picture Lesson Rolls for use in doing missionary work among children.—Margaret Sims, 706 Bennington Dr., Rochester, N. Y.

WANTED—C. A. Herald, Gospel Gleaners, Our Pentecostal Boys and Girls, tracts, books, any kind of full gospel literature, for free distribution in new and needy field. Please send postpaid.—Mrs. Tom Hill, Troupsda, Okla.

NEW ADDRESS—708 N. Boston St., Russellville, Ark. "Have resigned as superintendent of Mississippi District, and pastor of Kingston Assembly of God at Laurel, Miss.; and have accepted the pastorate here."—Frank H. and Margaret Beard.

NOTICE—W. E. Thurmond, formerly of Pittsfield, has taken over the pastorate at Springfield, Ill., starting December 1.—Lewis F. Riecks.

NOTICE—We shall be glad to contact young men who have been conscripted and sent to Fort Warren, Wyo., if the parents will get in touch with us.—Omer S. Johnson, Pastor, 506 E. 20th St., Cheyenne, Wyo.

NOTICE—Assembly folk moving to El Paso are invited to get in touch with the First Full Gospel Church, Yandell Blvd. and Austin. Would appreciate any information regarding Assembly families moving to El Paso.—William A. Cox, Jr., Pastor, 804 Austin St., El Paso, Texas.

PENTECOSTAL DRAFTEES
Would like to hear of any soldier boys who are being sent to Camp Shelby, Hattiesburg, Miss. Parents or relatives of such, please contact us.—Pastor S. D. Garrett, 107 East 4th St., Hattiesburg, Miss.

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Home Missions Fund	271.49
Office Expense Fund	152.64
Literature Expense Fund	18.41
Reported Given Direct for Home Missions	366.64
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Amount Received for Foreign Missions	10,420.47
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WORLD MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS December 2-3 Inclusive	
ALABAMA Dothan Full Gos Tab	\$ 1.92
Opp Assembly & SS	2.70
Thomasville Assembly	1.25
ARIZONA Personal Offerings	12.00
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College City Community Church	10.00
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Oakland Ch of the Gospel Light	9.00
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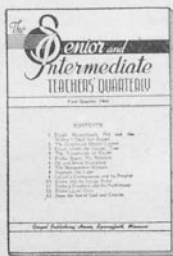
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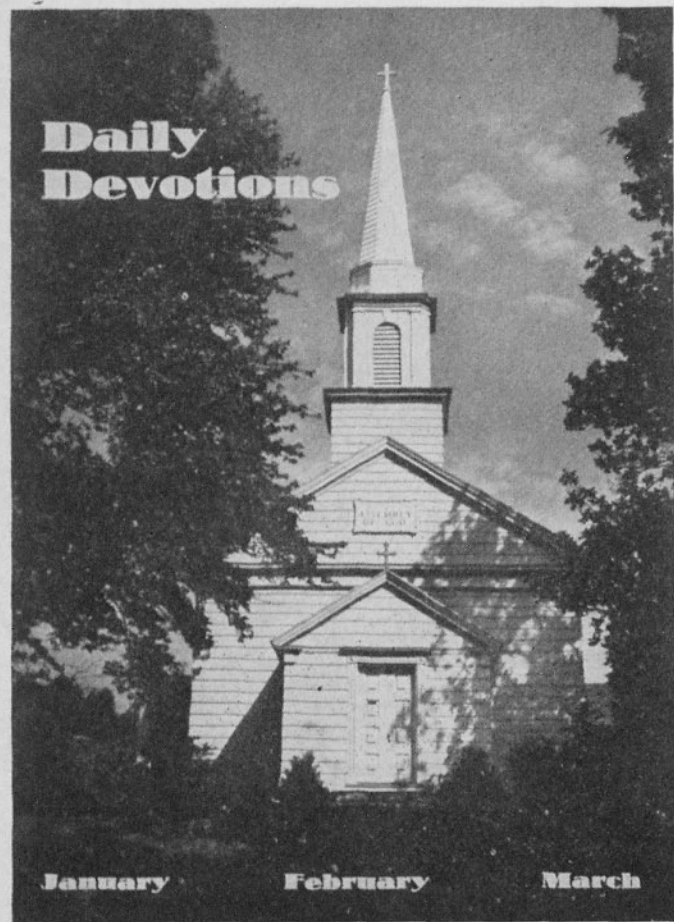
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