

NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD



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Apostolic Succession and Apostolic Authority

Evangelist Harvey McAlister at the General Council in Minneapolis

THE Roman Catholic Church holds that Christ appointed Peter as head of His church at the time that His church was founded; that there has been an unbroken line of succession of church heads from Peter's day and right down the line to our day; that the present Pope in the Vatican at Rome is Peter's successor; and, on the basis of these claims, they contend that the Roman Catholic Church is in possession of Apostolic authority.

The one scripture, more than any other, relied upon by Roman Catholics, in defense of their position is Matthew 16:18: "And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter (Greek, *Petros*), and upon this rock (Greek, *Petra*) I will build my church." Lydell and Scott's Greek-English Lexicon gives the following meanings to these two Greek words: "*Petros*—a piece of rock—a stone, and thus distinguished from *Petra*—a shelf, or ledge, of rock." Peter! You are only a piece of rock, a stone that can be picked up and moved from one position to another position, or hurled through space. But I am going to build My church upon *Petra*, a shelf, or ledge, of rock—massive, immovable—impossible to pick up and move from one position to another position, and impossible to hurl through space like a stone.

We have an abundance of evidence in the New Testament Scriptures to show us exactly what and who is meant by the word *Petra*. "... built his house upon a rock (*petra*): and the rains descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock (*petra*)." Matthew 7:24, 25. Had that house been founded upon *Petros*, a bit of rock, or stone, rather than on *Petra*, a ledge or

shelf of rock, it never could have stood in the face of the storm. "... I lay in Sion a stumbling stone and rock (*Petra*) of offence: and whosoever believeth on him (*Petra*) shall never be ashamed." Romans 9:33. We might have occasion to feel ashamed by pinning our faith to Peter (*Petros*), but, oh, glory! if we put our faith in *Petra* we will never have reason to feel ashamed. "...

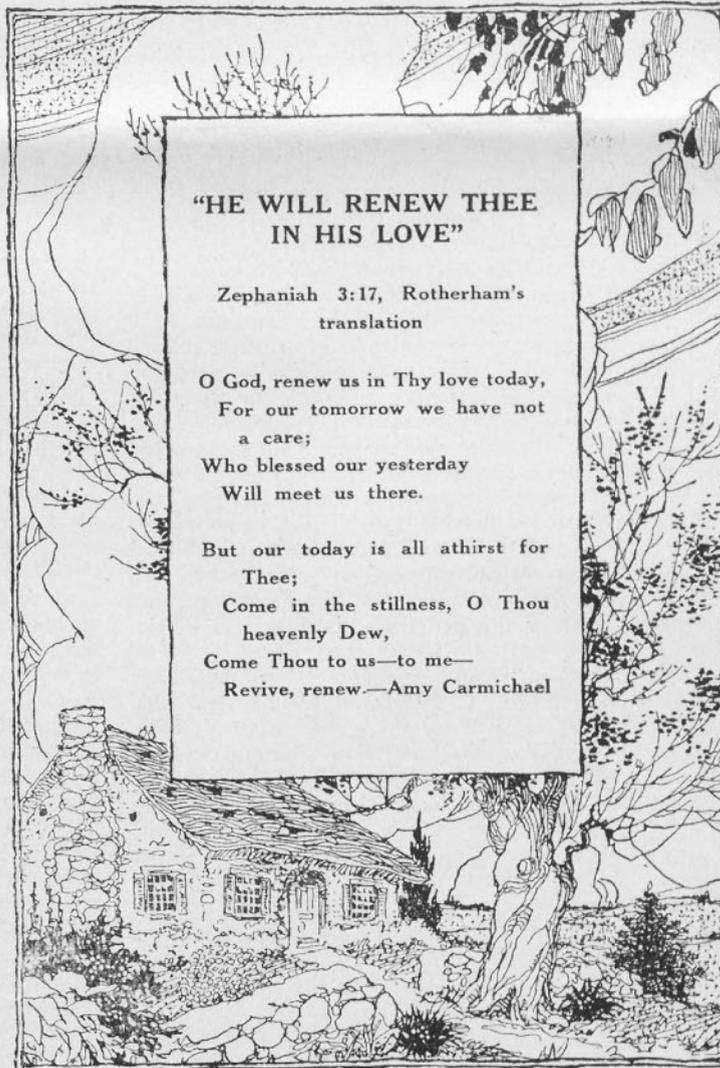
they drank from that spiritual rock (*Petra*) that followed them: and that rock (*Petra*) was (not Peter, but) Christ." 1 Cor. 10:4.

Christ then did not mean that Peter was the rock on which His church would be built, but He drew a contrast between *Petros* (Peter) and *Petra* (Christ). It is as if the scripture were to read, in giving the true meaning, "You are only *Petros*, a small stone. My church shall never be built upon such a shaky, unstable foundation as you, Peter, but shall be built upon *Petra*, a ledge, or shelf, of rock, which is permanent, even your Christ." This idea is strengthened by 1 Cor. 3:11: "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." The Church's one true foundation is the Lord Jesus Christ.

Now a glimpse into Peter's subsequent career will clearly show he does not qualify for the job. Turn to Matthew 16:23, and kindly note that I am reading a verse which is located only five verses after the verse the Roman Catholics depend upon to prove their position. "But he (Christ) turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offence unto me: for thou savorest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men." I don't think our good Roman Catholic friends would like it very much to have the first Pope called Satan, and called that by Christ Himself. Jesus said, in effect, "Peter, you don't taste good to me. You haven't the right flavor. You have the 'men' savor—not the 'God' savor."

If Peter was the first Pope—I say "if"—then the first popes were a whole lot different from popes and priests in our times. Peter was a married man. He had a mother-in-law—a real genuine one. We read how that

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"HE WILL RENEW THEE IN HIS LOVE"

Zephaniah 3:17, Rotherham's
translation

O God, renew us in Thy love today,
For our tomorrow we have not
a care;
Who blessed our yesterday
Will meet us there.

But our today is all athirst for
Thee;
Come in the stillness, O Thou
heavenly Dew,
Come Thou to us—to me—
Revive, renew.—Amy Carmichael

World-Wide Week of Prayer, Jan. 4 to 11, 1942

Showers of Blessing

There is a very definite promise in Ezek. 34:26, "I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing."

When are the showers most needed? When most appreciated? They are appreciated most when the drought is the greatest. The drought was so great in Ezekiel's day that he describes the bones he saw in his vision as "very dry." Ezek. 37:2.

But God says, "There shall be showers of blessing." He knows when to send the showers, and will send them when they are most needed—in times of desperation in the spiritual and physical. When men cry in desperation for the natural rain, it is sent. And when the saints cry in desperation for spiritual rain, it is sent.

"There shall be showers of blessing." There are no conditions attached. God leaves Himself untrammelled by conditions.

"There shall be showers of blessing." How much? No limit.

"There shall be showers of blessing." When? The time is not stipulated.

"There shall be showers of blessing." Showers! Not one shower, but *showers!*

The showers will be commensurate with the need, and with the intensity of the prayer of the saints in asking for the showers.

"There shall be showers of blessing." God makes the promise as broad and comprehensive and unlimited as His own nature. Oh, the scope of the promise! Showers of blessing everywhere. On white, on red, on yellow, on black, and on brown. On halt, on lame, on deaf, on dumb, on blind, and on paralyzed. Showers of blessing on the mentally unbalanced; on sanitariums, on asylums, on hospitals, on prisons.

When the showers of natural rain come on the earth, do they come only on the well-kept farm, or do they come on the ill-kept one as well? Do they come on the rich man's land and leave the poor man's? Do they come on the hospitals and leave the asylums?

The natural showers envelop and deluge one and all alike. God says, "There shall be showers of blessing." They will envelop, overwhelm and submerge one and all.

The valley that Ezekiel saw in his vision was full of dry bones. The bone in the extreme south of the valley had joined to the bone next to it, and the bone in the extreme north was not overlooked. Every bone in the valley was joined to the one to which it belonged. When the prophet prophesied as he was commanded, every bone came to its right place, "bone to his bone." The prophet did not discriminate between bone and bone and say, "This bone can come into place, but this bone cannot." No, no, no! Every dry bone in the valley came to its right place. Not one lacking. Then flesh and sinew and skin came upon the bones. And after this the breath of God came into them, "and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army."

Oh that we might have the vision of the spiritual and physical results that will certainly come in response to the prayer of faith! The disjointed in the spiritual realm

put right! The crooked man made straight! Physically, the crooked men and women having their bodies made straight. Is there anything too hard for the Lord?

"There shall be showers of blessing." Showers, without limit, time, space, degree, or frequency. The mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. It shall be performed.

We are bidden, "Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain; so the Lord shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain." Zech. 10:1. Ask for the rain, ask for the showers of blessing to be poured forth *everywhere*.

The Lord says to us, "Concerning the work of My hands command ye Me." Isa. 45:11. "Concerning the work of My Hands"—not merely your assembly, not your District alone. "Concerning the work of My Hands" that is the injunction. *Command!* This is the word of a loving Father who bids us come with the intimacy of sons. Through the atoning work of the Son we have access unto the Father.

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Peter's wife's mother—and what is that but a mother-in-law?—was sick of a fever, and Jesus came into the room and put His blessed hand on her fevered brow. The fever broke, and she was healed instantly. She got right up and dressed and hustled about the place and prepared a bit of refreshment for the whole crowd.

Not a Matter of Apostolic Succession

Apostolic authority, my good friends, is not a matter of apostolic succession. It is not a matter of being able to trace an unbroken line of succession on the human plane from Peter's day to our day. But apostolic authority is a matter of having the same kind of power, yea, the same power, to come down upon our lives as individual believers of apostolic times. Apostolic authority is a matter of having exactly the same power to come down and rest upon our meetings when we meet together for worship and for the proclamation of the gospel as came down and rested upon the meetings of the early apostolic Christians.

What power was that? It was the power of the Holy Ghost. Jesus Himself had said: "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8. This word "power" comes from a Greek word, *dunamus*, and it is from this Greek word that we get our word "dynamite." So Jesus really said, "You are going to receive dynamite when the Holy Ghost comes upon you." Thank God for the Holy Ghost, Heaven's dynamite.

I now present to you for your careful consideration two word pictures—one of Peter *before* the day of Pentecost—the other of Peter *after* the day of Pentecost. We have the *before* picture in Mark 14:66-71: "... she looked upon him, and said, And thou

also wast with Jesus of Nazareth. But he denied, saying, I know not, neither understand I what thou sayest. . . . This is one of them. And he denied it again. . . . Surely thou art one of them: for thou art a Galilean, and thy speech agreeth thereto. But he began to curse and to swear, saying, I know not this man of whom ye speak." Poor old Peter, trembling, cursing, denying his Christ.

But we have a brighter picture of Peter in the *after* picture. He was present in the Upper Room at Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost: "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there was a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. . . . And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

Somehow a report of what was happening on the inside of the building reached the ears of the people on the outside, and they rushed to the scene. Then Peter sprang to his feet and preached to them Jesus. "Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by Him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know: Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain: whom God hath raised up, . . . whereof we all are witnesses." What has come over Peter? A little while ago he was trembling in the presence of a little maid, profanely denying his Lord. Now he is filled with a holy boldness and, facing the very crowd that killed Jesus, he condemns them for their deed. I will tell you what happened to Peter. A stick of God's dynamite was planted in Peter's soul, a spark of the Holy Ghost touched it off, and the explosion blasted out of Peter's life all the trembling, cowardice, cursing, and all the rest of it. Thank God for Pentecostal dynamite. It is real! It is real! It is real!

There were two things which characterized the early apostolic church for the first two or three hundred years—power and persecution. The power of the Holy Ghost rested upon the Church, and the world persecuted the Church. And, brothers and sisters, these two things always go together. The Church, in those times, was poor. She had no buildings for worship, but she worshiped her God in the homes of the people and in dens and caves of the earth. However, in A. D. 316 Constantine, the Roman Emperor, professed conversion to the Christian religion, and, as a result, all was changed. Persecution ceased. Liberal gifts from Constantine enabled the Church to erect buildings for worship. The Church and the State were united. The Church linked arms with the world and the two walked in fellowship down the highway of time together. Up to that time the Church was known as the Catholic Church; "Catholic" means "universal." But now the Church became known as the Roman Catholic Church.

This union of Church and State is represented by means of a famous picture found in Italy. On a throne are seated side by side the Pope and the Emperor. By the Pope's side, are bishops, clergy, laity. By

the Emperor's side, are generals, lieutenants, soldiers. Thus was recognized the union of the Church and the State.

The Church was exalted and reigned as a queen for centuries. Was this a good thing or a bad thing? It was a bad thing. In James 4:4 we read, "... friendship of the world is enmity with God. Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God." Let us say that my index finger represents God. My next finger, let us say, represents the Church, and my third finger, the world. For the first two or three hundred years these two (first and second fingers), God and the Church, were together. In those times there was a big gap between *these* two (second and third finger), the Church and the world. Then the Church decided to keep company with the world. When these two (second and third fingers), the Church and the world, got together, then *these* two (first and second fingers), God and the Church, parted company.

When the Church became friends with the world the glory departed. No longer were there on display in her services those wonderful supernatural manifestations, evidences of the presence of her Lord, in the Person of the Holy Spirit in the midst of the people. Then it was that the Church commenced to introduce forms and ceremonies as substitutes for the one-time supernatural manifestations of God's power.

Confirmation

We find the ceremony of confirmation in Roman Catholic, Lutheran and Episcopal Churches. In confirmation the candidate is supposed to receive the Holy Ghost. But do they, in fact, receive the Holy Ghost in confirmation? If they do not, then confirmation is but a form, a make-believe, of which something else is genuine. And what is the real thing of which confirmation is but the form?

Let us together dig up the record of a confirmation service conducted by one of the bishops of the early apostolic church. I refer to Paul and we locate this story in the 19th chapter of Acts. Paul contacted a confirmation class and did a bit of catechizing. His first question was, "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" They answered, "We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost." Paul's second question was, "Unto what then were ye baptized?" They answered, "Unto John's baptism." Evidently there were not as many questions in the catechism then as nowadays. It has grown to be quite a booklet now. After correcting their views of these two great points of doctrine, Paul proceeded with the confirmation service. "And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came upon them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied." That is real confirmation—the genuine article.

Conducting a healing service with Brother Robert Brown, in Glad Tidings Tabernacle, New York City, the first person in the healing line was a Roman Catholic woman. I asked, "What is your

trouble?" She explained that she was suffering great pain with an ailment in the chest. I said, "As soon as we pray, expect the pain to leave." She replied, "That is just what I am going to expect." Then I asked her, "Would you mind telling me what church you belong to, for then I will be in a better position to really help you?" She said, "I am a Catholic, and this is the first time that I have ever been inside a Protestant Church." I told her, "We are very happy to have you in our midst. We will certainly not do you any harm. Do you love the Lord?" She said, "I love the Lord with all my heart." I gently placed my hand upon her and prayed. As I prayed I could feel the hot tears drip, drip, drip on my hand.

Then I asked, "What happened to your pain?" She said, "It left as soon as you prayed." I then asked her, "Should you like to receive the Holy Ghost as they did on the day of Pentecost?" She replied, "Oh, that has been my one longing desire all of my life." I said, "Here is what to do. Just go over there to the altar rail all by yourself, kneel down, lift up your hands towards heaven, close your eyes, and ask the Heavenly Father in the name of Jesus Christ, His Son, for the Holy Ghost, and believe He will give you the Holy Ghost." I further said: "Jesus Christ is the only Mediator between God and men. You come to the Heavenly Father through Him, and talk

to Him as you are talking to me." She said, "I will do it just that way."

In a few minutes I looked around and there she was, filled with the Holy Ghost, and speaking in other tongues. I hadn't even told her that when the Holy Ghost came she would speak in tongues. God the Holy Ghost took care of that Himself. That is real confirmation—the original—the genuine.

Visions and Revelations and Dreams

Passing by a Cathedral in New York City, I noticed great crowds of people thronging about the doors. Curiosity got the best of me. I followed the crowd. I slipped into a pew, bowed my head, and, when I thought no one was looking my way, I lifted my eyes and looked around, and, lo and behold, a series of pictures, stations of the cross, pictures depicting the outstanding events in the earth life of the Christ. At a higher level there was another series of more wonderful paintings than the lower ones. Then I noticed that the dome was painted to represent heaven. There were clouds, with angels breaking through the clouds, and Gabriel was blowing his trumpet. It was so realistic one could almost hear the notes.

I said to myself, "What is the meaning of all these pictures?" And then it came to me how God had said, through the prophet Joel, "I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh; . . . your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions." I thought about how Peter had quoted this prophecy in his Pentecostal sermon.

Then I was reminded of Peter's experience on the housetop, and of how he was given the vision of a sheet let down from heaven full of birds and animals, and heard a voice saying, "Rise, Peter, kill and eat." Peter's Jewish training manifested itself, causing him to utterly reject such action. Said Peter, "I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean." Then the voice said, "What God hath cleansed, that call thou not common." Peter thereby learned the great lesson that Calvary's sacrifice was for Gentiles as well as for Jews. Then came a knock on the door and two Gentiles were requesting Peter to come to their master's house. Peter, being before instructed by means of the vision, went along without questioning.

Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven." Who was this man? It was Paul himself. He was having visions and revelations.

In those early apostolic days when God poured out His Spirit they had visions and revelations and dreams by means of the Holy Ghost. But when the glory departed and those wonderful supernatural manifestations no longer were there in their midst, they commenced to introduce other things

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He Has Passed His 81st Birthday

One of the ministers of the Assemblies of God who has been active in pastoral service until just recently, and who has passed his 81st birthday has written to us as follows:

"I wish to thank you for your kind and Christian remembrance of me, also for the Fellowship Certificate, and last, but not least, for the assistance check which is indeed a benevolence and will surely bring a rich reward to those who have had a part in supplying this need. . . . I am thankful for the grace and kindness of God and the prayers of His faithful saints. I believe that ministering to the necessities of the aged ministers is one of the noblest works of the General Council and cooperating assemblies, and to my mind, stands on equal if not higher ground than some foreign missionary work. While the salvation of souls is of first importance, the comfort and aid to those faithful servants who have worn out in their efforts to sow the seed and to redeem the lost, will certainly rank high at the judgment seat of Christ. Jesus said He would not overlook a cup of water given to one of the least of His servants."

The faithfulness of God's people has enabled us to meet the needs of a large number of aged ministers from month to month during the past four years. We believe there will be no let down in our consideration of this need and therefore have set aside another day

Sunday, November 23

on which an offering will be taken in every one of the Assemblies of God for this purpose. Don't let us forget the day nor the need. Evangel readers who are not members of assemblies can cooperate in this benevolence by sending their offering direct to the treasurer. All offerings should be sent to J. R. Flower, Treasurer, 336 West Pacific St., Springfield, Mo. Remember, each offering must be divided into six equal parts to enable us to send a portion once a month for the next six months, therefore please make your offering a good one if possible. If not possible, then send what you have and the Lord will bless you. But let everybody send something.

THE DYING WORLD AND THE LIVING WORD

A FAMOUS CHURCH IN RUINS

Earlier in the war Spurgeon's Tabernacle in London was partially bombed, as previously reported. We learn from *Revelation* that it has now been completely destroyed by enemy action, and a farewell service was held in the ruins of the famous church. The congregation hereafter will worship elsewhere.

LIQUOR AND CRIME

"Alcoholic liquor is responsible for 20 to 30 per cent of all the cases that come into the Boys' Court," declared Judge J. M. Braude of Chicago. "Under its influence boys will commit almost any crime, will steal to buy more liquor. Tavern keepers never have time to ask for birth-certificates." Surely God will hold someone responsible for putting liquor within the reach of these young boys or failing to shield them from its clutches.

IN THE AIR RAID

Mr. Toliver, a missionary in Szechuan, West China, met two high Government officials who are out-and-out Christians and soul-winners. One told of an air raid he, his wife, and their six-year-old daughter went through. Having no dugout they took refuge under the dining room table. As bombs fell near by they bowed and prayed. When the danger had passed, the little girl looked up and said, "Daddy, the Lord Jesus is the best dugout, isn't He?"

THANKSGIVING FOR THE R. A. F.

Great Britain does not observe an annual Thanksgiving Day as we do in America, but this year she did so. The date was September 21. It was a Thanksgiving Day for the R. A. F. The Archbishop of Canterbury declared this Sunday as "a fitting occasion on which united thanksgiving may be offered to Almighty God for the great deliverance from a terrible danger which was wrought one year ago when the Battle of Britain was fought by the R. A. F."

THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Said Rabbi Stephen Wise: "Christianity as symbolized in the Star of Bethlehem has been the world's great illuminating influence through the centuries. When that light fails, the result is paganism and chaos." When Jesus walked on earth He said, "I am the Light of the world." When He was about to return to heaven He said to His followers, "Ye are the light of the world." Are we letting our light shine bright and clear for Him? The eyes of all, both Jews and Gentiles, are upon us.

RELIGION IN RUSSIA

At this time when President Roosevelt and the Vatican are seeking to encourage Josef Stalin to allow religious freedom in Russia, the following statement is interesting. It was made by the General Secretary for the Ukraine at a festival of the Godless Union held in Bessarabia following the annexation of that territory. He said: "Soviet policy . . . wants no Jews, Christians, or Moslems, in the religious sense. We wish to exterminate faith, for if we should be tolerant here we will one day be annihilated by the Church. So we fight with every kind of severity and cruelty." It is either Communism or the Church, but it can't be both! And yet, things that are impossible with men are possible with God. If God's people continue to pray for Russia, God is able to reopen the door into that land for the sake of His gospel, if that be His highest will. Those interested in the evangelization of Russia are asking the saints everywhere to devote Sunday, January 4, as a day of prayer for Russia.

GOOD NEWS FROM FRANCE

Redemption Tidings reports that God's blessing continues to rest upon the Assemblies of God in France. At a baptismal service at Nice on June 2, 29 candidates passed through the waters. Another 17 raised their hands that they wished to be baptized on the next occasion. Mr. Samyn of Bruxelles will be the pastor of Marseilles. Under his ministry the Spirit is working mightily, and the people are saying "We seem to have Mr. Scott back again!" In the north of France, Mr. Nicolle is back in Rouen with his large assembly, Mr. Andre Nicolle is in Lisieux, Mr. Gallice in Le Havre, Mr. Falg at Trileuse, Mr. Fauvel in Paris, Mr. Domouschieff in Toulouse. All is well with the northern assemblies.

THE SPIRIT OF CHINA

The report of an American who witnessed the fearful bombing of Chungking, is given in *Evangelical Christian*, as follows: "When air-raid sirens sound, government officials just go on quietly working in their office. Then, at the final siren, ten minutes before the actual raid begins and the bombs explode, they calmly gather up their papers, descend to the granite dugouts where clerks and typewriters are working away, and go on with their duties. It is absolutely impossible to smother the Chinese spirit. The Japanese planes destroy buildings, but consolidate morale." No doubt the quiet assurance that is found among the workers in the Chinese Government is due largely to the quiet trust that many of China's highest leaders have placed in Christ.

CALL TO PRAYER FOR THE NATION

Less than 100 years ago Daniel Webster, one of America's greatest statesmen, uttered this solemn warning: "If we abide by the principles taught in the Bible, our country will go on prospering; but, if we and our posterity neglect its instructions and authority, no man can tell how sudden a catastrophe may overwhelm us and bury all our glory in profound obscurity."

The Great Commission Prayer League of Chicago says, "Grave situations in our nation urge Christians everywhere in their homes and churches to observe a *Week of Prayer for America, November 16-23, 1941*. Send postage and wrapping charges (10c) to the Great Commission Prayer League for a large, attractive Poster, urging this week of prayer. Their address: 808 No. La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.

In addition to the above, let us remember the call given for a week of prayer for the whole world, January 4 to 11, 1942.

"INDIA DOES NEED MISSIONARIES"

The highest official in Mahoba recently said to a missionary: "Sahib-Ji, why are not more missionaries coming to India nowadays?" The missionary replied, "Well, many educated Indians who go to America these days tell folk over there, 'We do not need any more missionaries sent to India—we do not want white folk over there.' Americans are independent—they will not send their people where they are not wanted—there is plenty of work at home." The courteous Hindu official was shocked, and said, "But this is quite untrue. India *does* need missionaries—you *help* India! Can't you tell America that this is a mistake—and to keep sending missionaries out?"

JEWS UNDER HITLERISM

Wherever Hitler comes into power, the Jews suffer. *National Jewish Monthly* reports that in Nazi-dominated France a Vichy decree went into effect on September 15 forcing all Jews to retire from law, medicine, teaching, commerce, and industry. Applying to foreign-born as well as native Jews, it affects 200,000 people.

Acting upon orders from Vichy, the Sultan of Morocco has ordained that the 160,000 Jews there must live in ghettos.

General Weygand in Africa has decided to "settle without delay" the Jewish question in Algeria. He will have personal control over a special office to deal with Jewish affairs. There are 110,000 Jews in Algeria; under Weygand they will be reduced to the status of slaves.

Even in Finland, which has been forced by circumstances into alliance with Germany, the press has become anti-Semitic, and all Jewish soldiers have been removed from the army on orders of General Mannerheim. However, there are only 2,000 Jews in all of Finland.

More and more take sides against suffering Jewry. But God is on Israel's side, and when Israel turns in repentance to Him, He shall plead their cause. God says to Israel: "The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending unto thee; and all they that despised thee shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet." Isa. 60:14.

AN UN-AMERICAN UTTERANCE

We quote from the column of Mr. Dan Gilbert in *Christian Victory*:

It was July 4, 1941—the year in which America has come face to face with the greatest challenge to her national existence since the Civil War. One of our most famous university presidents was delivering an oration commemorating the birthday of American independence. He started to read from the Declaration of Independence, but paused abruptly after repeating the famous phrase: "all men are created equal."

Looking up from his manuscript, he readjusted his glasses, smiled behind his hand, and commented smugly, "Of course, we cannot believe that in a scientific age. Men are *not* created equal. They are not, in fact, created at all. And they are not equal at all."

He went on to read from Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. Again, he paused upon encountering the words: "a new nation . . . dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal." This time he was almost cynical as he delivered himself of the "aside": "Of course, Lincoln uncritically accepted the religious fiction that the Supernatural made men equal. The Supernatural itself is a fiction. Men of science today recognize that man is part and product of the animal kingdom, the natural order, in which all are unequal by birth and breeding."

Mr. Gilbert asks, "Does this eminent educator expect that American youth will be morally and intellectually prepared to defend democracy, after he has told them it is founded upon a 'fiction,' a lie?"

We would add that such utterances and such teachings are not only un-American, but they are un-Christian and blasphemous in the sight of the Almighty.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Paul at Ephesus

Lesson for November 16. Lesson Text: Acts 19.

Ephesus was a great city. It was the commercial center of the then civilized world. Its markets, glittering with the produce of the world's art, were the Vanity Fair of Asia. Its population was tremendous; its position unrivaled; its wealth vast.

But Ephesus was also a horribly wicked city; for it was the headquarters of the worship of the goddess Diana whose image, which was supposed to have fallen from heaven, stood in the Temple of Artemis—one of the most magnificent buildings of the age. As is the case with all idolatrous religions, the worship of Diana was accompanied by all sorts of evil and immoral practices. Besides all this, Ephesus was the headquarters of the magic arts, exorcism of spirits, astrology, and almost every imaginable form of superstition.

Yet it was in this city that Paul stayed the longest and had his greatest revival. He met the challenge of what might have seemed to be insurmountable difficulties and delivered the goods for the Christ whose slave he was. Observe the outstanding events at Ephesus—

I. NEEDY BELIEVERS FILLED Vv. 1-7.

Upon his arrival in Ephesus Paul meets twelve men who have been converted as a result of the preaching of Apollos. Discerning in them a lack of spiritual power, he asks them a pointed question, "Did ye receive the Holy Spirit when ye believed?" (A. R. V.) Finding they have never even heard of the Holy Spirit, that they had been baptized "unto John's baptism," with only a hazy knowledge of the gospel, he baptizes them again, and lays hands on them. The Holy Spirit comes upon them and they speak with tongues and prophesy! Several lessons are evident—

(1) Paul's question proves beyond any doubt that the Baptism in the Holy Spirit is an experience distinct from conversion and that all believers do not receive the Spirit in His fulness when they are saved.

(2) From this incident, as well as from a study of the writings of the early church fathers, it is evident that in Paul's day, believers were taught to receive and generally did receive the fullness of the Spirit when they were saved. (See Acts 2:38.) There is no Scriptural foundation for teaching believers that they must tarry for a more or less prolonged period of time before they may receive the Baptism with the Spirit. The tarrying of the first disciples was purely a dispensational matter. Now, however, the Holy Spirit has been sent forth—and the best time for any believer to receive is at conversion when his heart is newly cleansed and pure and his faith is simple—the Lord "purifying their hearts by faith." Acts 15:9.

(3) There is a place today for the "laying on of hands" in order that the Spirit may be imparted upon needy believers! During the early days of our Pentecostal outpouring many people were especially used of God in this way. While we cry out against misguided zeal which causes some well meaning people to try to push, shake, massage, and maul seekers into receiving the Baptism, we also ought to pray for more of those blessed occasions when the Spirit gently leads some minister or humble believer to lay hands upon a seeker and that seeking one breaks forth in sweetly edifying utterances in other tongues!

II. SPECIAL MIRACLES WROUGHT. Vv. 8-12.

Following his invariable procedure, Paul preached first to the Jews of Ephesus, spending three months in their synagogue, and met with the same responses that had greeted him elsewhere—some were saved and some were hardened and began to persecute. Paul then moved his congregation of believers to the school of a certain Tyrannus where he was able to conduct daily services. And for two years this school seems to have been Paul's home base where he not only preached but undoubtedly did "outstation work."

During this time we read that "God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul: so that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases de-

Does God work miracles of healings through such means today? Says Brother P. C. Nelson, in his *Life and Letters of Paul*, "This ministry of the anointed handkerchief has been restored in our day. It is said that Dr. Finis Yoakum, who had been miraculously healed and who built a great faith work in Los Angeles, anointed thousands for healing, and led thousands to Christ, received a handkerchief from a woman in Germany, who had a son in the insane asylum, with the message, 'If you are the man of God I believe you are, you can pray over this handkerchief and I will lay it on my son in his sleep, and God will heal him.' It almost frightened Dr. Yoakum. With others he knelt in prayer, anointed the handkerchief. The Lord healed the son. Since then it has been demonstrated in thousands of cases all over the world, that God honors the simple childlike faith of very unworthy and obscure servants of His who dare to claim His promise. Matt. 17:20; Mark 11:22-24; John 14:13,14. In our times, to the personal knowledge of the writer, through the ministry of the anointed handkerchief, people have

been healed of deafness, blindness, tuberculosis, rheumatism, paralysis, tumors, cancers, and many other dreadful maladies, as well as of minor diseases."

III. IMPOSTORS EXPOSED Vv. 13-16.

Paul's ministry of the miraculous led to a very solemn and yet somewhat humorous incident. A certain Jewish high priest had seven sons. These men had evidently noticed that Paul in the name of Jesus commanded demons to depart, and thought that they too, could "cash in" on the use of this name. So they tried the use of this "formula" on a certain demon-possessed individual. But they had "bitten off more than they could chew"; for the demon, recognizing that they had no real power or authority, defied them, and caused the man in whom he dwelt to attack them so that they had to flee for their lives!

The lesson is that we cannot use the name of Jesus effectively unless we have divine authority for so doing. How do we receive this authority? First of all, we must be rightly related to Jesus ourselves, free from sin, and clear channels for the manifestation of His power. Furthermore, we must know that we are within the will of God in what we attempt, that we are led of the Spirit, and that our motive is a pure desire to glorify God. When these conditions have been met, then alone can we have the faith which is necessary for the casting out of demons, and we can expect them to flee as we command them with God-given authority!

IV. THE CHURCH REVIVED. Vv. 17-20.

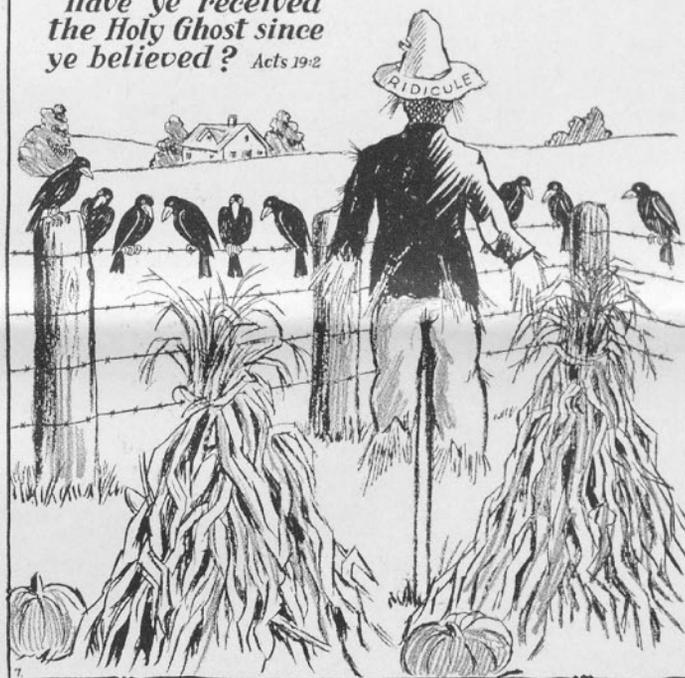
The exposing of these exorcists was such a clear evidence of the power and discernment of God that it produced a great fear and reverence in the hearts of saints and sinners. Ephesian Christians who had not really separated themselves from their old sins and superstitious practices became afraid that they too would be exposed and the result was a "confession meeting" and drastic restitution. Those who still owned books which had to do with witchcraft and magic, brought them together. A great bonfire was built and ten thousand dollars worth of books were destroyed! Some suggestive thoughts—

(1) The manifestation of God's Spirit in exposing sin and hypocrisy produces among God's people a wholesome fear of sin and vehement desire to live transparent lives—ought we not pray for such movings of the Spirit? (2) A willingness to part with wrong things even though it costs us something is an indication of a deep work of God in the heart of any individual. (3) Might it not be a good idea if many Christians took in-

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FOOLISH BIRDS DON'T REALIZE THERE'S A GOOD MEAL BEHIND THE SCARECROW.

Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? Acts 19:2



parted from them, and the evil spirits went out of them." In this connection notice—

1. *The purpose of "special miracles."* God wrought special miracles by the hand of Paul (1) in order to defeat Satan who had taken Ephesus as a special stronghold. Every miracle undermined his power then—and still does today! (2) In order to show that the power of Christ was superior to the evil power exercised by magicians and false religionists, just as Moses proved the superiority of God's power over the power of Pharaoh's magicians (Ex. 8:19; 7:1-13), so God wrought miracles through Paul which could not be duplicated by the Ephesians. (3) In order to advertise the gospel; a miracle of healing would do more to convince the ungodly Ephesians than a thousand arguments. So it is today! Let us pray and believe for the signs following!

2. *The use of handkerchiefs in connection with the healing of the sick.* Is there any healing power in the handkerchief itself? Should it be regarded as one would regard a charm? No! The handkerchief or apron was simply used as a means of helping faith and reminded the one upon whom the handkerchief was laid that prayer had been offered in the name of Jesus for his healing.

THE REGIONS BEYOND

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Forward Steps in the Philippines

A New Bible Training School

With a note of joy Leland Johnson writes of the opening of our new Bible School in Baguio: "Bethel Bible Institute has opened its doors and to begin with we have thirteen fine young people attending. At the dedication service we had quite a gathering. The assembly hall was well filled with the faculty, students and some others. The Spirit of God swept over the service in a most wonderful way, the meeting lasting well over two hours. Even the unsaved were much impressed. Two young Catholic men seemed greatly touched and have spread the news of our services. It is hoped that the assembly hall will soon be filled with hungry hearts."

Mrs. Johnson adds a note bringing to our attention an urgent need: "The Bible School is coming along very well and the students are very happy, but we have a need which must be met soon—that of warm bedding for the students. They have all come from the lowlands where it is extremely hot so they had no bedding of their own to bring with them. Here in the mountains the nights are chilly, and in December they are really cold."

"We need outing flannel sheets for both single and double beds, and fairly heavy cotton comforters. We also need pillow slips and single bedspreads, but the warm bedding is the most urgent. Our students have been suffering from the cold, so we would greatly appreciate your help."

We would suggest that groups which have made comforters for missionaries might like to help our Philippine Island Bible School, especially since it is reasonably certain that packages sent there will reach their destination, while the risk is great in sending to some other countries this year. The school would be glad to have good used bedding, or offerings may be sent for the purchase of new articles. All money should be sent to the Foreign Missions Department, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri, clearly designated for this purpose. Packages should be sent direct to Leland E. Johnson, 109 Ferguson Road, Baguio, Mountain Province, Philippine Islands.

A New Sunday School

Rena Baldwin writes: "We have started a little Sunday School in connection with Bethel

Bible Institute here in Baguio and it is growing so rapidly that we shall be obliged to buy more chairs right away. I had over twenty children in my class today in spite of a coming typhoon.

"The Chinese children are taking special delight in memorizing Scripture verses, and the Filipinos are charmed with the gospel songs. All are most attentive.

"On our way to the services this afternoon, we met a father with his children on their way to Sunday School. He said that his little folks had insisted that he must come, too. Since then I have talked with two other parents who are planning to come.

"Yesterday we heard quite a stir outside our house, and there found a crowd of little children singing, 'I need Jesus! Every day along my way, yes, I need Jesus.' Please pray for our Sunday School, and especially for a little eight-year-old boy who is undergoing persecution."

WHAT'S NEWS IN THE MISSIONS DEPARTMENT

We were pleased to welcome home some of our missionaries from Egypt. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Cadwalder and their son, Maurice, together with C. W. Doney and Marjory Mahaney arrived early in October on the SS "Kawser."

Our Brother Cadwalder suffered a serious break in health and was advised that the only thing for him to do was to return to America, so that it was with regret he left Egypt, and we trust that now he is back in the homeland he may soon be fully restored to health. He is hoping to have some ministry as the Lord may lead, either in evangelistic or pastoral work. The long sea voyage has already helped him, and he feels that he would like to be as active as possible. Any friends desiring to communicate with him may direct mail to him at Woodward, Iowa.

Our Brother Doney, after spending twenty years in Egypt and now entering his seventieth year, has felt he should return home and leave the burden of the work to younger missionaries. While Mrs. Doney was living she labored faithfully with her husband, and God blessed their efforts together, particularly in the school work which they conducted in Cairo. This work

is now being continued by Mr. and Mrs. Philip Crouch who are still in Egypt.

Marjory Mahaney has returned to furlough after serving faithfully for a number of years during which time she has had quite a conflict against physical weakness, but the Lord has helped her and made her ministry a blessing. We trust that, now she is back in the United States, God may touch her body and continue using her for His glory.

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A cable message has been received from Japan advising that Marie Juergensen and her mother, Mrs. C. F. Juergensen, will be sailing for the United States, leaving Yokohama, October 20. We assume Jessie Wengler will also be on that ship, although the cable message did not state this definitely. We regret that this means the withdrawal of our Assemblies of God missionaries from Japan, but are happy to report that the Japanese Assemblies of God are still carrying on.

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Brother Alfred A. Blakeney has requested that we advise friends of his new address in India which is "Shalimar," 20 Mall Avenue, Lucknow, U. P., India.

THE ANSWER CAME

"For over a year we had been practically cut off from the rest of the world," write Mr. and Mrs. Emile G. Chastagner and family from Kaya, Ivory Coast, French West Africa. "Only recently have we heard from our son John whom we had left in the States, and our dear mother. . . . When a letter finally reached us from our son, the native Christians from far and near came to greet us and to thank God with us for answered prayer. They had been praying so earnestly that we might hear from home.

"Throughout all these months God gave grace and continually comforted our hearts. Often we were conscious that friends at home were praying through for us when we had special needs, even though they were not receiving the many letters which we had written.

Funds Get Through

"We are so thankful that Brother Perkin has managed to get funds through to us so that our needs have been met. We are very grateful to him and to all who have helped financially. On account of war conditions letters seldom reach us. The French officials have been most kind to us and have shown us every consideration.

Cultivating Soil and Souls

"God is blessing in this Kaya district. Souls are being saved and several backsliders have returned to God. Our native Christians, and especially the workers, are so eager for more of the Word. We are spending much of our time teaching, and though this is their cultivating season, they gladly come in for evening classes after long, hot days spent in their fields.

"They drop everything to attend the three days of intensive teaching classes each month. These fellowship meetings are primarily for the workers, and many of them walk long distances to attend feeling their need of more teaching. Several have moved in closer to Kaya where they may be able to attend classes regularly.

"Our Brother and Sister Glaser who preceded us did a splendid work in this district during their term in Kaya.

"We Must Do All"

"These are such uncertain times that we



Students of our new Bible School in the Philippine Islands, future workers for the Lord. At the right is the new building which was finished just in time for the school to occupy it.

wonder how long we shall be permitted to labor here. Therefore, we feel that we must do all that is within our power to establish the Christian Church in Mossiland so that these native Christians may be able to carry on until Jesus comes. Do pray that we may be given wisdom to accomplish the most possible in the time that remains."

When He Putteth Forth His Own Sheep

John F. Hall, Mossiland

When the normal time for furlough had passed and application was made to the French Government for permission to leave the colony it was refused! Should we settle down and determine to stick it out to the end of the war? We knew that our physical condition and the good of the children demanded furlough. Therefore we set apart a time each afternoon to seek the Lord that if He willed the closed door would open. One day we received a telegram announcing that the Governor General permitted us to leave by way of Gold Coast. What hasty packing we did! But we were detained at Ouagadougou a week awaiting word from the British permitting our entry. During this time I did dental work in the daytime and continued with a Mossi-English dictionary in the evenings. Both were completed during that wait so we can thank the Lord even for a delay.

Visit to New Bible School

The last week-end in Mossi Land was with the Wilsons at Kouberi where the new adobe Bible School quarters were so recently finished and where we had happy fellowship together with them and the Mossi Christians who have entered a three-year period of preparation for the Lord's work.

Rifle Aimed at Windshield

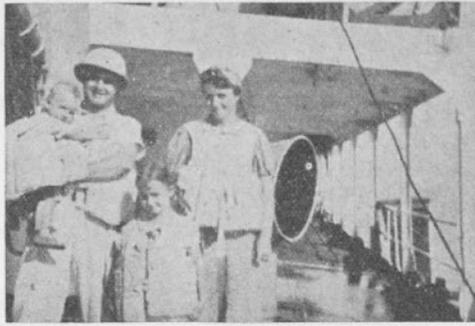
As we approached the frontier, not knowing what to expect, a soldier rushed to the middle of the road and pointed his rifle at our windshield and motioned us to a halt—which we did quite readily, of course!! As spokesman for our family and the Smiths, I was escorted by two guards to the Commandant's house where our passports and other papers were examined. We were obliged to promise that we would not tell what we saw as we were escorted to the borderline and so that element of mystery will remain for you. The Lord was good in our getting through a very hostile customs and when we were finally left near the Gold Coast boundary we were cautioned by the Frenchmen to go slowly. We wondered if some bridge we would pass over would send us sky high but everything looked peaceful as we journeyed the few miles to the first British post and were cordially received by the English official. To our great surprise, who should drive up that evening but Brothers Shirer and Weston who had a rumor that we were walking across the frontier carrying our baggage and children! So what a relief it was to them to find we were permitted to bring our old Chevy and trailer.

Delayed in Gold Coast

Brother Shirer went ahead immediately to telegraph concerning steamers, and arrangements were made for us to sail in July but Smiths to wait until September. However, we all prayed definitely and just about a week before sailing date the agent telephoned that there would be room for Smiths to accompany us. How glad we were! We found later that some Congo folk had missed the boat.

To the Sea by Car

Brother Shirer was exceedingly accommodating to us all and took us to the coast with his own car and trailer. He who knew all the ropes saved us a great deal of uncertainty and



Mr. and Mrs. John F. Hall, Evelyn and baby John as they appeared on board ship, attired in life-belts, during the hazardous voyage from West Africa.

delay. We are very thankful for the kind-hearted business men at various places who entertained our party en route and while awaiting the steamer. British officers were very polite to us at all places and permitted us to enter the Takoradi harbor and board the American cargo boat which brought us to good old U. S. A. We thank God that on that twenty-one day trip across the Atlantic we saw only one other boat—a three-masted schooner bound for the Cape Verde Islands.

Home Again

Our first task was to make up the year's correspondence which was not permitted to enter French West Africa. We had the inexpressible joy of attending the General Council where our soul was so blessed that physical weariness was in a measure forgotten. Three-fourths of our furlough blessing is the renewed fellowship with God's own in this land, the good singing, orchestras, testimonies, preaching in "our" language, but the urge to "go back" is tugging away at the heart strings even now. To all who query we answer happily, "Yes, the Lord willing, we are going back again."

WITH OUR WORK IN HAWAII

"The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away, blessed is the name of the Lord," so quotes Bernice Strickland in writing from Hilo, Hawaii, concerning the work and workers there. Sister Madelyn Larsen, who had been working in Hilo with Sister Strickland was "taken away"

WILL YOU SHARE?

It was about four o'clock Christmas morn when the crowd quietly gathered. Then a hymn, almost whispered, grew fainter as the double file marched away and climbed the rocky hill at the south of the station. For there they went for prayer and praise, where a few years ago the sentinels kept watch during the many tribal wars, and where the chiefs and warriors sharpened their knives to cut the human sacrifices for the feast.

At ten o'clock the little church building was filled to overflowing and the discords of their joyful hymns made the heart swell with praise, even if the ears were tortured.

Gifts made possible from distant shores by those who knew the joy in sharing were distributed among them. A prayer of gratitude and praise ascended from those dark skins in thanksgiving for those who had made their Christmas joyful.

As this most joyous of all seasons approaches, when our thoughts are turned anew to the coming of the Saviour of the world, how we should remember the Heralds of Peace in far-flung corners of the world. Let us share our happiness with our missionaries in foreign lands by sending our gifts in early. Little do we realize what encouragement is brought to them, Christmas joy to their children, and a little treat for the native Christians by our small efforts.

This need is brought before our Evangel readers especially for the help of those missionaries who otherwise would not receive anything for Christmas. Some of our workers have a large group of friends to remember them each year, while others just as worthy, are not so well known and receive practically nothing except from our undesignated funds. It is for this reason that we stress our general Missionary Christmas Fund, which will be divided so that each worker will get an equal share. We shall also be glad to forward your offerings for you if you care to designate them for some particular one.

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and is now with Brother and Sister Peter Funk at Laupahoehoe where they hope to open a new work in a little town near there. This is very encouraging for when Sister Strickland first went to Hawaii there was no Full Gospel Church on the island and now besides hers there is the Filipino and Spanish, and churches at Wailea and Laupahoehoe. Prayer is requested for those who endeavor to open a work at Honokaa.

Another Helper

Sister Strickland writes: "The Lord is giving us another helper (also from Massachusetts as is Sister Larsen). This young man was in the Islands before as a music teacher and returned to the mainland. God has been dealing with him ever since regarding Christian work here. He has been a Christian many years but has recently become hungry for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Pray that God may meet this hunger. Also pray that his needs will be supplied so he can give his full time in the ministry of the Lord here. He is a violin and voice teacher and we are already planning the many places where he will fit in; one of these is as a Men's Bible Class teacher. We have wanted to have a men's class for some time but have had no suitable teacher. Pray God will use him as a teacher for this class and that it will grow.

Street Services

"When it does not rain we have street services just before our Sunday night service and week before last a young soldier who was visiting in Hilo came to the service with us and really seemed to receive the Lord as his Saviour. Strangely enough he was from Massachusetts, also.

"On Saturday afternoons we are having a children's meeting with those children who are near enough to the church to come without us going for them. We feel we get a chance for a closer contact with them in this way.

Need a Sunday School Bus

"One more prayer request. We still need a Sunday School bus. We had an offering given last year for a bus and had to use it for another purpose as the balance of the money did not come in. However, we believe we could, with the help of God, replace that amount if you will pray with us about getting a new one. For several hundred dollars we can get a suitable one.

"Walk Before Me, and Be Thou Perfect"

William F. McPherson at the Southern Missouri Camp Meeting

IN GALATIANS 3:29 we learn that those who belong to Christ are the seed of Abraham. Whatever God did for Abraham He is willing to do for us. He did not have a blessing for Abraham that He does not have for us. Abraham's God is still on the throne. We sing, "Elijah's God still lives today," and that places us under tremendous responsibility, because James said Elijah was made out of the same kind of material that we are made of.

James knew that if we got to thinking about the marvelous victory that Elijah had, and how he got things from God, we would begin to think that Elijah was a great mountain peak of a man, and that we could not reach the plane that Elijah reached. So James told us that he was subject to like temptations as we are. In other words, James says, "If you will meet the conditions that Elijah met, you can have the same blessings that Elijah got." Do you believe that? I believe it. But you say, "We do not have what Elijah had." We have not paid the price for it.

"When Abram was ninety years old and nine, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before Me, and be thou perfect." Gen. 17:1.

Now I realize that as we come closer to the coming of Christ and to the Great Tribulation period, the demon forces are becoming stronger. This year I have had a couple of campaigns near two of our largest military camps; and you would be surprised at the demon forces we felt. It seems that special forces are arrayed over these war camps. War is of the devil.

War, James says, is in the hearts of men. It is wickedness inside. We can work on this old world all we want, but we shall never get it right until our hearts are made right. Our troubles are heart troubles, and you do not fix up heart troubles in Washington, D. C. We fix up heart troubles at Calvary. Jesus is a heart specialist.

These are days when we need encouragement. Every doctrine of the old Book is being tested to the very limit in this hour, and in many places they are putting question marks after certain of the promises. Never has there been a time when so many of God's people were afflicted as now. Not long ago an outstanding man said to me, "It looks as if all our people are going to die." Half of his congregation were afflicted. The trouble is, we are looking at the affliction. We are looking at the snakebite instead of the One that is on the pole. Moses did not tell his people to look at the snakebite, but at the brazen serpent. Look at the remedy. Look at the Christ of Calvary!

But Abraham's God still lives. The God that gives us a little blessing, can give us a mighty blessing. The God that is giving us little touches can give us mighty uplifts. Hallelujah! He is wonderful and marvelous, and is working in, with, and through His people in this hour. I refuse to be discouraged.

There was one promise in Abraham's

life that stood out above every other one. It was the promise of a son through whom all the nations of the world were going to be blessed; and the seed was to be as numerous as the sands of the sea and as the stars of the heavens. That was the great promise. That is the promise the devil is going to work the hardest on.

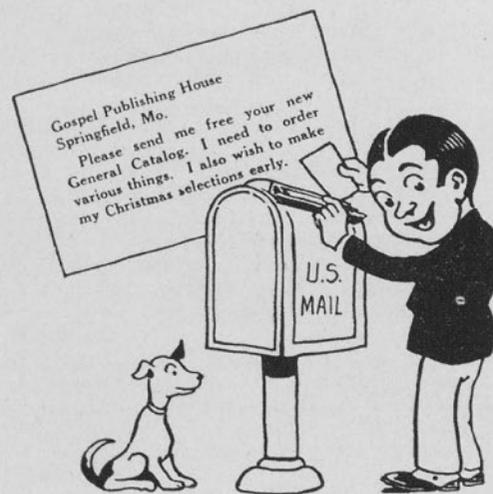
Here we see Abraham trying to believe this promise. Sarai—not Sarah, but Sarai—became tremendously concerned about it. She decided that God was in a tight place, and so, that she would help Him. Sarais are always like that. But God figures out all the hard places before He gives a promise. You do not have to get concerned, upset and fussy about a tight place that God is in. The only thing you need to do is to stand on the promise.

I have tried to help God out of hard places. I have gotten sorry for God, got in a stew trying to help Him out, and I always got into difficulties. And so Sarai, in order to help God out of a tight place, forced things.

Whenever you find somebody shoving you, you had better hold back. God will not shove you, He will lead you. The devil is the pusher. I have found it is very profitable to wait upon God when a problem arises. Perhaps you are in a mess because you jumped when the devil pushed. Take time to pray. God has had to reach out with His crook and pull me back from the briars more than once. We find that Sarai forced things and Ishmael was the result.

Sarai knew, Abraham knew, everybody concerned knew that Ishmael was not the promised child, not God's best, not God's promise; it was second choice. Can you imagine Sarai getting up in testimony meeting to thank God for His wonderful blessing, for the promised son—when he was kicking up the dust and causing all kinds of trouble! She knew he was not the promised child. I have heard many a little squeaky testimony, people thanking God for something they knew was not God's best.

You know what God did with Sarai.



May we send you one, too?

He had to take the "I" out before he could ever bring the promise to pass. A lot of times the reason we do not get the promise is, there is too much "I". Back, away back yonder somewhere, Lucifer—God's right hand man—said, "I will be as the Most High." And when he tempted Adam and Eve in the garden, he said, "You will be as gods. You can become as wise as God. You will get something in your head." The devil does not care what you get in your head. He wants people to have head religion. But salvation is a heart proposition.

Paul puts the "I" where it belongs. He says, "I am crucified with Christ." The cross is the place for this "I". You know the cause of a lot of splits and divisions and heartaches and troubles in our churches? It is this old "I" that Sarai was so full of—"I". It is earthly. God does not think much of it. If you want to know what God thinks of it, look at Calvary.

Abraham watches time take its toll on the body of his precious wife. His own steps are more feeble. For thirteen years he waits for the fulfillment of this promise that everything was wrapped up in. Then God slips up beside him and whispers in his ear and says, "Abraham, walk before Me"—that is the condition—"Walk before Me, and be thou perfect. I am the Almighty God."

I never in the world can be perfect before you. You never in this world can be perfect before me. But thank God, we can walk before God, and in God's sight be perfect. Our service may never be perfect, but thank God, the desire of my heart, my intentions can be perfect.

Old Dr. Morrison was telling about coming home from a campaign so tired that he threw himself down to rest. Immediately his granddaughter jumped on his chest for a wrestling match. He was so tired, he wanted to rest. She said, "Granddad, can I do something for you? May I get you something?" Just to get her off his chest, he said, "Yes, Honey, go and get me a drink." She ran to the kitchen, shoved three dirty fingers inside the glass, filled it with water and came back. He said he just reached over and grabbed her with one hand, grabbed the glass of water with the other hand, and drank the whole thing! Oh, doesn't God do the same thing for us when we blunder and stumble and flop around? God reaches out and takes us in His precious arms and loves us in spite of all our stumbling and blundering.

"Walk before Me. I am the Almighty God." You know the meaning of Almighty God. It comes from El Shaddai. We are given the picture of a mother holding her baby to her bosom and literally pouring into that child her life, her strength, everything—her very nature. To me that is one of the most beautiful, glorious, encouraging pictures in the Word of God, because I am of the seed of Abraham. That mother holding her baby to her bosom is holding a part of her own flesh and a part of her own

bone. Not only is she holding a part of herself, but she is pouring herself, her strength and life, into that child.

My Father God holds me. This poor me—this bundle of mistakes, this bundle of wreckage—He holds me to His bosom. Why? Because I am a part of Him. I am a partaker of the divine nature. How much of the divine nature may I have? I may have as much as Jesus had of the human. He had enough of the human to make Him a citizen of this earth, and I have enough of the divine to make me a citizen of the glory world. He had enough of the human to make Him the son of man, and I have enough of the divine to make me a son of God. Not *going* to have in the resurrection but *now*. Hallelujah, I am a partaker of the divine nature. God holds me to Himself, and He literally pours into me what is necessary to make me what I should be. He is my nourishment, my life-giver, my everything.

You know one kingdom cannot of itself get up into another kingdom above it. The animal kingdom reaches down into the vegetable to get what it needs; and the vegetable reaches down into the soil and pulls the mineral out. So God's hand reaches down, taking the human, and lifting it into the divine. Glory, glory! I believe that God means as much to us as He did to Abraham. He is my supplier. All that I need is in Jesus. He supplies, He satisfies.

Most of the people in our part of the country kept liquor in the house as a cure for snake bite, but they drank more than they used for snake bite. I was born with an appetite for alcohol, and when I was fourteen years old I would slip in and get a drink and then pour water into what was left, until it would get so weak you could hardly smell it. And then Dad would change brands. He could never understand why it lost its strength.

Somehow, the night mother went to heaven I was the last one she called for. I came into the room. She was my pal. I had no secrets that I did not feel I could take to mother. But she did not know about the booze business. So she said, "Promise me you will not drink." I said, "I promise." "Promise me you will not gamble." And I promised.

After mother went away, the winter came on and the days and nights were gloomy in the house. I shall never forget how I slipped in—I had forgotten the promise—and lifted the lid of the trunk in which the liquor was stored. Then the promise came back to my mind, I dropped the lid of the trunk, backed out of the room. Again and again the same thing happened. I can understand what David meant when he said, "I have set the Lord always before me." It is the shake of God's head that has been in front of me. He has shaken His head more than once when I have started to take a wrong step or do a wrong thing. "Walk before Me, and be thou perfect. I am El Shaddai, I am the Almighty God."

Jesus speaking of the Lord's Supper said, "Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink His blood, ye have no life in you." There is something wonderful, marvelous, glorious here. By faith we can take His body, we can take His blood, and there is healing in it, there is life in it. There is life in the blood! Our old bodies get so tired, we feel we cannot take another step, cannot possibly go any further.

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I woke up one morning with a stroke of paralysis. I said, "You are done for." I missed one service, and then I pulled my old worn-out body to the pulpit. There I reached up and took another big swallow. New life began to surge through me. A new touch from heaven. New life came in, and I hopped and I ran and I shouted. Oh, brother, this thing I am talking to you about will put the hop, skip and jump in your soul, it will put something in you that the world cannot do. "Walk before Me."

We find poor Jacob, the grandson of Abraham, running away from his home. His heart is heavy. He is discouraged and disheartened. He makes his bed on stones, takes a stone for a pillow, and then drops off to sleep. Abraham's God was watching. He saw this troubled boy and felt his heartache. He said to the angels, "Get the ladder out." They shoved the big end right down in front of Jacob's feet. "You wake him, and I will call to him." And the angel woke Jacob and started up the ladder. Jacob looked up, and God was at the top of the ladder. El Shaddai! God spoke to him. What did He say? "I am

the Lord God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac."

We could go through the New Testament. He was El Shaddai with Paul and Silas, with Peter, with Stephen when they were stoning him and his face shone. All through the New Testament and up to this present time, He is still Almighty God, my God and your God. In your home, in your church, in your neighborhood, in your community, in your body, He is your God.

From Death to Life

The old preacher had lived on the Western prairies, and his illustrations had a powerful fascination for my boyish ears. He told of a prairie-fire, and he described the way in which the Indians saved their wigwams from the blaze by setting fire to the dry grass immediately adjoining the settlement. "The fire cannot come," he cried, "where the fire has already been. That is why I call you to the Cross. Judgment has already fallen there, and can never come again. He who takes his stand at the Cross is safe for evermore. He can never come into condemnation: he has passed from death into life. He is at perfect peace within God's safety-zone!"—Boreham.

A Triumph of Faith and Love

A True Story by Mary Warburton Booth

Mary Warburton Booth has a large Home for Children in North India. In this story she tells us of just one of the little girls that has been rescued from a life of heathenism.

HE came to us through the "Powers that be." She was the daughter of a dancing girl who had passed out, and left her some of her gains. The law decreed that she should not be sold into the life her mother had lived, and the mother's co-religionists were persuaded in their own minds that she belonged to them, so a fight began in court, and a truce declared when she was brought to us. She thought she had come to stay, and she settled down like a duck does to water, and we settled to have her. She was a mystifying child, full of color. There was nothing drab about her, even her soul was a blaze of colored lights like the lights of a city on a dark night. She posed and turned and twisted, and a light according to her mood of the moment twinkled through the darkness. To look at and watch, she was incomprehensible, but to draw her in and let her open out before you was like turning the leaves of an unknown and extraordinary book. Every leaf turned, compelled one to stop and think; sentence after sentence said, "Pause, reflect," and the child stood first on one foot and then on the other, while her hands clasped and unclasped. She, too, was thinking and weighing matters in her own mind.

The sudden change from a life of license without liberty, to a family that insisted on the service of love, talking freely of the command, "By love serve one another," was difficult. So I set to work to teach her, by telling her of what our blessed Saviour could do for her. She listened, enthralled, and then mystified. I see her eager face now as I write, her beautiful eyes looking into the distance and then turning to me with a question.

She had lived all her days since she was born in an atmosphere that demanded all that a girl hath, even her virtue. She had arrived at a place where virtue was surrounded by a barrier that no price could buy.

I was talking to her about freedom—she was mystified. "But when He, the Son, shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed," I said to her, as I opened the Book and read. Then I told her of Him who died to save her from that life and all its sin and degradation. "It was just love, only love for you, and He sent me to tell you to come to Him to be saved," I said. Her hands touched mine, and her trembling fingers twined round mine. She was silent for a long time. I waited for her to speak.

It seemed as if something was breaking inside her as her breast heaved, and then a great sob shook her.

"You talk of freedom," she said, "and I do not understand you. I don't understand freedom because I am a girl," and then there was another pause—the silence was intense. Then a cry burst forth, and she flung her arms around my neck. "I don't understand freedom," she wailed, "but I

understand love." She clung to me with all the strength of her little body, and I held her while I prayed. Then we knelt together and asked her blessed Saviour to take her and reveal Himself to her, and make her His own child.

She got up from her knees sobered and quietened, and hand in hand we walked into the compound.

She knew no laws of any game. She had never possessed a doll. The usual toys we take for granted were unknown to her because her life from its very beginning had been minus them. I went to a cupboard and took out a doll, while she looked on in

amazement. I examined it, saw that it was arrayed in a gay-colored dress, had real hair on which a hat with a brim rested, tiny shoes covered its tiny feet, and the doll had joints that moved. I was looking at the doll and watching her. The eyes were closed, so I gave a gentle tap on the forehead, and the doll was awake, and I held it out to the child.

She hung hard and long, but her hands hung at her side. "It is for you," I said. "Take it," and I took her arms and laid it there. She stood looking at it as only mothers look at babies, and a sacred halo seemed to gather round her. "It is for you, to keep," I repeated, then with one look at me with a soul full of love, she clasped her treasure to her heart. It was her very own to keep and to love and to cherish, and it opened Heaven to her. She stood there in speechless wonder. I understood then why God made mothers.

All her pent-in nature came out to the light in the joy of mothering a doll, and I watched and wondered what the sender



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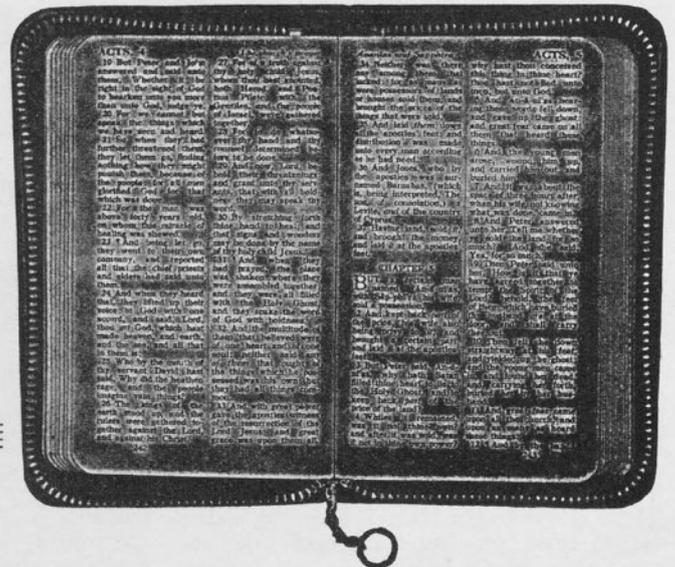
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would say if only she saw the unspeakable joy she had given to this soul-starved child.

She looked up in speechless wonder, and then sat down on the floor holding the treasure to her heart while she crooned her song of joy. Her little body rocked to and fro, as with a tenderness that unveiled her heart, she drew her sari tightly round her, that there might be enough and to spare for her treasure. She poured out a wealth of love that took my breath away and caused me to ask myself many questions.

In what way did I receive the gifts of God?

Did I open my heart and pour out love in such unstinted measure?

Was I able to give as this child did?

I sat down and learned from her something more of what love is, and what it is not. She bent and kissed, and kissed again, and sat and rocked her treasure, covering it with such unrestrained affection that I wondered where it could all come from—the very atmosphere seemed full of it. She looked again at me as her body swayed, and then away as if she saw something in the distance, and I sat there and waited.

"Do you love your child?" I ventured.

She looked at me and then at her treasure, while she held it tightly to her breast. She only nodded her head, while she fixed her gaze on that inanimate thing that had opened such a flood of love. She was a giver—there was no response, nor ever could be, and yet all that she had she poured out in a libation on a doll about twelve inches long—that could feel nothing nor give anything. And yet I can't help believing that the one who bought that doll, and dressed it so carefully and lovingly, put into it that invisible something that met the need in our child. I do believe that what we give to Jesus He accepts, what He accepts He touches, and what He touches must carry something satisfying to wherever it goes, and I am glad that He knows and understands and puts the real value on anything we give to Him. "Love never faileth," the Book says, and I believe it, and real love must find expression somehow—for love must be giving.

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We had to face it. Facts are facts, law is law, and they proved that she being a Hindu, we had no right to her, so the child had to go. "Go where?" the family asked in chorus. I was almost afraid to hear my own voice, but I had to speak and tell them the whole story as I knew it.

There was nothing for it but to let her go, and the helplessness that comes when we are up against the fiery foe, with a realization that a war is raging, was staggering. Our task is not the simple thing we hear about. We must get into our place in the battle. Scars we shall have, and many wounds, but fight we must. Our warfare is not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. The iron has entered into us. It is God that teacheth our hands to fight. It is He who girdeth us for the battle, and yet with hearts down to zero we take the child aside and pray with her. She, herself, is a bundle of surprise that it should be her lot to go from us. She is perfectly sure that I have only to say the word, "I want her,"

to be able to keep her; but the Lover of Souls understands, and He has made many promises, and, though we seem to be handing her back to her mother's co-religionists, we are literally committing her to Him "who is able to keep that which we commit unto Him against that day." That evening she went from us.

There are no words to describe our feelings. It looked as if we had handed her back to those who would destroy her body and soul, and there were many dark hours, and yet, in the darkness there would come a beam of light that increased as we remembered that she was in safe keeping—even in an hour of evil, and even there God's hand could touch her and His voice could speak to her. He would not forsake her, and we had a grand opportunity of finding out that He means exactly what He has said. He is able to keep *that* which we commit to Him, provided we let Him keep.

Weeks passed and there was no news. There was nothing we could do, and yet I felt that something should be done. What? I opened *The Book* and asked for a word of guidance and advice, and I read: "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for." "Substance? Substance?" I repeated. Faith is not imagination, nor the illusive thing we sometimes think. I said aloud, "It is the *substance* of things hoped for," and I rang the bell for prayers.

We gathered together in sections, I went with the young middlings, *i. e.*, the children from seven to about eleven years of age—and we got together to talk things over. You see, I was remembering the words, "Except ye become as little children," and that is how I learn.

We sang our morning hymn, then we read our daily portion, and I began to talk about our child that had been taken from us. No

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news is good news, they say, but I didn't believe it then. "What can we do?" I asked.

"We will pray," was the answer in chorus.

Then a pause and a ten year old stood up, and with her right hand raised, she said "We will ask God our Father in the Name of Jesus Lord, to get her out of that place and bring her back, and He will."

I looked, and I listened, and waited to hear what others would say. It was mostly the same thing, with various grades of faith, and that led me back to the verse I read before the bell rang, and so we talked about faith—what it is—what it is not—and how if we truly believe, we expect to see, and to feel. For what is substance for if we can neither see nor believe it is there?

"How are we to let God our Father know that we expect Him to answer our prayers?" I asked.

Faith seemed very mysterious for a while.

Then a little girl whose name means "Joy" asked to go out, and we got down to praying. I suggested that a Prayer Meeting might get the door open and the release of the child, and immediately a little voice was raised: "You know the way. You opened the door for me. You know which window. You know the bolts. You know everything. You brought me out. You brought me here. Oh, Jesus, loving Jesus, we want her back. Please bring her. In Thy Name we ask it." Others prayed, and assurance began to grow.

We sat up and sang another hymn, and "Joy" returned to us bringing a little bundle which she placed at my feet.

"What is this?" I asked.

Joy stood and very simply said, "It is a sari for our girl to be ready for her when she comes."

She sat down.

"Is it to tell God our Father that we are

expecting her?" I asked. She nodded her head, and joy that comes with believing took possession of the meeting.

We praised and we thanked, for we were fully convinced that what He had promised He was able and willing to perform, and somehow we felt that we had the answer, but the child was not with us.

I sang, the children sang, we all sang, and gloom with depression left us. We felt sure of God. It was like watching for some great secret to be revealed as we watched to see how He would keep the child we had committed to Him. There is such a thing as giving up, but we couldn't do it. We knew that we had done all we knew to help her, and the only thing left was "to stand." That was not easy, but we were all of one mind, and our little Joy had taught us how to express our expectation, and so we looked up, kept standing, and, lo, as quietly as the shadows fall every evening, our child was brought back to us.

It all came about twenty-one days after that Prayer Meeting. He had kept what we committed unto Him. No harm had befallen her. She slipped into my room as naturally as if she had never been away, and when she began to talk, she poured out such a volume of words, in one long sentence, without even a comma, her pent-in feelings all expressed in her going round to every one, telling each one something, interspersed with little jumps of joy, and there and then we had a Praise Meeting. No words of mine could tell you what that was like. We sang and praised, and thanked and worshipped; and Jesus Himself drew near, and I looked on the crowd of little ones, some with foreheads to the ground, some with faces covered with their hands, and some with their faces turned upward as if they could see with their closed eyes the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who had heard and answered their prayer. There was the smile of unearthly satisfaction and a glow that made me weep for joy. For, oh, it was unspeakably precious to be there.

"Mine Is a Following Love"

The child of God said, "I am distressed because of some very dear to me who have drifted away."

His Father said, "They are dear to Me too. Mine is a following love. And when they return, My love will run to meet them."

The child of God said, "What of one who walked in the straight way of faith, but, being lured by the will-o'-the-wisp of false teaching, is wandering in the swamp?"

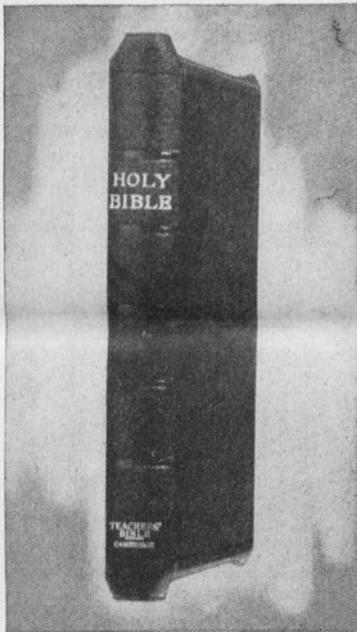
His Father said, "I have stepping-stones in every swamp."

Then the child of God worshiped, saying, "O Sovereign Lord, Thou Lover of souls, all the springs of my hope are in Thee." And like music played softly, melodious words sounded in his ears: "These things I have spoken unto you, that in Me ye might have peace."

A Warning

If we abide by the principles taught in the Bible, our country will go on prospering and to prosper; but if we and our posterity neglect its instructions and authority, no man can tell how sudden a catastrophe may overwhelm us and bury all our glory in profound obscurity.—Daniel Webster.

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Speaking in Italian

Near Four Corners in Rochester, N. Y., a street meeting of the downtown mission (where I was evangelist in 1921 and pastor or mission Supt. in 1922-23) was being given its usual hearing. Suddenly men began to break away and run and then run back again bringing others with them while Sister Julia Crutcher, a negress, was giving a glowing message in tongues.

The men who had darted away and the men whom they brought with them stood astonished, openly expressing their admir-

ation and enthusiasm over what was being said. They were Italians. And when she finished, a man among the open-air workers said to an Italian, "Did you understand what she said?" "Yes," said he, "she spoke my language. It was all in perfect Italian."

"What did she say?" he asked. "She told of Jesus Christ and used the strongest, finest words about how grand and wonderful He is. It was glorious."

Sister Crutcher was at that time Sister Julia Sartor, her first husband being still alive. They were hard pressed with poverty, and she had much heavy labor to do with her hands. From the time she was old enough to do chores, she had never known anything for her hands but hard work. Her knowledge of English was limited, and she was a total stranger to any other language. But the Holy Spirit spoke the praise of the Lord Jesus through her rapturously and effectively in Italian.—Walter H. Harriss, San Diego, California.

Vibrations

Down below, alongside of us, an Arab baker installed himself six or seven years ago. This means that for hours every night two men had swung on the huge seesaw which in some mysterious way kneads their bread, and every blow backwards and forwards vibrated through our house. Now at last the result was seen in the shattering of masonry that looked as if it would last as long as the world.

Once more "the invisible things" are

"being understood by the things that are made." For there is a vibrating power going on down in the dust and darkness of this world that can make itself visible in startling results in the upper air and sunlight of the invisible world—"mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds," "casting down imaginations and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God." Each prayer beat down here vibrates up to the very throne of God, and does its work through that throne on the principalities and powers round about us; just as each one of the repeated throbs from below told on the structure of our house, though it was only the last that produced the visible effect.

We can never tell which prayer will liberate the answer, but we can tell that each one will do its work.—Lilias Trotter, Missionary to Algiers.

Daniel Webster's Warning

If God and His Word are not known, if the evangelical volume does not reach every hamlet, the pages of a corrupt and licentious literature will; if the power of the Gospel is not felt through the length and breadth of the world, anarchy and misrule, degradation and misery, corruption and darkness will reign without mitigation or end.—Daniel Webster.

The Bible is the only comfort in sorrow, the only key to the heart, and the only safe rule of life.—William Gladstone.

THE LORD'S HEALING

HEALED OF MANY THINGS

All of my life I have suffered with a weak body and chronic ailments of many kinds; but thirteen years ago when I gave birth to my first child bearable conditions became extremely distressing. For eight years I lived in torture, taking every sort of medicine that was prescribed or that I could hear of. Finally I was operated on for five serious things.

Five years ago I was born again, and since then the Lord has been my Healer. I was frequently prayed for, but never got complete victory, and only God knows what I suffered. October 4, 1939 a vaginal discharge began. It was extremely offensive, and I had to be in bed almost all of the time. I couldn't sit up straight because of the terribly inflamed condition of the various organs in my abdomen. In 1938 Dr. Cordell of Macomb, Oklahoma told me I must have my uterus removed at once, as the discharge from it was going through my system and poisoning me. But I was determined to trust God for my healing. In June, 1940 the discharge was stopped in answer to prayer; but the inflammation of my female organs, kidneys, and bladder and neuritis of the whole upper body, spine, hips, and chest remained.

Last Friday, November 22, 1940 at Shawnee, Oklahoma, Raymond T. Richey prayed for me and God healed me. Today I put out a big washing, and feel better than I have felt for years. It is wonderful to turn in bed pain free and get up without feeling stiff and sore. The tight girdle that I had been compelled to wear constantly since my operation is no longer needed.—Mrs. Tom Hill, Trousdale, Oklahoma.

Ed. note—We held this testimony after it came in until February, 1941, when we wrote Mrs. Hill as to her present condition. She replied saying her healing still holds. She weighs more than ever before and feels better than for years. She does her housework and walks half a mile to church. She inclosed a statement by her husband who says that although he is not saved yet he believes in healing, and that his wife's testimony is true.

CHRIST'S MESSAGE IN THE CAMPS

Mrs. Minna Seaholm, beginning work among the boys in the CC Camps writes from Iron Mountain, Michigan:

"On Monday I made my first contact with my first camp on the Peninsula, making arrangement to speak on Tuesday night. There were present at the service Tuesday night, 93 boys. They listened attentively, but as only four raised their hands only four Gospels were given out. On Wednesday night I drove 90 miles to my second camp. I spoke that night to 134 boys, and what a time I had! They fairly drew the words from me. Such splendid interest. At the close about 80 or more raised their hands for prayer, and 47 came to receive Gospels.

"You will be interested to know that the Lieutenant came to me and said, 'Tomorrow is payday, and some of the boys have threatened to "go over the hill" (meaning to leave camp) but I don't think they'll go after your lecture tonight. I wish the government would hire you to come and talk to the boys at least every two months.'

"It was thrilling to me to see and hear the enthusiasm of the officers as well as of the boys. I am invited back to this camp, and before leaving the Peninsula I hope to return.

"In the next camp I visited the Chaplain was going to speak that night, but he very graciously insisted that I speak. Again the Lord anointed me to speak His Word, and of the 138 young men who listened, 75 raised their hands and 72 came to my car to receive Gospels and tracts. I stamp the tracts with my address

and tell the boys that I shall always be glad to help any who wish counsel or advice.

"There are about 20 camps on the Peninsula. The Chaplain has invited me to speak to a biological camp, where there are twenty-seven boys. I am planning also to visit the two camps on Isle Royal—seventy miles out in Lake Superior. The camps are so far apart that it is difficult to reach them, and as there are very few Pentecostal works on the Peninsula, I shall have to get a room as near as possible to a central point between them.

"This with the gas it takes to travel, and providing for my family, also my own meals, means quite an expense. I drove 168 miles the first night, 180 the second, and 132 the third, to make these services possible, but I am trusting the Lord alone to provide for these needs, and praying that a harvest of souls may be gathered."

If there are individuals or churches who care to contribute to the support of this worthy work they may send offerings to Noel Perkin, Missionary Secretary, Springfield, Missouri.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

Please explain Deut. 18:18, 19 and Acts 3:22, 23.

Deut. 18:15 will be helpful. The verses show that our Lord Jesus is the Prophet which the Lord would raise up, like unto Moses.

Are not John the Baptist and Elijah the same person? How will Elijah appear when he comes again—in a chariot of fire? or in some other way?

John said he was not Elijah. John 1:21. Jesus said, "If ye will receive it, this is Elijah that was to come." I do not think that John was Elijah the Tishbite, but that he came "in the spirit and power of Elijah."

Many believe the original Elijah will prophesy again to Israel in the last days. There are those who believe it will be another, clothed with a similar spirit. If the original Elijah is to appear we do not know the manner. There are those who believe he will be one of the two witnesses mentioned in Rev. 11:3.

Does the Bible throw any light on who will be on the earth during the Millennium? Will the Church return to the earth for that time?

Egypt, Assyria, and Israel are mentioned in Isa. 19:24. All nations are mentioned in Isa. 2:2. "All those who are left of the nations which came against Jerusalem" are mentioned in Zech. 14:16.

Some believe the Church, the saints, will rule, probably from the earthly Jerusalem. Others believe the New Jerusalem will be their home during the Millennium, the saints having a higher sphere of government than the earthly people. Thank God we will understand this better by and by.

HIS WORK FOR YOU

Dost thou consider that thou art too small.
Too weak or feeble *thus* to serve at all?
O limit not *His* power, His wondrous grace,
Whose wisdom infinite didst choose thy place.
He takes the weak things to confound the wise.
The feeble things, the things which men despise.
With which to do His most effective deeds—
With which to satisfy men's deepest needs.

Then let Him take thee, as *He only* can—
To show some aspect of His love to man,
Which not another in His universe
(Composed of all the saints, with lives diverse)
Is qualified to show, as thou canst show;
And through *thy* circumstance lead men to know
Some glint of glory, grace, or love Divine
Which He could never show except thro' thine!
—Anna McClure

SEED THOUGHTS

ALICE E. LUCE

Three great mottoes have been compared: first the words of Socrates: "Know thyself."

Secondly, the words of Marcus Aurelius: "Control thyself." Thirdly, the command of Jesus, "Deny thyself."

Thoughtful men have tried in every age to solve the problems of human life, but have never succeeded.

It is good to *know* ourselves—especially if we get such a good look at God that we say with Job, "Now mine eye seeth Thee, wherefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes."

The problem of self-control is a harder one. All who have tried to do it in their own strength have utterly failed.

"My will is not my own till Thou hast made it Thine; if it would reach the monarch's throne it must its crown resign; it only stands unbent amid the clashing strife, when on Thy bosom it has leant, and found in Thee its life."

The words of Jesus give us the true solution to all the problems: "If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself."

Only as self is placed on the cross and kept in the grave, can the life of Christ be manifested through the Holy Spirit in the life and character of His followers.

Someone has said, "Character is the diamond that scratches all other things; and the climax of character is self-denial."

MISSIONARY PRAYER REQUESTS

Barquisimeto, Venezuela—Please pray that soon we shall be able to finish our chapel. The natives have been gathering together and making special efforts. The foundations are now laid for the chapel but the house lacks roof and floor and windows. Pray that many shall come to know Him while it is day.—Hilda Meyrick.

Matagalpa, Nicaragua—Remember those who have been reclaimed, healed and used of God that God will continue to bless them and use them for His glory. Truly in this land of heathen darkness and superstition the needs are many and we are able to touch only a few here and there, but as you help us pray Satan-bound souls can be set free and be born into the kingdom of God.—Esther Crews.

La Habana, Cuba—Please remember Mr. and Mrs. Einar Peterson and Amy Ausherman as they take steps to carry the Full Gospel to Cuba's 4½ millions, many of which have not heard "whether there be a Holy Spirit." Also pray for us and the work and workers here, for the need is great.—Louie W. Stokes.

Hilo, Hawaii—Pray for Brother and Sister Funk and Sister Larsen as they endeavor to open a new work; for a young man with whom God is dealing regarding Christian work here and who has recently become hungry for the Baptism with the Holy Spirit, that God may meet this hunger and supply his needs so he can give his full time to the ministry of the Lord here; for new Bible classes just started under Sister Larsen; that we may recover \$28.00 offerings recently stolen from us; that a Sunday School bus will be provided; and that God shall save to the uttermost.—Bernice L. Strickland.

Shansi, N. China—Please continue to hold us up before the Throne of Grace as we have no might or power in ourselves to go through the tests of these days. Pray that each one of our students may be a real soul winner for God. Pray for the Chinese Christian Church and especially for the native ministry.—Marie Stephany, Henrietta A. Tieleman, Alice F. Stewart.

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Here is an occurrence that should make us all think a little more seriously about young, very young children, and the possibility of their conversion, and also their possibilities in reaching other children.

I have a niece who is the mother of two girls, the younger now about six. When she was between four and five, one day she came in and sat down abruptly in front of her mother and said, "Well, Patsy will just have to go to hell. I can't help it. I've done the best I could." Her mother, in surprise, asked her what it was all about. Marion answered, "I just went over to ask Patsy to go to Sunday School. I've been working on Patsy. But her father told me to go home and

shut up, and never come there again to ask Patsy to go to Sunday school, for she couldn't go, that there was no God, and he didn't want his children to hear anything about God. And, Mother, he looked so cross I just came home. But when I came past Patsy, I told her I was sorry, but she would just have to go to hell because her father wouldn't let her learn about Jesus."

Patsy's father is an atheist, a very extreme and disagreeable sort of one. No wonder the child was afraid of him.

But the story has a strange sequel. Marion had so vividly told the story of redemption, and pictured the certainty of hell, that her parting thrust at Patsy was more than she could stand, so she raised such a storm that even her father relented and let her go to Sunday school with Marion,

where she is now enrolled, at least having her chance to accept Jesus Christ as her Saviour.

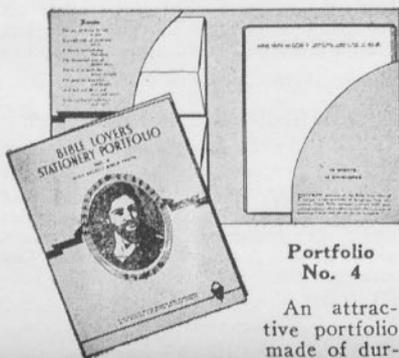
Marion is just a bright child who has been in a Christian home and in Sunday school ever since she could walk. She knows Jesus Christ is her Saviour, and Patsy is not her only trophy won for the Sunday school and, we are praying, for the Lord.

Not till the loom is silent
And the shuttles cease to fly
Shall God unroll the canvas,
And explain the reason why:
The dark threads are as needful
In the Weaver's skilful hand,
As the threads of gold and silver,
In the pattern He has plann'd.

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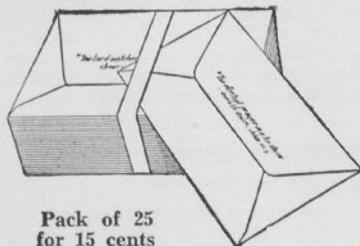
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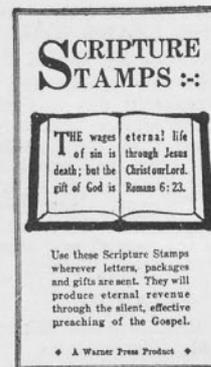
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Apostolic Succession and Apostolic Authority

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as substitutes. They put the dreams and visions and revelations on the walls of their buildings of worship.

I am not opposed to a nice picture on the wall of a church. I rather like it—but a picture on the wall of a meeting house will not take the place of a supernatural vision and revelation and dream. And if you ever have had a taste of the real thing the other will not satisfy.

There was a time in my ministry when I was passing through a crisis, the greatest crisis of my life. On Sunday night I preached and called the people to the prayer room. Kneeling there, my song leader struck up the chorus, "What the world needs is Jesus, just a glimpse of Him." There and then Jesus appeared to me, about six feet away. He looked right at me. It wasn't like a picture. He was real. There was life, and as long as there remains breath in this body of mine I shall never be able to erase from my memory that wonderful glimpse I had of the Lord Jesus Christ. I shall never forget those eyes. Oh, the love, the tenderness, the compassion. When it was all over I felt He had come down and put His arms around me and for days I lived in the glory of that glimpse. He is real to me. Hallelujah!

Anointing With Oil

In James 5:14 we read, "Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him." In the Roman Catholic Church they still practice anointing the sick with oil, but they never resort to this practice as long as there is a hope of recovery. But when there is no hope of recovery, the priest is notified and he comes to the sick bed and administers the last rites of the church. He anoints the sick as a preparation for death, not as a means of recovery. It wasn't so in the early church. The sick were anointed with faith and hope and confidence of recovery.

One day in Wilmington, Delaware, I found myself in front of a house and I knew by the street and number that I had a note in my pocket requesting me to visit and offer prayer for healing for a woman who lived in that very house. I had an appointment just at that time, and I said to myself, "I must choose between keeping that appointment and praying for this woman." I decided I would go in and spend two minutes praying, and then keep the appointment. But when I went inside I found the woman to be a Roman Catholic. She had never heard the gospel of healing. She didn't know what it was all about. And to make matters more difficult, she got the idea that I was a priest. Evidently, a friend had turned in the request. On the spur of the moment I decided that, to save time, I would let the woman go on thinking I was a priest, and offer prayer, and hurry on to my appointment. So I said, "My name is McAlister." She said, "Oh, Father McAlister! Father So-and-so was to see me, and Father Such-a-name, and now, Father McAlister, I am glad you have come." I

said, "I have only two minutes to stop. I suggested I was going to do something, which thing I did do, but if I had known as much then as I do now I wouldn't have done it, for I was ignorant of the practices of the Roman Catholic Church. I told her I was going to anoint her with oil. At once she got the idea that her end had come. She clasped her hands, and tears ran down her cheeks, and her face beamed with joy and lit up with glory. I have never witnessed the face of a new convert shining more than that dear old Roman Catholic lady's face shone when I told her I was going to anoint her with oil. And this is what she said: "Any moment God calls me, I am ready to answer the call and go."

And I expect when I get up to glory to clasp the hand of that dear old Roman Catholic lady, and say, "You will kindly forgive me for my act down on earth, for making such a big blunder." But, friends, in the early apostolic church the sick were anointed with oil for healing.

I thank God with all my heart that once more the Holy Ghost has fallen in our midst, and the scenes of old are being repeated. We don't have to be satisfied with forms and ceremonies. Thank God, we have reality. We have the genuine Baptism with the Holy Ghost accompanied with speaking in tongues as the spirit gives utterance, just as on the day of Pentecost. And we can have dreams and visions and revelations. And, thank God, the sick are healed.

During the past few days I have noticed a certain pastor and his wife in the audience here. I remember one Sunday morning I dropped into their church and preached. At the close of the sermon I asked if there were any persons present in need of the healing touch of Christ. One dear old man with his arm in a sling came hobbling up. He was over eighty. He explained that he had had a fall on the ice a couple of months previous and had fractured the bones. They refused to respond to medical treatment and the pain persisted. I anointed him and laid hands on him in Jesus' name. I said, "With your well hand just take hold of that other one, to see what the Lord is do-

ing." Oh, so carefully, he took hold. I said, "Take hold of it!" He grabbed it, twisted it, turned it, felt it, and then he looked up at the congregation and then at me and then at his arm. Then again looking at the congregation he said, "Doesn't that beat all?" I said, "No, but it does beat some of the physicians, for they have been working on it for two and a half months, but as soon as Jesus passed by and touched you it was whole."

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Is there any other way then than for us to obey the last and great command of the Saviour?

If you seek to lead a soul to Christ, are you not sure you could do it?—C. E. R.

PAUL AT EPHEBUS

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ventory of their reading matter and then made a big bonfire of unprofitable literature?

V. THE APOSTLES PROTECTED. Vv. 21-41.

As we have seen in past lessons, the uncompromising preaching of the gospel often crosses and interferes with illegitimate businesses and results in the persecution of those who preach it and live it. So widespread was the influence of Paul's preaching that professional idol makers of the city were losing much business because of the numbers of people who were being converted and were turning away from their idols! Consequently, the idol-makers union started an uprising in the city which might easily have resulted in Paul's death. But God came on the scene and saved His faithful servant by causing the town clerk to become an unwitting tool in God's hands to make a speech which soon dispersed the crowd. So Paul again found—as do all who love the Lord and do His will—that in the midst of trial, danger, and perplexity, "we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us"—J. Bashford Bishop.

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Betty Baxter, 15, Almost Bent Double,
Straightens—Lumps on Back Fade
As Family, Neighbors Pray

Below we reprint a newspaper account of the healing of Betty Baxter, appearing in the *Fairmont Daily Sentinel*, published in Fairmont, Minnesota. Concerning this report and the miracle it describes, Pastor Dexter E. Collins, of Granada, Minnesota, has this to say:

"I have known Betty Baxter and the Baxter family for about nine years. She is now (October 16, 1941) as normal as any fifteen or sixteen-year-old girl. There seems to be no trace of her affliction left. She attends church and Sunday School regularly, sings in the choir, and has taken several trips to other towns to give her testimony.

"I was present with the newspaper reporters when they interviewed Betty and the family, being personally acquainted with both of them. Mr. James Cavers, of the *Fairmont Daily Sentinel* wrote the account. It tells the story as accurately as one could write it from the interview we had with the family."

This is the newspaper account:

Miracles of healing generally seem to occur in far-off places, but now it appears that one has taken place right in Martin County, in the presence of witnesses—and a girl who was hopelessly crippled two weeks ago suddenly—yes, instantly—was made well and normal and is able to walk and do things she has not been able to do for four years.

That girl is Betty Baxter, 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Baxter of Center Creek township.

In four years she had not been well enough to go to school, having quit in the fifth grade with what then was diagnosed as a kidney ailment. Two years ago she was taken to University Hospital and was sent home with the information that the hospital could do nothing for a serious back affliction that was not fully explained to the family. Last November she collapsed during the Armistice Day storm and since has grown steadily worse until the past month or so, when her back was doubled so that her head nearly touched her knees and hard lumps grew on her spine.

Cure Instantaneous

Then on Sunday, August 24, at 3:10 p. m. in the presence of Center Creek and Nashville township neighbors and some other relatives, most of whom were kneeling and praying for her recovery, she straightened up in her chair, stood erect and walked.

Betty told two *Sentinel* reporters yesterday afternoon that she earlier had had a vision of the exact time and place when her miraculous cure would take place and that she had asked her mother to invite certain neighbors to be present at the time, accounting for the fact there were so many witnesses on hand.

"Word From God"

Betty, a sweet and frail-looking girl, said she had "word from the Lord" many times regarding her illness and ultimate recovery, but none quite so clear as the vision she said she received about noon August 14 when the details of her recovery and the exact time and place were revealed to her.

She told how once in her sleep she had a communication from God, in which He asked her if she had faith that she would be healed. "I told Him, 'Sure I do,'" Betty went on, "but I did not know when it would be exactly. I knew it would not be then, but in the fall."

The August 14th vision of the time and place came to her when she suddenly lapsed into a coma while sitting in a doubled-up position in a

large chair near the dining room table where the family was at dinner.

Betty's Pastor Present

The entire interview was conducted in the presence of the girl's pastor, Dexter Collins of the Granada Gospel Tabernacle, whom the *Sentinel* reporters had invited to accompany them to the Baxter home.

Buy Her New Clothes

After Betty's August 14th vision and her mother's communication from her God, the family was so confident that it would occur that they went to Fairmont and bought Betty a new dress, shoes and coat.

Has Hospital Care

While still at Northfield, Betty was taken to University Hospital for treatment and remained there about two weeks.

Many X-rays were taken of Betty's spine and the young girl said the doctors there then told her there was nothing they could do for her, that her spine was in very bad shape, undoubtedly from improper nourishment as a child, and that she should, to quote Betty's own words:

"GO HOME AND ENJOY LIFE AS LONG AS POSSIBLE."

Betty then volunteered, "But I knew God would heal me."

All this time, up to last November, Betty could not do housework or any of the things young girls normally do. She could push a chair around the floor, but could not lift it. She became gradually weaker, had frequent attacks and severe backaches from time to time.

Worse Since Armistice

Then came the incident of the Armistice Day storm last November.

"Daddy told me to come to the door and look out at the wind and the snow," Betty said. "I went to the door and then I fell down."

Mrs. Baxter said the girl did not fall so as to injure herself, but simply crumpled to the floor and that she caught Betty as she was falling.

Since that time Betty had been in bed much of the time, practically unable to help herself, although she could get around at times for short periods. During this summer she would sit in the sun hoping it would help her back which was becoming more and more bent.

This was the way Pastor Collins saw her on his visit the Friday before her cure. "I knew her family were terribly depressed," Pastor Collins said, "so I made it a point to visit them just before I left for Chicago, where I have been preaching, and see if I could not encourage them. I saw Betty come out of that bedroom all doubled up and I knew that if something did not change soon, that she could not live long. Then she told me about her strange vision and asked me to be present Sunday as a witness."

In recent weeks strange lumps, apparently as hard as bone, had appeared on Betty's spine, beginning near the base of her neck and continuing downward.

Pastor Collins said he saw the lumps and touched the one on her neck when he visited there a week ago Friday.

Mrs. Baxter, the children, and neighbors had seen them, too, and say they were about half as large as a hen's egg.

Tells of Visions

Betty was asked to tell more about her visions and talks with God. She was asked if she could hear the words as if they were spoken out loud.

Betty and her mother said the words were not loud as if spoken by a human being, but that they heard them in their minds most distinctly and knew exactly what was meant each time.

"THERE WAS A LITTLE TREE, ALL BENT DOUBLE, AND GOD TOUCHED THE TREE AND IT STRAIGHTENED UP AT ONCE," SAID BETTY. "THEN I KNEW THAT WOULD BE ME AND I KNEW AT THE SAME TIME IT WOULD BE ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, ABOUT 2:30 P.M."

At Betty's request, her mother called the nearby neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. George Sturm, Mrs. George Teubner and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Adams, the latter a sister of Mrs. Baxter.

The neighbors began to assemble shortly before 2:30. Present were Mrs. George Teubner and her mother, Mrs. Strosser of Missouri, Mr. and Mrs. George Sturm, near neighbors Mr. and Mrs. Earl Adams and two children, Donald 19, and Viola, 17, and Donald's wife, living near the Imogene corner, and Lawrence Louks of Owatonna, a brother of Mrs. Baxter, who had happened to call that day, and all nine of the Baxter family.

Betty said she previously had had the "word" regarding whom to call for the occasion, thus accounting for the numerous persons present.

At about 2:30 most of the group began to pray for Betty's recovery, kneeling in the small living room near Betty's chair where she was hunched. Mrs. Earl Adams had her hand on Betty's back when the miracle occurred at 3:10 p. m.

Back Straightens Up

Mrs. Adams said she could feel Betty's back straightening steadily and in a few minutes it was perfectly normal, and the mysterious lumps had disappeared.

All of those present testified to hearing cracking noises as though bones were snapping back into place. Betty's older sister, Wanda, 17, said the noises were just like when the Winnebago osteopath gave her treatments a number of months before.

All of a sudden Betty was sitting erect and then she stood up and stepped over to a near-by dining room chair and lifted it off the floor.

"SEE WHAT MY GOD CAN DO!" SHE CRIED.

The assembled group of course were astounded, but made no unusual display, letting the girl obey her natural impulses, the first of which was to go to the neighbor's, John Sturm's, who was unable to be present, and show him what had happened.

Mrs. Baxter complied with Betty's request immediately and took her in the family car to the John Sturm place, only a very short distance down the road.

Betty said she walked into the Sturm home and that Mr. Sturm was astounded to see her walking erect and looking happily at him.

"Am I dreaming?" Betty said Mr. Sturm asked her.

Then Betty said Mr. Sturm asked her if she was going to church.

"Nothing can keep me home," Betty said she told him.

It is a fact that Betty that same evening went to the Gospel Tabernacle church service in Granada with her parents and others and there testified as to her cure. She had not been able to go to church for more than a year.

The next Sunday, September 1, she again went to church and sang with the choir morning and evening and again testified as to her recovery. She was the happiest girl in the world and everyone said she sang beautifully.

At home since her cure Betty for the first time in four years has had no pain or aches of any kind. She walks about the house and yard normally and her mother said she even had taken a walk down to near-by Elm creek.

Evidence of her alacrity was displayed yesterday afternoon when she was asked to come outdoors for a picture, which she did, and then ran back into the house to put on her new dress.

Have you planned to remember the missionaries with a special Christmas offering? Turn to page seven and read the article entitled "Will You Share?"

REPORTS FROM THE REAPERS

HOUSTON, TEXAS—The Keen Brothers of Tussy, Okla., just closed a successful revival for us. The presence of God was very real. Several were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost.—M. A. Lake, Pastor, 1808 Arlington.

GRAND RIVER, OHIO—God graciously moved in a revival conducted here recently. A number were saved, some received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and the saints were uplifted. B. E. Hillman was the evangelist.—T. J. Kerfoot.

ATHENS, LA.—We conducted a very successful revival here, Sept. 6—21. Fourteen were saved, 11 were baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 12 followed the Lord in water baptism. Pray for the young saints, that they may get a work established there.—J. W. Bradley, Pastor-Evangelist, Route 2, Box 105A, Emerson, Ark.

CASA GRANDE, ARIZ.—We are happy to announce the results of a 2-weeks revival, Louie Q. Owens, Evangelist. About 14 were saved or reclaimed, 3 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, others were refilled, several were healed, and the Sunday School increased 30 in number.—Forrest S. Lane, Pastor, Box 446.

WILMINGTON, DEL.—We are grateful to the Lord for the most profitable and edifying series of meetings He has ever given us. It was under the ministry of Genevieve Booth-Chibborn. Souls were saved, lives were consecrated and dedicated afresh, and the entire assembly was spiritually refreshed, strengthened, and deepened in God.—Ralph P. Hughey, Pastor, by Marcus Gaston.

(Near) **RIGHTON, MISS.**—I recently conducted a very successful 12-day revival here. The Lord was present to bless from the beginning. Twelve were gloriously saved, 2 received the Holy Ghost Baptism, and 5 were baptized in water. The community is going ahead with plans to erect a church.—Lenward J. Reccc, Evangelist, Musician and Singer, Route 3, Meridian, Miss.

BROCKPORT, N. Y.—Two weeks ago we closed a successful 4-weeks revival conducted by Le Roy K. Dodge. The souls of the saints were stirred, and there was real conviction among the people on the outside. One man, 75 years old, was thoroughly saved and delivered from the tobacco habit which he had had for 67 years. God also did a wonderful work for him in his body. Another man also was saved.—Florence Mason, Pastor; Jessie Z. Doyle, Copastor.

HICKMAN, KY.—We have concluded 6 weeks of tent revival with Thomas G. Skoog as evangelist. Twenty souls were saved as a result of these meetings. The interest and confidence of the people have been won; so much so that they want a house of worship in the western part of the city. The people have been able to raise \$150 towards the building of the church.—Joseph F. Maisch, P. O. Box 225.

(Near) **CLOUD CHIEF, OKLA.**—We have recently closed a very successful revival at the Redwood Assembly, with Claud Holt, former pastor at Lockney, Texas, as evangelist. Six were saved or reclaimed, and 7 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. One young man spoke in tongues for 8 days (he could not speak in his own language). The message on tithes and support, given by the evangelist, brought results and our support has increased. It was both a spiritual and a financial revival, and the church was stirred.—Archie Henson, Pastor.

FT. SMITH, ARK.—Evangelist and Mrs. Arthur S. Arnold recently closed a very successful 3-weeks revival at the Dodson Avenue Assembly. The revival was well attended from the first service until the last. Many were blessed of the Lord, several were saved, others received the Holy Ghost Baptism, and 19 came into the church. The last night was a high mark, when two men and two women prayed through. Our baptismal service will be later. We will welcome the Arnolds back for another campaign.—C. A. Lasater, Pastor.

VAN WERT, IOWA—We have had a very profitable revival with Warner L. Miles of Kansas City, Mo., as the evangelist. God came down in each service in mighty convicting power and a number of souls were saved. Sister Miles conducted a children's revival which was an inspiration and a blessing to all. New people came to the church in this revival, people who had never been there before. After 4 weeks we closed with the largest crowd we have ever had since pastoring the church. Several were saved on the last day and night. Council ministers passing this way will find a hearty welcome.—K. L. Claycomb, Pastor.

GLENDORA, CALIF.—A very successful 2-weeks revival has been conducted here by Evangelist and Mrs. Richard Krake of Pomona. Brother Krake's messages as well as Sister Krake's singing found a real response in the hearts of the people. The Lord especially blessed in the Divine Healing services on Friday nights, and many have testified to receiving a real touch from God in their bodies. One young man received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, and real conviction was felt in the services. Two new members were taken into the church on Sunday, and we feel that our 2-weeks revival laid a real foundation for what the Lord is going to do in the future, as the revival fires are still burning.—C. E. Anderson, 1385 W. Grand Ave., Pomona, Calif.

WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WIS.—During the last few weeks in which V. R. Jackson has been with us, our spiritual tables have been bountifully decked with the rich Word of God. The presence of the Holy Spirit together with sound doctrine and an interesting delivery by the evangelist have done much to increase the spiritual capacity of God's people. It is most enjoyable to watch the meetings taking on new strength and the selfish desire for personal blessing gradually being replaced by a deep concern for the lost. Instead of a flurry of enthusiasm there has been a progressive building up in the lives of those hungering for God. That for which we are most appreciative is the permanent fruit which will remain to grace the Lord's work after the Lord's servant is gone.—H. W. Steinberg, Pastor.

CORSICANA, TEXAS—After a series of daily prayer meetings, Sister Heath of Amarillo with Helen Clymore and Marie Sismore of Wright City conducted a 2-weeks meeting at the Full Gospel Church which was singularly blessed of God. A lady who had previously attended the church received one of the most outstanding Bap-

tisms in the Spirit that we have ever witnessed. After receiving the gracious evidence of speaking in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance, she sang, preached, quoted poetry, and interceded for lost souls in tongues. Many others were deeply moved to seek the Baptism. The following Tuesday, H. G. Griffin of Dallas renewed the revival effort and watered the seed which Sister Heath had planted. Many more received the Baptism and others prayed through to salvation. A victory march was started for a building fund for a new church. The Sunday School attendance has grown, and offerings have tripled. The Lord added to the church such as were saved. Interest in the Full Gospel services of the church has increased, and we feel like traveling on!—William E. Kirschke, Pastor.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—The Lord has blessed with a good year at the First Assembly of God. Raymond T. Richey and Party were here in a great city-wide revival at the American Legion Auditorium, and this proved a great blessing to the city and to our assembly. Then a wonderful 3-weeks meeting was conducted in the church by the Benson Sisters Trio from Missouri. God blessed their ministry in song and Word. Many came for salvation, and one received the Holy Spirit Baptism. During the summer months we had a big tent revival, while the church was undergoing repairs. The Lord made it possible for us to make many improvements inside and outside. At this time we had as evangelists Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Bolton, Chas. S. Brown, and others. During our ministry over 25 were baptized in the Holy Spirit, and over 20 new people united with the church. Our Sunday School attendance broke all previous records. We have now resigned to re-enter evangelistic work.—Evangelist and Mrs. D. W. Norton, P. O. Box 425, Ocala, Fla.

DUNCAN, OKLA.—We came here on July 1, 1937, and found a good work going on for God as a result of the labors of the former pastor. The church had an old indebtedness of \$1,384. We went to work and with the co-operation of all concerned in 18 months we had paid this debt and burned the mortgage. Besides this, the Lord has made it possible for us to do a lot of remodeling on our buildings. We have a new roof on the south side of the church, have put two coats of paint on the outside of the church, have painted the inside a couple of times, have ceiled, canvased and papered the Sunday School rooms, and bought two pianos, one for the church and the other for the C. A. room. And in the past 12 months we have erected a new 6-room modern parsonage on the lot north of the church. At this time we owe less than \$200 on the construction of this large building. We are happy to report that in the last quarter our Sunday School showed a better average than it has had in the past five years.

Having felt definitely led of the Lord, we are resigning the work here to enter the evangelistic field. We shall be glad to hear from anyone desiring our services. Our resignation becomes effective December 1, 1941.—Paul E. Riggs, Box 546, Duncan, Okla.

OKLAHOMA DISTRICT COUNCIL

SHAWNEE, OKLA.—The 26th annual Convention of the Oklahoma District Council has just closed with the blessing of God resting upon all the services in a precious manner. This Council will long be remembered as probably the best we have ever had in this District, from the standpoint of numbers and unity. The largest crowd that ever attended a District Council in Oklahoma registered this time, numbering 970. A wonderful spirit of fellowship characterized the convention from the first service to the last. All the officers were returned to office, most of them on the nominating ballot. S. J. Scott of Ponca City, Presbyter of the North Central Section, was elected State S. S. Superintendent and C. A. President, taking the place of W. C. Shackelford who resigned the first of September to accept the pastorate of the Miami assembly.

The messages of our beloved General Superintendent, E. S. Williams, were most inspiring and were appreciated by the large audiences.

On Wednesday forenoon a memorial service was held in memory of the workers promoted from our midst during the past Council year. Berl Dadd of Seminole was the speaker. Immediately afterward, the sacrament was served to a crowd estimated at 700. Words are inadequate to express the depth of feeling and worship that attended these services. To God we give all the glory for these rich blessings.

The Council adjourned shortly before noon on Friday, October 10, with thanks unto God who has led us and blessed us until this good hour.—W. S. Bragg, District Secretary.

EASTERN DISTRICT PRAYER CONFERENCE

SCRANTON, PA.—The District Prayer Conference conducted at the Pentecostal Church, Oct. 14—16, was deeply spiritual and dynamic with the gracious and powerful presence of the Holy Ghost. The ministers and churches of the Anthracite Section gave this District Prayer Conference a most unusual measure of wholehearted support and the attendance was very high throughout. Without human design or effort, the people who gathered at 9:00 each morning continued in prayer and supplication, worship and waiting on God, until well past noon each day. Some of us were carried back in spirit to earlier years when Pentecostal seeking after God was more profound and more general. These morning hours were wonderful occasions of personal dealing with God. The afternoon service began at 2:30, and the deep, rich consciousness of the divine presence continued here also. Simplicity and reality were characteristic of the meetings, and the ministry of the Word was both timely and helpful. The congregations at night crowded the church to its utmost capacity. An effort was made to avoid set programs and to give recognition to the Holy Spirit in the conduct of these services. The true Pentecostal revival flame burned in the hearts of the people, and there was a wonderful response. There were periods of holy worship, messages in tongues and interpretation, and occasions of singing in the Spirit. Many sick were prayed for and we believe there were healings. Our District Superintendent, Flem Van Meter, and our District Secretary, Wilfred A. Brown, and others who spoke were made a blessing to us. Some whose ministry was not so conspicuous and still others whose ministry was hidden, we are sure, all contributed to the gracious end of glorifying God and ministering to the saints.

One most impressive feature of this blessed prayer conference was the fact that the meetings, both day and night, were largely attended by God's people from the various churches in the section as well as by our dear fellow ministers. It is our conviction that God wants to meet all His people, and these prayer conferences conducted in simplicity and humble dependence on God can be, and should be, centers of spiritual revival and a means of deepening and enriching the spiritual life of all.—Frederick D. Drake, Prayer League Leader.

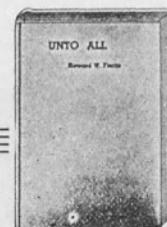
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COMING MEETINGS

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SUNNYSIDE, WASH.—Oct. 26—Nov. 16; Maurice McGinnis, Hamilton, Mont., Evangelist.—J. W. Long, Pastor.

ARKANSAS CITY, KANSAS—Oct. 26, for 3 weeks; Louise Nankivell, Chicago, Ill., Evangelist.—C. A. Brown, Pastor.

BAXTER SPRINGS, KANSAS—Nov. 2—; Evangelist and Mrs. Curtis W. Ringness.—James L. Whittaker, Pastor.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—2413 S. Broadway, Nov. 2—; Loren Wooten, Evangelist.—E. L. Glenn, Pastor.

TOPEKA, KANSAS—Nov. 3—; Robert L. Hillegas, Alton, Ill., Evangelist.—Claude J. Utley, Pastor.

NORMAL, ILL.—917 Franklin Ave., Nov. 2—3; Smith and Rogers, Evangelists.—F. A. Mitchell, Pastor.

MCCAMEY, TEXAS—Nov. 9, for 10 days or longer; Mary Jo Barnett, Evangelist.—H. E. Silvius, Pastor.

SIDNEY, MONT.—Nov. 2, for 3 weeks or longer; H. F. Rugwell, Evangelist.—H. D. Robeson, Pastor.

BLOOMINGTON, IND.—1200 S. Walnut St., Nov. 20—Dec. 7; Harvey McAlister of Canada, Evangelist.—E. J. Bruton, Pastor.

ROCKFORD, ILL.—804 Second Ave., Nov. 16—; Chas. O. Neece, Evangelist.—Roy L. Buckley, Pastor.

ROCKFORD, ILL.—Soldiers' Rally, 804 Second Ave., Nov. 14, 7:30 p. m.—Roy L. Buckley, Pastor.

GREENSBURG, PA.—Nov. 12—30; Andy Christopher of Pottstown, Evangelist.—Chas. V. Elliot, Pastor.

DYERSBURG, TENN.—Nov. 2, for 3 weeks; Moses and Ruth Copeland of New Zealand, Evangelists.—C. N. Rice, Pastor.

PAWHUSKA, OKLA.—Nov. 7—; Hans F. Bretschneider, Evangelist.—R. A. Work, Pastor.

CHAPPELL, NEBR.—Oct. 22—; Charles Blair, Enid, Okla., Evangelist.—Lester W. Dickinson, Pastor.

OTTAWA, KANSAS—4th and Poplar St., Nov. 2—; Wesley Goodwin, Evangelist.—Russell Rexroat, Pastor.

WICHITA, KANSAS—Main at Lincoln St.; Nov. 2, for 3 weeks; George Hayes, Evangelist.—Chas. Sheall, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Lake View Assembly of God, Oct. 26—; Clarence Jensen, Evangelist.—John A. Westman, Pastor.

ST. JOHN, WASH.—Oct. 19—; Emery Phinney, Evangelist.—Burt F. Foss, Pastor.

EL RENO, OKLA.—822 W. Wade St., Oct. 19—; Georgia Kay Lewis of Tulsa, Evangelist.—Henry R. Samples, Pastor.

DAYTON, OHIO—Oct. 28—; Sanders Brothers, Jefferson City, Mo., Evangelists.—A. B. Cox, Pastor.

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK.—Nov. 16—; Corbett C. Grace, Evangelist.—William R. Porter, Pastor.

GREENWOOD, ARK.—Nov. 11—30; M. D. Stokley, Dallas, Texas, Evangelist.—L. C. Sloan, Pastor.

JOHNSON CITY, TENN.—Nov. 9—; Chas. Shaffer, York, Pa., Evangelist.—L. A. Jolley, Pastor.

ATTICA, KANSAS—Nov. 9, for 3 weeks; Cleo Mae Hick and Opal Garrett of Nebraska, Evangelists.—C. N. Rima, Pastor.

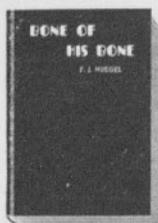
ORD, NEBR.—Nov. 4, for 2 weeks or longer; Arthur M. Otsson, Minneapolis, Minn., Evangelist and Singer.—L. E. Wilkins, Pastor.

NORTH WICHITA, KANSAS—14th and St. Francis St.; Nov. 2, for 3 weeks or longer; Hildreth Ethridge of Caldwell, Evangelist.—Ralph W. Hillegas, Pastor.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Thanksgiving Missionary Convention, Bethel Tabernacle, North Capitol and K St., Nov. 14—23. Services daily 10:30 and 7:30. Special speakers invited.—Harry V. Schaeffer, Pastor.

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Dedication of New Church, Blenheim Assembly of God, 6943 Prospect Ave., Nov. 9, 2:30 p. m. Special program with Ralph M. Riggs, Speaker. All former pastors, evangelists, members, our friends and neighbors invited.—John H. Waugh, Pastor.

GALLUP, N. MEX.—The Northwest Sectional Convention, New Mexico District, announced for Nov. 6—7, has been called off in favor of our Mid-winter Convention, which will be announced later.—B. H. Caudle, Secretary-Treasurer, New Mexico District Council.



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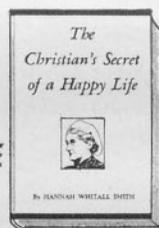


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CLINTON, ILL.—414 S. Monroe St., Nov. 2—; V. R. Jackson, Evangelist.—Harold V. George, Pastor.

PAWHUSKA, OKLA.—Meeting in progress, for 2 weeks or longer; N. R. Dickerson of Pawhuska, Evangelist.—Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Work, Pastors.

PAYNESVILLE, MINN.—Gospel Tabernacle, Nov. 9—; Christian Hild, Fargo, N. Dak., Evangelist.—O. W. Klingsheim, Pastor.

FORT MADISON, IOWA—Oct. 21—; Lillian Crouse and Karlene Burt, Pasadena, Calif., Evangelists.—W. E. Longdin, Pastor.

FRONT ROYAL, VA.—Roane's Chapel, Pine Hills; Nov. 4, for 2 weeks or longer; Mabel Willitts, Midlothian, Md., Evangelist.—Irving R. Johnson, Pastor.

WACO, TEXAS—Faith Tabernacle; Oct. 15, for several weeks; C. E. Roberts, Los Angeles, Calif., Evangelist.—A. C. Lane, Pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.—Utica and Oklahoma St.; Nov. 9, for 3 weeks or longer; Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Owens of Oklahoma City.—J. R. Keith, Pastor.

HILLSBORO, TEXAS—Nov. 9, for 2 weeks or longer; Pastor and Mrs. W. F. Garvin, Tulsa, Okla., Evangelists.—S. D. Garrett, Pastor.

GROVE, OKLA.—Nov. 9, for 3 weeks or longer; Gwinn Brown, Charleston, Ark., Evangelist.—Lawrence Bradshaw, Pastor.

OSKALOOSA, IOWA—Full Gospel Tabernacle, Oct. 26—Nov. 9; H. T. Goodwin, returned missionary from Africa, Evangelist.—Jas. B. Hosier, Pastor.

WINDSOR, PA.—Nov. 9, for 3 weeks; Amelia Joseph of New Kensington, Evangelist.—Gladys I. Buchwalter and Dorothy R. Brosey, Pastors, Pentecostal Lighthouse.

LAKE PRESTON, S. DAK.—Nov. 16, for 2 weeks; John Robinson, Milwaukee, Wis., Evangelist.—F. E. Evans, Pastor.

FARGO, N. DAK.—Fargo Gospel Tabernacle; Nov. 9, for 2 weeks or more; C. E. Roberts, Pasadena, Calif., Evangelist.—R. L. Brown, Pastor.

SALEM, N. J.—Salem Pentecostal Church; Nov. 16, for 3 weeks or longer; Nimrod Park, Special Speaker.—Boston W. Turner, Pastor.

WELLSBORO, PA.—Calvary Tabernacle, Bodine St.; Oct. 28, for 2 or 3 weeks; Sister Andrew Rahner, Long Branch, N. J., Evangelist.—C. M. Carlson, Pastor.

TACOMA, WASH.—Pentecostal Tabernacle, Nov. 9—30; Carl and Edna Goodwin, Evangelists. Harry J. Steil is pastor.—By Evangelists.

SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIF.—Nov. 4—16; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kuntler of San Diego, Evangelists. A. E. Gunter is pastor.—By Evangelists.

DRUMMOND, OKLA.—Nov. 2, for 3 weeks or longer; Ackless Mason of Oklahoma City, Evangelist.—Arthur Sloan, Pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Pentecostal Gospel Mission, 11th and Westmoreland Sts., Nov. 9—30; Evangelist and Mrs. J. Earl Douglass.—Benjamin H. Cox, Pastor.

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Youth Rally, 662 South Ave., Nov. 6—16; Eileen E. McAlister, Toronto, Canada, Evangelist.—Glenn D. Jones, Pastor.

UNION CITY, MICH.—Full Gospel Mission; Nov. 9, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Charles Davenport.—B. M. Dirks, Pastor.

REDLANDS, CALIF.—12th and Orange; Oct. 21, for 2 weeks or longer; Irl J. Walker, Portland, Ore., Evangelist.—E. C. Williams, Pastor.

GOODING, IDAHO—Nov. 4, for 3 weeks or longer; Gene Martin, Creston, Iowa, Evangelist and Musician.—G. L. Coleman, Pastor.

LEBANON, ORE.—2nd and Jackson St.; meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. Robert Perryman, H. Ivan Ryan is pastor.—By Evangelists.

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CENTRAL VALLEY, CALIF.—Nov. 16, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Robert Perryman, Mrs. Gertrude V. Jones is pastor.—By Evangelists.

TRAFFORD, PA.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, Nov. 6—; Harry E. Bowley, Evangelist. Broadcasting direct from tabernacle.—L. T. Culp, Pastor.

LONGMONT, COLO.—8th and Cross Sts., Nov. 2—; A. M. Alber, Superintendent Nebraska District, Evangelist.—Glenn A. Reed, Pastor.

ATCO, N. J.—Church St.; Nov. 2, for 3 weeks or longer; H. E. Hardt, Falling Waters, W. Va., Evangelist.—Fred R. Diehl, Pastor.

WILMINGTON, DEL.—908 West St.; Nov. 16, for 3 weeks; W. F. Duncan, Evangelist.—Ralph P. Hughey, Pastor; by Marcus Gaston.

BIG STONE GAP, VA.—East 6th St. and Shaunee Ave.; Nov. 2, for 3 weeks or longer; Mr. and Mrs. J. Vernon Cardiff, Oakland, Md., Evangelists.—Andell L. Todd, Pastor.

WARREN, PA.—Crescent and Madison Sts., Nov. 9—28; Nora Benna and Vivian Higgins, Enid, Okla., Evangelists. Neighboring assemblies asked to assist a small church.—Frederick D. Drake in charge.

COLUMBIA, TENN.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, Nov. 4—; Paul N. and Lura Grubbs, Evangelists. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate.—Elton E. Noland, Pastor.

WEST NEW BRIGHTON, S. I., N. Y.—9 DuBois Ave., Nov. 2—16; Hattie Hammond, Hagerstown, Md., Evangelist. All-day meeting Nov. 11, with services 10:30, 3:00 and 7:30.—Thos. R. Brubaker, Pastor.

NEWARK, N. J.—4th and Dickerson Sts.; Nov. 11, for 3 weeks or longer; A. H. and Zelma Argue, Winnipeg, Canada, Evangelists. Armistice Day Rally, Nov. 11; neighboring assemblies especially invited to rally.—Ray S. Armstrong, Pastor.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Revival and Missionary Convention, 915 Massachusetts Ave. N. W., Nov. 2—; Missionaries from China, India, Japan and Africa will be present. M. W. Richards, Wilmington, Del., Evangelist.—B. E. Mahan, Pastor.

ORLANDO, FLA.—Tent revival in progress indefinitely; Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Bolton, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bell, and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Thompson, Evangelists.—Mayme E. Williams, Pastor, 1709 Garvin Ave.

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.—Annual Missionary Convention, Church of the Four Fold Gospel, 303 Capital Ave. N. E., Nov. 2—9. Broadcast Sundays, 8:15—9:00 p. m., Station WELL, 1400 kilos.—Chas. W. H. Scott, Pastor.

WAYNESBORO, PA.—Old-fashioned Tarrying Services; Nov. 16, for 3 weeks. Emphasis placed on fasting and prayer for Spirit-filled and spirit directed lives. Gay Benson of Philadelphia, Special Speaker.—George E. Dych, Pastor.

BROCKPORT, N. Y.—Church Dedication, Nov. 16, 3:00 p. m. District Superintendent Flegg Van Meter will bring dedicatory message and also speak at 7:30. All nearby churches cordially invited.—Florence Mason, Pastor; Jessie Z. Doyle, Copastor.

EVANSTON, ILL.—Special Day of Prayer, Greenleaf and Elmwood Ave., Nov. 13. Services 10:30, 3:00, and 8:00. Ministers from near-by assemblies will speak at each service. R. S. Peterson of Kenosha bringing the evening message.—Elizabeth J. Ashcroft, Pastor.

OAKLAND, CALIF.—Missionary Convention, Bethel Tabernacle, 1421 25th Ave., Nov. 2—9. T. J. Jones, Dean of Glad Tidings Bible Institute, San Francisco, evening speaker. Missionaries from different lands will assist with messages throughout the convention.—R. H. Moon, Pastor.

LAGUNA BEACH, CALIF.—Evangel Assembly, Broadway at Canyon Road; Continuous Prayer Revival with prayer and fasting in progress under direction of Holy Spirit only. Those whom God sends in to lead us into prayer will be speaking or testifying. Come praying in the Holy Ghost.—R. van Oosbree, Pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—47th Annual Thanksgiving Convention, Highway Mission Tabernacle, Nov. 16—; Wilfred A. Brown, Secretary-Treasurer of Eastern District Council, Special Speaker. Great All-day Rally, Thanksgiving Day. For further information write Pastor Wesley R. Steelberg 6641 N. 17th St.—Clara M. Payne, Church Clerk, 1927 E. Atlantic St.

PATERSON, N. J.—187-189 Pearl St., Nov. 18—Dec. 7; Evelyn M. Olsen, Vancouver, B. C., Evangelist.—Warren C. Anthony, Pastor.

NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.—34th Annual Convention, Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 325-329 West 33rd St., Nov. 9—30; Evangelist Dewey P. Holloway, Convention Speaker. Missionary Day, Nov. 23. Two services on Thanksgiving Day. Young People's Rally, Nov. 29, 7:30. Robert A. Brown is pastor. For further information write Miss E. K. Schuster, Secretary, 325 W. 33rd St., New York City, N. Y.

KANSAS DISTRICT COUNCIL

WICHITA, KANSAS—The 24th annual meeting of the Kansas District Council will convene at the Assembly of God Tabernacle, Lincoln and Main Sts., Nov. 24—27. Account great influx of defense workers into Wichita, it is difficult to obtain free rooms. So we request that each assembly take up offering to pay expenses of its pastor and one delegate. General Superintendent E. S. Williams will be main speaker.—V. G. Greisen, District Superintendent, 1017 S. Market St., Wichita, Kansas.

SOUTH FLORIDA DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Annual Meeting of the South Florida District Council will convene at Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 610 Florabruska Ave., Tampa, Fla., Nov. 10—12. W. H. Couch is pastor. Credentials Committee will meet Monday, 2:00 p. m. First business session of Council, Tuesday, 9:00 a. m. Annual C. A. business meeting Monday, 2:00 p. m., and annual rally 7:30 p. m.; J. A. Cain, C. A. President, in charge.

General Superintendent E. S. Williams is expected to be with us at this Council. All ministers urged to be present at first service.—W. E. Emanuel, District Superintendent, 119 West Keys St., Tampa, Fla.; by H. S. Bush, Secretary-Treasurer, 3029 Grove St. N., St. Petersburg, Fla.

TEXAS FALL CONVENTIONS

Houston Section: 2701 Jensen Drive, Houston; Nov. 6, 7. Yoakum Section; Gando; Nov. 11, 12. Valley Section; Harlingen; Nov. 13, 14. San Antonio Section; Freer; Nov. 18, 19. Austin Section; Giddings; Nov. 20—21.

All ministers urged to be present for fellowship and business meetings of each section. All conventions begin at 10:30 with three services daily. Mrs. F. D. Davis, District President of Women's Missionary Council, will have charge of their services the last afternoon of each convention.

For information write District Superintendent F. D. Davis, 1001 E. Robert Ave., Fort Worth, or District Secretary, C. P. Robinson, 2100 Belle Ave., Fort Worth.—F. D. Davis, District Superintendent.

EASTERN DISTRICT PRAYER CONFERENCE

November 18—20. "Thanksgiving in New York State." Westfield Assembly of God, Nelson J. Kenyon, Pastor.

This Conference is planned prayerfully to promote Revival, Deeper Christian Living and Fellowship with the Lord. Anointed ministry of the Word by District Superintendent Flem Van Meter, Frederick D. Drake and other able ministers of the District. Services 9:00, 2:30, and 7:30. Meals on free-will offering plan. Accommodations free as far as possible.

All our ministers cordially invited to co-operate and assist in making this prayer conference an outstanding spiritual success.—Frederick D. Drake, Prayer League Leader, 9 Prospect St., Jamestown, N. Y.

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

WATERBURY, CONN.—South New England Sectional C. A. Rally, Swedish Baptist Church, 22 Bishop St., Nov. 10.—J. A. Lindvall, Sectional Secretary.

NORTH WOLCOTT, N. Y.—Central New York Fellowship Meeting, Nov. 13. David H. Keeler is pastor.—Robert T. McGlasson, Sectional Secretary.

CLINTON, OKLA.—All-day Fellowship Meeting and Dedication of Church, Nov. 11. G. W. Harcastle, District Superintendent, expected to be present. C. A. Rally at night.—Ethel B. Sevens, Pastor.

SIOUX FALLS, S. DAK.—Annual Tri-State Youth Conference and Fellowship Meeting, Nov. 11. Special speakers include Evangelist Paul Hild and the C. A. Presidents of Minnesota, Iowa, and South Dakota.—Arthur F. Berg, Pastor.

CAMDEN, N. J.—C. A. Rally, Union Methodist Episcopal Church, Nov. 11. Services 2:30 and 7:00. Wilfred Brown, Night Speaker. Rally sponsored by Calvary Pentecostal Church.—Edwin Sikes, Pastor.

LEROY, KANSAS—C. A. Rally, Southeast Section, Nov. 7. Basket lunch at noon; everybody bring well-filled baskets. Neighboring churches invited to fellowship with us. First service 10:30 a. m.—Fay D. Clopine, Sectional Secretary.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—C. A. Rally, St. Louis Section, Bethel Temple, Palm and Jefferson Aves., Nov. 9, 2:30. A. N. Trotter, Special Speaker.—Lester Shockley, President; by E. J. Boettcher, Secretary.

KENTUCKY DISTRICT S. S. CONFERENCES

Nov. 5, Peniel, Campton, Ky.; Nov. 7, Hartford, Kv. Mrs. Alice Reynolds

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Flower, Guest Speaker, assisted by District Executives. All pastors encouraged to be present with their S. S. staff at the nearest conference.—Mrs. Anna K. Schmidt, Route 2, Versailles, Ky.

(Near) **BELTON, S. C.**—Sectional C. A. Rally, Dry Oak Assembly, Nov. 16, 3:00 p. m. All C. A.'s urged to bring instruments and special singers. District C. A. President Joseph M. Bell and District C. A. Secretary, Mrs. Joseph M. Bell, will be present. Mrs. Bell will be the speaker.—G. E. Wilson, C. A. Field Representative, 202 Gridley St., Sans Souci, Greenville, S. C.

TRENTON, MO.—Annual Fall Fellowship Meeting, West Central District, Nov. 19—20. General Superintendent E. S. Williams will be with us, also some singers from C. B. I. The new church in Trenton will be dedicated, afternoon, Nov. 20. Brother Williams preaching dedicatory sermon. Entertainment as usual. Glen McClure is pastor.—Roy E. Scott, District Superintendent; Chas. E. Long, Secretary-Treasurer.

BEAUMONT, TEXAS—Annual Thanksgiving C. A. Convention of the Texas District, Municipal Auditorium, Nov. 26—27. Special Speakers: Leonard L. Norville, District President; W. E. Kirschke, Paul Gaston, Edward Robinson, and George Hayes. Services begin at 10:00 a. m., with 3 services daily. All Sectional C. A. Presidents to meet Nov. 25, 2:00 p. m., for special business discussions at the Avenue A and Wall St. Assembly. Convention will be preceded by Fellowship Meeting at Avenue A and Wall St. Church., Nov. 25, 7:30 p. m.—Leonard L. Norville, State C. A. President.

OPEN FOR CALLS

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Vernon L. Fullerton, Anadarko, Okla.—"Formerly engaged in missionary work in Brazil."

Evangelistic

T. J. Kerfoot, Grand River, Ohio—"Have been doing pioneering work."

Joseph M. Campbell, 511 W. Dodd St., Bloomington, Ind. Pastor E. J. Bruton writes: "Brother Campbell was for some years connected with the Christian and

Missionary Alliance work in Indiana; he built the Bloomington church which was later brought into the General Council when Brother Campbell received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. I and my official board highly recommend him. Write me at 105 West Grimes Lane, Bloomington, Ind."

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—Eagle Lake, Fla.—E. T. Corbin.

NEW ADDRESS—P. O. Box 69, Greenville, Fla. "I have accepted the pastorate of Greenville Fellowship Assembly. Council ministers passing by are cordially invited to fellowship with us."—W. C. Enoch.

NEW ADDRESS—226 E. 25th St., Houston, Texas. "After ministering in Nebraska City, Neb., for 4 years, we have resigned, and have accepted the pastorate of the Log Church, at Aurora and Cortland, Houston, Texas."—Oscar L. Davidson.

NEW ADDRESS—Cayce, Ky. "After 22 months, I have left the pastorate at Mounds, Ill., and have accepted the pastorate of the Old Republican Church in the Tennessee District and the church at Cayce, Ky. We invite Council ministers to come and visit us or stop when passing through."—J. A. Roberts.

WANTED—Old Evangelists beyond 1939, also C. A. Herald, for free distribution. Write before sending. Will send postage wherever asked.—William E. Kirschke, Pastor, 708 W. Second Ave., Corsicana, Texas.

SPECIAL NOTICE—We have resigned the pastorate at Jacksonville, Fla., and are now engaged in evangelistic work.—Evangelist and Mrs. D. W. Norton, P. O. Box 425, Ocala, Fla.

NOTICE—The Woman's Missionary Council would like to hear from friends or relatives of soldiers stationed at Fort Sill, as we are interested in working among them. Address Mrs. Raymond Parks, Secretary, 1506 S. Sixth St., Lawton, Okla.

NOTICE—Anyone having relatives or friends moving to Macon, Ga., or Camp Wheeler, please tell them there is an Assembly of God at Bowden and Knott Sts., in South Macon, or send me their names and addresses and I will be glad to contact them.—Pastor Earl A. Crawford, 116 Grady St., Macon, Ga.

NOTICE—I have been appointed as one of the chaplains at the Air Corps Basic Flying School, Bakersfield, Calif. Parents having sons in the Army here, or at Le-moore, Calif. (my ultimate station), kindly send me their names and addresses, and I will do my best to visit them. I am a member of the General Council. Address your letters to Air Corps Basic Flying School, Office of the Chaplain, Bakersfield, Calif.—Clarence P. Smales, Chaplain, U. S. Army.

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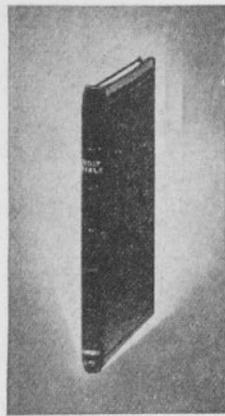
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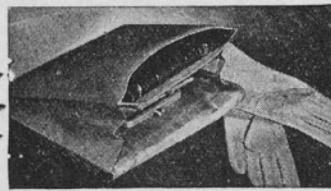
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Monticello Full Gospel Assembly	6.00
Motley Gospel Tabernacle	3.50
Park Rapids Gospel Tabernacle	1.45
Pillager Full Gospel Assembly	11.88
Pine River Gospel Tab & SS	8.30
Rochert Chapel in the Pines	25.00
Sherburn Gospel Tabernacle	52.68
Thief River Falls Gospel Tab	19.30
Worthington Gospel Tabernacle	10.00
MISSISSIPPI Biloxi A of G	3.55
Hampton Sharon Chapel	1.63
Hurley Magnolia Springs A of G SS	9.00
Laurel Kingston Assembly of God	27.28
Waynesboro Assembly of God	1.77
MISSOURI Personal Offerings	46.90
(Near) Atlanta Bear Creek A of G	2.05
Bell City A of G Church	1.00
Burnham Full Gospel A of G	.81
Campbell Assembly of God SS	7.20
Cape Girardeau A of G SS & CA	10.05
Chaffee Assembly of God	6.80
Denton Assembly of God	10.00
East Prairie Thirty-Four Corner AofG	2.00
Edina Assembly of God	11.49
Elmer Assembly of God	5.50
Fair Grove Sunnyvale A of G Ch	7.09
Fristoe Assembly of God	1.10
Herculaneum Assembly of God & CA	9.00
Higginsville Assembly of God SS	2.10
Iberia Assembly of God Church	2.60
Irontdale Assembly of God	2.10
Joplin Faith A of G Ch & SS	4.20
Kansas City First A of G CA	5.00
Kansas City Full Gospel Church	4.08
Kansas City Glad Tid Church & CA	3.50
Kennett A of G Church & SS	34.58
Lamar Assembly of God	4.78
Macomb Assembly of God Ch	1.89
Mt Grove Assembly of God	1.00
Mountain View Assembly of God	2.80
Nevada Assembly of God	5.00
Rogersville Mt Sinai Chapel	1.78
Rolla Sunshine Chapel A of G	12.39
St Charles Glad Tid Tabernacle	5.42
St Louis Bethel Temple & SS	70.33
St Louis Factory Bible Class	4.75
St Louis Pine Lawn A of G	10.00
Sedalia Assembly of God	9.00
Springfield North Side A of G	17.25
Springfield South Side A of G	18.00
Sullivan A of G Church SS & CA	48.70
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Valley Park Assembly of God	5.49
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Webb City Assembly of God & CA	21.55
MONTANA Personal Offerings	25.60
Butte Full Gospel Tabernacle	9.50
Conrad Gospel Tabernacle	14.81
Fairfield Gospel Tabernacle	11.04
Great Falls A of G Ch SS & CA	42.00
Hamilton Full Gospel Church	8.91
Helena Assembly of God	10.00
Missoula A of G Church	22.14
Risan Assembly of God Tabernacle	1.00
Whitefish Pent Assembly of God	6.00
NEBRASKA Personal Offerings	.20
Ainsworth Assembly of God	7.00
Big Spring Full Gos Tabernacle	38.75
Burwell Blake Sunday S-hool	7.20
Hastings Full Gospel Tabernacle	15.00
Maxwell Assembly of God SS	5.00
McCook Assembly of God	26.63
(Near) O'Neill Meek Sunday School	5.27
Winnebago Highway Mis & Jr Amb	4.19
NEVADA Reno Glad Tid Ch A of G	14.69
NEW HAMPSHIRE Personal Offer	2.00
Keene Full Gospel Mission & SS	4.06
NEW JERSEY Personal Offerings	11.00
Atco Pentecostal Church	10.00
Bridgeton Full Gospel Assembly	6.00
Emerson Full Gospel Cha SS & YPL	10.00
Franklin Full Gospel A SS	3.25
(Near) Freehold Church of Georgia	34.36
Hammondton Rosedale Pent Church	4.00
Rockaway Full Gospel Tab	36.14
NEW MEXICO Belen A of G	2.00
Mountainair Assembly of God	5.12
Silver City Assembly of God	21.80
NEW YORK Personal Offerings	228.00
Bethpage Central Park Pent A	14.00
Buffalo Riverside Gos Tab & SS	90.00
Carthage Calvary Evan Tabernacle	4.00
Cortland Bethel Pent Assembly	11.81
Newburgh First Pent Ch of God	30.00
Newburgh First Pent Ch CA	3.00
New Rochelle Full Gospel Ch	19.60
New Rochelle Full Gospel Ch CA	5.00
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Syracuse Grace Tab & Mis Circle	27.60
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NORTH CAROLINA Personal Offer	4.10
Buxton Assembly of God	10.25
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Grenora Pent Assembly & SS	10.25
Hettinger Gospel Tabernacle	18.00
Lisbon Gospel Tabernacle SS	2.31
Powers Lake Gospel Tabernacle	20.96
Sr-Idridge Full Gospel Ch A of G	19.10
Tokio Full Gospel Mission & SS	33.85
Williston Gospel Tab & SS	8.30
OHIO Personal Offerings	117.33
Akron Bethel Temple Ch & SS	4.51
Alliance Full Gospel Tabernacle	22.00
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Early Morning Devotions

Scripture Reading: John 8. Table Reading: John 7:53 to 8:11.

Memory Verse: My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O Lord; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto Thee, and will look up. Psalm 5:3.

THE Scottish saint, Robert Murray McChesney, wrote in his diary: "I discovered that if I were to have power with God and man, I must meet with God before seeing anyone in the morning."

David likewise knew the value of morning prayer. "In the morning will I direct my prayer unto Thee," he said. Were we to seek out the source of the power of other great men, we should find they too had learned this simple secret of being alone with God early every morning.

It was one secret of Jesus' matchless power and poise. See Him as the priests and Pharisees turn every man unto his own house of ease, and He turns to the lonely mount of Olives. Follow Him there. He is praying. He feels the need of being alone with God. Sometimes He remains in prayer all night long. At other times He arises a great while before day to resort to the place of prayer. If Jesus needed to get alone with God in the morning, how much more do we!

Pray for the work at Martandam under the supervision of Mary Lindberg. This work like most of our South India stations shows real promise and there is good interest manifested in the gospel message.

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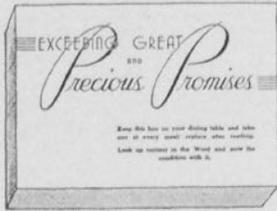
FOR THE CHILDREN: Little birds begin to sing and chirp the very first thing in the morning. We too should begin to sing and talk to Jesus the first thing in the morning.

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Cleveland Pentecostal Church	200.00	Hillsboro Assembly of God	4.00	Grapevine Assembly of God	4.66	Seattle Hollywood Temple	255.00	
Conneaut Assembly of God	119.13	Ione Pent Assembly SS	2.60	Greenville Assembly of God CA	2.00	Spokane First Pent Church SS	3.00	
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Mansfield Pent Faith Chapel	20.00	Portland Columbia River Full Gos A	7.00	Houston Magnolia Park Assembly	10.00	Tenino A of G Church & SS	5.00	
Mantua Bethel Assembly	4.00	Portland Gospel Tabernacle	88.36	Irving Shady Grove A of G	1.75	Thorp Assembly of God	5.00	
Massillon Peniel Chapel	29.25	Port Oxford A of G & SS	11.72	Kermit Assembly of God	1.43	Tonasket Assembly of God	6.00	
Maumee Swan Creek A of G	11.00	Rainier Assembly of God & SS	36.00	League City A of G Church	3.00	Vancouver Glad Tid Tabernacle	12.68	
Orrville Assembly of God Ch	12.50	Roseburg Assembly of God	5.50	(Near) Lufkin Clawson A of G	4.90	Walla Walla Pent Assembly of God	52.71	
Scio Assembly of God	2.70	Seaside Gospel Tab Mis Society	11.00	Mabank Payne Springs A of G	1.00	Yakima First Pent Church	154.95	
Tipp City Bethel Tabernacle	11.15	Vale Gospel Tabernacle	3.00	McLean Assembly of God Church	3.70	Yakima First Pent SS	45.00	
Tippecanoe Assembly of God	8.00	Vernonia Assembly of God & SS	13.00	Memphis Assembly of God	10.00	Yelm Assembly of God & SS	19.94	
Toledo Glad Tidings Tab	80.77	Westport Assembly of God & SS	30.75	Navarro Assembly of God Church	2.22	WEST VIRGINIA		
Toledo Glad Tid Tabernacle CA	5.00	PENNSYLVANIA Personal Offer		129.31	Odessa Calvary Tabernacle CC	1.00	Hedgesville A of G	2.00
Uhrichsville Pent Assembly of God	4.00	Anita Pentecostal Church	4.93	Pasadena A of G Church	3.13	Patterson Creek Rocky Gap A	5.72	
Waco Full Gospel A of G	10.00	Berwick Little Flock Mission	6.50	San Antonio First Assembly of God	27.63	Potomac Park Camp Meeting	16.00	
Wellsville Pent Tabernacle	10.00	Bradford A of G Church & SS	24.50	Terrell Full Gospel Church	11.00	Stickney Assembly of God	8.50	
OKLAHOMA Personal Offerings		Brave Assembly of God SS	21.09	Texas City Assembly of God SS	6.54	Williamstown Pent Ch of Life	4.09	
Ames Assembly of God	4.50	Central City Pent Tabernacle	59.21	Van Assembly of God	5.00	WISCONSIN Personal Offerings		
(Near) Ames Greenwood A of G	2.00	Enola Pentecostal Mission	23.00	Victoria Spring Creek A of G	1.25	Adams Gospel Tabernacle	19.00	
Broken Bow A of G Church	36.00	Erie Glad Tidings Temple	10.50	Wellington Assembly of God SS	5.00	Antigo Assembly of God Tab	7.00	
Buffalo Assembly of God	5.00	Harrisburg Assembly of God	48.00	West Texas District Council	100.00	Baileys Harbor AofG of Liberty Grove	7.75	
Chester Elm Grove Assembly	4.00	Hyndman Pent Assembly of God	14.20	Wharton Assembly of God Church	5.46	Gleason Gospel Assembly	6.90	
Covington-Garber Oilfield A of G	25.00	Kane (East) Pent Assembly & SS	11.96	Whitita Falls Assembly of God	57.37	Irma Christian Assembly	5.60	
(Near) Custer City Prairie View SS	10.00	Kantner Pent Sunday School	9.00	Wright City Assembly of God	6.89	Keosha A of G SS & CA	43.45	
Duncan Harrisburg Church	4.00	Philadelphia (South) Bethel Pent Ch	6.00	Wright City Assembly of God CA	5.00	Lodi Full Gospel Assembly	7.00	
Enid Gospel Tabernacle	22.10	Philadelphia Highway Mis Tab SS	46.04	WVBE Assembly of God	1.27	Madison Gospel Tabernacle	10.00	
Fittstown Assembly of God & WMC	8.08	Philadelphia Ke sington Pent A	105.00	VERMONT Personal Offerings		Marinette Gospel Tabernacle	3.65	
Fittstown A of G Church CA	2.71	Philadelphia Pilgrim Assembly	10.00	Belvoir Full Gospel Tab SS	19.33	Milwaukee Bay View Gospel Tab	5.00	
Geary Assembly of God	22.73	Pittsburgh Bethel Tabernacle	54.25	Bristol Assembly of God	36.38	Owen Gospel Tabernacle	7.18	
Henryetta Assembly of God	1.70	Pittsburgh Pent Gospel Mission	10.00	Hickory Grove Full Gos Tab SS	9.86	Racine Full Gospel Tab & SS	19.58	
Hominy Assembly of God CA	5.00	Roaring Spring Peoples Tabernacle	5.00	Manassas Full Gospel Church	2.75	Rice Lake Gospel Tabernacle	31.50	
Honobia Assembly of God SS	5.43	Shrewsbury Full Gospel Church	20.85	Norfolk Glad Tidings Church	21.97	Shawano Assembly of God Tab	54.94	
Hugo Messer Assembly of God	1.61	Smiths Ferry Church of Faith & SS	3.31	Norfolk Gospel Tabernacle	64.50	Sparta Assembly of God SS	7.65	
Idabel Assembly of God SS	2.00	Wilkes Barre First Pent Church	155.00	Port Orchard Waterman Full Gospel Tabernacle & SS	17.39	South Milwaukee Gospel Tab	3.98	
Jones Assembly of God	2.42	Wilson Living Work Tab CA	18.00	WASHINGTON Personal Offerings		Superior Central Gospel Tabernacle	26.81	
Kaw City Assembly of God	.89	SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia Faith Tabernacle Assembly of God		25.00	Aberdeen Calvary Pent Temple & SS	Wilson Assembly of God SS	1.00	
Keota Cooper Hill Assembly of God	1.30	SOUTH DAKOTA Personal Offerings		15.00	Amortees Pent Assembly of God	WYOMING		
Konawa Assembly of God	6.60	(Near) Buffalo Cave Hills SS	3.00	Burien Pent Assembly of God	15.00	Buffalo A of G Ch & SS	28.88	
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Oklahoma City Capitol Hill Tab	45.93	Wewela Gospel Tabernacle	15.85	Everett Beverly Park A of G SS	5.74	CANADA Personal Offerings		
Oklahoma District Council	181.29	Yankton Gospel Tabernacle	5.00	Ewan Community Church & SS	15.00	Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada	13.13	
Panama Assembly of God SS	1.90	TENNESSEE Personal Offerings		1.00	Grand Coulee Full Gospel Mission	Vancouver Full Gospel Tab	50.00	
Pickens A of G Church	2.00	Bankton Detroit A of G Church	3.90	Grandview Pent Assembly of God	16.80	FOREIGN Personal Offerings	3.00	
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Ramona Oglesby A of G SS	4.00	Morrison Pent Assembly	12.00	Ione Assembly of God	3.00	MISCELLANEOUS		
Shidler Assembly of God	5.00	Nashville First Assembly of God	14.20	Marblemount Gospel Mission	.69	Total Amount Received	\$16,571.68	
Skittook Assembly of God	7.23	TEXAS Personal Offerings		38.40	Montesano Bethel Pent Church	Home Missions Fund	1,165.03	
Talhequan Bald Hill A of G SS	2.66	Austin First Assembly of God SS	11.74	Napavine Assembly of God	7.45	Office Expense Fund	188.34	
Tulsa Carbondale A of G	37.62	Beaumont Assembly of God	6.31	Oroville Full Gospel A of G	13.54	Literature Expense Fund	20.92	
Tulsa N Peoria & Haskell Church	11.50	Briscoe Assembly of God SS	2.36	Port Orchard Waterman Full Gospel Tabernacle & SS	20.55	Reported Given Direct for		
Velma Assembly of God	5.00	Brownfield Assembly of God CA	4.00	Ridgefield Pioneer Gospel A	7.05	Home Missions	537.39	
Wilson Keller Assembly	1.00	Canyon Assembly of God Church	3.70	St John A of G Church & SS	11.00	Reported Given Direct to		
OREGON Personal Offerings		Clarendon Assembly of God	1.60	Seattle Brighton Chapel	11.25	Missionaries	938.67	
Ashland Full Gospel Tem & CA	28.95	Corpus Christi First A of G Ch	15.54	Seattle Evangel Temple SS	5.00	Amount Received for Foreign Missions	13,721.33	
Astoria Silverdale A of G	16.00	Corpus Christi Hillcrest A of G SS	3.00			Amount Previously Reported	23,317.54	
Bandon Assembly of God Church	12.28	Dalhart Assembly of God	3.00			Amount Received for Foreign Missions This Month	37,038.87	
Canyonville Gospel Tabernacle	12.00	Dayton Assembly of God WMC	1.00					
Canyonville Gospel Tabernacle SS	3.00	Edna Assembly of God	2.00					
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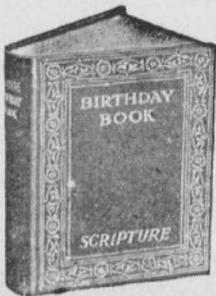
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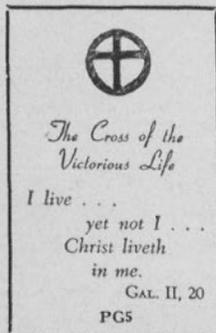
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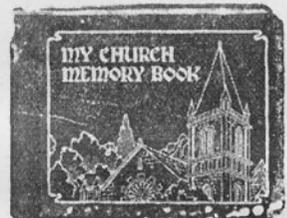
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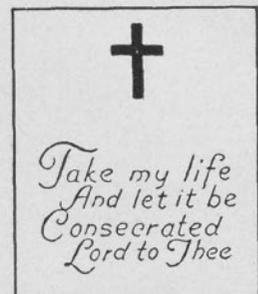
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