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"She hasted . . . She hasted . . . and ran again unto the well. . . . The damsel ran." Genesis 24:18, 20, 28. "David . . . ran into the army." "David hasted and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine." 1 Samuel 17:22, 48. "The great day of the Lord is near, it is near, and hasteth greatly." Zephaniah 1:14.

TOW God delights to meet the ardent! How streams do flow for them! Says Fenelon: "Each receives this sacred bread" (or drink) "according to the meas-ure of his desire." What words are those, "... according to the measure of his de-sire!"

Of how many ardent seekers in the Scriptures, is it recorded as an ever standing record to the warmth of their affection and concern, that they ran!

David ran! 1 Samuel 17:22, 48.

Elijah ran! 1 Kings 18:46.

Elisha ran! 1 Kings 19:20. Peter ran! John 20:2, 4.

John, being younger, outran him! Mary, too, had run to them, with the electrifying news of the resurrection. Now Peter and John ran to confirm the tidings.

When Jesus was upon earth, He was such a magnet that people ran unto Him. "The people . . . ran afoot thither out of all cities, and outwent them, and came together unto Him." Mark 6:33.

And still today those who devoutly and eagerly desire Him above all other good, pray, "Draw me, and we will run after Thee!"

"The damsel ran!"

No lagging there! No doubting nor hesitancy. Without quibbling, or undue caution, she ran. She knew that well. She was thoroughly familiar with the fact that its waters would refresh the weary, and slake the thirst of from desert wanderers When Brother paths. Steelberg spoke recently at Minneapolis, he related incidents regarding his youthful days in Pentecost in Los Angeles. When the power was falling, he would hurry from work, not taking time to wash

his hands nor to eat, and run without stopping to get to the mission to pray. Other young people would do the same. How God met that believing challenge! The power fell so that folks would leave the adult meeting to go and see the Spirit falling upon the young folk in their own serv-That Rebecca spirit has always, and ice. will always characterize a thoroughly Pentecostal atmosphere. Hurrying, hasting, to the well.

We are running in a race.

A famous runner, Charles Paddock, was running in a try-out race, preceding the Olympic contests, some time ago. At that time our newspaper came out with this title, "Loses Race by Turn of Head." The title arrested my attention, so that I read the story. It stated that Charles Paddock had as good as won the race. Just before him he could see the tape. Curious, at that last instant, he turned his head to see how near his nearest competitor was.

As he did so, the next runner made a final lunge, touched the tape ahead of Charles Paddock, and the race was over, lost by the turn of a head.

"So run, that ye may obtain," counsels that valiant contestor for eternal rewards, the Apostle Paul. 1 Cor. 9:24. Far from slacking down, or con-sidering the victory as already won, he humbly says: "Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect, but I follow after." "If by any means I might at-tain." Phil. 3:11, 12.

"The great day of the Lord is near, it is near, and hasteth greatly." Zeph. 1:14. We are in a day of terrific urgency. Speed is the cry of the hour. Speed in war

materials. Speed in production. It is in the very air . . . the sense of urgency . . . in impending change. DurOPPORTUNI

ing the past summer, I camped for two weeks beside one of the Great Lakes. The main line of the railway carrying supplies to the east coast to be shipped by convoys across the Atlantic, ran beside the camp. Old timers said it was carrying five times its usual freightage. At all hours of the day and night might be heard the long freight trains, thundering by, hurrying with their valuable cargoes to the seaboard. Often the noise of one train would hardly die away, until another would be heard. I used to lie awake at night, listening, and praying, "O, Lord, are we alert like that, to the urgency of the hour?"

We are in a warfare. We are on a battle front. Ours is a spiritual battle front. The countries earliest in their preparations always have the head start. "As lightning flasheth from the east to the west, so shall the coming of the Son of man be." We shall be changed in the twinkling of an eye. Then will be heard the mourning cry,

> Too late, too late will be the cry, Jesus of Nazareth has passed by!

"David . . . ran!"

David, the youthful stalwart, had the spirit of it. "Run to the camp to thy brethren," was the bidding of Jesse, his father. When he went out to meet the great battle of his life, it was not with lagging footsteps. As Goliath moved to-wards David, we read, "David hasted, and ran . . . to meet the Philistine." What confidence in God! And how God met it!

"The damsel ran!" Hurrying to get to early prayer is like stoking the furnace to get the steam up in the boiler, before the others arrive. The coldness is broken and gone.

In the fall of last year, my father and I (Continued on Page Six)



Zelma Arque

=The God of Elijah Still Lives=

IT WAS a quiet, unobstrusive Mr. Lee who attended at the Jesus Hall when we came to the Eighth Village to preach the Word of God.

It was about the fourth day of the meeting that we gave messages on the "Meaning of the Cross," the propitiatory death of Christ. We showed that the Cross is the condemnation of the world and the complete futility of human works. We showed that Christ suffered the essence of hell and separation from God, and only as we sinners recognize that only by His being made "afar off" from God can we be "made nigh," only by His being "made sin" could we be "made righteous."

At the conclusion of the afternoon message as we felt the Holy Spirit was gripping hearts in conviction, we gave an invitation for those to come forward who would truly receive of His grace and confess themselves dead, buried and risen with Christ.

There was a fine response as numbers came forward, knelt down and cried aloud to God for forgiveness of their sins. One of the first was Mr. Lee. He wept and confessed himself to have been a hypocrite, covetous, a schemer, a busybody, proud, self-righteous: and he declared God's judgments on him to have been entirely just. He then gave a confession and testimony to the whole assembly (where he had acted as deacon for many years) declaring that that day salvation had come to him for the first time.

From that hour Mr. Lee was truly a new creature in Christ Jesus. His change of heart took immediate effect on his conduct. He went home and got the remainder of his stock of books that he had been selling and brought them to the church and placed them on the ground in the middle of the court-yard.

He invited the preachers and Christians who were assembled to inspect the books and whichever ones they thought unfitting for a Christian to sell or handle to throw into a pile on the side.

This was immediately done. Several of the educated young preachers squatted beside the pile and glanced through each book. All the books, with the exception of some of the classics of Confucius and Mencius, which were regarded as innocent enough, were tossed on the discard pile.

But Mr. Lee did not falter. Before the whole group of spectators he set fire to the pile of books that represented practically the whole of his meager capital and they were consumed in the flames. "From this time on," he loudly announced, "I shall devote myself to selling the portions of God's Word and telling men of His saving grace."

This demonstration of abandoned sacrifice created a profound impression and silenced even his erstwhile critics and accusers.

It was a couple of weeks later and we were preaching in another village in the same section of the country, about 20 miles distant from the Eighth Village. Looking down in the audience one morning we saw the shining face of Mr. Lee-Hope-to-get-Rich, as he had previously been known.

After the service he came back to the little thatched hut that served as my living apartment, in which porcelain wash-bowls, running water and electric lights were conspicuous by their absence.

"I want to give you my card," he began. I assured him that I knew exactly who he was and did not need any identification. "Oh, but you must have my new card! I have a new name. Formerly I was known as Lee-Hope-to-get-Rich. Now," he said, handing me his card with a flourish, "this is my name." We glanced at the card and

read the characters *Lee-Ling-Sen*, which by interpretation is *Lee-Born-of-the-Spirit*.

"Nine years," he explained, "I was conceived in Christ! Not until the day you preached on the cross of Christ was I really born of God. From henceforth I have no desire to get rich, so I have given up

the old name; I am now a new creatureborn of the Spirit of the Living God! From henceforth I live to tell others of Him."

Two years passed. The Lord led our steps into various parts of China, and we returned from time to time to our home in the lower Yangtze Valley. On returning home on one occasion we found a great fat letter addressed in Chinese. Breaking the seal I found a sheaf of pages, neatly inscribed in the Mandarin style. I wondered who could be my voluminous correspondent, so I turned immediately to the last page where, under the benediction "The peace of the Gospel unto thee," appeared in bold characters the name *Lee-Born-of-the-Spirit*.

"Aha!" we thought, "the erstwhile booksalesman of the chequered career and the new name."

After the usual salutations, my correspondent went on to tell of his spiritual history since he had become *Lee-Born-ofthe-Spirit*. "I have preached the Word of God wherever I went as I have distributed and sold portions of Scripture. The Lord has been glorified in me in the salvation of many souls and the healing of many bodies.

"Last spring the drought in our section was very severe. The wheat sown in the fall had had no snowfall to blanket it during the winter, which was extremely dry. In the early spring no rains came to soften the ground. The villagers were busy invoking their gods, stretching the usual willow sprigs on strings across the streets. The village idol had even been brought out and carried around so that he could see the arid conditions of the land. But still he did nothing about it.

"The people became alarmed as week after week passed and there was not a drop of rain. Famine was staring them in the face." (Where there is such a short interval between hand and mouth, the farmer's concern is everyone's concern.)

There came a day when Mr. Lee heard a knock upon his door. Sliding the wooden

bolt he opened it and found four of the elders of the village standing without.

"Come in, gentlemen, and sit down!" As they crossed the court to his guest room, he shouted the command "Pa'o Ts'a— Brew tea!" in response to which his wife came with a teapot and several cups.

"What can I do for you today?" inquired Mr. Lee. "We know, Mr. Lee-Born-ofthe-Spirit, that you pray to a certain Jesus, and we are told that you receive remarkable answers to your prayers. We are requesting, therefore, that you shall pray to your Jesus to send rain upon this dry and thirsty land. You know we are all desperate as we contemplate the prospect of a famine."

"Oh," says our friend Lee, not without a touch of irony, "you gentlemen have found the T'u ti Lao Yie (the god of the fields) has not been able to help you out? Now you come around and ask me to pray to my Jesus to send rain down on a lot of idolaters who do not believe on Him! I shall do nothing of the kind, so if that is all you have to say, you may take your departure."

"But Mr. Lee," they prostested, "you will not refuse us so hastily! Is there anything we can do that will make you change your mind and supplicate your Jesus for us?" (Thinking of course that a financial barter was in the offing.) But this Lee-Born-of-the-Spirit proved to be none of the spiritual seed of Balaam, the son of Beor!

"Yes," he declared, "there are conditions, but they are not what you think. I demand no money and desire none, but you as the heads of the village will be required to take down every idol or idolatrous symbol of any kind out of your homes and remove your ancestral tablets. All of these things must be brought out and publicly burned in the market place before I shall utter one prayer to my Jesus to relieve your drought."

to my Jesus to relieve your drought." The "Dong Sz" (village fathers) were speechless at this. They had come prepared to accept a financial proposition, but such conditions as these were beyond their remotest thoughts.

They looked blankly at one another till one suggested that he should give them time to think over his terms. To this he agreed.

Another week, and the heavens remained as brass, the ground was cracking, and the sprigs of wheat long obscured by dust were beginning to turn yellow.

Again the four village fathers presented themselves at the house of Mr. Lee.

"Though they were unexpected and unusual, we have decided that we will meet the terms on which you agree to pray to Jesus for rain. We shall remove every Buddhist idol and every idolatrous symbol from our homes. We only beg of you that you will not require us to remove our ancestral tablets. We cannot offend the spirits of our forefathers by removing these tablets. If we did we would be guilty of breaking the basic law of filial piety. Nor do we consider this as idolatry."

"Do you not worship several times a

A True Story by J. R. Graham, Jr. year before these tablets of your ancestors?" inquired Brother Lee.

"Yes, we do," they replied.

"Can your ancestors who have died, and most of whom are in perdition, help you? Indeed it is right and proper for you to honor and respect your ancestors, but to worship them is idolatry and I cannot pray to my Jesus for you while you are yet guilty of this sin. Unless you are willing to do away with your ancestral tablets, you may as well take your departure."

Sadly they went away, grumbling at the intolerance of these Jesus-worshipers. Another week of drought, and in final desperation they returned to Mr. Lee and told him they were prepared to take down even their ancestral tablets, if he would only pray for rain.

"Go, then, to your homes and remove all of these things to the open market place. I will presently come and inspect your homes and see that all is clear.

After a little delay he made the rounds of the homes and inspected very carefully. Not a single idolatrous symbol could he find, and even the ancestral tablets had disappeared. He then betook himself to the market place where a large crowd was as-sembled. The four elders were in the center of the crowd with the pile of images, paintings, paper hangings and money, kitchen gods and ancestral tablets.

Mr. Lee delivered a sermon to the assembled multitude on the one Living and True God and the Mediator between God and man, the Man Christ Jesus. In the light of God's revelation he declared the iniquity of idolatry, and asserted the drought to be divinely sent as a punishment for their sin.

"This day, after we have burned these idols, we shall pray to Jehovah God in the name of His Son, and there will be rain!"

He then proceeded to burn the pile of idols and fetishes, as grave predictions of impending disaster were whispered among the bystanders.

When the fire had abated Mr. Lee ordered the elders to repair to his home for the season of prayer. He caused them to kneel down on the mud floor of his house and he knelt beside them.

For an hour and a quarter Lee-Born-ofthe-Spirit poured out his heart to God, citing His power and His promises from Genesis to Revelation, pleading with Him to unbare His arm and vindicate Himself in the presence of a wicked and idolatrous people. There was no thought of glorifying himself. Even the physical needs of the people were not prominent in the supplications, but that the glory of God should be manifest.

Never had the elders of the village been subject to such an ordeal. At the end of the lengthy prayer they issued forth and cast their eyes skyward. There was not a cloud in the sky. In an undertone they grumbled their doubt and incredulity.

Lee was standing in his door watching them depart. Sensing their remarks, he shouted to them to go home and eat their dinner. "And you will hardly finish eating before there is rain on the earth."

Each went to his own home and his bowl of steaming dry rice with an appetizer of bean sprouts and greens.

Halfway through the repast came the faintest sound of distant rumbling. The clacking of chop sticks in bowls ceased;

there was even a diminuendo in chewing as one looked significantly at another.

Mr. Sun laid down his chop sticks and went out to scan the horizon. Low on the horizon he spied some rain clouds. The sound of rumbling came again, plainer than before. "Hao!" he exclaimed, and returned into the house to report his discovery. "T'ien fan-Add rice," he commanded his wife as he extended his bowl. He devoured the remainder with added zest as from three points of the compass the clouds mounted higher and the sun was obscured.

Clumps of people were gathered in the open watching the assembling of the rain clouds until the most skeptical were forced to admit the imminent descent of the muchdesired rain. Great streaks of lighting zigzagged from the dome of heaven.

"T'a shuoa dih, Lee shien-sen shuoa dih! —He said it, Mr. Lee said it would come!"

A great gust of wind and then a mighty calm, and the great drops began to fall singly and scattered, and then with increasing intensity until all had withdrawn to shelter. The torrent continued well-nigh unabated until the third day, till the elders of the village with wide oiled-paper umbrellas and hobnailed shoes picked their way through mud and water to the home of Lee-Born-of-the-Spirit.

"Mr. Lee, your Jesus has power indeed and has sent an abundance of rain. But if this continues we shall have a flood. Will if this continues we shall have a flood. you not supplicate your Jesus to cause it to cease?"

"Return to your homes! By eleven o'clock the sun will shine!" It was as he said. By eleven o'clock the sun shone brightly in a naked heaven. The letter concluded with: "The crops were saved, and in fact were better than usual, and God the Father and God the Son were honored, and many opened their hearts to the Gospel of His grace!"

"Where is the Lord God of Elijah?"

Lee-Born-of-the-Spirit, mighty in prayer, demonstrated that He still lives and is the same!

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Missionaries' Last Testimonies

When Schwartz of Tanjore, India was dying he awakened from a brief sleep say-"My whole meditation is the death of ing. Jesus, that I may be like Him. The whole world is a mask; I wish to be where all is real!" To his physician he said, "Doctor, in heaven there will be no more pain. Oh, dear doctor, let us take care that we may not be missing there." It was sunset when he departed, but on his face was the light of dawn.

When A. N. Groves of India was dying he exclaimed to those around his bed, "Can't you sing? Oh, I could sing if I had the strength." Shortly before he went he said, "With my inexpressible weakness I have such indescribable repose. I never would have conceived such feelings. It is a wonderful thing to be nigh to God, a wonderful thing." His last words were, "Precious Jesus !'

Henry Martyn, dying alone in Persia when only thirty-one years of age, wrote these last words in his diary. "I sat in the orchard and thought with sweet comfort and peace of my God, in solitude my Company, my Friend and Comforter. Oh, when shall appear that new heaven and new earth wherein dwells righteousness? There, there shall in no wise enter in anying that defileth; none of that wickedness which has made men worse than wild beasts, none of those corruptions which add still more to the miseries of mortality, shall be seen or heard any more.'

A Chinese girl who saw Mr. Vinson before he was shot, heard the bandits threatening him. "Aren't you afraid?" they asked him. "No," he replied, "I am not afraid. If you shoot me, I shall go straight to Heaven."

Releasing God's Power

Prayer is the appointed means by which rivers of energy are unsealed and directed to some crying needs. And therefore vital prayer is not a word, it is an act. It is as much an act as the waterman's lifting of a sluice-gate which lets the higher waters into the lock where the waters are low. Prayer prepares the ways for the supply of the Spirit of Jesus, and in that holy energy we have the power which overmatches and conquers difficulties otherwise invincible.— J. H. Jowett.

Guidance in Times of Perplexity

1. Definitely commit the special difficulty to God. "Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust." Psalm 37:5.

2. Exercise definite **faith in the faithfulness** of God, remembering that as a Father He cannot fail to guide His child. "He that cometh to God must believe . . . that He is a rewarder of them that seek after Him." Heb. 11:6, R. V.

3. See that all personal preferences are honestly surrendered, and be willing to be "The integrity of the upright shall guide them." Prov. 11:3. quided in God's way. 4. Obey up to your present light every indication of the will of God.

5. Trust the Spirit of God to give you a sound mind, and carefully look at your difficulty from every point of view; first, as it concerns God's kingdom; second, as it concerns your duty to others; third, as it affects yourself. Psalm 25:9.

6. Leave the whole matter with God in calm assurance that He undertakes, while you do the next thing that lies in the path of duty. "I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will counsel thee with Mine eye." Psalm 32:8. "Believe ye that I am able to do this? . . . Yea, Lord. . . . According to your

faith be it unto you." Matt. 9:28, 29.

=All Things Are Yours=

"All things are yours." 1 Cor. 3:21. Who said that? Satan? No, he comes to steal, to take away, to destroy. But the Son of God came to give, to give life and salvation and all things that pertain to a life of godliness.

Abraham sent Hagar and Ishmael away from his home and they wandered into the wilderness. The water in their bottle was spent. Death seemed inevitable. But God opened Hagar's eyes. There close by was a well of water. Her eyes evidently had been so blinded by her tears that she failed to see it. But when she saw the well, she filled her bottle and gave it to her son to drink, and he lived.

The well was nigh. The trouble was that her eyes were not opened to see this until the Lord touched them. He says to us, "The Word is *very nigh* unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart." Deut. 30:14. He has given it. Believe Him, and thank Him for this provision.

The son who had wasted his substance in riotous living, repented, and returned from the far country. His father welcomed him and made a great feast for him. But the elder brother murmured. He wanted to know why his father was so lavish with this prodigal brother? He accused his father of partiality, saying, "Thou never gavest me a kid!" But his father expostulated, "Son, thou art ever with me (Was that not something to be grateful for, that continual nighness to so kind a father?), and all that I have is thine."

Our heavenly Father speaks like words of kindness to all His children. He has given to us His Son, and with Him He freely gives us all things.

All things? Yes, He blesses us with all spiritual blessings in Christ. Are your eyes opened to see this bountiful provision, this provision of the unspeakable riches of Christ? He provides a well of springing water right within you. John 4:14. He gives the Spirit without measure to those who ask.



He assures us that even though the young lions, strong and active though they be, lack and suffer hunger, they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing. Psalm 34:10.

The Psalmist said, "Whoso is wise, and will observe these things (the things recorded in Psalm 107, where he told of the wonderful provision the Lord made in response to the cry of His children), even they shall understand the lovingkindness of the Lord."

In His lovingkindness He says to us, "All things are yours; and ye are Christ's." We belong to Him, the Good Shepherd who will not fail to take care of His sheep. "We are His people and the sheep of His pasture." Psalm 100:2.

Ask Him to open your eyes to see what wonderful provision is yours, then praise Him for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men. The Lord is good to all, but scarcely one in ten returns to give Him thanks for His goodness.

Lift up your eyes and see how lavish God is in nature. Look at the trees dropping their abundance of seeds. A few weeks ago you could look at the heavily laden orchards with their abundance of fruit. The Lord who is so lavish in nature is no less lavish in grace. He calls us "trees of righteousness." He will cause us to be bountiful in the seed that we are scattering, and abundant in fruit—the peaceable fruits of righteousness.—S. H. F.

Close Up the Ranks By George Henderson

We are entering the final stage of the greatest conflict of the ages. Serious things lie ahead for the Church and the world; for there are forces at work all around us which in aim and ultimate development may necessitate our having to seal our testimony with our blood. Although these things are so, however, it is a sad but indisputable fact that the people of God are seriously divided. I earnestly desire to plead for the closing up of our ranks, and to urge that we should allow nothing to come between us and our fellow Christians.

Do not misunderstand me. I am not suggesting that you should relinquish one single conviction that has come to you from your study of God's Word. But, as a writer of rare and penetrating insight has said, "While on all explicit declarations of Holy Writ there can be no yielding, and God asks for no surrender of principle or sacrifice of truth, a vast sphere remains where loving concession and mutual tolerance not only make a church more powerful, but also create one of life's sweetest joys."

When the tide is out, the fishes in the various little rockpools may consider their special pool to be the ocean. But when the tide comes in, all the rock divisions are obliterated, and they find that the brotherhood of fishes is a much larger one than they thought. May the dear Lord send us such a tidal wave to-day, for it is my solemn conviction that at no distant date we shall need each other very much indeed.

Just before the battle of Trafalgar, Nelson learned that Admiral Collingwood and Captain Rotherham were not on good terms. Sending a boat for the captain, he placed the hands of Collingwood and Rotherham together, pointed to the enemy's ships, and earnestly looking them both in the face, he uttered the simple words: "Look—yonder is the enemy!" The effect was instantaneous. Disagreements were forgotten, harmony was established, and victory was won.

Are You One of These?

Many Christians are without special gifts. They cannot speak eloquently. They cannot transact the Lord's business skilfully. They cannot sing sweetly. They cannot give largely. They are the one-talent people. But here is something that these people can do. They can be faithful. They can count one in the congregation of the Lord's people. They can go through cold or storm and fill their places every Sunday and every prayermeeting evening.

How few absolutely faithful people there are in the churches! People are anxious to do great things, and so they despise the everyday matter of quiet and unobtrusive fidelity. It does not take great intelligence, great business ability, great culture, or great means to be faithful. It does take whole-hearted allegiance to Christ.

How the pastor rejoices in the faithful people of a congregation! He is practically sure that certain pews in his church will be filled when he walks into the pulpit on Sunday morning. About other pews he is never certain. A little rain, a little snow, a little cold, a little heat, a little weariness, a little headache, a little company, a little laziness-any one of these is enough to keep some folk at home. Yet these very people think they are fidelity itself, and they will not recognize themselves in this pen portrait. Every pastor would like to have more gifted men in his church, more fine speakers, more able musicians, but the greatest desire of every true pastor is to have more men and women who are absolutely dependable, more men and women who are quietly and persistently faithful to Jesus Christ.

Humility

If the Christ heart is in us, we shall be humble, too. We shall not want men to think highly of us. We shall wish to hide our names and faces on His breast, behind His cross, and in His work. We shall not bear great titles to our names. We shall not have flaring advertisements of our work. We shall not ask eulogiums from men. We shall stand with veiled face and bowed head and heavenly humility. We shall be found with Him kneeling at the disciples' feet, girded with towels, and washing the feet of the saints. And even if we have the wings of the seraphim, we shall use two of them to cover our faces and two of them to cover our feet, lest we or others should see ourselves or our service.-A. B. Simpson.

Little of the Word, with little prayer, is death to the spiritual life. A full measure of the Word and prayer each day gives a healthy and powerful life.—Andrew Murray.

The Coming Week of Prayer

January 4 to 11, 1942

Perhaps the most important and far reaching resolution ever passed on our Council floor was the one recently made at Minneapolis, when we unanimously agreed to devote the first week of January next, to prayer and fasting.

We cannot begin too early to prepare for this special season. A ripe saint once said, "A prayer meeting may fall flat unless someone has a burden for it." Someone has to pray ahead of time that the Lord will pour upon the saints assembled the spirit of grace and of supplications. Zech. 12:10. Will you be one who will pray ahead for the coming week of prayer?

Our Lord Jesus, who ever liveth to make intercession, has had long experience in praying, and we can go to Him today just as His disciples of old did, and say, "Lord, teach us to pray."

That can be our first petition as we come into His presence for those days of prayer. The prayer He gave to His disciples in response to their request, "Teach us to pray," will prove a wonderful model for us. He taught them first to worship, and He will teach us to do the same.

The Psalmist of old shows us how we are to come into the presence of our God. We are to enter into His gates with *thanksgiving*, and into His courts with *praise*. Psalm 100:4.

Brother P. C. Nelson gave some excellent words of counsel to those assembled for prayer at a great healing service at the Memphis Council in 1937. He said, "So many rush into the presence of God with their 'give me, give me, give me.' Would it not be better for us to follow the example of good Queen Esther? She first invited the king to a banquet she had prepared for a season of fellowship. We too should come into the presence of our heavenly King first of all to have a happy season of communion with Him.

"Later on, Esther made her request to the king, and it was granted her. And our King will be delighted to give us exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think. We shall find many petitions that will spring up from our hearts as the result of time spent in sweet fellowship and communion with the Lord."

The very first words in the prayer Christ taught His disciples are so very wonderful. "Our Father!" We have this wonderful relation of sonship to God because of what Jesus wrought for us at Calvary. Shall we not take time to meditate on the fact that through the new life imparted to us by Christ we are sons of God, and that the Father of Jesus is our Father? What filial love and desire for gladsome yieldedness to all His blessed will comes as a result of the revelation that God is indeed our Father.

Then Christ taught them to say, "Hallowed (or holy) be Thy name." Let us worship God for His holiness. They worship Him thus in heaven. Isaiah and John, who were transported to heaven in the Spirit, tell us so. The language of the seraphims is, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of His glory." Isaiah 6:3. We too can enter into heavenly worship and even now engage in the occupation of the inhabitants of heaven as we journey on our way to that blessed place.

The disciples were taught to put the interests of God first in their petition— "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven." Who can tell whether our united cry of faith for the coming of the kingdom in those early days of January will move the heart of our King to come back to earth to overthrow all the evil powers that are now dominating this wartorn world?

Then our Lord will teach us to pray, not only for ourselves but for all the saints, as we make petition, "Give *us* this day our daily bread. And forgive *us* our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead *us* not into temptation, but deliver *us* from evil: for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen."

During the next few weeks we hope to pass on some suggestions for these days of prayer which we trust will prove practical. But this week we want to pass on the recommendation to all our pastors and to those who are responsible for leadership in these days of prayer, which that good old preacher Alexander Whyte used to make to his congregation, "When you go into your prayer closet, take David and Paul with you." That is good counsel. We suggest to every pastor during the next week or so, Go through the Psalms and the Pauline Epistles with a red pencil in your hand, and enclose in a box every one of the prayers that you find.

However, you do not need to confine yourself to David and Paul. The prayers of Christ are pre-eminently practical, and the petitions of Moses and Elijah and Daniel and many other Old Testament saints are suggestive models for us.

All these prayers were given by the Spirit of God. We have found on many occasions that when we have got the saints to make these Spirit-given prayers their own, they have been mightily blessed. The children of God can always make these petitions found in the Word of God, in faith, for they are according to the revealed will of God. And as the Apostle John put it, "This is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask any thing according to His will, He heareth us: and if we know that He hear us, whatsoever we ask we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him." 1 John 5:14, 15.

Watched

"Well done, thou good servant: because thou wast found faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities" (Luke 19:17) —the maximum reward.

A poor boy in a Pennsylvania town was struggling for an education. He studied and toiled until he finally got through. Hearing of a vacancy in a Chicago bank, he decided to try for it. His mother objected and his friends laughed at him, telling him there would be many applications in a big city like Chicago and no chance for him. But he went. He met the bank president, who touched a button. The bank's detective stepped in, looked at the boy, and went out. The president said, "Come back in a week." He came back. The president said, "There were forty-three applicants we were considering for this place. All have been watched for a week. Only two boys passed the character examination, which touched particularly the points of extravagance, vice, where evenings are spent, and the Sabbath day. All this is strictly business, and not at all an inquisition into private character. This bank must take an account of these things for its own sake. Of the two you have the best qualifications, and the place is yours.'

This is exactly what every believer is experiencing now.

Interruptions

The child of God wondered how it could be possible to sit in heavenly places in Christ Jesus when life was so full of interruptions. Hardly an hour was without something that broke its ordered flow.

One day as he sat by a mountain stream he noticed the lovely way of water when interrupted by the boulders that broke its ordered flow. The river turned each into an occasion for beauty. And he understood that it was possible to live the river's way if only he took the interrupting things, not as interruptions, but as opportunities, and indeed as very part of life.

And while he sat there by the water, his dear Lord said to him, "As the ripples of the river glance up to the light, let thy heart glance up to Me in little looks of love very often through the day."—Amy Carmichael.

The spectre that I am most afraid of at the last is the spectre of lost opportunities. The keenest regrets that I feel today are born of neglected duties.—*Cuyler*.

What Prayer Can Do

Prayer can obtain every thing, it can open the windows of heaven, and shut the gates of hell, it can put a holy constraint upon God, and detain an angel till he leave a blessing. It can open the treasures of rain, and soften the iron ribs of rocks, till they melt into tears and a flowing river. Prayer can unclasp the girdles of the north, saying to a mountain of ice: Be thou removed hence, and cast into the bottom of the sea. It can arrest the sun in the midst of his course, and secret decrees, add unrevealed transactions which are above the clouds, and far beyond the regions of the stars; all these shall combine in ministry and advantages for the praying man.—Bishop Taylor.



By William Wileman

The Book of Psalms contains eleven psalms dedicated "to the sons of Korah." Who were they, and why do we find them where they are thus placed? If we trace out their history, we shall not only find answers to these questions, but much that is interesting and instructive.

In Numbers 16 we read of the rebellion of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, and of the judgment that befell them. Careless reading has led some writers to state that the children of Korah suffered the fate of the others; but if we pass on to chapter 26:11 we find that they escaped the penalty of death. "Notwithstanding the children of Korah died not." The fact is thus plainly stated, without any reason being added for the difference.

In 1 Chronicles 6:31, 32 we find that their descendants were placed by David "over the service of song in the house of the Lord after the ark had rest." The very wording of this fact has its own significant beauty. Then further, in 1 Chronicles 9: 19, we read that "Shallum, the son of Korah, and his brethren, of the house of his

"The Damsel Ran!"

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were invited to Kansas City, Missouri, to hold special services with Pastor A. A. Wilson. We were in Canada at the time, and circumstances were such, that my father wrote to Brother Wilson that, dearly as he would love to be with him, it did not appear possible at that time to go.

Recently we saw and talked with Brother Wilson, and he told us the wonderful sequel to this incident. He said to my father: "When your letter came, I did not know which way to turn. It seemed I was up against a stone wall. Just at that moment of trial, our telephone rang, and one of my saints said, 'Brother Wilson, I have just had a letter from Sister Yerger, in Los Angeles, and she has asked to be remembered to you.'

Sister Yerger, who for many years has had charge of the tarrying services out at Bethel Temple, Los Angeles, working with Brother and Sister Turnbull in a very wonderful co-operative ministry of prayer, has been known to us, and held in high esteem in our hearts for her faith along this line for years, so each detail of the story was of the greatest interest to us.

Brother Wilson continued, "As she spoke over the phone, the mist before me seemed to clear. I said, "Wire Sister Yerger at once, and ask if she can come and help me for November." The sister suggested that Brother Wilson send the wire, and he did so. An answer was quickly received, "Will leave in time to get there Saturday."

At the big Sunday services, Brother Wilson did his own preaching, but all else he turned over to Sister Yerger, he said. Week day mornings, she would call for prayer and tarrying services to start at ten o'clock. At the regular week night services, Sister Yer-

father, the Korahites, were over the work of the service, keepers of the gates of the tabernacle; and their fathers, being of the host of the Lord, were keepers of the entry." By these two records we understand that some of the sons of Korah were employed in the service of song, and others became "keepers of the threshold" of the sanctuary.

Now see how beautifully this shines forth in Psalm 84-"a psalm for the sons of Korah"-"Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house; they will be still praising Thee." "For a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand; I had rather be a doorkeeper (a keeper of the threshold) than to dwell in the tents of wickedness." We can think of a son of Korah singing this tenth verse; and hearing an echo of the words of Moses in Numbers 16:26: "Depart, I pray you, from the tents of these wicked men."

How true it is that they who dwell in the tents of wickedness will be brought to desolation; and that they who by grace have a place in the courts of the Lord's house shall dwell therein and sing His praise for ever.

ger would give a short exposition from the Word of God, but otherwise, on smaller services, they would go right to praying, to see the sick healed, and the hungry filled with the Spirit. The result was, he told us, that well over a hundred were filled with the Spirit. Folks would come from he did not know where, he said, just to have their wants filled at these distinctly prayer and tarrying services. Meanwhile, we, spending the fall in Ottawa, the capital city of Canada, with numbers of soldiers and aviators attending our services, numbers kneeling to seek the Lord, felt that we too, were being divinely led. We too, were preceding every service with times of prayer.

"The damsel ran!"

There is something about that spirit of getting there early to pray, that stirs my spirit to faith and expectancy. Hurrying to God's house because of an inner impelling urge for prayer is a token for good . . . a token of good things to be received. "Each receives . . . according to the measure of his desire." Woe to the one who wavers, or is faint hearted!

Early? How early in the morning we see the soldiers and the boys in aviation blue on the streets, marching along in their group formations, with rythmic step. How early we see them out on frosty mornings, on the great open fields, where they have their barracks, going through their drills, in prompt response to the crisp shout of orders from their officers. In fact, I am told they have an early "little breakfast," because of their early rising. This is hot cocoa, when they first arise. Then comes the drilling, in some sections at least, and then comes the regular breakfast. I believe those who get early to prayer have an extra "little breakfast" that late comers may miss!

Early? Jesus went "very early" into the

mountains to pray. "Abraham rose up early in the morning," to take Isaac to Mount Moriah. This is very touching.

A few months ago I had the privilege of hearing Gypsy Smith now advanced in years, speaking. He said he recalled, when he was a boy of about eighteen, hearing Catherine Booth, that remarkable woman of God, make this statement: "I believe it is possible for mothers to be ten minutes ahead of the devil." She spoke from experience. She found it was best to keep ahead of the tactics of the enemy in raising her children. This applies in other fields, also. Get to service early. Get the spirit of supplication filling the atmosphere before the careless and unspiritual arrive, perhaps to chatter.

Every second counts. In a radio broadcasting studio, see now that time keeper watches the second hand on the clock! The radio broadcast must click to the very second.

Once, when my youngest brother, Elwin, was of high school age, a swimming race was to take place in the Red River in Winnipeg. We were all out of the city camping at the time. When the day came, Elwin mentioned it, wondering a little whether he should swim in the race. He was just fifteen at the time, and was in good practice. "The others who are swimming will have a coach along beside them in a boat, to coach them," he said. But his own swimming time had been right up with the best the others could do. At the last moment, he decided to go. He entered the three-mile river race without a coach to assist him. With the long strokes of the Australian crawl, he was putting the long stretch behind him.

Eventually, he was nearing his goal, the end of the three-mile effort. Someone else, he could tell, was crawling up on him, carefully counseled by a coach along in a boat. My brother had succeeded in holding the lead so long, he felt he could not afford to lose it now. With no coach to help him, he reached out for one last great effort. Just as his arm came down in the final stroke, another arm reached out on a final stroke too. Without that last exhausting effort, he would have lost, but he won the three-mile race by two fifths of a second! Early prayer? It pays.

On a recent Sunday morning in Winnipeg, a group of Spirit-filled women had gathered to pray early in the prayer room. When the hour of service came, so great was the Spirit of prayer upon them, that they were constrained to remain upon their knees

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SPECIAL NOTICE TO OUR MANY FRIENDS

During the Christmas season the Gospel Publishing House is extremely busy because of the holiday rush. If our good friends will place their orders early the situation will be greatly relieved and more time and special attention can be given to each order. The Gospel Publishing House will appreciate your con-sideration in this regard. November 29, 1941



in prayer, instead of rising and going to the service above. As they continued in prayer there down in the prayer room, a remarkable answer to prayer occurred. One of the women of the assembly, a godly widow, had prayed for years for the conversion of her son, a young man attending the university, studying law. As this little group of women continued in prayer, this young man entered the church basement, having with him his young lady friend. Drawn by the sound of prayer (doubtless waiting for dismissal above, to take the mother home) they found the sisters in prayer. At the sight, the fountains of the deep of that young man's heart were opened. Then and there he kneeled and began to pray. The young lady did likewise. What was the joy, when the service above was dismissed, to find both young people had surrendered their lives to the Lord. Since, they have been going on. The young lady's mother has been converted, and the young folks are to be seen in the prayer room, seeking earnestly for more of God.

"She hasted and let down her pitcher." Gen. 24:18.

Rebecca, who was the one who drew water not only for Eliezer to drink but also enough for all his camels, thirsty at the end of a long journey, was so concerned about it that she hurried, or as the Scriptural account said, "hasted," to the place where the water was to be found. No lagging there!

"She hasted . . . and ran again unto the well."

She had done some drawing before. It had been very satisfactory. Now, wanting more water, to extend the circle of refreshing, she even *ran*.

"She hasted,"—that is the first account. v. 18.

"She hasted . . . and ran," is the wording of her second going." v. 20.

There is something about this demonstration of urgency that appeals to the heart of God. Rebecca, bride to be, concerned for others to have the water! "The Spirit and the bride say COME!" "Come ye to the waters," we hear her call.

Run, *run*, RUN. We can recall hearing Brother Wigglesworth, that veteran of faith, and of many spiritual victories, many a time saying these words to someone for whom he was praying. Someone who had presented himself or herself at the place of prayer for healing. Someone who perhaps was faltering, hesitating. "*Run*, RUN!" his command would be, knowing there is no strength in faltering or wavering. I have been writing this in Topeka, Kansas, where the Latter Rain fell early in January 1901. We have had an illustration of how God delights to honor this urgent spirit, here in the services of this revival with Brother and Sister Utley. We felt we had hit upon an excellent idea, by urging those hungry and thirsting for the Spirit, not to wait until after the night meeting, when praying must be from nine or ten to twelve, but to come early, and pray early. We had set the hour at four. When we arrived at that hour (ready to stay and pray through until the night service), we found a group already lost in prayer, and the fire of God already falling. The building was like a place afire, so strong was the presence of the Lord in their midst.

Later, one of the men testified, "We decided to come ahead of the announced hour for prayer, and surprise the preachers!" God honored this desire and purpose to get early to the place of prayer. That afternoon two members of his family came through to the Baptism, and within three days five members of that one family received the Baptism. They were like Rebecca. They "hasted." Then next time, they exceeded that for they "hasted and ran." This group were abounding in the blessing, while others were just hesitating on the borders. Spiritual insight can perceive how God rewards such ardor.

In the assembly at Winnipeg, recently, the Sunday evening services have been preceded by a season of prayer and fasting, from four until seven. The first one to receive the outpouring of the Spirit in these early Sunday evening prayer sessions was a young soldier. Others since have been coming through to definite experiences, before the Sundav evening service proper has commenced. Early prayer before church brings such a holy hush, that reverence is sensed at once, and late comers, realizing God is in the place, and sensing Him, endeavor to walk softly in His presence, as they enter. Old-time saints say, "I have not felt such a heavenly something since the early days."

Here are some advantages of the early prayer. In Winnipeg, there is a radio broadcast in the church auditorium at 10:00 to 10:30 p. m., widely listened to in the city, yet it does cut down on the Sundav night tarrying some. This way there is real tarrying before church begins. A "Brethren" man got through the last Sunday we have a report of, before the night service started.

Secondly, we find people are forced to rise early to get to the government factories, etc., and when they cannot tarry late, they can come early instead.

Also it brings a climax of spiritual power before the sermon, instead of long after it. And the number praying increases (instead of dwindling) as it draws near the hour of service, and many feel the quickening results of the praying.

Jesus is coming soon! It will be in the twinkling of an eye, "as the lightning flasheth from the east unto the west." That day is near. It "hasteth greatly!" In the ardor of our hearts, neglecting many minor things, with fresh oil in our lamps, let us arise, shake off the dust, and go out to meet the Bridgegroom.

Faith in God is not simply a privilege, but man's bounden duty.

Our Study of Scripture

The first three years after conversion, I neglected the Word of God. Since I began to search it diligently, the blessing has been wonderful. I have read the Bible through one hundred times and always with increasing delight. I look upon it a lost day when I have not had a good time over the Word of God.

Friends often say, "I have so much to do, so many people to see, I cannot find time for Scripture study." Perhaps there are not many who have more to do than I have. For more than half a century I have never known one day when I had not more business than I could get through. For forty years I have had annually about thirty thousand letters, and most of these have passed through my own hands. I have nine assistants always at work corresponding in German, French, English, Danish, Italian, Russian, and other languages.

Then, as pastor of a church with twelve hundred believers, great has been my care. Besides, I have had charge of five immense orphanages; also, at my publishing depot, the printing and circulating of millions of tracts, books, and Bibles. But I have always made it a rule never to begin work till I have had a good season with God. The vigor of our spiritual life will be in exact proportion to the place held by the Word in our life and thoughts.—George Muller.

The Web of Life

It was in the Sahara desert, in the socalled holy city of Kairouan. I was taken into a dimly lit mud dwelling to see a beautiful carpet woven by hand. Several women were seated with their backs to the light which came from the door by which I entered. They had baskets of colored wools beside them from which they drew their materials as needed for their work. Suspended by a frame in front of them was a big canvas through which they were thrusting bodkins bearing threads of the colored stuffs. They worked from a pattern, but none of them had the whole pattern, nor could they see from the hither side the effects they were producing. To the uninitiated eye all was confusion, untidiness, and waste. The floor too was strewn with discarded clippings which added to the seeming disorder. But when my guide drew me round to the other side of the frame, what a difference! There the blend of gorgeous hues was perfect, and it was charming to watch the precision wherewith the bodkins came through in the right place with exactly the right effect-no mistake anywhere, harmoniously and delightfully arranged.

ROSWELL FLOWER JR. WITH THE LORD

Roswell Flower Jr., the third son of Brother J. R. Flower, our General Secretary, was a senior at Central Bible Institute and looking forward to a life in the ministry after his graduation. He had been suffering with a weak heart for sometime and when recently he contracted pneumonia his heart could not stand the extra strain. He went to be with the Lord on November 13. He was 21 years of age.

We are sure that a large number of our Evangel family will unite with all of us at Headquarters in expressing our heartfelt sympathy with Brother and Sister Flower and their family at this time of their great bereavement.





Lois Shelton, Cape Palmas, Liberia

The Holy Spirit is working in hearts here. It seems that the hunger for the Living Bread is growing. From every side come cries for help. Consequently students of our District Bible School, obeying the command, "Give ye them to eat," have gone forth during both school and vacation months to feed the perishing. Three young men have spent several weeks in the Bowah section, and while communication is slow and we have not heard much from them as yet, we do know that God has blessed abundantly.

From a Firestone Plantation employee, a Pentecostal man, came a request for someone to spend some time teaching him the Word. John Deny, an eighth grade student, responded. How God has met, you can best judge from a resent letter which we quote verbatim:

"Dear Missionaries: I have told you that there were three boys who came in with John. But now there are eight more, so you see how the Lord is doing His work. They are all Chedepo except one who is not, but a Sabbo boy. I have also told you about David, Johnson's brother, that he was also glad I have come. They want me to come every holiday.

"I went to the hospital on the 6th of August and came back on the 14th. I am feeling much better now. When I went in the hospital I thought I was the only Christian there, but to my surprise and great amazement I happened to encounter an old man who is a Christian from the Methodist Church. I have with me the book, 'A Successful Pastor' from which I read to him 'General Character of the Work of the Ministry.' From that time he would call me to read to him because he did not have his glasses with him. I thanked God I did not have to bother about that. Send this man one of those 'Bible Truths,' please.

"John and little Johnson say 'Greetings.' Yours in Him, J. T. Deny."

"My heart is so full!"

Wherever possible the student workers have returned to visit their charges during the vacation. One day two went to Rocktown where our former Paramount Chief lived, who was so marvelously saved just before his death. One of them went there regularly during school time, but had been away for a short visit. When they returned Isaac said: "My heart is so full—so full! This time the Chief's daughter really got saved. Her heart was so sad she didn't even hear the sermon, but afterward, when she came to the altar, we told her all over again. God had talked to her heart many times, but she hadn't given up. Now she has real salvation."

The Work Goes Forward

At Camp King the work goes forward. Officers, soldiers and prisoners, all, come to the services and a good interest is manifest among them. In our local services God has made His presence known in a precious way. What joy it is to hear the testimonies of His power to lift men and women out of darkness and superstition into light and life!

Not only is God blessing in our immediate circle, but from throughout our territory good reports come. Evangelist Peter Toe has just emerged after four years of being the sole Pentecostal witness in our farthest outpost, Central Province, seven days' journey away. There souls have been delivered from heathen darkness and brought into the gospel light.

A Wide-Open Door

In a section practically untouched before, our missionary-evangelists Miss Carlson and Miss Johnson found a wide open door with a people fairly clamoring for the Word. One of their number, newly saved and with the hand of God evidently resting upon him, has stepped into the place of leadership. Pastor John Samson, a day's journey from them, is their nearest trained helper and he visits them as often as is possible. How would you like to have a heart full of the love of God and hungry for knowledge of Him, yet be unable to read one word out of the Blessed Book or hear a sermon for weeks at a time? Pray God will speedily send forth a worker to feed them.

God Answers Prayer

Sometimes friends write, "We are praying for you." We want to say that we have often been conscious of that fact. When our bodies are tired, it is in answer to prayer that we are able to go on. When we see God's abundant working, we know that He is answering your prayers. The very fact that we have been kept in health so marvelously indicates God's work in answering prayer. Thank You! for praying—Pray On!

"TREASURES OF DARKNESS"

"I will give thee the treasures of darkness, Isaiah 45:3," A. J. Princic quotes in writing from Cape Palmas, Liberia, West Africa. "We have a deep conviction that this is God's day for Liberia. There are open doors on every Calls are coming in from all parts hand. of this country for a missionary to come and give them God's way. They are calling, ever calling, and there in no one to send to them. The opportunities are many here and these must be backed up with unceasing and prevailing prayers. May we continue to count on you to pray and 'hold up our hands' in this battle against formidable powers of heathen darkness, superstition, and fear?"

A "Chief" Victory

In telling of the conversion of Togba, a clan chief, Brother Princic says, "The people claim that this man was 'witched.' When we went to his hut he was in a very serious physical condition and even worse in the spiritual. He told me for many months he visited different devil doctors to take off the 'witch' but he was no better, rather worse.

"We realized his life was short so we stressed the need of his accepting Christ as his Saviour, assuring him that Jesus alone could dispel the fear that tormented him day and night. Hallelujah! while we were yet praying, he accepted Christ and was gloriously saved. It was blessed to hear him praise God and to see the radiance of God's joy upon his face.

"He gave me all his fifteen jujus to burn, which we did after keeping them a week so that there could be no mistake about the man's conversion. When I asked him if he felt that he needed them any longer, he said, 'NO.' 'I need only GOD.' He was present at the burning of his jujus, and it was a happy day to hear the Christians and missionaries sing 'there's power in the blood' as the jujus burned. A few weeks later Chief Togba died, rejoicing in the Lord."



A group of Liberian Christian leaders with E. H. Simmons and A. J. Princic. In the center picture Brother Princic is sitting beside his friend Chief Togba whom he won to the Lord. At the right the chief's jujus are being burned.

IVORY COAST BY THE LIGHT OF SMOKY LAMPS

Marjorie Brown

By the light of my two flickering smoky Mossi lamps I shall attempt to give you a little idea of what we are doing here at Yako, Ivory Coast, French West Africa. (Do not mistake me: by no means would I belittle our lighting system! It has three advantages. First, the light is not too bad. Second, the smoke drives mosquitoes away. Third, the shea nut oil is easily procured and very economical.)

It is almost three months since we came to Yako from Ouagadougou. They have been busy happy months, but have brought their problems, too. Souls have been saved both here at the station and at most of the outstations. Since a number of the Christians have become very earnest in their prayers for the Baptism, the unsaved are coming under conviction.

This week a young woman came to the house to seek God. She did not want to wait until Sunday because she feared Jesus might come and she would be lost. How our hearts rejoice when God sends such heavy conviction! It is true that the Mossi reacts much differently to conviction than the white man, but even the black man sometimes weeps bitter tears over his sins.

Among those saved our first month here was a woman perhaps seventy years old. She is quite feeble, but walks over six miles to church on Sundays, and shows evidence of a deepening experience with God.

A Present-Day Elijah

One of the workers, Dagilisom by name, had a rather unusual experience recently. The rains had not been coming in this section as usual with the result that much corn and grain had died. The natives had been making all kinds of sacrifices to bring the rain, but no rain came. Finally they claimed that the "Jesus believer" had displeased their gods and that he was hindering their prayers.

Dagilisom took the opportunity to tell them that their sacrifices and sins displeased God and that was why the rains did not come. As a result, some of the leaders said, "Very well, we did not succeed in our sacrifices. Now it is time for you to pray that your God will send the rain." Dagilisom did pray and before he had finished praying the clouds gathered. For two days rain fell in large amounts. The heathen were astounded, but Dagilisom shouted the praises of God.

So Glad the Lord Never Goes Home

Four of the African workers from Ouahigouva came to our last workers' meeting and almost begged Mr. Brown to come there for a week. so he packed up a small camping equipment and went on his bicycle, accompanied by one of the Yako workers. The reports from the Ouahigouya district are very encouraging. A number have been saved, one demon-possessed woman delivered, and one blind man healed. They report that they miss the Halls very much, and that they are so glad that the Lord never goes home and leaves them.

There is one thing for which we request prayer. A young couple who have been Christians for years have separated. In spite of all efforts to see them reunited, the girl still refuses to return to her husband. God is still able and it surely is His will that they reunite.

Appreciation

Our hearts are filled with gratitude to all of the dear ones at home who are giving of their money and prayers to our natural and spiritual support. It means much to have them remain faithful even though they do not hear from us.

Do pray for us that we may do the work God would have us to win this needy field.



traveling troupe of Mossi musicians

THINGS YOU WANT TO KNOW

In this column John Hall is answering from week to week questions which are asked him concerning life in Mossiland, French West Africa, where he and his wife have spent several years in missionary work.

Blackman's Music What kind of music do those Africans have? Well, it varies according to what part of the country one visits. There is the handmade balaphone which resembles our marimbaphone. The keys of the balaphone are of mahogany and under each one is slung an open calabash, or gourd, which varies in sizes according to the length of the key. These act as resonators. The minor plaintive tunes are very pleasing as the player syncopates and sometimes sings an accompanying tribal song.

Traveling Troupe

In the picture we see a quartet consisting of a flute, two one-stringed violins and a two-stringed guitar. These men produce a pleasing minor harmony and the one with the guitar sings and sways to the rhythmic playing of the group. These musicians make their living traveling about, appearing before chiefs and public crowds who toss gifts to them. Note the leather bag at the whitegarmented man's side for quickly stowing any money away while playing.

Like Cowboys in America

A cornstalk harp is made by the Mossis which is held in the flat of the hands and thumbs are used to strum the strings which are wrapped to varying thicknesses for producing different pitches. Some dreamy-minded young men make a ukelele from a large pilchard tin by stretching a skin over it and with two or three strings sit and go over love songs like cowboys in America to while away their idle time.

Nostril Whistles

Small boys blow a weird, monotonous, two tone jig on nostril whistles. The jig becomes annoving to the white men's ears, but seems to please the young Africans.

The Bass Note

The bass note in the heathen dance band is produced on an instrument made from a roan antelope horn with a hole pierced near the small end. It is blown across like fife and a calabash is held at varying distances over the large end to act as a resonator.

Best-loved of All

Syncopated drumming of several types of drums at once, however, is best loved of all their music. The Africans are strangely drawn by this and often dance by it all night in the moonlight.

RETURNING FROM AFRICA

A cablegram from Liberia informs us that Lois Shelton and Anna Stafsholt were leaving there about the first of November. It is expected that they will arrive in New York the latter part of the month. Further word will be given regarding their arrival, home addresses and their plans for the future in a later issue of the Evangel.

WILL THEY BE **INCLUDED?**

We trust our hearts will be larger than the man who prayed, "Bless me and my wife, our son John and his wife; us four and no more." Include the missionaries on your Christmas list this year. Contributions must be received early if we are to get them to the missionaries by Christmas time. Send yours now to the "Missionary Christmas Fund."

GREAT HUNGER FOR THE GOSPEL

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Erickson write from Peru: "We are happy to report the Lord's blessings on our people. Immediately following the baptismal service at Trujillo in May the Lord began to pour out His Spirit. In one of our outstations seven have been filled with the Holy Spirit-four of these from one family. Shortly after this took place four workers from this district returned from a trip to the mountains where they visited eight large towns and their surrounding viliages. They report that large crowds heard the gospel, and much Christian literature was put into the hands of the hungry people. They say that two of the larger towns where they preached and sold literature showed no signs of having ever heard the message before. In other places evening meetings were well attended, and some asked that workers might be sent to labor among them so that churches could be formed.

"These workers were enabled to get the gospel to these people and leave the printed Word with them all because someone sent an offering for the purchase of Testaments and Gospel Portions to be distributed by the native workers."

FOR THE LOST SHEEP OF THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL

Our Home Missions department appeals for funds to be used to bring the Gospel of Salvation to the Lost Sheep of the House of Israel, especially in Chicago where there are over 400,000 resident Jews and many thousands of refugee Jews. Here, one of their own race, converted to the Way of Christ, is working faithfully among his own, in connection with other faithful workers. They have personally contacted and left free literature with Jews in more than 4,000 homes or business houses since the work opened there four years ago, and have given to Jews who promised to read and pray approximately 1000 New Testaments, Gospels and booklets in English, Yiddish and Hebrew.

Thousands of Jews today believe all Gentiles are Christians and the persecutions coming from so-called Christians are thought to come from REAL Christians and thousands of Jews today are turning to false cults, Atheism, Communism and suicide because Christians are not willing to sacrifice and live the life of Christ. Many Jews are hungry to know the Truth, the Life, and the Way. Have you told them of Jesus, the true Messiah? Would you like to have a share in this work? If so, send all contributions for this work to Home Missions Department, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri, designated for Work Among the Jews.

BRITISH CHURCHES DESTROYED

The total number of churches in Great Britain damaged or destroyed in air raids since the begining of the war is 2,659. In addition to this figure, 304 church halls, 236 church schools, and 108 vicarages have been destroyed, reports Elim Evangel. After a great British church had been hit by incendiary bombs and burned, a prayer

book was found undamaged amid the ruins. It was open at Psalm 74 and these words stood out in large print: "They have cast fire into thy sanctuary, they have defiled by casting down the dwelling place of thy name to the ground. They said in their hearts, Let us destroy them together: they have burned up all the synagogues of God in the land."

CHINA INLAND MISSON

According to The Evangelical Christian, the China Inland Mission had exactly the same number of missionaries on the home staff and on furlough from China on Jan. 1, 1941, as it had four years previous when Sino-Japanese relations were more propitious. In the war years they have far exceeded previous years in spiritual results. War has not daunted this great missionary movement which was launched by God under J. Hudson Taylor.

Only recently we read of five new missionaries being sent from England to China, and five old missionaries returning to China with them-this in spite of the economic situation in England, the dangers at sea, and war conditions in China!

Here are some concrete figures regarding the China Inland Mission work: 1,306 missionaries; 4,051 Chinese workers, of whom 3,685 are voluntary, or wholly or partially supported by Chinese funds; 71 ordained pastors; 371 stations; 2,581 outstations; 14 hospitals; 78 dispensaries; 242 schools for Chinese, with 8,941 pupils; 375 Sunday Schools, with 19,830 pupils; 540 Bible Schools, with 25,005 attending; 9,318 baptized in 1940; 111,104 communicants in fellowship; 209,468 baptized since commencement.

WORLD-WIDE BROADCASTING

Today radio is an accepted fact. We are no longer amazed by its marvelous achievements. The President's Navy Day address went by direct broadcast and relay to every continent, but we think nothing of that. Each Christmas for several years past the King of England has spoken to the entire British Empire by direct network broadcast, but we have ceased to wonder at that. We need to stop and realize that such achievements in radio were almost undreamed of a generation ago. It is only fifteen years since network broadcasting began to function. In November, 1941, NBC celebrated its fifteenth birthday. Can you remember the noisy reception you had with those multipledial receiving sets and their loud-speakers back in 1926?

When we think what strides have been made in only fifteen years, just half of this generationhow small, how interdependent, this world has grown to be-we wonder what great changes the other half of this generation may produce. Will it bring forth the Antichrist, that one with beastly ferocity who shall rule the whole world and open his mouth in blasphemy against God? Remember that Jesus said in Matt. 24:34, "This generation" (the generation in which the signs of His coming, mentioned in Matthew 24, are fulfilled) "shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled." The possibility of one man's holding the entire world under his power does not seem so remote in this day of world-wide broadcasting and swift aerial travel. How near we are to the end we do not know. But this we do know: if it seems that the Antichrist might appear soon, then we can look for our Lord Jesus Christ to appear sooner. He may come at any moment. Are you ready to meet Him?

Santiago, Chile-Pray for the salvation of those who are interested in learning of Christ. Please pray that God will revive the churches in Chile .-H. C. Ball.

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PROGRESS IN PALESTINE

According to The Protestant Voice, the Holy Land now produces 98 per cent of her vegetables, 92 per cent of her milk, and 44 per cent of her wheat. "The wilderness" is already becoming "a fruitful field," as prophesied. Isa. 32:15.

RABBI PRAISES NEW TESTAMENT

Probably for the first time in the history of Los Angeles, the New Testament is being studied by Jewish students. According to Los Angeles Times, the sessions are being conducted at the Temple Israel, Hollywood, by Rabbi Morton A. Bauman, who said: "We approach the New Testament with reverence. Whether we agree with it or not, we respect it as the sacred literature of our Christian neighbors." He declared that "the New Testament is one book that contains the finest collection of the best in Jewish literature." This is typical of the new attitude that is being taken by many Jews today toward the New Testament and Christ.

A RABBI'S HUNGER

Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof, of Pittsburgh, has written as follows in his recent book, The Stormers of Heaven:

"To a world drugged by the flesh, blinded by pleasure, Christianity, if it can find its voice, will always have a message to proclaim. And it will always find the strength to proclaim it. . . . The faith which converted Paul and Augustine, Francis and Luther, may convert anyone at any time. Christianity may yet manifest its explosive power. . . . The significant fact is that time has not faded the vividness of His image. Jesus is still the living comrade of countless lives. No Moslem ever sings, 'Mohammed, Lover of my Soul,' nor does any Jew ever say of Moses, 'I Need Thee Every Hour.'"

Comments Morris Gordin, himself a converted Jew: "This rabbi's hunger for Jesus is a sign of Jewry's drift Christward!"

"RUPTURE" OR RAPTURE

The New York Herald-Tribune recently told of a will that was probated in Hackensack, N. J. In it a Christian banker, Edward Vanderpoel, former assistant secretary of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York, designated that in case the Lord came for the rapture of believers and his heirs were missing from the earth, the estate should go for the publication of a certain tract for unbelievers.

We mention the story for two reasons. First, Three the Herald-Tribune made a serious slip. times in the course of its article it referred to the removal of the believers at the coming of Christ as the "rupture of the Church." Thank God, there" will be no "rupture" of the body of Christ at His coming. If there ever is a "rupture" it is now, when part of the Church is in heaven and part on earth. Christ's coming will bring the rapture of the Church, not the "rupture," and after that time there shall be no more separation.

The second reason for mentioning this is to point out the folly of designating one's estate for such disposal. As Donald Grey Barnhouse points out in Revelation, it is doubtful whether Mr. Vanderpoel's desire would ever have been fulfilled if the Lord had come. All believers would have gone from the earth and his estate would have fallen to the affairs of the Antichrist rather than to those of the Lord Jesus Christ. Christians who wish to invest their money in the Lord's work should do so now, for once the Church is raptured, every penny of endowments, every bit of church money, and all property that is left behind will go to the Antichrist, the world ruler who shall come to power immediately following the return of Christ for His saints. See 2 Thessalonians 2.

WEEKDAY CLASSES OF RELIGION

Approximately 500 communities in thirty-eight states now release public-school pupils during school hours for religious education, reports The Christian Advocate. The number of elementary and high-school pupils attending these weekday classes at their churches and getting school credit for the same is 164,013.

AN ARMY CHAPLAIN'S LETTER

The following extracts are from a letter written by a Nazarene minister, now an Army Chapplain, to his mother:

Last Sunday morning after the worship service the men gathered around me as usual to ask questions of one kind or another. After I had taken care of about all of them one man told me that a few years ago he had been a very good Christian and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. He explained how he had grown cold and drifted away. "Chaplain, I would like to get back to God; would you help me?" Most of the men had gone, but I called a Nazarene and a Pilgrim Holiness boy who had not yet left the building and asked them if they would like to go over to my office and have prayer. In my office I introduced the men, and told them that the Methodist boy desired to become re-established in God's saving grace. 'We all knelt before God and each man prayed fervently, and Jesus came and entered into the heart of a sin-weary soldier and spoke peace to his soul. That was the third man who had found Jesus in my office within the week.

Before I became chaplain, many of my fellow ministers tried to discourage me. They said I would not be allowed to take my liberty and preach as I desired. Some of them took the attitude that I was betraying my true calling and was going to place my approval upon war, and teach men how to kill and hate. They said the army was no place for a holiness preacher. I have found from my experience that those ministers were so far wrong. As a civilian I never received such great respect as the men and officers of the army give me as their chaplain. There are no restrictions placed upon the way the chaplain preaches. It is his personal job and it is entirely up to him as to how he preaches.

Keep praying for me, Mom, that the Lord will continually bless me and enable me to live a life before the men that will win them to Jesus. I expect when I get to heaven to meet a great many soldiers who will say, "Chaplain, I am here because you faithfully sounded the gospel call of salvation with unmistakable language." Paul writes in 1 Corinthians the fourteenth chapter and the eighth verse, "If the bugle give an uncertain sound who will prepare himself to the battle?" You may depend upon me, Mom, I will always give forth a certain sound and be a true bugler for Jesus.

A GOOD SUGGESTION

J. J. Humphries of Louisville, Ky., Elder writes: "My young people asked me to speak to them last Friday night, and they became so stirred as God moved that they wanted something to do immediately. I responded with the suggestion that each one pledge himself or herself to purchase and pay for five Evangels each and every week until the first of the year, and be personally responsible for the placing of a copy of the Evangel in the hands of five of their friends. It is also my intention to write a personal letter to accompany each copy at intervals of two or three weeks apart. I am happy to ask you to increase my Evangel Roll from 10 to 80 copies per week. I feel good in my soul about this, and pray that it will be the beginning of a new wave of evangelism amongst us."



Paul Before the Sanhedrin

Lesson for December 7. Lesson Text: Acts 23.

After spending a night in the prison within the tower fortress of Antonia, Paul the Apostle was brought forth. Lysias, the Roman commander, wishing to learn what accusation the Jews had to make against his prisoner, called a meeting of the chief priest and the members of the Sanhedrin, and brought Paul before them. The high points of the lesson may be outlined as follows-

1. A Ringing Testimony. V. 1. Picture the apostle before his proud and hostile judges. He shows no trace of fear. And why should he fear? He has the assurance of God's approval and presence and the testimony of a clear conscience. "I have lived in all good conscience before God unto this day." It has been the lifelong aim of the apostle to have such a conscience. Acts 24:16. Some consciences are seared as with a hot iron because of repeated refusal to obey God's Word and do His will. But a good conscience is one which is in perfect harmony with the will of God, and is a guarantee of peace and poise in the hour of trial and persecution. Are we maintaining in everyday life a good conscience by being mindful of the checks and promptings of the Holy Spirit?

2. A Solemn Prediction. Vv. 2-5. Paul's bold testimony so enraged the high priest that he com-manded one who stood near Paul to smite him on the mouth. Smarting under the blow and the injustice of it, Paul speaks in rather strong language for one who had learned so much of Him "who when he was reviled, reviled not again (see 1 Peter 2:23; Isa. 53:7)," "God, shall smite thee, thou whited wall." Paul was indignant because Ananias had no legal right to command him to be smitten. The words, "whited wall" are reminiscent of Christ's words to the hypocritical Pharisees who were "like unto whited sepulchres," outwardly beautiful, but sinful at heart. Matt. 23:27.

Paul had not known that he spoke to the high priest, and when made aware of the fact, apologized for his words because of the Scriptural injunction which forbade a follower of God speaking evil of those in positions of authority. Are we careful not to speak in an un-Christlike manner about people who occupy positions of leadership both in civil and spiritual life? See Rom. 13:1-7; 1 Thess. 5:12, 13.

Were Paul's words prophetic? It is a significant fact that just one year later. Ananias died a violent death, being smitten to death by members of his own race who resented the cruelty and dishonesty which characterized his rule as high priest.

3. A Wise Speech. Vv. 6-10. "But when Paul perceived," etc. Paul was a man whose eyes had been opened by the Lord, and so was quick to see opportunities and to take in situations. He saw that the crowd before whom he was being accused was composed of Sadducees and Pharisees, two religious parties who hated each other violently. Paul knew that the former rejected all the sacred Scriptures except the Law of Moses; that they denied the existence of angels and spirits of all kinds; and that they neither believed in resurrection, judgment, or future punishment. Paul also knew that the Pharisees believed just the opposite of what the Sadducees taught. Therefore, he very cleverly split these parties, turning them against each other, by declaring himself a Pharisee who believed and stood for the hope of the resurrection.

So fierce was the contention that arose between these religious parties that the Roman officer, fearing that Paul would be pulled to pieces, took the apostle back into the shelter of the tower prison.

In the change in the attitude of the Pharisees toward Paul, we have an example of a very common modern sin-putting personal feelings and interests and party spirit before the truth of God's Word and the general cause of righteousness.

4. A Divine Encourage-ment. V. 11. "And the night following the Lord stood by him, and said. Be of good cheer, Paul: for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome." How welcome this heavenly visitation must have been to the weary, worn apostle! He had no pastor to give him counsel and encouragement in the hour of trial, no loving wife to assure him of her sympathy and co-operation, no friends at hand to lend assurance of support. Like One who had gone before him, Paul's keenest sufferings and trials were borne alone. Therefore, Jesus Himself appeared to His faithful follower in a vision which strengthened him for the further trials of the last lap of His earthly pilgrimage.

And not to Paul alone are such experiences given! To solitary saints living for Him amidst adverse circumstances and ungodly environments, to oppressed and weary members of His body the world over, to workers and ministers of the gospel, to missionaries toiling and battling against principalities and powers in heathen lands-Jesus still comes with His message of peace, assurance and power, "These things have I spoken unto you that ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." Look up just now, O needy one! And draw from Him who stands by thee even now, all thou needest for spirit, soul, mind and body!

5. A Devilish Plot. Vv. 12-15. Forty Jews, motivated by hatred, bind themselves with a great curse that they will not eat or drink until they have killed Paul. They carry their plans to the high priest and the council. "Tomorrow you ask the chief captain to bring Paul out again for another consultation. We will be on hand when they bring him from the castle to the council meeting place. Since there are forty of us we can easily overpower the attending soldiers, and stab him to death very quickly." Their plot was clever. But no night is black enough to hide such murderous plans from the eyes of the Lord who never slumbers or sleeps!

6. A Providential Discovery. Vv. 16-22. The plans of Paul's enemies would have undoubtedly succeeded IF a certain young lad, Paul's own nephew. had not HAPPENED to overhear the conspirators making their plans. The lad goes at once to Uncle Paul and tells him the news. Paul immediately calls one of the centurions and requests him to take



the lad before the chief captain. And to the chief captain, the lad discloses the solemn information, and is told in reply to say nothing to anyone else about what he has heard. Then the chief captain, thoroughly aroused and angered at the Jews because of their boldness in daring to interfere with Roman authority, makes plans to defeat their purposes.

Was this discovery merely a coincidence? Never! Nothing happens by chance to those who are in the will of God! For them "all things work to-gether for good." Rom. 8:28.

7. A Timely Deliverance. Vv. 23-35. The Roman commander lost no time in providing for Paul's safety. At his command, at nine o'clock that night, 200 soldiers, 200 spearmen, and 70 horsemen escorted Paul out of the castle and on the 75 mile journey to Caesarea. With the escort was sent a letter from Lysias to the Roman governor Felix, in which Lysias explained his reasons for sending Paul to Caesarea. When the party arrived in Caesarea, Felix read the letter, then committed Paul to Herod's judgment hall to await trial when his accusers should arrive. Thus Paul was again delivered from almost certain death by the intervention of a God who today still delivers from every attack of the enemy those who walk with Him. See 2 Cor. 1:9, 10; 2 Tim. 4:1; Psa. 50:15.

And what of the more than forty men who bound themselves by a solemn oath, not to eat or drink until they had killed Paul? Luke does not tell us. But in any case they have reason to be pitied !- J. Bashford Bishop.

BROTHER RENFROW'S PASSING

Brother Guy Renfrow, an evangelist known and loved throughout many districts in our fellowship, went to be with the Lord on October 4. He died in Kansas City, Mo., after a period of sickness and an operation from which he did not recover, and burial was at Modesto, Calif. He and Brother Leonard Rogers had a blessed evangelistic ministry together for many years.

A BIBLE IN EVERY HOME

Every Bibleless home in Kalamazoo, Mich., was "Bibled" in November-provided its occupants would promise to use the Scriptures, reports Time. In all, the American Home Bible League distributed 1,500 Bible free. It may do the same in other cities later.



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

CLAY CITY, IND.-Nov. 25-; C Hall, Evangelist.-L. G. Lyon, Pastor. Clifton

ADA, OKLA.--7th and Hope Sts.; Dec. 2, for 3 weeks; Paul E. Riggs Evangelistic Party.--Floyd L. Poag, Pastor.

WHITNEY, NEBR.—Dec. 2, for 3 weeks or longer; C. D. Quackenbush, Evangelist.— J. E. Troyer, Pastor.

CHILDRESS, TEXAS-Dec. 1-; Wesley Goodwin, Evangelist.-Fountie and Marie Ridley, Pastors.

NEWCOMERSTOWN, OHIO-Dec. 1, for 2 weeks or longer; B. E. Hillman, Evan-gelist.-Earl B. Johnson, Pastor.

KENNETT MO.-Dec. 7-; F aura Grubb, Evangelists.-E. L Paul a and Lura Pastor.

ROSALIA, WASH,-Nov. 23, for weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs Merle A. Glew,-Donald Skaggs, Pastor

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CONRAD, IOWA-Nov. 16-; Blanche E. Britton, Lakota, N. Dak., Evangelist.-Vernon T. Huffey, Pastor.
OILDALE, CALIF.-Dec. 2-21; Jack and Esther Martz, Reading, Pa., Singing Evangelists.-G. C. Waterfield, Pastor.
FLINT, MICH.--Missionary Convention, Trinity Tabernacle, Holtslander Ave. and N. Saginaw, Nov. 25-30.-Carl Ausbury.
FRUITA, COLO.-Nov. 30-; Jack and Alta Pope, Dallas, Texas, Evangelists.-R. D. Zook, Pastor.
AKRON, PA.-S. 9th St. meeting in

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WARREN, OHIO-Dec. 2-21; Jean and Angel Benefiel, Loveland, Colo., Evan-gelists.-P. J. Emery, Pastor. SHREWSBURY, PA.-Nov. 18, for 3 weeks or longer; Guy W. Duty, Alexandria, Va., Evangelist.-T. B. Pierce, Pastor. BLANCHAPDVILLE WICE Y.

BLANCHARDVILLE, WIS.—Nov. 16— Dec. 12; Dorothea Voelker of Wausau, Evangelist. Gilman A. Hanson is pastor.— By Evangelist.

NEWVILLE, PA.—Union Pentecostal Church of Palmstown; Nov. 30, for 2 weeks. Pastor and Mrs. Carl Glick, Akron, Pa.—By Pastor.

Akron, Pa.—By Fastor. KINGSBURG, CALIF.—Full Gospel Church, Nov. 25—; Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Ruff, Singing Evangelists.—A. For-sgren, Pastor.

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gelist.--W. E. Long, Pastor. ROSEBURG, ORE.--Nov. 20, for 3 weeks or longer; Evangelist A. Knudson and Party, Los Angeles, Calif. A. H. Host-vedt is pastor.--By Evangelist. SPRINGFIELD, MO.-South Side As-sembly; Nov. 30, for 3 weeks or longer; Hildreth Ethridge, Evangelist.--E. K. Ramsey, Pastor.

Ramsey, Fastor. MALVERN, ARK.—906 S. Main St., Dec. 2—14; Philip A. Megna, Evangelist, Special singing and music by Mrs. Megna and daughter.—Stephen Vandermerwe, Pastor. COUNCL DURING COMPACTION COMPACTION CONTROL OF MILEON CONTROL OF MILEON COMPACTION CONTROL OF MILEON CONTROL

daughter.—Stephen Vandermerwe, Pastor. COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA-Gospel Tabernacle; Nov. 23, for 2 weeks or longer; Charles E. Long, Evangelist.—G. H. Millard, Pastor.

LONG BEACH, CALIF.-439 W. Anaheim St., Nov. 18-; Irl J. Walker, Portland, Ore., Evangelist.-E. W. Mincey, Portlan Pastor

Pastor. SILOAM SPRINGS, ARK.-Nov. 18-; Mr. and Mrs. G. L. McKinney, Evan-gelists. D. B. Jaggers is pastor.-Mrs. Henry Fuller, News Reporter. GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.-Youth Rally, First Assembly of God Tabernacle, Nov. 23-30; Eilen E. McAlister, Evangelist.-Raymond De Vito, Pastor. CROOKSTON MINN-Cospel Taber.

CROOKSTON, MINN.-Gospel Taber-nacle, Nov. 30-Dec. 14; Christian Hild, Fargo, N. Dak., Evangelist.-A. V. Gustaf-son, Pastor.

son, Fastor, JAMESTON, N. Y.-Prospect and S. Main Sts., Nov. 30-Dec. 14; Nora Benna and Vivian Higgins, Enid, Okla., Evan-gelists.-Frederick D. Drake, Pastor. LONG BRANCH, N. J.-457 Hampton Ave., Nov. 23-Dec. 7; Beatrice Wells, Fairview, W. Va., Child Evangelist.-Andrew Rahner, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.-Annual Missionary Rally, Pentecostal Young People's Fellow-ship, 1901 W. Washington Blvd., Dec. 6, 7:30 p. m.-J. Robert Ashcroft.

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DELLAWARE, OHIO-147 E. Winter St., Dec. 2-21; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boyd, Bible Teachers, Evangelist and Instructors in Sunday School Work. Services 7:30 p. m.-Andrew G. Basell, Pastor.

GLASGOW, MONT.—Gospel Tabernacle; Nov. 25, for 3 weeks; Bruce Gibson, Evan-gelist.—Paul Williscroft, Pastor.

SOUTH FORK, PA.-Dec. 3-21; A. andy Christopher, Evangelist.-M. Mastro fatteo, Pastor.

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HELENA, MONT.—Nov. 23, for 3 weeks; Leonard J. Philp, Everett, Wash., Evan-gelist.—E. A. Born, Pastor.
LAS CRUCES, N. MEX.—Nov. 25—Dec.
7; Mary Jo Barnett of Electra, Evangelist. —Clarence Love, Pastor.
OAKLAND, CALIF.—13th and Market Sts., Dec. 9—14; Nicholas Pirolo, Chicago, Ill., Evangelist.—E. Wm. Anderson, Pastor.
LEAVENWORTH, WASH.—Nov. 25— Dec. 14; R. R. Nichols, Bayard, Neb., Evangelist.—R. A. Griepp, Pastor.
LA MESA, CALIF.—Meeting in progress; Mary Alice Bridges, Phoenix, Arizona, Evangelist.—Fleming May, Pastor.
GRANTS PASS, ORE.—Dec. 2–21; Carl and Edna Goodwin, Los Angeles, Calif., Evangelists.
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enst. Brosey, Pastors. NASHVILLE, TENN.—Dec. 2—; Sanders Brothers, Evangelists.—J. B. McIntosh, Brothers,

LONDON, KY.-Gospel Tabernacle, Sub-limity St., Dec. 1-; Charles B. Dobbins, Ft. Smith, Ark., Evangelist.-M. A. Jollay, Pastor

WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS—5th and Broad Sts., Nov. 30–Dec. 14, or longer; George Hayes, Evangelist. Near-by church-es invited to co-operate.—E. B. Crump, es inv Pastor

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NEWARK, DEL.—Grace Pentecostal Church, Lovett St.; Dec. 2, for 3 weeks or longer; Harry E. Bowley, Coffeyville, Kansas, Evangelist. Neighboring assem-blies invited to co-operate.—A. H. Clatten-burg, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Fifth annual Thanks-giving Missionary Convention, 2715 North Ave., Nov. 23—28. Special Speakers: Paul Peterson, Alfred Lundmark, Alexander Marks, and Paul K. Derr.—J. Robert Ashcroft, Pastor.

Ashcroft, Pastor. JEANNETTE, PA.—First Pentecostal Church, Clay Ave. Annual meetings Nov. 16-30. Home Coming Day en Thanks-giving, 2:30 and 7:30. Speaker: W. J. Lewis, formerly of Wales, now pastor at Sherburne, Minn.—A. E. Gidman, Pastor. MEMPHIS, TENN.—Thanksgiving Con-vention, First Assembly of God, 960 S. Third St., Nov. 27–30. Special Speakers: Ruth Melching, of China, and Stanley H. Frodsham, Editor of Pentecostal Evan-gel. Male Quartet from Central Bible In-stitute will be present. Mrs. Blanche Yerger and Mrs. Richardson in charge of tarrying services.—William E. Pickthorn, Pastor. tarrying Pastor.

Pastor. EASTERN DISTRICT PRAYER CONFERENCE TRAFFORD, PA.-Eastern District Pray-er Conference, Gospel Tabernacle, Cavitt Ave. and Fifth St., Dec. 9-11. Services 9:30, 2:30, and 7:30, Open to all. Ac-commodations provided. Meals on free-will offering plan. Anointed ministry of the Word by Superintendent Flem Van Meter and Ministers of the District. Write ahead to Pastor L. T. Culp. Box 548, Trafford, Pa.-Frederick D. Drake, Prayer League Leader.

Filipino CONVENTION SACRAMENTO, CALIF.—Fourth annual Convention of Filipino Assemblies of God (branch of General Council), 924 Sixth St., Nov. 25—29. Leland R. Keys, Super-i tendent Northern California and Nevada District, main speaker. Others speakers will assist. All the services will be in the English language. Everyone cordially in-vited.—E. C. Lagmay, President, 4th and San Antonio St., San Jose, Calif.

FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS, S. S. AND C. A. RALLIES HURON, OHIO-C. A. Rally, Mansfield Zone, Gospel Tabernacle, Dec. 8, 7:45 p. m. -H. W. Reeser, Chairman. MEMPHIS, TENN.-State C. A. Rally and Missionary Convention, 960 S. Third St., Nov. 27-30.-Norman O. Lee, Church Secretary.

LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS—C. A. Conven-tion, Nov. 27—28. Everyone cordially in-vited.—Fred E. Ball, C. A. President, West Texas District.

BURWELL, NEBR.—Thanksgiving Day Fellowship, Nov. 27. Morning, aiternoon, ad evening services. Thanksgiving dinner thoon.—E. C. Niles, Pastor. SOUTHARD, OKLA.—All-day Fellow-ship Meeting, Dec. 11; C. A. Rally at inght. Dinner served by local church.— Ed. Springer, Pastor. BAROR, MICH.—Western Michigan Fellowship Meeting, Dec. 1. Services 10:30, 2:30, and 7:00. Arthur W. Wakeman is pastor. F. H. Neubauer, Chairman.— Xaymond De Vito, Secretary-Treasurer. MARION, OHIO—Northwest Ohio Fel-lowship Meeting, Herman and David Sts., Dec. 1. Services 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30. Mrs. A. and Nola West are pastors.—For-test Anderson, Secretary-Treasurer. NEWBURGH, N. Y.—4 Avoca St., Nov. 55—Dec. 12: Ruby May James, Seattle, Hudson Valley Section, Dec. 8.—Parker B. Layes, Pastor. MIAMI, OKLA.—Northeastern Oklahoma Felowship Mexing. Dec. 1. Spreid spreak

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CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO—Northeast Ohio Fellowship Meeting, Full Gospel Fabernacle, 1752 Williams St., Dec. 1, Services 10:30, 2:30, and 7:00. Ministers' meeting 1:30.—T. E. Hartshorn, Secretary-

meeting 1:30.-1. E. Hartshorn, Secretary-Treasurer. CLINTON, IND.-Southern Indiana Fel-lowship Meeting, 223 N. Main, all day, Dec. I. Philip Barnard is pastor. E. J. Bruton, Chairman.-Howard R. Davidson, 528 S. West St. Lebanon, Ind. BETHLEHEM, PA.-C. A. Thanksgiv-ing Rally, Full Gospel Tabernacle, Nov. 27. Services 2:00 and 7:15. Speakers: M. Weils of Chambersburg and F. Eide of Wrightsville.-R. F. Bender, Sectional C. A. Leader.

Weightsville.-R. F. Bender, Sectional C. A. Leader. MELROSE, MASS.-Thanksgiving Day Fellowship Rally, Malden-Melrose Full Gospel Church, Swain's Pond Ave., Nov. 27, 7:45 p. m. All churches invited to co-operate. The church will be burning its mortgage at this time. District Superin-tendent Roy Smuland, Guest Speaker.-Lyle W. Butler, Pastor. BEAUMONT, TEXAS-Annual Thanks-giving C. A. Convention of the Texas Dis-trict, 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 deily.-Leonard L. Norville, State C. A. President. DAYTON, OHIO-Southwestern Ohio Fellowship Meeting, Bethel Temple, 108 Buckeye St., Dec. 8. A. B. Cox is pastor. Services: 2:30, Devotional; 6:30, Ministers' Meeting; 7:30, Evangelistic. Elder O. E. Nash, Superintendent of Kentucky Dis-trict, evening speaker. The newly-elected officers of this fellow-ship are: Leonard Norris, Johnsville, Ohio, Chairman; Douglas G. Scott, Columbus, Ohio, Assistant Chairman; and Andrew G. Basell, Delaware, Ohio, Secretary-Treas-urer.

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THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL

MISSIONARY PRAYER REQUESTS Bweebo, Liberia—Pray that those who have accepted Christ will stand true and that others will follow the Lord .- Louise Hackert.

Feloka, Liberia-Pray that God will send a mighty revival to Liberia. Pray especially for the evangelization of Central Province .- A. J. Princic.

Lakhimpur, India-Pray that we will have a revival.-Barbara Cox.

Martandam, India-Pray for the salvation of two Hindu women who came to one of the meetings some time ago. Also pray that additional funds may be supplied for the upkeep of the stations and for the support of workers .-- Helen Lenart.

Colombo, Ceylon-Pray for a Brahman lady with whom I spoke a few days ago and for a

Brahman priest who realizes there is nothing real in his religion but since he is making a good living by it he will not accept Christ. Pray that God's blessing will be upon the literature that is distributed and upon His Word as it is given forth. Also remember the workers and village meetings in prayer .- Kathryn G. Long.

25 de Mayo, Argentina-Please pray that God will take away the appetite for liquor from an aged man who professes to be a Christian. Pray for the conversion of our Sunday School children's parents and for an outpouring of the Spirit upon our young people. Pray for a young man who has been called to preach .- Alice C. Wood. Sao Carlos, Brazil-Please pray for the healing

of a new convert and for her son who is crippled from infantile paralysis .- Erma L. Miller.

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Lesson 9 for March 1, 1942

RETELLING SUNDAY

MEMORY VERSE. Every good gift . . . cometh . . . from the Father. James 1:17.

Another retelling Sunday! But you will find little difficultly in filling up your Sunday School hour profitably. On the contrary, you will probably have much more material than you can use. Beginners must not be hurried. Always let them take their time in looking at or talking about anything. And they should never be given too many different things to think about in one Sunday.

Of course the methods you use in your retelling will depend on your individual school, or your individual children. We must keep in mind con-tinually that we are not teaching mere *lessons*. We are teaching *children*. And anything that we present to them must be adapted to their needs.

Try to remember the stories (from the last five Sundays) that the chil-dren liked the best, when you told them. They will be the most valuable for retelling. But also try to choose one story about God's Gift of Food-the only one given about God's Gift of Water-and one about God's Gift of Clothes. You will find that three stories are the most you will wish to retell in one Sunday School hour.

FOR THE TEACHER

"I do not fear, though poor my worldly store, And scant the riches that with me abide. I wait the will of One whom I adore, And know the future years will bring me more; He will provide.

I do not fear, though day may follow day, When darkling clouds their silver linings hide, I know the sunshine yet will come my way; No skies remain for ever bleak and grey; He will provide."

WORSHIP TIME

Sing Songs the children love-especially any about giving thanks. In your prayer and other worship activities also express thanksgiving to God for His good gifts.

Here is a little story to tell during your worship time. (We suggested that you use it several weeks ago, but that will not hurt its value today.) Use today's large picture to illustrate it.

"THANK YOU, HEAVENLY FATHER"

It was breakfast time. Timmy picked up his spoon and tasted his cereal. "Aren't you going to thank the heavenly Father for your breakfast?" Mother asked.

Timmy shook his head. Then he took another bite of cereal.

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