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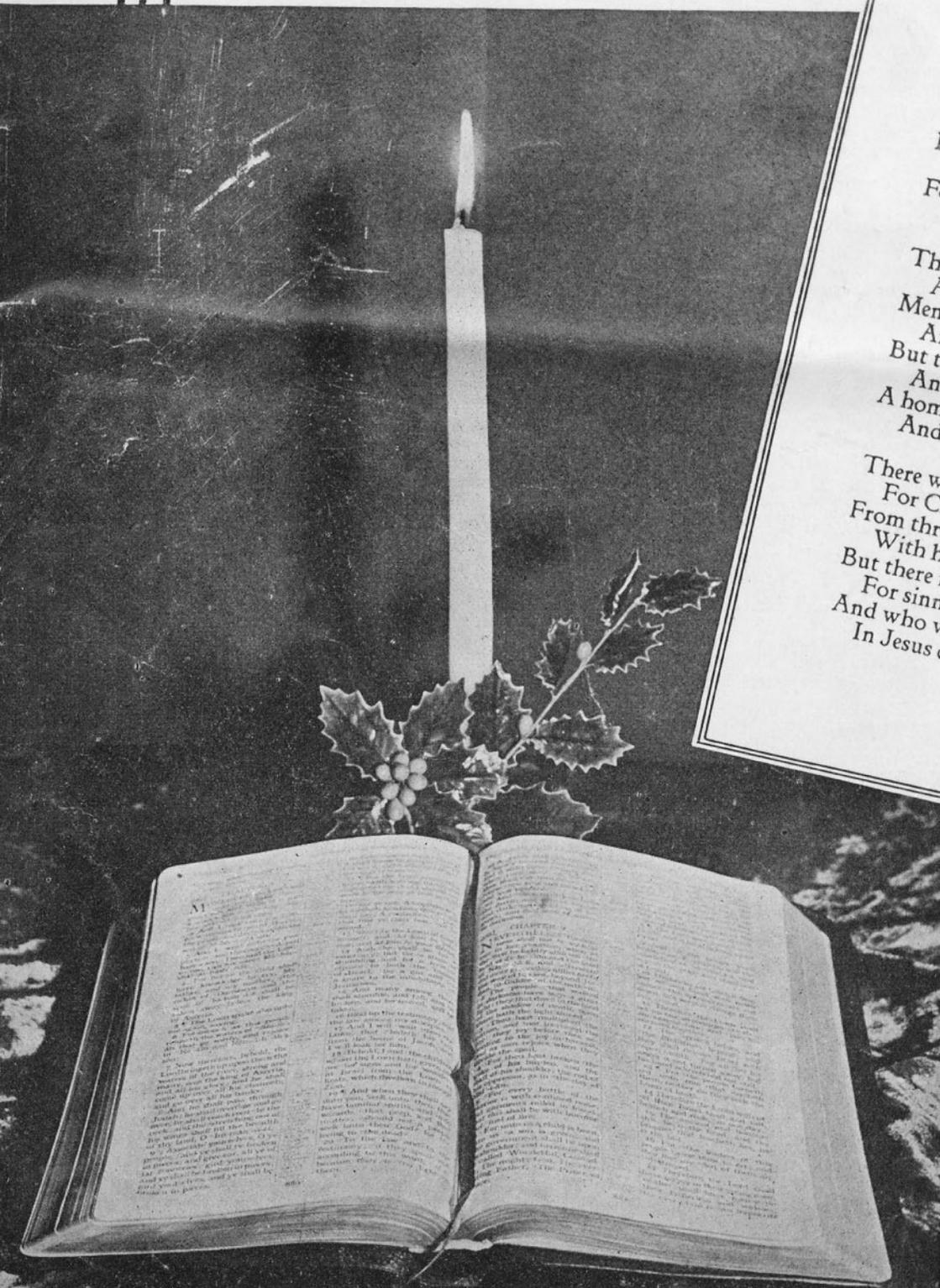
### Bethlehem and Calvary

There was no room in Bethlehem  
For Him Who left His throne,  
To seek the lost at countless cost  
And make their griefs His own;  
But there was room on Calvary  
Upon the Cross of shame,  
For Him to die uplifted high  
To bear the sinner's blame.

There was no room in Bethlehem,  
And in the world today  
Men will not give Him room to live,  
And bid Him turn away;  
But there is room on Calvary,  
And there He stands to give  
A home to all who heed His call  
And look to Him and live.

There was no room in Bethlehem  
For Christ, the Prince of kings,  
From throne and crown to earth come down  
With healing in His wings;  
But there is room at Calvary  
For sinners to abide,  
And who will come may find a Home  
In Jesus crucified!

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# BETHLEHEM

and

# ARMAGEDDON

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*For every battle of the warrior is with confused noise, and garments rolled in blood; but this shall be with burning fuel of fire. For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this. Isaiah 9:5-7.*



City of Bethlehem

**N**INETEEN centuries ago certain wise men, after a wearisome journey from the East, arrived at Jerusalem's gates. Directed toward Bethlehem, guided by the star, they came at last to the place where lay the Child, and they "fell down, and worshipped Him."

Years passed. That Child, grown to manhood, by His life and teachings, proclaimed Himself the long-expected Messiah. After a short ministry of three and one-half years, He was condemned to die—wrongfully—crucified as a malefactor. But the tomb could not hold Him. Breaking its Roman seal, He came forth, the conqueror of death, more than five hundred persons testifying to the truth of this amazing miracle.

Then, one day, on Mount Olivet, in full view of a gathering of His followers, He ascended to heaven, slowly vanishing from sight into a cloud that opened to receive Him.

Thus "the King of the Jews," so eagerly awaited by some, so sadly needed by all, came and went. His brief earth life, "full of grace and truth," blazed like a brilliant comet through the dark night of man's trials and sufferings, and then faded out.

Across all the barriers raised by warring governments the thoughts of God's people in every land are returning at this season of the year to Bethlehem. Through blockade and counterblockade, through prison walls and barbed-wire fences, they speed to that lowly stable where God made rendezvous with men. Once more the old, old story is tugging at the heart-strings. Its divine magnetism is felt in all the world, moving mysteriously upon high and low, rich and poor, wherever the gospel has been preached. All the din of battling empires cannot drown those heaven-

ly cadences that have echoed down the ages: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." All the terrors of the powers of darkness cannot quench the imperishable words: "Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

Anyone, wishing to do so, may tune in on Bethlehem on Christmas Day—listen to the famous bells chime over the very spot where the Christ child was born. In a universal language, understood by men of every race and tongue, they speak of the majesty of the manger, the mystery of the incarnation, the glory of the Lord, and bring to all a glad reminder of the supreme revelation of the Love of God to man.

The headlines have been taken by Berlin and Rome, Moscow and Tokyo, London and Washington. Newspapers have held before us Warsaw and Prague, Helsinki and Oslo, Bucharest and Budapest, Athens and Ankara; yet, all the time, none was so important as Bethlehem, and, when all the world's great capital cities have been forgotten, Bethlehem will still be remembered with undying affection by unnumbered multitudes throughout God's vast domain. For it was there that God offered humanity heaven's richest gift—Emmanuel, "God with us." To this blessed spot He brought the "Desire of all nations," for whom all men had been blindly groping.

Upon this little hamlet the thoughts of seers and sages had been focused for centuries, demonstrating that the birth of the Christ child was no afterthought on the part of God, but rather a long-premeditated plan. Hundreds of years before it happened, the prophet Micah wrote: "But thou, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall He come forth unto Me

that is to be Ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from the days of eternity."

Bethlehem, therefore, was not an end, nor even a beginning. It was but one necessary phase in a mighty plan that spanned the ages, one vital part of an infinite purpose, vast as the universe, wide as eternity. It was God's most strategic move in His battle with evil, His supreme effort to redeem a lost race and make an end of sin.

"He came unto His own, and His own received Him not." That has been the trouble all down the years. From Bethlehem peace and good will could have radiated to the ends of the earth. But all too many would have none of it. Someone has well said: "They were prepared to pay lip service to God's ideals but never ready to pay the price involved in living them out in their lives. They wanted leadership, but not this sort of leadership. They wanted victory over their foes, but not over themselves. They wanted God to serve them, without themselves having to serve God. They were willing enough to take the loaves and fishes so long as this did not involve obedience to unwelcome commands. They wanted the rewards without the sacrifices of consecration."

Instead of nineteen centuries of increasing good will among the nations, the world has seen nineteen centuries of cruelty and carnage beyond description. Today the folly of man's rejection of the divine plan is more apparent than ever before. It has led him into the most fearful excesses of wickedness and caused him to drink the most bitter dregs of suffering. Yet the memory of Bethlehem remains, a blessed reminder of God's infinite love and compassion for the human race, an everlasting testimony to what He was, and what He is prepared to do for all who will reciprocate His love.

Armageddon—the war that will end all wars on earth for one thousand years—will be the last act in the drama of the times of  
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IT WAS early in December. Three friends met together in the law office of Albert Duke. They were discussing the matter of getting definite results in answer to prayer.

"I suggest that we pray for the conversion of the worst man in town," said Duke. "I am confident that if two or three of us will really agree together as touching this thing, it shall be done according to Christ's promise in Matthew 18:19."

"I guess that in the opinion of the police, Dan Grell is the worst fellow in this burg," remarked one of the men. "I was speaking to Judge Bale today, and he said that Dan spends fully four fifths of his time in jail."

"Let's pray for him, and what better time than now," said Duke. The three men went to their knees and each made a simple request for Dan's salvation.

That night Albert Duke made his way to the shack where Dan "kept house." "I have come to invite you to come up to our home and have supper with us," he said.

"I could do with the eats," said Dan slowly, "I have not had a bite to eat today. But just look at me, how can I sit down at your table? I have not had a shave for five days, and my clothes are all filthy."

"Never mind that, Dan," said Duke kindly, "you come along with me and you will find we have all that you need at our house. You can bathe and shave and slip into some clothes of mine. We are having chicken tonight. Do you like chicken, Dan?"

"Do I?" said Dan, "I have been jailed a dozen times for stealing chickens!"

"Well, I will see that you get several helpings of fried chicken tonight," said Duke. "Come along, just as you are."

"I can't understand your coming for me and inviting me to supper," said Dan thoughtfully. "I am just a drunken no-account, and you know I live most of my life in jail. Is there any catch to this thing?"

"Maybe there will be," said Duke smiling. "But at any rate, the bait of a good chicken supper is a good one, and you are a wary one, Dan; maybe you will know how to nibble at the bait without getting the hook in your jaw. Well, let's start, or I will keep my wife waiting for supper, and that will never do!"

Dan shuffled along behind his lawyer companion. After a bath and a shave, the putting on of clean underwear, shirt and clothes, Dan emerged looking quite respectable. At first he was shy, but encouraged by his host, he soon began to tell something about his godly father and mother and the good education they had given him.

"But I got in with a bad set," said Dan. "I wanted to keep up with them all, and so I embezzled money. I got caught and was jailed for two years. I knew I had disgraced my father and mother's good name, and so I wandered far from home. I do not know today whether they are alive or not. I am glad they do not know where I am and the kind of life I am living.

"It was booze that dragged me down so low. Whiskey makes a fellow do things he would not think of doing in his sober mind. I know that whiskey is my worst foe. I have tried a hundred times to quit, but somehow my appetite is just too strong for me."

"But it is not too strong for the grace of God, Dan," said Duke. "Jesus has had lots of experience in saving drunkards."

It was midnight before Dan left the Duke home. The kindness that he had received had broken him up. He had done something that night that he had never expected to do. He had knelt in prayer and cried, "God be merciful to me a sinner." He had asked the Lord to blot out all his old sins and make him over anew.

Duke made him a present of the clean clothes he was wearing and gave him enough to provide for a bed and breakfast.

## A CHRISTMAS in JAIL

by Nobud E. Much

There was hope arising in Dan's breast—a hope he had never experienced before.

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Two days later Duke and his two friends were together. "I noticed in this morning's paper that Dan Grell got arrested last night for being drunk and disorderly," said one. "This is somewhat discouraging after we had begun to pray for him."

"Yes, I confess I was discouraged when I read that bit of news this morning," said Duke, "but I suddenly remembered it was Christmas time and that normally it would be impossible for Dan to keep sober when so many would be wanting to treat him. Let us go on praying. Let us continue to agree in prayer as touching Dan's salvation and God will yet do it for us."

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It was Christmas morning in the jail. The jailer handed a cup of coffee to Dan and said, "Happy Christmas, Dan, and here is a box that has been sent in for you. It's the first time I ever remember anyone sending you a present at Christmas."

Dan drank the cup of coffee slowly and then broke the seals of his Christmas present.

On top was a card which bore the words, "Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour." The card was marked "From your friends, the Dukes." In the box were chocolate bars, oranges, apples, cracked nuts, and quite a large fruit cake. Also a new, large-type Bible.

Dan took the Bible out tremblingly and opened it at the place where a silk ribbon was

placed. His eyes lit on the first words of Psalm 71:

"In Thee, O Lord, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion.

"Deliver me in Thy righteousness, and cause me to escape: incline Thine ear unto me, and save me.

"Be Thou my strong habitation, Whereunto I may continually resort; Thou hast given commandment to save me."

Dan was arrested by the words and repeated them over and over again, "Thou hast given commandment to save me!" "That surely sounds good to me," he said to himself. "If God has given commandment to save me, I believe He is able to do what He purposes to do."

Dan read the whole Psalm through, and then he reread it. After this he read it again. During the day he read that Psalm through a dozen times. He said to himself, "I can surely make the words that I read in this Psalm my prayer this Christmas day: 'Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.' That's the saloon keeper," said Dan to himself. "I could make these words in the ninth verse my prayer too, 'Forsake me not when my strength faileth.'"

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Two weeks later Dan was sitting in Albert Duke's office. "I want to thank you for that Christmas parcel, and especially for the Bible," he said. "I have come to tell you that something really wonderful happened on Christmas morning. I guess you will say that I was born again. God spoke right into my heart out of the 71st Psalm. Since I have been in jail I have learned that Psalm off by heart. The words of that Psalm are now my own experience, and I can say with the Psalmist, 'My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto Thee; and my soul, which Thou hast redeemed. My tongue also shall talk of Thy righteousness all the day long: for they are confounded, for they are brought unto shame, that seek my hurt'—that's the saloon keepers."

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Dan's transformation became the talk of the town. He could truthfully say in the words of Psalm 71:7, "I am as a wonder unto many!"

Duke employed Dan as a clerk in his office for several years. He proved capable, industrious and a good worker. He got in touch with his aged parents and they were filled with joy as they heard the news of the Christmas gift he had received from heaven. Later Dan returned to his home town and did all he could to help his parents in their declining years.



# But Thou



## BETHLEHEM

Ernest S. Williams



**B**ETHLEHEM is at present a little city of about seven thousand population. It lies in the neighborhood of five miles south of Jerusalem. Its appearance and the costumes of its women are today much the same as in the days when Jesus was born. Its inhabitants are mostly nominal Christians. This same city, overlooking the surrounding hills and the retreating slopes was the home of Jesse the father of David, the place where David was born, and in its surrounding fields David led his flocks to graze. In this vicinity he slew the lion and the bear and his experiences here prepared him to overcome the giant Goliath.

At the same city of Bethlehem our Lord Jesus, David's greatest son, was born. Why was He born there? Because such was pleasing to the wisdom of God. But are there not some reasons we might give why God ordained that He should be born at Bethlehem? For one reason it was to prove to us the inspiration of the Scriptures and that the Old Testament was inspired equally with the New.

It was Micah, one of the minor prophets, who predicted, "But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting." Who was the writer? Micah, a minor prophet. The major prophet Isaiah has spoken of Him in these words, "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulders." Whether it were minor prophet or major prophet each spoke of our Lord Jesus and each contributed something to the revelation concerning Him. Isaiah tells us of His human birth and His Divine origin. Micah affirms a similar fact. Both unite in extolling Him who was born at Bethlehem.

Not all of us can be major preachers. Some of us must be minor prophets. Not all can be illustrious saints. Some must fit into more humble places. Whether major or minor we can all testify the same glorious truth, "Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given." Micah has come down through the ages the same as has Isaiah and he who heralds forth the good tidings of great joy will continue to live whether his field of influence be wide or narrow. No message given forth concerning the Son of God goes forth unrewarded. Be of good cheer therefore ye herald of Christ. Your circumstance provides a place for you

to testify to the praise of Him whom we love. "Seekest thou great things for thyself? seek them not." Let your light shine where you are. We are all heralds of the King.

Jesus was born at Bethlehem to show God's interest in little things. Everything is important when it has to do with the will of God. The great metropolis Jerusalem missed becoming the birthplace of the Lord. Self-satisfied and self-important, it was passed by Him who is perfection of all light and knowledge. His great plan was hidden from the wise and prudent to be revealed unto babes.

Have we considered the importance of every event in life? Do we realize that some of the things which we think of as of least consequence are often the things of greatest value? A minister had preached many a sermon. A young man had heard many of them. But one day when this young man was in discouragement the preacher in passing spoke a few words of kindness which did more for that discouraged youth than all his sermons.

We are inclined to regard big things as great and small things of little importance.

This is a sad mistake. The greatest men in business, in the professional world, and in the church are those whose lives are made the greatest benediction through proper response to little things. Little kindnesses, little faithfulnesses, little evidences of patience, quiet manifestations of love, humility, and Christian grace. "Who hath despised the day of small things?" While we are waiting to do something great, which may never become our good fortune, we are missing many opportunities to do great things in simple ways. As little Bethlehem was graced with the birth of the Saviour our lives may be graced with many benedictions as we give Him opportunity to be reborn in other hearts through our services in humble ways for Him.

Bethlehem was chosen as a fitting place for the birth of Christ because it was there that David was born and it would seem well that He who was to fulfill the promise made to David should be born there also. He should be great and should be called the Son of the Highest. The Lord God should give unto Him the throne of His father David: and He should reign over the house of Jacob forever. He who was born to suffer was also born to reign. We look for His returning when the kingdoms of this world shall become His, when His dominion shall extend from sea to sea and from the river to the ends of the earth. Jesus was born a King.

What was Bethlehem? What was the significance of its name? The house of bread. Bethlehem was the house, the place where bread might be had. Jesus was that true bread. When He was born, Bethlehem housed the Bread of life—bread to supply the needs of body, soul, and spirit—bread which came down from heaven to give life unto all them that dwell upon the earth. Well may we say, "Lord evermore give us this bread." The birth of Christ is no fairy tale. It was not a happening of chance

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## WINGS

Over

## BETHLEHEM

"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, *Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.*" Luke 2:13, 14. "Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves?" Isaiah 60:8. "As birds flying, so will the Lord of hosts defend Jerusalem; defending also he will deliver it; and passing over he will preserve it." Isaiah 31:5. "The Son of man shall come in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him." Matthew 25:31.

**R**ECENT pictures from the Holy Land include photographs of the Sea of Galilee, with some giant airplane that has crossed from Europe or Asia, quietly resting upon its placid waters. Thus the very old and the very new are brought close together. Long ago the prophets foresaw this day: "Who are these that fly . . . ?"

Wings are by no means new over the Holy Land. The stories of the prophets of old are replete with instances where angels were present in the hour of need. But of all occasions recorded, none is so marked with the ministry of angels as the birth of our Lord. Indeed, through all His after life, in every hour of peril, the angels were not far away. We read also that the holy angels will come with Him at the glorious hour of His return.

In 1917, when General Allenby was at the head of the Allied forces in Palestine, protecting wings hovered over the holy land, reminding us of the prophecy of Isaiah, "As birds flying, so will the Lord of hosts defend Jerusalem." During the year now drawing to a close, the wings of hostile planes, if not directly above Palestine, have drawn near to her shores, dropping bombs into the blue waters of the Mediterranean. Thousands of creatures of the sea have been forced to the surface, enriching the toiling fishermen near Tel-Aviv.

In these days of hazardous ocean travel, more and more confidence is being placed in giant *Clippers* that wing their way regularly over the oceans. And over the continents, from shore to shore, great *Strato-liners* wing their way, far up above, in the lighter atmosphere, passengers confidently asleep within.

Wondrous as these modern wings are, no wings excite the everlasting joy, brought by the songs of those angels above the hillsides near Bethlehem, on the night that Christ was born.

Joyous wings!  
Announcing wings!

Rustling wings!  
Reassuring wings!  
Shining wings!  
Warning wings!  
Protecting wings!  
Wings over Jerusalem!

An aged priest was burning incense in the Temple. All hope that a child would ever come to bless his home had been surrendered. "And there appeared unto him an angel of the Lord . . . When Zacharias saw him, he was troubled, and fear fell upon him. But the angel said, *Fear not, for thy prayer is heard,*" and proceeded to tell him his wife should bear him a son, whose name should be called John, born "to make ready a people prepared for the Lord." The scene then shifts from the holy city, to a village in the north.

*Wings over Nazareth!*

Six months had passed. A gentle maiden was lost in holy worship. She was of the royal line of Judah. From childhood her mind had been enriched and stored with the rich poetic heritage bestowed upon Israel by her forefather David. To her was sent the holy angel Gabriel. "Hail, thou that art highly favored, the Lord is with thee," was his mysterious salutation. Then, to reassure her perplexed and troubled mind, he continued, "*Fear not, Mary, for thou hast found favor with God. . . Thou shalt . . . bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.*"

A righteous man was lost in thought. Although he was but a carpenter, he likewise was of the royal line of David. A staggering situation confronted him. Regarding his beloved betrothed bride, circumstances appeared such that he "was minded to put her away privily." Then a miracle occurred. With the rustling wings of reassurance, the answer to his problem was carried to him. "Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife . . . She shall bring forth a Son . . . He shall save his people from their sins."

*WINGS OVER BETHLEHEM!*

The scene has changed, again, to the little village of Bethlehem. A starlit sky keeps watch above, for it is the hour of the birth of the Hope of all the world. Suddenly the sky is all arustle, all glowing, all a-song. The shepherds on the hillsides

near the village look up. The sky is filled with angels.

"Lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them . . . Fear not for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy. . . And suddenly there was with the angels a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, *Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, Good-will to men.*"

*WINGS OF WARNING!*

In the cruel heart of king Herod was conceived the idea of murdering all of Bethlehem's infants, for the wise men from the east had informed him of the birth of a new King. But heaven's protecting wings hover over the holy infant. "Behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, *Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, . . . Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.*" Holy wings hovered close as the young mother, cradling in her arms the precious child, while the godly Joseph guided the humble beast of burden upon which they rode, while in Bethlehem Rachel mourned over her children, who were not.

*WINGS OF COUNSEL AND GUIDANCE!*

When the time to return had come, in Egypt an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph, saying, "*Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel; for they are dead which sought the young child's life. And he arose, and took the young child and his mother . . . being warned of God in a dream, he turned aside . . . and dwelt in a city called Nazareth.*"

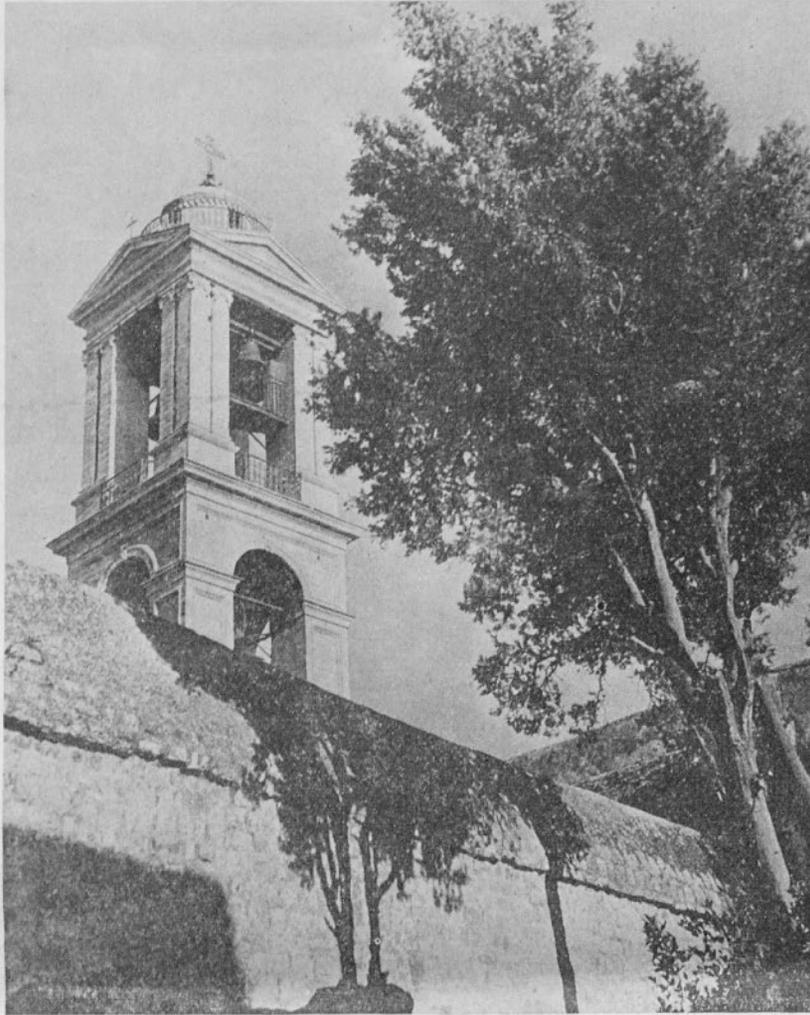
*WINGS OF COMFORT!*

"And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon Him." After His childhood, after His labors in the carpenter's shop, came the forty days and nights of temptation in the wilderness. When it was over, He was hungry, lonely, and exhausted, but we read, "*Behold, angels came and ministered unto Him.*"

*WINGS OF CONSOLATION!*

When Christ came to Gethsemane's garden; when He prayed in resignation regarding the bitter cup; when His nearest disciples had fallen asleep: He was not left alone. We read, "*There appeared an angel from heaven, strengthen-*" (Continued on Page Six)





*The Bells of Bethlehem*

On Christmas morning great bronze bells and little silver bells in this white marble campanile in Bethlehem ring out the glad tidings that Christ was born near this spot nearly 2000 years ago.

### *But Thou Bethlehem*

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that He should be born in the City of David. Eternal wisdom ordained that He should be born there.

Born at Bethlehem, He was born in a cave. The country abounds in such. The Church of the Nativity is built over a cave. When the Christmas service is finished at midnight on Christmas Eve the worshippers rush down the stone steps led by the priests that they might finish their service in the cave in which they believe it probable that Christ was born. Such caves were frequented by shepherds with their flocks. David may have led his flock into the very cave in which the greater David was to be born. There, possibly among the cattle, He was born who was to rule, whose goings forth were of old, from everlasting. From a King's throne in glory He came to a cave at Bethlehem. This is an expression both of greatness and of humility. He who is really great is humble. He who was most great is humblest of all. Only the smallest are stilted, puffed up, and proud. The birth of Christ proved His greatness and the greatness of his humility.

Born in the cave, Jesus has made Himself accessible to all. Had He been born in a

kingly court many would have felt Him inaccessible. The poor, the abused, the shrinking and the humble find Him accessible to them. The high and the rich may find Him if they will humble themselves. With outstretched hands of mercy and love He bids all, "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest."

What a Christmas it is when a soul finds Christ. What gifts are bestowed when men humble themselves to be like Him. What worship ascends when radiant hearts join the angelic throng in singing, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men." Here is Christmas, and here alone—when we find ourselves in worship before Him who was born at Bethlehem, drawing from Him the grace to render humble service to beggars low or kings on high. The Christ of Christmas, fill our souls!

### *Wings Over Bethlehem*

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ing Him." (Luke 22:43). Were there not "twelve legions of angels" ready to deliver Him at the dark hour of the crucifixion, (Matthew 26:53) if He had but given the

signal? But for our sakes, He would not accept deliverance.

### *WINGS AT THE TOMB AND ON MT. OLIVET.*

Early as the holy women were, on the resurrection morning, angels were there first. "An angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door... his countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow." Matthew 28:2, 3. On the Mount of Olives, at that lonely moment when the heavens had received their Lord, and the bewildered disciples still stood looking upwards, "Behold, two men stood by them in white apparel." How glorious the message they brought. "This same Jesus... shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." Angels will be in evidence at that glorious hour of His return.

### *WINGS OVER THE BELIEVER!*

Angels are wise. 2 Samuel 14:20. Angels are mighty. Psalm 103:20. Angels are holy. Matthew 25:31. Angels are innumerable. Job 25:3; Heb. 12:22. They are not far from believing hearts. "The angel of the Lord encampeth round about..." Psalm 34:7.

### *WINGS AT THE SECOND COMING!*

Hostile and threatening wings bearing desolation remind us of the prophecy of Ezekiel: (38:16) "Thou shalt come up against my people Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be in the latter days... thou shalt ascend and come like a storm."

But blessed and angelic wings will have their place at the glorious return of Christ. "The Son of man shall come in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him." The book of Revelation speaks much of angelic activity in connection with His return.

### *WINGS BEARING GOOD TIDINGS ABOVE!*

Not only was Christ born in a manger, but He is born anew into the heart of every one who will receive Him. As angels poised above, regarding the wonder at Bethlehem, singing out their glad songs, so today may find new and wondering joy in the presence of the angels. For, "there is joy in the presence of the angels over one sinner that repenteth."

### *Trials*

Not infrequently our God brings His people into difficulties on purpose, so that they may come to know Him as they could not otherwise do. Then He reveals Himself as "a very present help in trouble."—J. Hudson Taylor.

A man is never such a free man as when he is led by the Spirit of God.

## WEEK OF PRAYER

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## Bethlehem and Armageddon

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the Gentiles. The times of the Gentiles began in 606 B. C., when the land of Palestine came under the rule of Gentile powers, and will end when the One who was born in Bethlehem's manger returns to Mount Olivet, the exact spot from whence He ascended, in order to take over the reins of earth's governments, and to establish at the very scene of His rejection His Messianic kingdom of justice and peace.

It is but sixty miles from Bethlehem to Armageddon, according to the map; but how wide apart are the ideas suggested by these two places of historical interest! The word Bethlehem represents all that is pure, noble, and Christlike. But Armageddon is diametrically opposed to all that Bethlehem represents. It is the name and the place of the final world war pictured in vivid colors in the Book of Revelation. At Armageddon all the bitterness and hatred of the centuries will be focused.

Yes, according to the map, there is but a short distance from Bethlehem to Armageddon; but in principle these two places are as far apart as heaven and earth. The one represents Christ, the other chaos; love and lust; peace and war; mercy and hatred; tolerance and intolerance. From the one came the Prince of Peace; the other will be inspired by the prince of darkness. Today millions are supposedly looking towards Bethlehem, but, believe me, the world is on the march toward Armageddon.

The world heard Prime Minister Chamberlain, Thursday, October 12, 1939, reject terms of peace for ending the war, because England expected to carry on this war until lasting peace is assured to Europe. Real peace cannot be bought with the blood of the sons of men. During past ages countless millions have shed their blood upon cruel battlefields; many more millions may yet give their lives for peace; but these rivers of human blood will have been in vain. If England is determined to "get ahead with the war" until "lasting peace" is assured in Europe, this war will continue until Christ comes to end all wars; for He tells us that we shall hear of "wars and rumors of wars," that "nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom," unto the end. Then all nations of the world will be gathered "to the battle of the great day of God Almighty," or Armageddon.

The spirit of nationalism has given birth to dictators, who are stamping their footprints upon the pages of history. Religion and freedom of conscience have already been trampled under foot in many, many places. Godless doctrines are being poured into the minds of millions of youth. Today we look upon a world that is a seething caldron of hate, a volcano already in eruption. Millions of men in mortal combat, mighty empires locked in life and death struggle, smaller nations pillaged and raped. At this very moment thundering cannon and bursting bombs drown out the chimes of Christmas bells. Civilization has lost its way, and, as a prominent preacher remarked recently, is prepared for "a fresh descent into hell."

Why is it impossible for man to bring in everlasting peace? Why is it that a league of nations, a world court, a federation of churches, a social gospel, can never bring peace? The apostle James answers the question: "From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members?" War comes from the sin in the heart of individuals. Sin can never be eradicated from the human heart by a world court, a social gospel, a church federation, or a thousand peace treaties. Only Jesus, the Prince of Peace, can remove sin from the heart of man. True peace can come only as men accept Him personally and individually.

The late Arthur Brisbane once wrote: "We may sweep the world clean of militarism. We may scrub the earth white of autocracy. We may carpet it with democracy, and drape it with the flags of republicanism. We may hang on the walls the thrilling pictures of freedom—here the signing of America's independence, there the thrilling picture of Joan of Arc, yonder the Magna Charta, and on this side the inspiring picture of Garibaldi. We may spend effort and energy to make the world Paradise itself, where the lion of Capitalism can lie

## "Peace on Earth"

Since this Christmas issue of the Evangel, dedicated to the message of "Peace on earth, good will to men" was prepared, Congress has gone on record declaring that a state of war exists between the United States of America and the empire of Japan.

At this time we as a fellowship desire to reaffirm our unswerving loyalty to our Government and to its Chief Executive.

While we greatly deplore the necessity for war, we recognize that according to the Word of the Lord, "Even unto the end there shall be war; desolations are determined." Dan. 9:26 (R. V.).

Yet we have a glorious hope, the coming of the Prince of Peace who "maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth." Let us be very prayerful these days, and in response to the Master's assurance, "Surely I come quickly," let our hearts' cry be, "Even so, come Lord Jesus."

down with the proletariat lamb. But if we turn into that splendid room mankind with the same old heart, 'deceitful' and 'desperately wicked,' we may expect to clean house again not many days hence."

Christ, the Prince of Peace, the Son of God, is the only solution to our racial ills. He alone can transform men of every nation, and make them one in Him. Said a missionary: "I have seen the spirit of the Christ unite the hearts of Christian Arabs and Christian Jews. In Christ, Christian

Germans love Jews, Christian Turks love Armenians, Christian Japanese love Chinese. I have seen the barriers of color, caste, and class melt away in the warm, sympathetic love of Christ. I have seen wild, naked savage tribes in the jungles of the Congo turn to Him. I have seen people of the white, black, red, yellow, and brown races become bound together in one common bond of love and sympathetic brotherhood."

Great wars leave devastation where bombs and shells have done their work, with broken homes, orphaned children, grieving hearts, demoralization, pestilence, and smoldering aftermath. Broken-hearted fathers, mothers, and children turn to Him whom the Father sent "to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives." He is the Prince of Peace. He alone can give true peace. May the day soon dawn when He will come to earth again to end all wars, and bring in that era of everlasting brotherhood and tranquility for which humanity has been waiting so long.

All that is happening in the world today—the wars, the disasters, the revolutions, the dreadful failures of man's best plans and dreams—combine to assure us that the great Deliverer is near, even at the doors. With an eagerness we can never sense He has awaited the consummation of His purpose for this world, now shortly to come to pass. Soon He who was sought as the "King of the Jews," the Babe of Bethlehem, will return in regal splendor from the skies as "King of kings, and Lord of lords." He will appear in the dazzling glory of His infinite majesty. The great modern dictators, whose names are household words today, will be forgotten. One by one they will fall. Their names for the last time will make headlines in the newspapers. But He whose name is "above all names" will come. He will not disappoint us.

The war that is to bring us the real peace of the future, everlasting peace, "abundance of peace," was fought nineteen centuries ago. Only one, the Son of God, shed His blood on Calvary's cross for the peace and salvation of the world with certain assurance of its ultimate efficacy. Ever since He came He has been offering to men eternal life and peace; but they will not accept His offer. "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you." "These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace."

Bethlehem's light is still shining in the dark night. Peace—the "peace of God, which passeth all understanding"—is still available to all men. The message of the manger is still being proclaimed to all who will accept it. In which direction are you looking? Towards the manger, the cross, the victory? or in the direction of the world at large—towards Armageddon? Better be a humble child of God, a follower of the Christ of Bethlehem than a commanding general in the armies of the battle of Armageddon.

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# Good Tidings of Great Joy... To All People



## To Our Contributors

From the Missionary Secretary

We want to express our deep appreciation of the faithful cooperation of God's people and the numerous assemblies who have contributed so faithfully for our missionary work during the past year.

It is true, these are difficult days with many problems facing us; but through it all it seems the light of Christ shines like a star of hope in the blackened skies and this star must still be our guide in going forward to complete the task He has given to us.

We are told that light is one of the most potent forces in the world—the most penetrating—the quickest acting. It is life giving. It is life and light the world needs! It was light that shone in darkness on that first Christmas Eve, which continues to shine wherever the Christ of Christmas is given a heart in which to rest.

In spite of all the confusion, one thing is certain—the missionary message must go forward. No retreat has yet been sounded. Though darkness still prevails, in the light of the gospel there is hope. Thus, with determination and faith we must press forward in the assurance of certain victory and triumph in the name of our blessed Lord.

We see doors of opportunity still open to us, particularly in the great South American continent, while scores of missionaries are still at their posts in China, Africa and the isles of the sea. While there are millions, who as yet have not heard of the saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, we have no alternative but to go forward.

We look with confidence to the dear friends who have stood with us so faithfully in the past, that they will continue to help in the coming year. We wish to extend our sincere thanks and best wishes for God's blessing upon all who are helping in this great work.

young couple were members of our church at Umuahia.

In the afternoon service following the wedding, the Lord was pleased to save one man and four women, and you may know the joy that brought to my heart. One of the women was very old, and it is unusual to see such come to the Lord, for it seems so hard for them to break away from the old heathen customs.

### Special Grace Needed

"We trust that everyone will continue to pray for the work in Nigeria. While this country is perhaps more fortunate than some in having more churches, still there are places that have not yet heard the name of Jesus. Two of our students came from many hundreds of miles away, and they are planning to go back to their home as soon as possible to take the gospel to their own people, who, they told us, knew nothing of the gospel. Pray for them, for they will be too far away for us to ever visit them, and they will need strength and wisdom from the Lord. They are going on faith, without any support, but having a burning desire to see their people saved."

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilkie send us

### A GLIMPSE OF CENTRAL AMERICA

"Only a few months ago we got our first impressive glimpse of Guatemala, with its waving palm trees fringing the shore along which we sailed for about a half day before finally anchoring in the port where we were to disembark.

"As the boat neared the wharf we saw it crowded with the dark-skinned people among whom we had come to labor, the ones whom we would endeavor to turn from darkness to light. In the crowd on the dock were representatives of many countries: native Indians, Negroes, Spaniards, Americans, Englishmen and other Europeans. Of this particular group the Negro and Indian mixture was more prominent, but in Central America as a whole, the Spanish and Indian mixture predominates.

### We Could Not Wonder

"We enjoyed our stay in Salvador very much while our baggage went through the customs, and other duties were attended to preparatory to our return to labor there after our language study in Guatemala.

"One thing which impressed us in the few meetings we attended there was that the Christians after entering the church would kneel in prayer for a few moments before sitting down and joining in the service with the rest. On seeing that, we did not wonder at the hallowed presence we felt in the meetings.

### Poverty—In Body, Not in Soul

"Our missionary here in Guatemala, John Franklin, invited us to accompany him to a fellowship meeting. This we did gladly. God blessed in the meeting and a number took their stand for the Lord, but what really touched our hearts was the sacrifice of the people as a whole. Some had walked as long as two days to get to the meeting, and a great portion of those who attended wore no shoes, and each night during the three-day service found them sleeping on the floor of a building adjoining the meeting place.



## Greater Christmas Joy

A number of our missionaries who enjoyed Christmas with loved ones around home firesides last year are far from us now in lands not so secure as America. Some will experience their first Christmas on a foreign field.

### A Tug at the Heart?

Perhaps there will be homeward thought, but not one of them will be sorry that he is just where Christmas finds him, bearing the good tidings. Letters coming to us from faithful workers in far-away lands persuade us that theirs is the greater joy.

Rex Jackson writes us of his work in

### The Nigeria Bible School

"During August and September the Iboland Bible Institute was in session, and it was my privilege to teach in the school during the first month. We had fifteen men who came to receive their first training, and some of them showed special signs of promise.

"So often I wondered just what Bible School students at home would think if they had to put up with such conditions as these students did.

They all arose early enough in the morning to attend the five o'clock prayer meeting. After that they had several miles to walk to get water which was carried back in five-gallon cans balanced on their heads. Chapel was at 8:15. A very unusual situation in this school was that there were representatives from three different tribes. It was always a problem when the students spoke in chapel, because there were those of other tribes who could not understand any language but their own.

"After chapel was breakfast. Meals were not too much of a problem because they ate the same thing three times a day and seven days a week, with a slight change perhaps once in a while. And as for dining room etiquette—well, after all, fingers were made before forks, and they serve quite well.

### You Would Have Known

"God certainly blessed us all through that month. One night during the first week of school, the students gathered in the church for a prayer meeting. Brother Phillips and I could not attend as we were having a business meeting with the sectional leaders. Before long we heard the sound of many voices raised in praise, and it kept sounding better all the time. If any of you had passed by, I'm sure you would have known that a Pentecostal meeting was in progress even though you could not have understood what was being said. After some time we received the report that four of the men had received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit.

"A few mornings later, we were awakened long before daylight by someone again praising the Lord. Another of the students was being filled. Like David of old, he sought the Lord early, and God met him. A number of times during chapel and classes the presence of the Lord would so fill the building that we could do nothing but praise Him. Truly God has done great things in this land.

### My First Wedding Ceremony

"I had the honor of performing my first marriage ceremony in the month of August. Of course the old custom of the groom's paying a certain price for his bride is still in force, but Christians like to have a church wedding as well. The





The poverty that prevails in these countries is almost indescribable.

**Burdens—Physical and Spiritual**

"One other very common and heart-rending sight here along with the poverty is the huge burdens both men and women carry. Recently we saw four men each carrying his load upon his back. The burdens were easily twice the size of their bearers. And along with these burdens under which the men were stooping we realized that there was an even more difficult burden—the burden of sin. We observed that their faces were drawn by not only toil and weariness, but also by a hopeless expression of blank despair. When we see such things our souls cry out in prayer.

**Pray!**

"Beloved friends in the homeland, we desire that you would have a part in God's great mission field, by prayer. Pray for the people here that the glorious light of Jesus may dawn in their hearts, and pray, as Jesus exhorts, that more workers might be thrust forth into God's vineyard. And young people, you pray that God will thrust you forth into His great harvest field, that you may come and join us in His glorious service."

**Brief Notes**

**Home From Africa**

Friends will be glad to know that Lois Shelton and Anna Stafsholt arrived safely in America from Liberia the end of last month. Miss Shelton plans to spend some time in Evington, Virginia, while Miss Stafsholt will probably go to Wisconsin.

**Ill in China**

Word has come to us that Augusta Remacle is quite ill in Southwest China. We are sure our sister will appreciate prayer for her complete healing.

**Wanted!**

Old Sunday School quarterlies and picture rolls. Send them to Rex Jackson, Utu Etim Ekpo Post Office, via Ikot Ekpene, Nigeria, West Africa. Mark them "Printed matter, only."

**Regarding Remittances**

For a number of months the Foreign Missions Department has been cabling remittances to certain of our mission fields where financial restrictions render it impossible for our missionaries to cash any kind of checks. We quote a part of a letter received recently from John S. Richards in South Africa:

"A new banking regulation has come into force prohibiting the cashing of any checks or drafts from America. I think it would be well to put a notice in the Evangel as there are some friends who still send ordinary drafts direct to us, and if they knew that we could not cash them, and would send money through your office, it would save us the time and trouble of having to return them."

We shall be glad to include in our cable remittance to Brother Richards or any of our missionaries all funds sent to us, 100% as designated. Checks or money orders should be made payable to Noel Perkin, Missionary Secretary, and sent to the Foreign Missions Department, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.



Nothing will be deducted from any offering for the expense of sending it, but we should appreciate it when a little extra is sent in for the "Expense of the Missions Department."

**Christmas In China**

Christmas on the mission field, as the missionaries experience it, is well portrayed in the following letter written to us early this year by Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hall in Hong Kong:

Dear Friends:

We can't tell you the pleasure it gives us to start this letter to you, realizing with gratitude that God is allowing us to see the beginning of this bright new year in South China. But for His grace we would not be here, and where in all the world would there be a better place for us to be? As we read the newspaper this morning we wondered aloud what new and perhaps terrible shocks this year may bring to the world, but we happily turned to our Bibles and found where a great apostle packed up such thoughts and tied them with, "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I've committed unto Him against that day." We have no desire to read the future, or to know in advance what this one year will bring, but we thank God for the gracious glimpses He gives us of that future through His Word.

**Precious Memories**

Some of our friends have not written to us for fear we would not be here to receive their letters, but many of you have helped to make this past Christmas very happy for us. Little Arlin goes into the front room and stands many minutes at a time gazing at the three long rows of Christmas cards that hang on the wall. He urges us to come with him and wonder at their beauties, and when we do, you may be sure we have many precious memories of our past association and fellowship with you dear friends who sent them. We are happy to have so many friends who find time to think of us in the rush of the Christmas season.

**Our First Chinese Christmas Program**

If you could have slipped over the thousands of intervening miles, and attended the Christmas exercises we had with the children, I believe you would have had an unusual treat. It was our first experience in putting on a Christmas program in Chinese, but we felt our work was well rewarded. We realized from the first that our chapel would be too small, as it is filled to capacity with our two hundred regular Sunday School scholars. So we prayed for good weather, and in the midst of a cold, foggy week the Lord sent us the ideal evening on the very date we had chosen for the program.

On the vacant lot next to the chapel, we fixed up a little platform, hung lights and a few simple decorations, and using the side of the building, we pasted up Scripture verses in large characters decorated in Christmas colors. The usual Christmas songs were sung, translated into Chinese, and the children did very well in reciting and singing in their turn.

**Hearing Their First Christmas Message**

Brother Hall then gave a short evangelistic message, knowing that many who attended this service were hearing the Christmas message for the first time. Indeed, we felt this was an unusual

opportunity, for beside the three hundred children to whom we afterwards gave sacks of candies and cookies, there were at least two hundred adults to preach to. Although nothing worse than the usual fire crackers were heard exploding around us, we know in many parts of the world, and quite close to where we are, the conditions were not so ideal to preach

"Peace on earth, good will to men."



**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.

**A BARBAROUS CUSTOM**

Meet Hamidou Balima, a young Mossiman, converted in Tenkodogo, Ivory Coast, and for more than four years a trustworthy, intelligent helper with us in the Lord's work at Ouahigouya, French Sudan. For love's sake he walked 110 miles to meet us and say he wanted to work with us. Now take a good look at the face marks which he will bear all his life. Everywhere he goes, other Africans without asking a question can tell from what part of Mossiland he came. They are a silent witness that his father is a Mossi and his mother a Bousanga from the Tenkodogo area.

**Marked While a Babe**

The parents take the child when yet a tiny baby to a barber who, while the babe is held tightly, makes the tribal cuts in the skin with the same razor with which he shaves the general public. With his unwashed fingers he spreads the bloody cuts apart and packs the wounds with peanut oil and powdered charcoal. Thus the scars are formed which mark people for life. According to native custom it is impolite to ask someone directly where he comes from, but there is at least this silent witness as to locality.

**Do Christians Practice This?**

Those who are really consecrated to the Lord do not do this to their children, but there are a few, either father or mother, who sneak away and have it done to escape the reproachful remarks of relatives and friends. In a few cases, children of Christians have sneaked away and had it done so as to be like other young people. The human heart is the same the world over and thank God there is one Bible which rightly portrays the deceitfulness and darkness of that heart.



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# THE DYING WORLD AND THE LIVING WORD

## CHINESE CIVILIAN CASUALTIES

More civilian casualties have been reported in China than in Britain. According to the *China Information Bulletin*, there have been 130,853 resulting from Japanese air raids, from April, 1938, to December, 1940, plus many more during 1941. Keep praying for suffering China and the many Christians there.

## RELIGION IN BRAZIL

Conditions are constantly becoming more favorable toward the gospel in South America. *World Dominion* reports that the Brazilian penal code, which comes into force in January, will enact severe penalties on a person who "publicly jeers at anyone because of his religious belief or function, or hinders or disturbs any religious ceremony or act of worship."

## REDS AND BLACKS

The editor of *Christian Victory* writes: "A friend of ours was telling how a man got rid of a hill of red ants that were a nuisance in his yard. He found a hill of black ants and brought several shovels full of them over and dumped them on the hill of red ants. They killed each other. While the Christian hates war, he stands by with awe as he sees the enemies of God, Nazis and Reds, destroying each other."

## BELIEVERS IN RUSSIA

A few months ago, "godless" Russia took a religious census. The Soviet government urged the people to be frank and honest, promising absolute secrecy, and assigned a million census-takers to the task. According to *Baptist and Reflector*, the census was a great disappointment to the Militant Godless League. It revealed that in spite of nineteen years of atheistic propaganda "50 per cent of the youth of Russia are Christian, 34 per cent of the collective farmers are Christian, 40,000 communities maintain churches, and only half the population of the towns and villages are atheist."

## "KEEP ON PRAYING"

When J. Frank Norris of Fort Worth, Texas, was in England a few months ago, he had an interview with Prime Minister Winston Churchill. He later told of this in *The Christian Herald* of London. Mr. Norris said to the Prime Minister, "Mr. Churchill, my wife has your picture on the wall of her bedroom, and every night she prays, 'God bless Winston Churchill!'" Mr. Churchill bowed his head and closed his eyes; and then, with tears in his eyes, he said, "Tell Mrs. Norris I thank her: and keep on praying. I have the same faith that I received from my devoted mother."

## CHRISTMAS IN FORMOSA

Christmas in America this year will be vastly different from Christmas in many lands, including the island of Formosa. Says a letter in *World Dominion*: "Japan boasts that she has driven the white man and his God out of this part of the world (Formosa). Whereas for over forty years the toy shops had small Christmas trees, and Christmas decorations for sale, last Christmas there was none. Everything that bears the name of Christ had to be destroyed, and we are even commanded not to call this year 1941, but 2601." New laws strictly forbid preaching and teaching in Christ's name, and we understand that all gospel missionaries have had to depart.

## STALIN MENTIONS GOD

At a recent banquet celebrating the completion of aid-to-Russia arrangements, Dictator Joseph

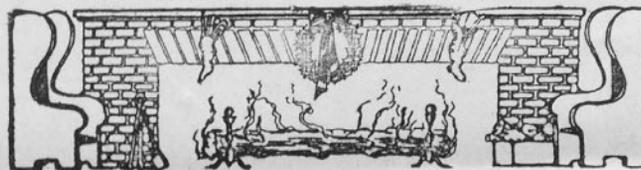
Stalin proposed a toast to President Roosevelt, and added, "May God help him in his task." The Dictator's mention of God stirred up great excitement in some quarters. Has the leopard changed his spots? Is Stalin actually changing his attitude toward religion?

A true explanation of the words, suggests *The Presbyterian*, may be found in the fact that the United States, nominally a God-fearing nation, had just handed over to Russia a fabulous sum in credit. It will be remembered that centuries ago Henry IV of France entered Paris after saying mass, and remarked that "Paris was worth a mass."

## "BUSINESS AS USUAL"

The world has been amazed at the determination and initiative with which the English have carried on in spite of bombings, in London especially. "Business as usual—under unusual circumstances" has been their motto. A good example of this is seen in a postal card sent to an American business concern from B. J. Ball, Ltd., of London. It said:

"If they have not got us again! Burned out of 97 Queen Victoria St., busted windows at 91, and now blasted out of Balmoral Buildings, with everything gone but our bodies and souls. With this—and a couple of typewriters—find this com-



## Peace on Earth

And in despair I bowed my head,  
"There is no peace on earth, I said,  
For hate is strong,  
And mocks the song  
Of "peace on earth, good-will to  
men!"

Then peal'd the bells more loud  
and deep,  
God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;  
The wrong shall fail,  
The right prevail,  
With "peace on earth, good-will to  
men!"—Longfellow.

pany at 15 New Bridge St., E. C. 4, with the firm determination to stick to the old city to the end—and victory. Telephone number will be advised when we get one."

Let us push forward the Lord's business with the same kind of determination!

## DANIEL WEBSTER'S WISDOM

Daniel Webster once said, "If God and His Word are not known and received, the devil and his works will gain the ascendancy. If the evangelical Volume does not reach every hamlet, the papers of the corrupting and licentious literature will. If the power of the gospel is not felt throughout the land, anarchy and misrule, degradation and misery, corruption and darkness will reign." Viewed in the light of conditions that

exist today, these words of a century ago have proved to be a true prophecy. America has drifted from the Bible, the root of its blessings, and is facing moral shipwreck.

Said Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes of the Methodist Church recently, commenting on Daniel Webster's prophecy and world conditions: "The religious revival of 1857 helped us to recover from a panic. That of 1867 rescued us measurably from the pain of war. And a moral revival for our present world must be secured from a redeeming heaven."

## HORSES IN DEMAND

The horse is staging a strange comeback, comments *Magazine Digest*. A shortage of gasoline has brought horses into great demand in Europe, and they play an important role in war campaigns as well. The present demand for cavalry charges and heavy artillery draft horses is said to be enormous and unparalleled. Every German infantry regiment has at least 500 horses. The horses of Poland constituted one of the richest prizes in the Polish campaign. Germany and Russia, who split the spoil, got over two million horses each to add to their forces. It is pointed out that the United States ranks second only to Russia as the world's greatest horse market, having twelve million horses and five million mules.

It seems strange that horses should figure so prominently in the midst of the greatest mechanized warfare in history. However, it is a fulfillment of Bible prophecy which repeatedly mentions large numbers of horses and horsemen as taking part in the final conflicts of this age.

## PROGRESS OF APOSTASY

In Scranton, Pa. several Protestant churches joined with the Jewish synagogues for Sunday evening vespers. Local ministers and rabbis took various parts, and the sermon was preached by a leading Presbyterian official. According to *Revelation*, the sermon contained not the slightest reference to the person or work of Christ.

A prominent Methodist Church had John Haynes Holmes "for the inspiration of its people" the same week the *New York Times* reported him as saying to a New York City congregation: "I know of no religious leader, not even Christ, whose teachings bring such illumination to our age as Gautama, the Buddha."

A Bronx, N. Y. newspaper recently stated: "The Christian Endeavor Society of Fordham Manor Reformed Church will sponsor a fashion show tonight in the Howard Hall of the church. Entertainment will be presented. Dancing will follow. The Men's Club of the church will present a show 'Darktown Radio Varieties' on Friday night, Oct. 7."

If the apostle Paul were writing to Timothy today, he would not say, "In the latter times some shall depart from the faith." 1 Tim. 4:1. He would say, "It is the latter times, for many are departing from the faith." Apostasy can be seen on every hand. The end cannot be far off!

## INDUSTRY IN PALESTINE

Palestine is no longer a backward country, as formerly. It has become modern and progressive, as shown by the following advertisement which appears in the *Palestine Review* under the company's name, "Sadan Limited": "*Machine Works*—Grinding and mixing machines, steel tanks for oil storage and other purposes, iron constructions welded and riveted, electrical and autogene welding of all metals. Hydraulic presses. Hydraulic autotippers. Filters presses. Centrifugal machines. Laundry machinery. Steam kettles, steam boilers, copper boilers, auto bodies and all types of decauville wagons. All types of special machinery.

"*Foundry*—Founding of all kinds up to five tons piece weight. Pulleys of all dimensions always in stock."

# The Sunday School LESSON

## PAUL IS SHIPWRECKED

Lesson for December 28. Lesson Text: Acts 27 and 28.

In writing to the Romans Paul had asked the question, "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress . . . or peril . . . ?" Then answering his own question he had replied, "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us." Now, as he was on his way to visit those same people, the great apostle demonstrated the truth of his words showing that they were not just a beautiful theory. For throughout the perils, stress, and strain, of the stormy journey to Rome, Paul was never discomfited, but maintained an inward peace and poise that made him master of every situation. Observe—

### I. THE TEMPESTUOUS JOURNEY. Acts 26.

Paul had appealed for a hearing before Caesar and to Caesar he must go. The apostle, along with other prisoners, was delivered into the charge of a certain centurion named Julius, and placed on a ship bound for Rome. Observe—

1. *The difficulty.* Acts 27:1-9. The voyage was risky because it was the time of year when ocean travel was exceedingly dangerous.

2. *The warning.* Verse 10. Paul was aware of the danger and was very much against the proposed effort to make Phenice before settling down to winter. v. 12.

3. *The storm.* vv. 11-20. Paul's advice was disregarded. What did he know about it? They were soon to learn that Paul *did* know; for he was a man who received knowledge from God! It appeared that the voyage would be smooth for soft winds blew. But matters soon took a different turn. A tempest arose. The ship was driven helplessly by the wind. In desperation the sailors lightened the ship's burden throwing overboard the tackling which evidently referred to the huge mainyard sail. But it all was to no avail. And the captain and sailors alike abandoned hope of being saved.

4. *The encouragement.* vv. 21-26. Paul was supposed to be a prisoner on the ship. In reality he was the captain! Rising to the occasion, victorious and calm in the midst of the pressing peril, Paul takes command.

(1) "You should have heeded my warning." It is always well to listen to the man who knows God and moves in His will!

(2) "Be of good cheer!" How absurd these words must have, at first, sounded to these distracted men! Be of good cheer at such a time? Impossible! But Paul gave them good reason for being of good cheer. "There shall be no loss of any man's life . . . for there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am and whom I serve, saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Caesar." Paul would have them know that his was a *charmed* life. He was a man in God's will. God intended for him to get to Rome; and God would get him there in spite of all the storms of earth or hell!

We must side-track here for a moment to gather a few thoughts from Paul's words. (a) Storms *will* come into the lives even of those who are in the will of God; so let us not allow the devil to cause us to think we lose our *position* in grace, in Christ, and in God's will, when trouble comes. (b) If we are in the will of God we, too, are *masters* of our circumstances and not *victims* of them. (c) It is a blessed thing when trouble comes, to remember our *position* in God. Paul spoke of God "whose I am, and whom I serve."

It is wonderful to know that we *belong*—and to God, at that! What a safe position. It is equally blessed to be able to say, in the face of trouble, "whom I serve." When we attend to God's business; He takes care of ours. (d) The men on the ship were saved because of Paul—"God hath given thee all them that sail with thee."

Though Paul knew that God was interested in him, he did not forget that God also was interested in these sailors, and in his characteristic manner, he had been praying for their safety as well as his. He showed godly concern for them. And God, in response to Paul's prayers for them, gave him those that sailed with him. Here is a lesson for us. Let us remember, as we sail through life's rough voyage, that God would have us pray unto Him for the eternal safety of others who sail along with us.

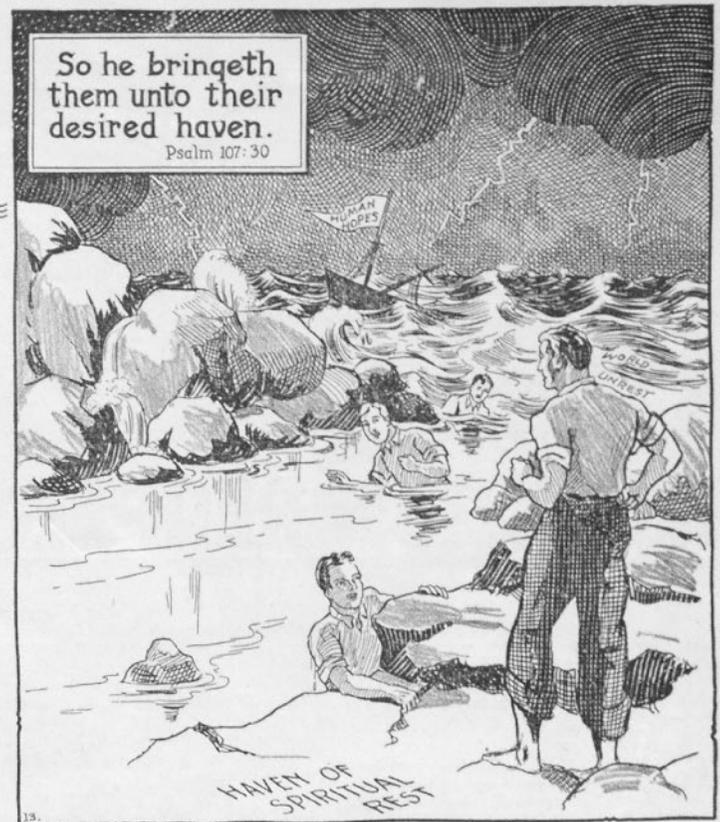
(3) "Wherefore, sirs, I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me." How strengthening must have been Paul's faith to those aboard the sinking ship. And remember, that so far there was no outward indication that their perilous situation would change! But Paul looked not at outward circumstances. He "staggered not at the promises of God through unbelief" (Rom. 4:18-21); neither did he try to work up faith; he simply looked away to God and counted upon His faithfulness, being persuaded, "that what He had promised He was able to perform." Let us take the same attitude toward His Word today!

5. *The landing.* vv. 27-44. Space will not permit comment upon these verses. But note how Paul continued to take charge of the situation and gave commands. Note how the seamen, one and all, followed his advice. The peril of circumstances forced them to be honest with themselves and face facts. They knew that their prisoner was *different*, that somehow he had a supernatural poise and strength which they did not have and they recognized that it was from God. By contrast compare Jonah's voyage with that of Paul. Jonah took his trip to get away from God; his trip was a trip of rebellion! Paul took his trip in the will of God; his trip was a trip of submission. Jonah was the *cause* of the storm and the peril; Paul's presence *averted* the peril. Jonah slept during the danger; Paul took command of the ship and encouraged the passengers. Jonah was thrown out of the ship to save the passengers; Paul was kept in the ship to save the passengers. Those who go through storms in the will of God are a blessing to those who look on. Those who go through storms out of God's will bring discredit to His name!

Just as Paul had prophesied, the ship was wrecked, but all the passengers made the shore in safety.

### II. THE STOPS ON THE WAY. Acts 27:1-13.

1. *Melita.* vv. 1-11. It was on the little Island now known as Malta that Paul and company were marooned. Here, as everywhere, Paul was made a blessing to needy souls. While Paul was



gathering firewood to provide a little heat for the shivering crowd, a snake came out of the underbrush and fastened its fangs in Paul's hand. Immediately the islanders assumed that Paul must be some criminal and that this was judgment from the gods. Then they watched expecting Paul to die. But they had a surprise coming. Paul "shook the beast into the fire and felt no harm." Here is an illustration of Christ's promise—"They shall take up serpents." Mark 16:18. This does not mean that a child of God should be so foolish as to deliberately pick up snakes in order to prove the power of God. Where this has been attempted, great discredit has been brought upon the Pentecostal movement and death has sometimes come upon the misguided ones who have made the mistake. This promise simply means that if a child of God *accidentally* as in Paul's case, is bitten by a snake, he may claim the power of God through Christ to save him from suffering ill effects.

This miracle was a testimony to the islanders who changed their opinion of Paul. This miracle undoubtedly caused the islanders to have faith in Paul's God so much so that during the three months of the apostles' stay many "which had diseases in the island, came, and were healed," including Publius, the chief man of the Island.

2. *Syracuse, Rhegium, and Puteoli.* vv. 12, 13. Brief stops were made at each of these places. At Puteoli, Paul was delighted to find an assembly of Christians and was able to spend a week with them before proceeding on the way.

### III. THE ARRIVAL IN ROME. Acts 27:14-31.

Rome at last! And the travels of the great apostle had come to an end. "And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him, preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.

This does not mean that Paul enjoyed comparative freedom. "Hired house" really means "hired lodging"—a small room. And remember that Paul was chained to a Roman soldier all of the time. But the Word of God was not bound! For during these last two years of his life, Paul undoubtedly accomplished more for God than he had during all the years of his ministry in freedom. From his prison room, Paul was able to

direct the activities of Timothy, Titus, Trophimus, Luke, and a host of other efficient workers whom he had trained during the years. In this room he wrote his principal letters—those wonderful Epistles which now are a part of our Bible, and without which the plan of salvation and the Christian life could not be complete or fully intelligible.

Does the book seem to end too abruptly? What happened to Paul? Suffice it to say, that God had a plan in causing the story to end as it does. Undoubtedly Paul did go to his death in martyrdom to fill an unmarked grave. And as to the ending of the book? Well, the book of Acts is still being written; for the book should properly be called, not the "Acts of the Apostles," but "The Acts of the Holy Spirit." Paul and other



apostles have passed on to their reward; but the Holy Ghost is still acting and working out God's plan through His apostles of the twentieth century!—J. Bashford Bishop.

WEEK OF PRAYER—JAN. 4-11, 1942

BRITAIN'S STRENGTH

The Lord Chief Justice of Great Britain, Lord Caldecote, attributes the present preservation of that country to the power of prayer. Speaking at the Central Hall, Westminster, he declared recently: "In spite of all that is indicative of neglect or forgetfulness of God, make no mistake about it, there is a solid phalanx of power which springs from the reality of Christian faith in this land of ours. It is a fact which explains a great deal that people have called miraculous. The exercise of the privilege of prayer far surpasses in its effectiveness all the propaganda that any Ministry of Information can put out. We may be on the verge of great events, and surely we cannot prepare ourselves better for them than by prayer, by putting ourselves into touch with God's power."

REPORTS FROM THE REAPERS

GEORGETOWN, S. C.—We have just recently closed a successful meeting with Bert Todd of Los Angeles as our evangelist. One was saved, and the saints were greatly benefited by Brother Todd's ministry. He is an able speaker.—H. T. Walker.

CAMANCHE, IOWA—We are praising the Lord for a successful revival held here recently. The saints were encouraged and every department of the church was built up. Evangelist Alfred Wells of Fulton, Ill., brought soul-stirring messages from night to night.—Carl Bergman, Pastor.

SCHUYLKILL HAVEN, PA.—We just closed a 5-weeks revival with our guest speaker, Mrs. Nora Verbonitz of Altoona, as evangelist. The results were truly wonderful. Many people were saved or reclaimed, and 5 were baptized in the Holy Ghost. Also there were some marvelous healings. The Sunday School was greatly improved. Several are seeking the Baptism according to Acts 2:4.—Mrs. Vallie M. Seaman, Pastor.

LITTLE, OKLA.—This assembly, according to old-timers, has enjoyed one of the best revivals this community has ever had. For 19 consecutive nights the power fell every night. Two persons who had been seeking the Baptism in the Spirit for years were filled. In all, 9 were saved, and 8 were filled. Because of the special anointing the church has been wonderfully blessed. Irene Harris, 1111 E. Fifth Place, Tulsa, Okla., was the evangelist.—Leslie Moore, Pastor.

SHIDLER, OKLA.—We have just closed a 4-weeks revival with L. E. Blue of Hominy as the evangelist. It was one of the best meetings we have had in our three and a half years as pastors of this church. Eight were saved, 4 were reclaimed, and 8 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. Several nights the power of God came down and people were saved and filled with the Spirit without any preaching. A general revival spirit prevailed throughout the meeting, and the presence of God is still hovering over us.—W. C. Drain, Pastor.

BIG STONE GAP, VA.—We have enjoyed a profitable 2-weeks revival here with J. Vernon and Malva Cardiff of Oakland, Md., as the evangelists. Night after night God blessed in a wonderful way as the Word went forth in its power, and souls were born into the kingdom of God. The closing night Sister Cardiff spoke to about 400 people on the Judgment of God. A good altar service followed, and 5 testified to having found Christ in this service. There was weeping, shouting, and praising God.—A. L. Todd, Pastor.

REDLANDS, CALIF.—November 25, we closed a 4-weeks revival with Evangelist Irl J. Walker of Portland, Ore. Our brother's ministry was truly in the power of the Holy Ghost. Many were saved and

received their Baptism. The church as a whole was wonderfully uplifted through the ministry of the Word. Sixteen were received into church membership. We closed with a water baptismal service, in which 11 followed the Lord. Some came up with a real shout of victory. The revival spirit is still moving in our midst, and souls are being saved.—Eugene C. Williams, Pastor.

AJO, ARIZ.—We have just closed a very successful revival here, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Thomas, 1601 San Vicente, Compton, Calif., being the evangelists. God met with us in a precious way each night. Brother Thomas has a well rounded ministry that not only reaches the unsaved, but stirs the church as well. We thank God for the men that were reached, five of whom laid their cigarettes on the altar. A number of new members were received into our fellowship. Several began paying tithes. In all, 14 were saved, and 11 were filled with the Holy Ghost. God has done great things for us, whereof we are glad.—Norman L. Field, Pastor.

DES MOINES, IOWA—Recently we were privileged to have John H. Bostrom of California with us for a meeting. From the opening night God's blessing was upon it in a marked way. Crowds grew and were stirred by the gospel and the singing of our evangelist. Divine Healing was one of the features of the meeting. We thank God for the miracles that were performed in answer to prayer. Brother Bostrom also was instrumental in raising the money for a floor in our tabernacle, and in many ways aided in establishing confidence in us in the city. It was our most profitable revival since the opening of our work.—W. E. Long, Pastor.

McCAMEY, TEXAS—A 2-weeks meeting was conducted here recently by Mary Jo Barnett, Evangelist. God visited us in a very precious way, giving us new souls and reclaiming others. We are rejoicing for the young men who have stepped out for God. We feel our church has been blessed in many ways. The timely messages of our evangelist stirred the hearts of the people and the saints were built up. We also broke our Sunday School record. We are looking forward to having a Men's Bible class and more Sunday School rooms. We also had good attendance from other churches. We cordially invite all Council ministers to visit us when passing this way.—H. E. Silvius, Pastor.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL—The Woman's Missionary Council of the Alabama District held its annual business meeting on October 22. From every section of the State came encouraging reports of great spiritual blessing, and as was said of Dorcas, the members of the Council were "full of good works and almsdeeds" which they had done, and the widows could show the coats and garments which they had made. They had distributed 2003 Bibles, tracts, Gospels, and other religious literature, given 80 Bibles, made 1,164 sick and hospital calls, held 191 prayer meetings,

given 95 meals, 516 garments, 74 pair of shoes, and 19 quilts. The sum of \$955.81 had been raised for the help of their churches and missionary programs.

Our hearts and voices were lifted to God in grateful thanksgiving for His blessings on the work of the W. M. C. during this past year.—Sadie L. Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer.

EASTERN DISTRICT PRAYER CONFERENCE

A very successful District Prayer Conference was conducted at Westfield, N. Y., November 18-20. Ministers from all over the Western New York section and some from other sections united with the local congregation (pastored by Nelson J. Kenyon) and visiting friends, for a period of blessed spiritual fellowship. Those who came the first day entered into the battle of prayer and faith for a gracious moving of the Holy Spirit and spiritual victories in the lives of the people. There was no preaching either in the morning or the afternoon of the first day but at the night service our Superintendent, Flem Van Meter, brought a very timely message on the Ministry of Intercession in the Holy Spirit. This was followed by a splendid altar service. Tuesday brought a higher tide of spiritual power into the services and more of the spirit of prayer. One of the outstanding things about this day was a fine message by Evangelist Harvey McAlister on Revival. His comments on Psalm 126 were very inspiring. We shall not soon forget the praying mother in Israel of whom he spoke, who wrapped herself in a rug and gave herself up to intercession for lost souls during many nights until she prayed down revivals in a number of different communities. Our second day was more spiritual and more victorious. We believe souls were saved at night at the altar in the midst of a gracious moving of God.

Thursday, the closing day, God gave us a very precious time of prayer, fellowship, and ministry in the Spirit. There was a helpful and timely ministry of the Word of God by Brother Moore of Anita, and a fine message in the afternoon by our Superintendent. By this time about all the brethren from the section were present, the church was crowded to capacity, and there was a blessed sense of the presence of God in our midst. At night all wended their way to the beautiful Presbyterian church on the Square to enjoy the blessing of the Lord in a great C. A. service in charge of Sectional Vice President Robert Le Mon of Niagara Falls. This church has a capacity of 500 and was filled for the occasion. Allan Mallory of the London Tabernacle, London, Ontario, gave a good gospel message and there were definite conversions at the splendid service around the altar. So ended the 3-days District Prayer Conference at Westfield, N. Y.—Frederick D. Drake, Prayer League Leader.

COMING MEETINGS

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

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—205 Atlantic Ave., Dec. 31—Jan. 18; R. L. Bartlett, Ft. Worth, Texas, Evangelist.—Wm. F. Voodre, Pastor.

ILLMO, MO.—Dec. 28, for 2 weeks; Philip A. Megna, Evangelist.—Milton Beckett, Pastor.

WILLARD, OHIO—Jan. 1—; Philip N. Green, Gainesville, Fla., Evangelist.—H. W. Reeser, Pastor.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.—26th St. at State, Dec. 28—; C. E. Roberts, Evangelist.—A. N. Trotter, Pastor.

DALLAS, TEXAS—Bethel Temple; beginning with a watchnight service, Dec. 31, continuing through Jan. 18; Guy Shields, Evangelist.—Albert Ott, pastor.

WINNEBAGO, NEBR.—Nov. 30—; El Bertha Deane Steidle, Evangelist.—M. J. Hiserote, Pastor.

TAMPA, FLA.—7th Ave. and 50th St., Dec. 2—; Frank Kooistra, Gardena, Calif., Evangelist.—Fred A. Voight, Pastor.

ANITA, PA.—All-day Meeting, Jan. 1. Mr. and Mrs. J. Earl Douglass, Speakers.—Arthur E. Moore, Pastor.

MOORHEAD, MINN.—Dec. 14—; Ernest L. Powlesland, Seattle, Wash., Evangelist.—By Evangelist.

BELLWOOD, PA.—Dec. 28—; Handy Christopher of Pottstown, Evangelist.—H. Stauffer, Pastor.

TEXARKANA, ARK.—College Hill Assembly; Dec. 28, for 2 weeks; Mary Jo Barnett of Electra, Evangelist.—Otis B. Hubbard, Pastor.

WANCHESE, N. C.—Dec. 17—; Mr. and Mrs. C. Merrill Johnson, Hiawatha, Kansas, Musical Evangelists.—Willie Mizelle, Pastor.



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ALLENTOWN, PA.—125 South 8th St.; Dec. 9, for 4 weeks or longer; Gay Benson of Philadelphia, Evangelist.—J. J. McShane, Pastor.

OWENSBORO, KY.—Pre-Christmas campaign in progress; Chas. Shaffer, York, Pa., Evangelist. L. M. Campbell is pastor.—By Evangelist.

BROKEN ARROW, OKLA.—Revival in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. L. W. Wooten, Springfield, Mo.—G. R. Kelley, Pastor.

TAMPA, FLA.—Home Coming, Mt. Zion, Jan. 1. All-day service; basket lunch. Church dedication in afternoon. Bring your musical instruments.—D. S. Percival, Pastor, 8405 Eleventh St.

NEW BROCKTON, ALA.—In Bible School Building; Dec. 2, for 2 weeks or longer; Lenward J. Reece, Meridian, Miss., Evangelist and Musician. Special Christmas and New Year's services.—Asa E. Hughes, Pastor.

MOOSIC, PA.—Full Gospel Tabernacle; Nov. 26, for 3 weeks or longer; Roy P. "Frosty" Foster, Kansas City, Mo., Evangelist. Neighboring churches and pastors cordially asked to support these meetings.—F. S. Van Meter, Pastor.

TALOGA, OKLA.—Annual Watchnight and Communion Service, Dec. 31. Dedication of Sunday School Addition; J. S. Murrell, Sectional Presbyter, Speaker. Revival begins with Evangelist Wesley Goodwin of Chandler.—Erling and Helen Saxeld, Pastors.

MOBILE, ALA.—119 Mobile St.; revival in progress until Dec. 21, or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. J. Paul Bruton, Bloomington, Ind., in charge. Tune in on Old-fashioned Church of the Air, Station WALA, Sundays, 8:30-9:00 a. m. All neighboring assemblies invited to cooperate.—Clyde C. Goree, Pastor.

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

WARRENTON, MO.—Regular monthly C. A. Rally, Dec. 28, 2:30 p. m. All C. A. groups plan on coming and prepare to make this service a success.—Russell Eddington, Secretary-Treasurer.

ITHACA, N. Y.—Central New York Fellowship Meeting, First Pentecostal Church, 52 1/2 Meadow St., Jan. 1. J. Boyd Wolverton is pastor.—Robert T. McGlasson, Sectional Secretary, 28 Vincent St., Carthage, N. Y.

TYLER, TEXAS.—Sectional Fellowship Meeting, Jan. 1. Day service conducted by Presbyter Chas. Lonsford, and C. A. Rally at 7:30 conducted by C. G. Owen, C. A. President. Ministers of near-by sections invited to make this a great day. Meeting will be held in Assembly of God unless crowds are too great. In that case use of City Auditorium has been granted.—Lester P. Summers, Sectional Secretary.

RUSSELL, KANSAS.—All-day Fellowship Meeting and C. A. Rally, Jan. 1. District Superintendent, Presbyter, and Sectional Secretaries from entire western part of State are to be present. Bring musical instruments and provide own lunch.—Gordon Jans, Pastor.

PITTSBURG, KANSAS.—C. A. Rally and Fellowship Meeting, Jan. 1. Services 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30. Guest Speakers: Ernest S. Williams and V. G. Greisen. Bring basket lunch. L. R. Logan is pastor.—Fay Clopine, C. A. Sectional Secretary.

COLUMBIA, PA.—Fellowship Meeting, Capitol Hill Section, 226 Locust St., Jan. 5. Services 2:30 and 7:30. Speakers: John McShane of Allentown and Sister Spencer of Bethlehem.—Frederick D. Eide, Chairman.

LANCASTER, PA.—C. A. Rally, West Orange and Concord St., Jan. 1. Services 2:15 and 7:15. Hattie Hammond, Hagerstown, Md., Speaker. Special singing and speaking by different C. A. groups.—R. F. Bender, Reading, Pa., Sectional C. A. Leader.

SILOAM SPRINGS, ARK.—Ozark Section Bible and C. A. Conference, beginning Jan. 5 and continuing throughout the week. First service 10:00 a. m. District Superintendent David Burris and C. A. President Agnes Stokes in charge. All our ministers, C. A. and Sunday School workers urged to attend. David B. Jagers is pastor.—Omer Jarrell, Presbyter.

S. CUMBERLAND, MD.—Workers' Meeting, Jan. 4-10. Three meetings daily. Speakers: Fiem Van Meter, Superintendent Eastern District; H. Strickland, Superintendent Potomac District; and Arthur H. Graves, Secretary Potomac District. All pastors and workers encouraged to attend. Rooms will be provided. Write Pastor Coley H. Jacobs, 23 Elder St., S. Cumberland, Md.

AMARILLO, TEXAS.—Mid-Winter Prayer Conference, Jan. 19-22. Monday night, Fellowship Meeting. Five-district meeting—Texas, West Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and New Mexico. Three full days of prayer, consecration, and spiritual refreshing. For further information write Pastor E. R. Foster 900 N. Pierce St., Amarillo, Texas.—H. Paul Holdridge, Secretary-Treasurer, West Texas District.

DAYTON, OHIO.—State Ministers' Institute, Bethel Temple, 108 Buckeye St., Jan. 12-14. Harry E. Bowley, Coffeyville, Kansas, Night Speaker. Many helpful subjects will be discussed by able speakers. Lodging and breakfast provided for all ministers and their companions. For further information and complete program write T. E. Hartshorn, Secretary, 455 N. Lyman St., Wadsworth, Ohio.

MICHIGAN C. A. NEW YEAR'S-DAY RALLIES

Eastern Section: Trinity Tabernacle, Holtzlander Ave. and N. Saginaw, Flint, Mich. Services 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30. A. L. Parker and J. O. Savell, Speakers.

Western Section: Church of the Four Fold Gospel, 303 Capitol Ave. N. E., Battle Creek, Mich. Services 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30. Herbert E. Eicher and Cordas Burnett, Speakers.

Northern Section: Assembly of God, East Tawas, 2:30 and 7:30. Speakers to be announced later.

Special Junior C. A. Meeting at each of these Sectional Rallies, 6:30 p. m.—Bertie Doss, Secretary, 2212 Lyman St., Flint, Mich.

GREENVILLE, S. C.—Sectional C. A. Rally, First Assembly of God, Park and Gridley St., Sans Souci, Dec. 21, 3:00 p. m. All C. A.'s urged to attend; bring musical instruments. Special singing and music. Glenn Utley of Greenwood, Speaker.—G. E. Wilson, Field Representative.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

WANTED—Tent, 40x60 ft., for campaigning in needy fields.—Evangelist B. E. Hillman, 223 Fourth St., Byesville, Ohio.

NOTICE—If anyone having soldier friends at Keesler Field, Biloxi, Miss., will send me their name and company number, I will be glad to contact them. Our church is located at 714 Lee St.—Pastor A. P. Bilbo, 1203 Lee St., Biloxi, Miss.

NOTICE—Pastors or relatives having friends or loved ones in the U. S. Veterans Hospital, Livermore, Calif., please send their names to Pastor Carl T. Caplin, Wayside Chapel, 563 North L St., Livermore, Calif., and he will gladly visit them.

NOTICE—We are indeed thankful to all who remembered us in our need after the automobile accident. Those who are interested in engaging our services in evangelistic work and general Bible teaching may contact us at 1212 Denver Ave., Ft. Worth, Texas.—Wm. Burton McCafferty.

NOTICE—If those who have Pentecostal boys in any of the training camps in the San Diego, Calif. Section, will please inform Pastor Eldon Vincent, 2069 Ebers St., San Diego, Calif., he will see that they receive spiritual encouragement and wherever possible, a way to attend church. If writing to boys at Camp Callan, also inform them to contact T. A. Roddy, Ward 7, Station Hospital.—Eldon Vincent.

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NEW YORK Personal Offerings	35.25
Buffalo Pent Tabernacle & CA	83.64
New York Glad Tidings Tab	10.00
Rochester Faith Tabernacle	24.58
Westchester Assembly of God SS	2.00
NORTH CAROLINA Personal Offer	2.00
Charlotte Calvary Baptist Temple SS	6.34
Hertford Assembly of God	5.00
NORTH DAKOTA Personal Offer	28.50
Kulm Gospel Tab Ladies Mis Society	4.00
Minnewaukan Union Gospel Tabernacle	1.50
Noonan Assembly of God	13.31
OHIO Personal Offerings	52.00
Burton Full Gospel Mission	7.71
(Near) Dover Sanders SS	7.00
Hammondville Good Samaritan Farm	6.00
Martins Ferry A of G Tabernacle	1.00
OKLAHOMA Personal Offerings	24.00
Allen Assembly of God	3.00
Colony Assembly of God	3.00
Fletcher Assembly of God Ch & SS	2.72
Garber-Covington Oil Field A of G SS	26.69
Kiowa Assembly of God & SS	2.25
Muskogee A of G Ch SS & CA	11.90
Rattan Assembly of God	.71
Seminole First A of G YMP SS CI	11.00
Sterling Assembly of God	1.00
Talihina Assembly of God SS	9.05
OREGON Personal Offerings	46.00
Alsea Full Gospel Assembly	3.00
Boring Assembly of God	1.00
Goble Beaver Homes Com Jr Ch	1.57
Grants Pass Full Gospel Temple	30.00
Hood River Pent Assembly of God	55.68
Nyssa Assembly of God	7.54
Portland Gospel Tabernacle	10.00
Portland Lents Assembly of God	9.68
Riverton Community SS	2.15
PENNSYLVANIA Personal Offer	165.00
Allentown Pent Prayer Band A of G	38.00
Philadelphia Highway Mis Tabernacle	2.00
Shrewsbury Full Gospel Sunday School	1.60
SOUTH DAKOTA Personal Offerings	11.00
Burbank Gospel Tabernacle	3.89
Huron Gospel Tabernacle	3.00
Milbank Gospel Tabernacle	10.00
TENNESSEE Personal Offerings	4.00
TEXAS Personal Offerings	24.50
Alba Cottonwood Assembly of God	1.00
Andrews Assembly of God	6.04
Bonham Assembly of God	1.00
Breckenridge Assembly of God	1.00
Breckenridge Assembly of God WMC	7.70
Dallas Oak Cliff A of G SS	10.00
Dallas West Side A of G	2.75
Fort Worth Southwestern Bible Inst	10.00
Gilmer Oak Grove Church	2.75
(Near) Goose Creek Old River Full Gospel Church	8.27
Houston Evangelistic Temple Church	83.71
Nocona Assembly of God Ch	1.00
Pelly Assembly of God	5.00
San Antonio First Assembly of God	3.00
Trinity Assembly of God	2.50
Wichita Falls A of G WMC	8.70
VIRGINIA Personal Offerings	1.00
WEST VIRGINIA Personal Offer	2.00
Stanley Hilliard Chapel	11.05
WASHINGTON Personal Offerings	257.70
Cathlamet Full Gospel Church	5.00
Cathlamet Full Gospel Church WMC	5.00
Copalis Crossing A of G & SS	21.43
Enumclaw Full Gospel Tabernacle	5.08
Loon Lake Assembly of God SS	5.00
Medical Lake Pent Assembly of God	1.30
Newport Pent Assembly of God	6.00
Northwest District Council	150.00
Pomeroy Assembly of God & SS	9.02
Raymond Full Gospel Tab YP	23.00
Seattle Fremont Pent Tab	102.69
Spokane Lighthouse Mission	2.00
Tacoma Pent Tab YP	20.00
Washatche Full Gospel A of G	50.00
WEST VIRGINIA Personal Offer	8.00
Fairmont Trinity Tabernacle	4.05
WISCONSIN Personal Offerings	112.00
Boilev's Harbor A of G of Lib Grove	5.00
Ron du Lac A of G Church	10.51
Hawkins Gospel Tabernacle	3.00
WYOMING Casper A of G	1.50
CANADA Personal Offerings	6.00
FOREIGN	1.00
MISCELLANEOUS	45.40

ARIZONA Douglas A of G SS	19.46
(Near) McNary Assembly of God SS	3.50
Phoenix Glad Tid Tab Ladies BC	3.00
Scottsdale Assembly of God	2.50
Williams Assembly of God	10.00
ARKANSAS Personal Offerings	19.25
(Near) Booneville Grayson A of G	5.00
Monticello Assembly of God	6.00
(Near) Paris A of G Union SS	1.64
Parkdale Empire A of G Church	1.30
CALIFORNIA Personal Offerings	269.00
Atwater Full Gospel Tabernacle	60.00
Bellflower Assembly of God	5.00
Fullerton Glad Tid A of G & CA	1.00
Hynes Assembly of God Church	8.07
Lincoln Full Gospel Church	7.00
Livingston Assembly of God	8.55
Los Angeles Ch of The Full Gospel	8.73
Mendota Full Gospel Church	8.73
Monrovia Assembly of God	5.00
Oakland First Pent Church	15.00
Sacramento Bethel Temple	94.24
Salinas Calvary Evangelistic Ch	4.00
San Diego Pentecostal Full Gospel Tab CA & WMC	203.65
Watsonville Full Gos Ch of Pajaro	7.50
Watts Full Gospel Tabernacle	7.50
Whittier Assembly of God SS CI	4.00
COLORADO Personal Offerings	32.20
Boulder Glad Tid Tab A of G	8.79
De Beque Assembly of God	2.00
Denver Revival Tabernacle	22.95
Fort Logan Petersburg Church	12.00
Las Animas Assembly of God	3.50
Miliken Assembly of God	9.00
Ovid Assembly of God	12.25
Snyder Full Gospel Church	10.00
STERLING Assembly of God	5.30
CONNECTICUT Personal Offerings	16.00
Danbury Pent Tab SS & CA	17.67
West Hartford Gospel Tabernacle	170.30
DELAWARE Personal Offerings	18.10
Omar Full Gospel Church	10.00
DIST COLUMBIA Personal Offer	15.00
FLORIDA Personal Offerings	16.40
Auburndale Carver Assembly of God	2.75
Bartow Victory Tab A of G SS	2.10
Bratt Assembly of God	2.07
Durant Pleasant Grove A of G	6.00
Graceville New Hope Assembly	1.10
Marianna Assembly of God SS	1.00
Orlando Pent Assembly of God	25.00
Sanford Assembly of God	6.00
GEORGIA Personal Offerings	20.00
Danalsville Calvary A of G	3.00
Macon Assembly of God	3.70
GERMAN BRANCH ASSEMBLIES OF GOD Wisc Milwaukee Bethel Tabernacle	198.87
ILLINOIS Personal Offerings	105.00
Augusta Assembly of God CA	3.40
Bushnell A of G Ch & SS	6.31
Chicago Bethel Temple SS	5.00
Chicago Stone Church	303.00
East St Louis Full Gospel Ch & SS	140.00
Galesburg Calvary Pent Church	2.00
Mt Carmel Pent Mis WM SS Class	13.40
Quincy Bethel Assembly of God	1.00
Rock Island Pent Church	3.81
Savanna Pent Church	3.84
Woodstock Gospel Tabernacle	9.84
INDIANA Personal Offerings	27.25
Hammond F Gos Tab & Inter Girls CI	2.00
New Castle Assembly of God	10.00
New Castle Gospel Mission Ch	10.00
IOWA Personal Offerings	38.50
Clarinda Faith Tabernacle	2.00
Perry Assembly of God	5.09
KANSAS Personal Offerings	11.10
Kansas City Full Gospel Tab Church SS CA & WMC	180.15
Lyons Assembly of God	1.00
Medicine Lodge Lasswell A of G	5.00
Muscotah Assembly of God	8.00
Otis Assembly of God Church	14.50
Topeka North Side A of G	1.31
Waldron Assembly of God SS	15.00
KENTUCKY Personal Offerings	15.00
Carlisle Assembly of God SS	2.50
Mortonville A of G & SS	4.20
LOUISIANA Downsview Pleasant Valley Church	1.50
Lone Pine Assembly of God	2.55
MAINE Personal Offerings	10.00
Monticello Lake Road Church	13.22
MARYLAND Personal Offerings	28.50
Cumberland Assembly of God	44.00
Pasadena Pent Tabernacle SS	10.00
MASSACHUSETTS Personal Offer	113.00
Boston Rus Polish & Ukrainian Ch CA	7.10
MICHIGAN Personal Offerings	77.50
Battle Creek East End Com Center	139.00
Detroit Bethesda Missionary Temple	13.15
Detroit Trinity Gospel Tabernacle	15.15
Honor Sunday School	2.00
Port Huron Assembly of God & SS	78.45
Rapid City By-Way Gospel Tab	11.35
Schoolcraft Assembly of God SS	10.00
MINNESOTA Personal Offerings	54.75
Benson Gospel Tabernacle	25.30
Brainerd Gospel Tabernacle	17.00
Eagle Bend Full Gospel Assembly	12.00
Redwood Falls Assembly of God	23.71
MISSISSIPPI Personal Offerings	5.40
Laurel First Assembly of God	5.15
Laurel Kingstons A of G & SS	30.55
MISSOURI Personal Offerings	55.00
Baleh Assembly of God	4.20
Bardley Assembly of God	7.33
Bell City Assembly of God	1.50
Branson Assembly of God Chapel	4.60
Cape Girardeau A of G SS & CA	6.32
Conway Assembly of God	4.29
Edina Assembly of God	17.12
Elvins Assembly of God SS & CA	10.40
Excelsior Springs A of G	2.00
Golden City Assembly of God SS	2.56
Herculaneum A of G SS & CA	5.00
Ioplin First Assembly of God	46.31
Kansas City Bethel Tabernacle	6.59
Kansas City Blenheim Assembly of God CA Jr & Inter Boys	7.16
Kansas City Full Gospel Tabernacle	60.00
Lexington Gospel Tabernacle	2.50
Marionville A of G Church & SS	1.06
Marshall Assembly of God	6.89
Mexico Assembly of God	8.40

1,000 Sets Free



We are anxious to help you make 1942 an exceptional year in the number you win to your Sunday School, to Christ, and to your church. We have prepared one thousand sets of beautiful large charts. In order to introduce them and help build your Sunday School enrollment we are giving away the first one thousand sets of charts to the first one thousand Schools that subscribe for six or more copies of *Our Sunday School Counsellor*.

Purpose of the Charts

There is a *New Visitors' Chart*, a *New Members' Chart*, and a *New Converts' Chart*. They are nice enough to be prominently displayed on your church walls. On each chart spaces are provided for names of 49 workers. Regular members of your School are asked to bring new visitors to the School, at least one each month, 12 per year. When a worker brings his first visitor, his name is recorded on the *New Visitors' Chart* and for each visitor brought in during 1942 he receives credit on the chart. In Aberdeen, South Dakota one worker brought in 294 visitors in one year.

New Members' Chart

Regular members of your School are asked to win new members, at least one per quarter, four per year. When a worker has won his first member, the worker's name is recorded on the chart and for each member won during 1942 he receives credit on the chart. The Aberdeen workers mentioned above helped add several new members to the School.

New Converts' Chart

Regular members of your School are asked to win new converts to the Lord and to your church, at least one a year. When a worker has won his first convert, the worker's name is recorded on the chart and for each convert he wins during 1942 he receives credit on the chart. On the back side of each chart is printed detailed instructions for operating the charts.

How Will This Affect Your School?

Suppose you have a School of 60 members and only one third of them do just the minimum of winnings. If 20 workers each bring 12 visitors in 1942, that would mean a total of 240 visitors to your School. If 20 of your workers each win 4 new members during 1942, that would mean more than double your membership, by adding 80 to your rolls. If 20 of your workers each win but one convert in 1942, that would add 20 souls, saved and uniting with your School and your church—results equaling a good revival. Will you not write today for your free set of three new Sunday School charts and prayerfully put your members to work for unreached souls? Again, the Aberdeen workers won a number of souls.

Remember, a set of three charts is free on request to one thousand of our Schools subscribing for six or more copies of *Our Sunday School Counsellor*. This is a free introductory offer of the charts.

In addition to the one thousand sets of charts which are given free to our *Counsellor* Schools, other sets are being printed to sell at the regular price of 25c. Any School may order these and should greatly profit by adding to its enrollment. Larger Schools with separate departments may wish to purchase a set of charts for each department.

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Total Amount Reported	\$5,714.26
Home Missions Fund	454.80
Office Expense Fund	57.38
Literature Expense Fund	14.83
Reported Given Direct for Home Missions	356.09
Reported Given Direct to Missionaries	827.02
	1,710.12
Amount Received for Foreign Missions	4,004.14

November 26—28 Inclusive

ALABAMA Personal Offerings	9.50
Ariton Bethel Assembly	1.00
Beaverton Sharon Chapel	2.95
Birmingham (East) Assembly of God	1.39
Crichton A of G SS CA & WMC	65.27
Dothan Full Gospel Tabernacle	5.00
Evergreen Assembly of God	1.00
Evergreen New Hope Assembly of God	1.00
Huntsville Assembly of God SS	2.00
New Brockton Assembly of God	2.10
Phenix City Girard A of G	17.81
Piper-Coleman Assembly of God	1.00

ARIZONA Douglas A of G SS	19.46
(Near) McNary Assembly of God SS	3.50
Phoenix Glad Tid Tab Ladies BC	3.00
Scottsdale Assembly of God	2.50
Williams Assembly of God	10.00
ARKANSAS Personal Offerings	19.25
(Near) Booneville Grayson A of G	5.00
Monticello Assembly of God	6.00
(Near) Paris A of G Union SS	1.64
Parkdale Empire A of G Church	1.30
CALIFORNIA Personal Offerings	269.00
Atwater Full Gospel Tabernacle	60.00
Bellflower Assembly of God	5.00
Fullerton Glad Tid A of G & CA	1.00
Hynes Assembly of God Church	8.07
Lincoln Full Gospel Church	7.00
Livingston Assembly of God	8.55
Los Angeles Ch of The Full Gospel	8.73
Mendota Full Gospel Church	8.73
Monrovia Assembly of God	5.00
Oakland First Pent Church	15.00
Sacramento Bethel Temple	94.24
Salinas Calvary Evangelistic Ch	4.00
San Diego Pentecostal Full Gospel Tab CA & WMC	203.65
Watsonville Full Gos Ch of Pajaro	7.50
Watts Full Gospel Tabernacle	7.50
Whittier Assembly of God SS CI	4.00
COLORADO Personal Offerings	32.20
Boulder Glad Tid Tab A of G	8.79
De Beque Assembly of God	2.00
Denver Revival Tabernacle	22.95
Fort Logan Petersburg Church	12.00
Las Animas Assembly of God	3.50
Miliken Assembly of God	9.00
Ovid Assembly of God	12.25
Snyder Full Gospel Church	10.00
STERLING Assembly of God	5.30
CONNECTICUT Personal Offerings	16.00
Danbury Pent Tab SS & CA	17.67
West Hartford Gospel Tabernacle	170.30
DELAWARE Personal Offerings	18.10
Omar Full Gospel Church	10.00
DIST COLUMBIA Personal Offer	15.00
FLORIDA Personal Offerings	16.40

Poplar Bluff Halloran A of G	1.86
Princeton Assembly of God	2.75
Republic Assembly of God	3.30
St Louis Calvary Gospel Chapel	2.50
Shelbyville Assembly of God	3.00
Springfield Central Assembly of God	473.83
Combined Offerings	5.16
Springfield North Side A of G	29.50
<b>MONTANA</b> Personal Offerings	6.00
Columbus Gospel Tabernacle	1.00
Great Falls A of G Gospel Tab	2.00
Hamilton Full Gospel Mission	17.00
<b>NEBRASKA</b> Personal Offerings	4.04
Bassett A of G Church SS & CA	10.58
Burwell Blake Sunday School	2.70
Naper Assembly of God	4.34
Winnebago Highway Mission & Jr CA	5.00
<b>NEVADA</b> Personal Offerings	69.25
<b>NEW HAMPSHIRE</b> Personal Offer	207.00
Egg Harbor City First Baptist Ch	14.00
Elizabeth Trinity Pent Church	20.00
Emerson Full Gospel Chapel SS & YP	10.00
Pennsville Maranatha Tabernacle	8.00
Scotch Plains Bible Class	10.00
Trenton Gospel Tabernacle & SS	38.00
Union Beach Full Gospel Chapel	17.17
<b>NEW MEXICO</b> Personal Offerings	2.00
Farmington Full Gospel Tabernacle	4.00
Farmington Spanish Assembly of God	1.25
Roswell Asambleia de Dios	7.25
<b>NEW YORK</b> Personal Offerings	190.80
Batavia Gospel Tabernacle	10.00
Brockport Assembly of God	12.52
Cortland Bethel Tabernacle SS	4.58
Crystal Springs Full Gospel Mis SS	11.38
Niagara Falls Revival Center Tab CA	5.00
Schenectady Glad Tid Pent Church	10.00
<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b> Personal Offer	8.00
<b>NORTH DAKOTA</b> Personal Offerings	90.00
Binford Gospel Tabernacle	12.32
Cando Gospel Tabernacle & SS	47.00
Rolette Gospel Tabernacle	8.20
Rugby Gospel Tabernacle	4.00
Tokio Full Gospel Mission	3.06
<b>OHIO</b> Personal Offerings	28.00
Cambridge Assembly of God	12.60
Canton Pent Mission SS	6.00
Chillicothe Everybodys Tabernacle	3.39
Cincinnati First Christian A	133.00
Cleveland Pent Church	1,327.00
Cleveland Pent Church Orchestra	68.00
Dayton Bethel Temple	5.00
East Liverpool Pent Church	16.00
Findlay Assembly of God & CA	43.00
Mansfield Pent Faith Chapel	20.00
Ohio Christ Ambassadors	93.50
Salem Lighthouse Tabernacle	10.79
Tipp City Bethel Tabernacle	15.84
Weathersfield Summit Pent Ch	11.00
Youngstown Highway Tab Dorcas Cl	2.00
<b>OKLAHOMA</b> Personal Offerings	60.10
Barnsdall Assembly of God	5.00
Bartlesville Assembly of God	86.00
Blair Assembly of God Church	6.00
Broken Arrow Assembly of God CA	5.00
Buffalo Assembly of God	5.00
Clebit Assembly of God Ch & SS	8.25
Collinsville Assembly of God	19.50
Fairland Assembly of God	1.85
Fort Cobb Bethel Assembly of God	1.65
Hugo Messer Assembly of God	3.04
Norman A of G Church WMC	3.00
Okmulgee Assembly of God & WMC	53.67
Pawhuska Assembly of God SS	13.60
Reydon Assembly of God	5.00
Sallisaw Assembly of God	1.00
Sayre Assembly of God SS	5.75
Sparks Concord Sunday School	11.75
Turley Assembly of God	7.98
Wilson Assembly of God	10.00
<b>OREGON</b> Personal Offerings	36.00
Coquille A of G Tabernacle	11.50
Coquille Assembly of God Tab WMC	16.16
Culp Creek Assembly of God	5.00
Dayton Full Gospel Assembly & SS	17.96
Drain Assembly of God Ch	5.53
Eugene Assembly of God Tab	6.00
Garibaldi Assembly of God	15.46
Lebanon Assembly of God	22.24
Lebanon Assembly of God SS	18.00
Salem Evan Tab Childrens Church	5.00
Seaside Gospel Tabernacle	6.50
Sheridan Assembly of God	30.20
Tillamook Pentecostal Tabernacle	5.00
Wolf Creek Community Church	15.50
<b>PENNSYLVANIA</b> Personal Offer	186.11
Bangor First Pent Church	23.35
Breimsville Church SS	8.00
Carlisle Ch of Glad Tidings	2.00
Corry First Pent Church	2.00

# Sunday School or Penitentiary

## Which?

*A Welcome*



*That's Sincere!*

Fraternal organizations have their "grips," but none can compare with the hearty handshake and Christian fellowship with men who **know** Christ and love His church. Likely you have shopped around for different sources of soul-satisfaction. Why not visit our Men's Bible Class and meet our fellows at the

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Name of church

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Location

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Name of pastor

"The chief of detectives of a western city once said to a group of twelve hundred men, 'Men, take your boys to Sunday School. Don't send them. Take them or we, the officers of the law, will take them to the penitentiary.' Therefore, the time has come for adults, not only for their own sake, but for the sake of their children or of their own families, to go to church school and take the children with them.

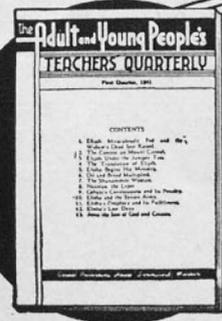
"I once asked a pastor who had a very large church school what he did to build up his school. I knew that he had taken a school with an attendance of 300 and had developed it to a school of 800. His reply was, 'The Men's Bible Class did it. When we have a hundred men regularly in the church school, there are a hundred women who do not have to go home and get dinner for grouchy husbands, so they stay to the school. When a hundred fathers and a hundred mothers are in the church school, they are not away on automobile trips taking the children with them, but bring the families to the school. So that a hundred men in the church school means a hundred additional women in the church school. A hundred men and a hundred women regularly in the school will bring with them as many more young people and children.'"

The above was copied from the book "Increasing Sunday School Attendance," by Albert H. Gage, price \$1.00. After reading Mr. Gage's statement above we felt impressed to do something more to help our Sunday School friends win more men.

Our picture at left, in post card size, a Men's Invitation card. You may purchase them, 60c per 100, \$2.50 per 500, \$4.00 per 1000. We can imprint them with the name and address of your church and your pastor's name for \$1.50 extra per 1000. We cannot imprint orders less than 1000. The reverse side of the card is arranged for post card. You can mail or hand these cards out, according to the need.

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Glen Richey Pent Assembly	2.00	Seranton Pent A of G & SS	212.00	<b>VIRGINIA</b> Personal Offerings	13.00
Hamburg Full Gospel Tab SS	6.00	Shrewsbury Full Gospel Church	14.00	Ashland Calvary Pent Tab	8.50
Hamburg Full Gospel Tab YP	24.00	Stroudsburg Pent Highway Mission	8.38	Forksville Olivet Pent Ch	5.00
Jeannette First Pent Ch & CA	110.44	Trafford Gospel Tabernacle	125.34	Hickory Grove Full Gospel Ch & SS	2.41
Lake Ariel First Pent Church	28.06	Waynesboro Calvary Tabernacle	10.00	<b>WASHINGTON</b> Personal Offerings	69.21
Lebanon First Evangelical Cong Ch		Wrightsville Pentecostal Church	20.00	Auburn Full Gospel SS & WMS	101.00
Girls Bible Class	30.00	<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b> Personal Offer	2.00	Centralia Assembly of God	252.03
Manns Choice Calvary Pent Church	17.03	Greenville First Assembly of God	11.59	Everett Bethany Temple	5.00
Marietta Maranatha Chapel	18.00	Greenville Southside Assembly	4.55	Kingston Gospel Tabernacle	61.50
Mount Union First Pent Church	10.00	<b>SOUTH DAKOTA</b> Personal Offerings	41.00	Molson Full Gospel Assembly	2.00
New Castle First Pent Church	95.60	<b>TEXAS</b> Personal Offerings	30.50	Omak Full Gospel Assembly	10.00
New Kensington Gospel Tabernacle	93.77	Alba Gunter Assembly of God	5.00	Randle Assembly of God	10.10
Philadelphia Bethel Pent Church	5.00	Breckenridge A of G SS & WMC	12.30	Renton Assembly of God	5.00
Philadelphia Bethel Tab Prayer Group	15.50	Cleveland Assembly of God	7.00	Rice Pleasant Valley A of G SS	17.60
Quakertown A of G SS & CA	15.00	Daisetta Assembly of God	6.26	Rochester Assembly of God	2.00
Roaring Springs Peoples Tab	5.00	Dallas Bethel Tem Faithful Work Cl	10.00	Seattle Campbell Hill SS	3.00
		Dallas Love Field Assembly of God	5.00	Shelton Assembly of God Mission	7.68
		Fairfield Bethel Assembly	3.00	Tacoma Pent Assembly of God	5.00
		Fort Worth Fostepco Heights A of G	16.00	Winlock Assembly of God	10.00
		Galveston First Assembly of God	47.61	Tekoa Assembly of God	5.00
		Genoa Assembly of God WMC	3.00	<b>WEST VIRGINIA</b> Personal Offerings	1.00
		Greenville Assembly of God SS	15.00	Hotchkiss Assembly of God	1.00
		Hereford Assembly of God SS	12.81	<b>WISCONSIN</b> Personal Offerings	89.00
		Highlands Assembly of God SS	32.17	Appleton Gospel Temple	70.91
		Highlands Assembly of God WMC	8.00	Berlin Gospel Tabernacle	7.75
		Houston Central Assembly of God Ch & Love Sisters SS Cl	19.00	Milwaukee Polish Full Gospel Ch	10.00
		Houston Cen Assembly of God WMC	5.00	Portage Gospel Tabernacle	25.00
		Houston Heights Assembly of God	2.00	Sheboygan Gospel Tabernacle	11.50
		Houston Magnolia Park Assembly of God SS CA & WMC	63.65	White Lake Assembly of God	25.32
		Hountsville Assembly of God Church	9.38	<b>WYOMING</b> Personal Offerings	6.00
		Irving Shady Grove Assembly of God	9.00	Glenrock Assembly of God	3.30
		Los Fresnos A of G Church	3.50	<b>CANADA</b> Personal Offerings	3.00
		(Near) Lufkin Clawson A of G	6.00	<b>FOREIGN</b> Hawaii Hilo Glad Tidings	
		McAllen A of G Church & SS	2.00	Assembly & SS	6.81
		Milford Assembly of God	2.00	<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>	132.50
		Needmore Assembly of God	3.70	Total Amount Reported	9,781.03
		Nocona Assembly of God	2.7	Home Mission Fund	320.16
		Odessa Calvary Tabernacle SS	2.00	Office Expense Fund	163.97
		O'Donnell First A of G	1.00	Literature Expense Fund	9.25
		Pelly Assembly of God	29.00	Reported Given Direct for	
		Port Acres A of G	2.80	Home Missions	146.74
		Reklaw Assembly of God SS	1.00	Reported Given Direct to	
		San Antonio Gov Hill A of G Tab	15.00	Missionaries	1,314.23 1,954.35
		Seabrook Assembly of God	9.00	Amount Received for For-	
		Slaton Assembly of God	4.77	ign Missions	7,826.68
		Snyder Assembly of God	4.00	Amount Previously Reported	49,769.79
		Whitt Assembly of God	5.49	Amount Received for For-	
		Winnboro Harmony A of G	2.00	ign Missions This Month	57,596.47
		Wylie Cliff Assembly of God	1.50		



Spiritual Expositions

by MYER PEARLMAN and others

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GENERAL COUNCIL FELLOWSHIP

The following names were added to the General Council ministerial list during the month of November, 1941.

- Baker, James, Clanton, Ala.
- Boatright, Henry E., Laird Hill, Tex. (Reinstated)
- Bowen, Robert A., Excel, Ala.
- Buntin, Marshall H., Blackwell, Okla. (Reinstated)
- Broadhead, Lyman, Needham, Ala.
- Connell, Sam, Clanton, Ala.
- Coxe, Esther D., Mobile, Ala.
- Emberson, Glen F., Enfield, N. H.
- Fierro, Robert F., San Jose, Calif.
- Foster, William P., Ripon, Wis.
- Gorce, Mrs. Clyde C., Mobile, Ala.
- Greenaway, Charles E., Talladega, Ala.
- Greenaway, Mary Louise (Mrs. C. E.), Talladega, Ala.
- Harris, Elbert R., Huntsville, Ala.
- Hinson, Gladys, Monette, Ark.
- Hughen, Pauline (Mrs. J. Wesley), Crichton, Ala.
- Jones, E. Jeannette, Orange, Calif.
- Kooistra, Frank, Gardena, Calif. (Reinstated)
- Lowery, Glyn, Milton, Fla.
- Mears, Harry C., Pryor, Okla. (Reinstated)
- Medford, Harry S., Stuart, Okla. (Reinstated)
- Medford, Lee F., Konawa, Okla. (Reinstated)
- Murillo, Martin T., El Paso, Tex.
- Price, Laranzo D., Fayetteville, Ark.
- Rasmussen, George, Lakota, N. Dak.
- Rodgers, Earl, War Eagle, Ark.
- Sheppard, Maisie, Meredith, N. H.
- Smith, Jack C., Bay Minnette, Ala.
- Stanley, Ansel L., Idabel, Okla. (Reinstated)
- Story, F. G. M., South Pasadena, Calif. (Transferred from Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada)
- Tucker, Josiah, Grass Valley, Calif.
- Turner, Elmore B., Warrenton, Mo. (Reinstated)
- Walker, Donald L., West Fork, Ark.
- Williams, Doc V., Excel, Ala.

The following names were removed from the General Council ministerial list during the month of November, 1941.

- Dowling, William D., Hot Springs, Ark. (Dropped)
- Grant, Charles R., Cresaptown, Md. (Dropped)
- Kent, John M., Hot Springs, Ark. (Dropped)
- McMillan, Thomas E., Richland Center, Wis. (Deceased)
- Peirce, Willard C., Santa Clara, Calif. (Transferred to Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada)
- Peirce, Christine K. (Mrs. W. C.), Santa Clara, Calif. (Transferred to Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada)
- Wilson, Henderson, Willowbrook, Calif. (Deceased)

MISSIONARY PRAYER REQUESTS

Feloka, Liberia—We praise the Lord for saving souls and for sending us helpers in our Bible School and station work. Pray that those who are hearing the Word will become strong Christians and leaders in their communities. Also pray that sickness shall be kept away from us.—Anna Stafsholt.

Freetown, Sierra Leone—Continue to pray that God will send a Holy Spirit revival and save souls.—John Kennedy.

Chupra, India—Pray for those who are interested in the gospel. We covet your prayers that God will give us wisdom as we labor for Him.—Martha Schoonmaker.

Darjeeling, India—Pray that God will help us to learn the language quickly and that He will help us to open a work among the hill people.—Nelson J. Miller.

Jaffna, Ceylon—Pray for the healing and salvation of a high caste Hindu man who is quite old and has had a paralytic stroke. Pray for a young man who has given up Buddhism but still does not believe in God. He is reading the Bible and needs prayer that Christ will be re-

vealed to him. Pray that the new converts will grow spiritually and that we shall have a mighty outpouring of God's Spirit. Also pray that God will supply the needed money for a car.—Rosa M. Reineker.

La Habana, Cuba—Pray that the new missionaries will learn the language quickly. Some of our workers have been sick. Please pray that they will be strengthened for their work. Pray that the Lord's blessing will be upon the special efforts which are being put forth to reach new places. Also pray that we will have a revival and that believers will be baptized in the Holy Spirit.—Louie W. Stokes.

Ribeirao Preto, Brazil—Pray that we will receive continued strength and health to work for Christ. Pray that souls will be saved and that the native workers will be led of the Lord in all things. Pray that God will call another evangelist into the ministry and that he will be supported.—Theodore Stohr.

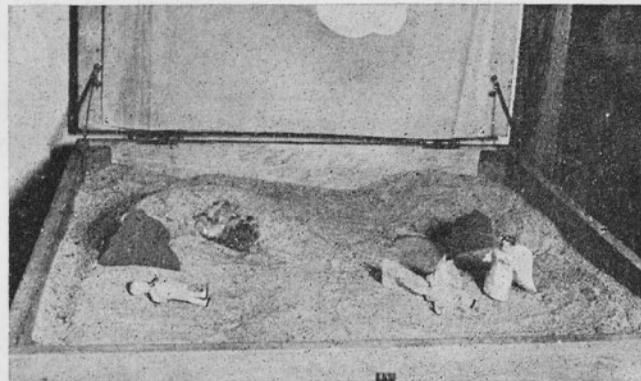
Latin American Bible Institute—Pray for the students who do not have the Baptism.—Laura Kritz.

Pray that God's blessing will be upon the New Testaments and tracts which have been distributed.—J. M. Perkins.

● Another page from our new **Beginner Teacher**

**BEFORE THE STORY**

At the back of your sand table, make a little round pool. (In the illustration it is just to the left of the bush at the right back of the table.) Use one of the women that you used last Sunday — also a boy doll, dressed with a scrap of cloth fastened up over one shoulder.



The angel wears a plain white gown with white paper wings (see wing pattern) stitched to the back of her dress. Ishmael lies on the sand beside a bush to the left of the board. Hagar sits at the right with her back to Ishmael, the angel standing beside her. Use rocks and bushes (as you did last Sunday) and make the ground rolling.

**BIBLE STORY**

Long ago, in God's country there lived a woman named Hagar (27). Ishmael (28) was her little boy. And Hagar loved him—just like your mother loves you.

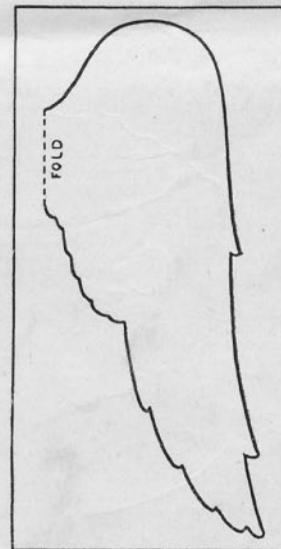
One day Hagar and Ishmael started out on a journey. Hagar knew that by and by they would be very hungry. So she took some bread (30). And she knew they'd be thirsty too. So she took a bottle of water (29).

Very early in the morning Hagar and Ishmael started. They walked and walked and walked. By and by the sun (5) rose high in the sky. How hot it was! "Mother," Ishmael probably said, "please give me a drink." So Hagar gave him a drink from her bottle. Before long Ishmael was thirsty again. "Mother," he probably said, "please give me another drink." So Hagar gave him another drink. And another—and another.

On and on they walked. Hotter and hotter grew the sun. At last Ishmael asked for another drink. And what do you suppose had happened? The water in the bottle was all gone! Oh! oh! oh! What should they do?

Probably Hagar and Ishmael hunted and hunted for more water. But they couldn't find a single drop. By and by Ishmael was too tired and thirsty to walk. Then Hagar told him to lie down (28a) by a bush and rest.

How sad Hagar was (27a)! Off she went by herself and sat down (31).



27. Hagar. 28. Ishmael. 30. Bread. 29. Bottle of Water. 5. Sun. 28a Ishmael—remove. 24. Ishmael Sleeping. 27a. Hagar—remove. 31. Hagar Weeping—to the right. 4. God. 45. Angel. 32. Well of Water.