

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



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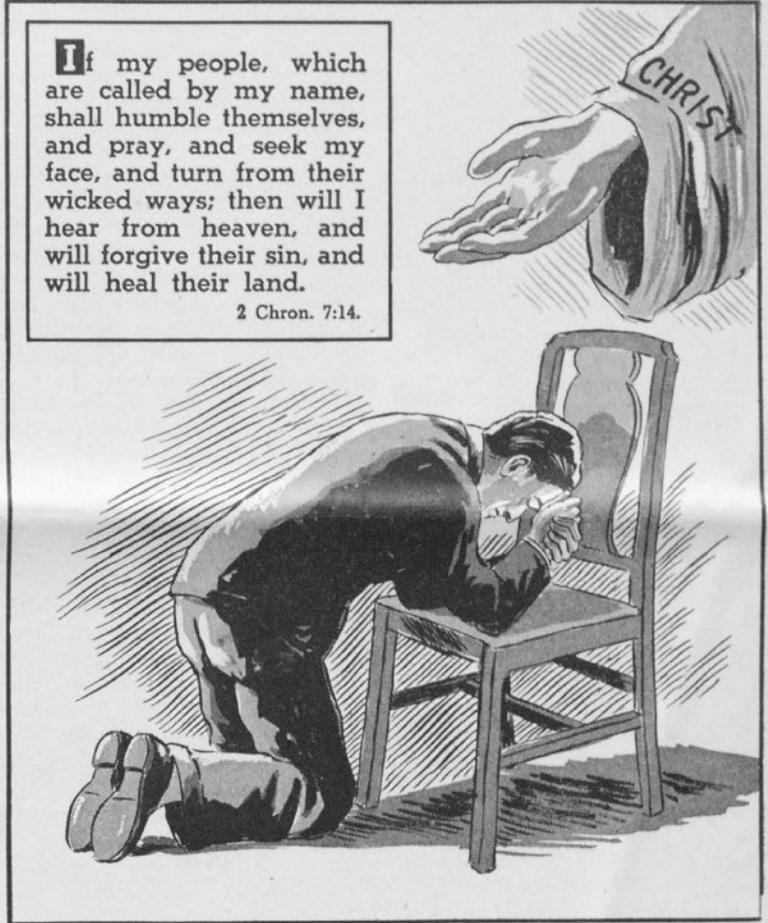
A CALL TO ARMS



A CALL TO PRAYER

If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

2 Chron. 7:14.



Pray Ye

Ernest S. Williams

TO US the promise has been given, "Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you." To the Christian access has been made "into the holiest by the blood of Jesus." With these promises we have boldness to enter into the holiest, to draw so near to God as to be in the consciousness of His presence. It is when we get there that we are able to "pray in the Spirit" "the effectual, fervent prayer" that accomplishes much.

If ever there was a time when fervent Spirit-born prayer was needed, it is now. One would almost think the red horse of the Apocalypse had gone forth to take peace from the earth. If we are entering the birth throes of the new creation,

we need to pray, "Thy kingdom come." If the coming of Christ is immediately before us, our prayer should be, "Even so come, Lord Jesus."

We know that "we know not what we should pray for as we ought." We must have the Spirit to "make intercession for the saints according to the will of God."

The first week in January has been set apart by the Assemblies of God in the United States and by brethren of like precious faith in England, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and elsewhere as a week of special prayer in behalf of the church and the world. We are happy to learn that other Christian bodies also have set apart that same period for supplication before God.

We urge that our churches be open, that, as much as possible, the saints gather together, and where they cannot unite in one place that they, as individuals, give as much time and thought to prayer as possible.

Even when working we may have our hearts raised in prayer. May we look to

God for that close place with Him out of which may come soul burden and Spirit-born prayer.

We have the right to expect answer to prayer in revival to the people of God, in salvation to the lost; and in a general disposition on the part of mankind to remember and reverence God. Moving of the Spirit of God upon the hearts of men can change them from ferocity to lamb-like meekness. We and the nations are in the hands of God. May we humble ourselves, search our own hearts, and if any evil way is found in us, put it away that we might be in a spiritual place where we can receive Spirit-born prayer. It is out of such prayer that revivals have come, Satan has been put to confusion, the work of God advanced, and even wars made to cease.

We will pray for our rulers upon whom such a heavy load rests at this time, for the church, and for the world. "The effectual, fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." "Men ought always to pray and not to faint."

Some Suggestions for the Week of Prayer

January 4 to 11, 1942

THERE is a great blessing in united intercession. We read in Acts 4 that when Peter and John were released from custody they went "to their own company." In that prayer service all the saints lifted up their voice to God with one accord. Did the Lord answer their united cry for boldness in witnessing, for healing, for signs and wonders? He did, abundantly. He gave great power, great grace, liberality.

We are agreed to unite on January 4 to 11 in eight days of united intercession. We are all conscious of living in days of great crises, and great judgments. We are reminded of the words of Isaiah, "Hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure." It seems as if all the forces of the devil are let loose on the earth these days. But the Lord is still on the throne and we are confident that the prophet's words will soon be fulfilled, "The mean man shall be brought down, and the mighty man shall be humbled, and the eyes of the lofty shall be humbled: but the Lord of hosts shall be exalted in judgment, and God that is holy shall be sanctified in righteousness." Isaiah 5:15, 16.

May we make a few suggestions to those who will be in charge of the prayer gatherings? First, be much in prayer yourself before going to meeting. In the hours of quiet waiting on God He will impress you with many needs. Make a note of these. In prayer meeting you can say (when it is true), "The Lord has impressed me strongly that we should pray for so-and-so. Can we all get under the burden for this?"

Sometimes you will be led to call on one to pray, saying, "Brother A, will you take this need to the Lord in prayer, and we will all unite in our heart with you and say Amen to your petition." Or you will know someone who has a special burden on their heart and you will say, "I know B is greatly burdened for the salvation of the children (or whatever her burden may be). We will ask her to lead us in prayer, and we will all unite with her."

At other times you may be led to say, "The promise is that if two shall agree together as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be granted; and how much more so when a whole united company agree together that God will send a revival, and make request for the same? Let us lift up our hearts and voices in unison in a great cry for God to send revival."

By far the best textbook on prayer is the Bible itself. When waiting on the Lord before going to the prayer meeting, always have your Bible with you. All through the Word you will find wonderful prayers given by the Spirit of God to holy men of old, and they are recorded for our inspiration. Take, for instance, the prayer of Jabez as recorded in 1 Chron. 4:10: "Oh that Thou wouldest bless me,

and that Thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me!" God was pleased with this prayer and we read that He "granted him that which he requested." The leader will find that as all the saints unite in a petition like this they will be greatly blessed.

In the Psalms we find hundreds of Spirit-given prayers, as well as volumes of praise and thanksgiving. The experiences of David, Asaph, and others who wrote these Psalms are very much like our own, and we find the words as the Spirit of God gave them exactly express, better than any words of our own can, the inner longings of our hearts.

Dr. Max Reich reminds us that the Psalms largely express the inner prayer and praise life of the Son of God. If we are in Christ and Christ is in us, we shall find the language of the Psalms expressing the cry and longing of our own inner life.

Some Psalms like the 25th, 51st, 90th, 109th, 140th and 143rd are practically all prayers. You will discover more than seventy prayers in Psalm 119 alone. The prayer leader can get the saints to turn to these prayers and can encourage them to express their longings in the language given us by the Spirit. Take time to let them make these petitions not merely the words of their lips but the expressed desire of their hearts. Be sure you take one petition at a time, all uniting in that special petition. Then do not forget when making your request known, to accompany the same with thanksgiving. Let time be given to accept in childlike faith the answer to each request.

In times past some of us have started a prayer meeting with three or four songs and then have had a thirty minute sermon

hours will fly like two minutes, and to devote an all night to prayer will not seem to be giving too much time, there is so much for which we should pray.

Evan Roberts, whom God raised up as a leader in the Welsh revival, learned to definitely focus prayers on different objects. He tells us that when all the saints focused their prayers and were very definite in their requests for certain things, invariably they received the petition they asked of the Lord.

May we suggest some definite objects on which we believe we should focus in this coming week of prayer? You will notice that each suggestion has a Spiritual basis. If the leader of the meeting will read the Scriptures it will enable the saints to pray in faith, knowing that they are praying according to the will of God, and "this is the confidence that we have in Him, that, if we ask any thing according to His will, He heareth us: and if we know that He hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him." 1 John 5:14, 15.

Let us first of all remember the request to pray for all men, and for all in authority. 1 Tim. 2:1-8.

Let us pray for our land. 2 Chron. 7:14.

Let us pray for all the saints. Eph. 6:18. In these days of great conflict we need to pray for every regiment in the Lord's army, and especially for the generals. Eph. 6:19.

Let us unite in prayer for one accordness. John 17:11-21; Psalm 133; Act. 2:1; 2 Chron. 5:11-14.

Let us pray for a revival of holiness, that all the children of God may be holy. 1 Thess. 5:23; 1 Peter 1:16.

That the love of the saints may abound. Phil. 1:9; Mark 12:30, 31.

That all the children of God may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding. Col. 1:9-12.

That we all may be strong in the Lord, that Christ may dwell in our hearts by faith, and that we may comprehend His love and be filled with all His fulness. Eph. 3:16-21.

When we remember that because iniquity is abounding the love of many is waxing cold, let us not forget the Master's word to pray that we may be accounted worthy to escape all these things, and to stand before the Son of man. Luke 21:36.

Let us definitely pray for all of God's leaders, for ministers are a special target for the enemy. Heb. 13:7.

Let us also pray for the thrusting forth of laborers. Even though in these days it may be difficult for us to send missionaries to many foreign lands, God can raise up and thrust forth laborers from among the natives in every heathen land. Luke 10:2. Let us not forget to pray for our missionaries in these days of world travail.

Above all, let us pray for the outpoured

Lord, Send Rain!

"He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass: as showers that water the earth." Psalm 72:6.

O Lord, send rain!

The fields and rolling hills are brown and parched and dry;

The leafy things are sending forth their fervent cry

For cooling draughts which only Thou, Lord, canst supply.

Oh, send Thy rain!

We need Thy rain!

Our thirsty hearts are dry and parched and needy, too.

Their emptiness cries out to Thee, "Flood us anew;

We thirst for Thee. O Master, drench us through and through

With Thy deep rain!"

—A. Adele Flower

on prayer. After this all knelt for a while but we have been without any clear, definite objects in mind on which to focus our prayer.

But our deep conviction today is that it is better to give all the time of prayer meeting to prayer, rather than to devote much time to singing and sermons. You will find in Spirit-directed prayer meetings that two

Spirit, for we are given definite command to pray for rain in the time of the latter rain. Zech. 10:1; Psalm 72:6; Psalm 68:9; Ezek. 34:26.

In every meeting we should remember to pray for revival. Note the prayer of Hab. 3:2: "O Lord, revive Thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy."

The Apostle Paul wrote, "My heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved." Rom. 10:1. Let us pray continually for Jewry. Isaiah 62:6, 7; Psalm 122:6.

During each day of our special week of prayer, let us definitely pray for the children in our homes, our schools, and for the millions unevangelized throughout this country and other lands. Let us ask God to put the burden of child evangelism on a great many in these days. Pray for all boys and girls on the road to ruin.

Every church deplors the fact that so many youth of high school age drift away from both Sunday School and church. The world is making a great bid for our youth. Let us pray for them daily. Let us also pray for all young men in the army, navy and air force. Joel 2:28; Eccles. 11:9.

Let us definitely pray each day for those in prison and the many now in internment camps. Pray for the many prisoners of war who are being given Gospels and tracts. Heb. 13:3.

These are just a few suggestions, but each individual has his own particular burden. Do not mind if you make many of these petitions each day in this prayer revival. The saints can be encouraged to make their personal requests and each request can be prayed for individually.

Let us ask great things and let us expect great things. There is a prayer in Psalm 72:19 that it may be well for us to make continually these days: "Let the whole earth be filled with His glory; Amen, and Amen."

It was suggested that this should be a week of prayer and *fasting*. We recently received a letter from a brother who states that he finds it difficult to fast, as his body is somewhat frail. This brother thought the call was to a complete abstinence from all food for the whole week. This is not necessary. Many a time people can pray much better when they fast, and a number can testify that they have been physically benefited through fasting. But there are others who are of a nervous make-up who can do better praying after they have had some food. To such we recommend the kind of fasting spoken of in Dan. 10:3, "I ate no pleasant bread." This suggests the putting away of all self-indulgence in eating. The Lord told Ezekiel to eat meat by weight and drink water by measure. Ezek. 4:10, 11. There was no self-indulgence there. That prophet's whole life was one of sacrifice. The Master's life was also one of intense sacrifice. Let us seek to follow closely in the Master's steps.—S. H. F.

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An ounce of personal experience is worth a ton of borrowed theology.—T. H. Darlow.

Epaphras: The Prayer Warrior

Arne Vick

AMONG the many brethren that labored at various times with the Apostle Paul it appears that none was more highly esteemed than the man called Epaphras. Such revealing titles as "dear fellow servant" and "faithful minister of Christ" (Col. 1:7), are ascribed to him, indicating that he was indeed a choice Christian character. Although little, if anything, is known of his pulpit ability or public ministry, there is one phase of spiritual ministry in which he obviously excelled, namely, that of *prayer*.

In writing of him to the Colossian church Paul says, "I bear him record that he hath a *great zeal* for you," and from the context it appears that that zeal found its most effective outlet in *triumphant prayer*. Paul's tribute to the prayer life of Epaphras reveals three distinct aspects of his *manner* of prayer. It is clear, first of all, that his was not an "off and on"—"now and then" sporadic sort of praying, but rather he prayed "*always*." This implies *constance* and *importunity*.

How earnestly Jesus tried to impress upon His disciples the necessity of *importunity* in prayer. The basic and outstanding teaching of both the parable of the Unjust Judge and the Widow and that of the Man coming at Midnight seeking bread for his friend is to point out that neither the widow nor the man needing bread would have received that for which they sought had they not *doggedly, tenaciously* and *persistently* pressed their petitions in the face of seeming denial. This does not mean that by importunity in prayer we are to overcome God's reluctance or that by nagging persuasion we are to prevail over His indifference to our cry. Rather it is the test whereby is revealed the true *measure* of our *faith* and the *depth* of our *desire*.

It is further stated of Epaphras that he "*labored fervently*" in prayer. This is a type of prayer far removed from the merely formal recitation of words or repetition of habitual phrases. This is prayer with *intensity*, with *feeling*, with *fire*.

Surely lukewarmness in prayer is as despicable and unacceptable to God as in any other phase of Christian experience. If we do not *feel* our prayers sufficiently to make us *fervent* in offering them there is grave doubt as to their effectiveness. It is "the effectual, *fervent* prayer of a righteous man" that *availeth* much.

There is sometimes found among certain believers a tendency to frown upon those who become truly exercised in prayer by the power of the Spirit. In defence of their own formal manner in prayer they contend that "the struggles and efforts

of the flesh do not get us anywhere in prayer." That, of course, is true. But they fail to see that when a person's *spirit* is truly stirred the fact is bound to be manifested to some extent in the physical.

We need only to go back to Gethsemane to see this. Such words as, "My soul is exceeding sorrowful," reveal the *inner spiritual* burden; but the words "and His sweat was as it were, great drops of blood" show how great was that *burden's effect* upon the *physical*. How suggestive of increasing *fervor* and *intensity* is the statement, "And being in an agony He prayed *more earnestly*."

That the prayer life of Jesus was one of spiritual intensity is further shown by the statement concerning Him in Heb. 5:7: "Who in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications with *strong crying* and *tears* . . . and was heard." This is not to defend mere noise or physical exertion as such, but rather to point out the folly of expecting red-hot revivals to be born in formal and lukewarm prayer rooms.

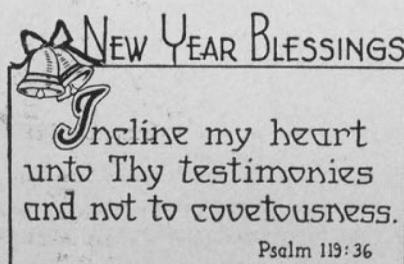
It is clear that the prayers of the Bible that reached the throne and brought an answer were characteristically *fervent*. When Ezra learned of the sinfulness of Israel in intermarrying with the heathen nations, he gave himself to prayer, the nature of which is shown in Ezra 10:1 "Now when Ezra had *prayed* and when he had *confessed, weeping* and casting himself down before the house of God . . . the people wept very sore." There was obviously such fire and power in his prayer that it touched the people as well as God and paved the way for the restitution and reform movement that followed.

When Nehemiah heard the report of the desolate condition of Jerusalem, his reaction is given us in his own words. Neh. 1:4. "When I heard these words, I sat down and *wept* and mourned certain days, and *fasted* and *prayed*." And who would deny that the subsequent restoration of Jerusalem under Nehemiah, both spiritual and material, could be largely attributed to that intense and prolonged season of prayer at the beginning?

And surely Daniel's rigid abstinence and mourning spirit for three weeks (Dan. 10:2, 3) bespeak great depth of feeling and intensity of spirit in his pursuit of a clearer knowledge of the purposes of God. These are but three out of a host of Bible witnesses to the importance of *fervor* in prayer.

Moreover, it is obvious that when Epaphras prayed he did not, figuratively speaking, flit as a bird from bush to bush but there was *definite aim* and *specific objective* to his petitions, for it is said he prayed, "THAT . . . they may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God." Granting that all prayer is not of the same nature or purpose, as it may be classified as supplication, intercession and thanksgiving, it may still be said that prayer that is not *definite* receives but little in return.

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A Prophet's Prayers

And Elijah went up to the top of Carmel; and he cast himself down upon the earth and put his face between his knees.

And said to his servant, Go up now, look. . . 1 Kings 18:41-46.

THIS short passage of Scripture gives us an insight into the prayer life of that great man of God, Elijah. It seems that for a little time the veil is removed, and we are able to learn something of the secret that gave one man power to move a nation, to close the heavens or open them according to his will.

"Elijah went up. . . ." Prayer is a going up, an ascent of the spirit above the temporal and earthly into the heavenly and eternal. It is a rising to tread the heavenly courts to claim audience of the King of kings. The holiest and loftiest aspirations that have entered human minds have been given birth in prayer. Men of prayer are ever noted for their high ideals; their life of intercession has elevated them above the sordid realm of self-seeking, and they revel in thoughts of God, and of good to others.

Prayer is the means by which we rise above our trials and difficulties. When temptations gather, we may take the eagle wings of prayer, and soar beyond the reach of all evil. King Ahab "rose up to eat and drink"—he sought ease from his troubles in the pleasures of sense; he rose, but no higher than a table of self-gratification. How happy are Christians who need not the doubtful help of worldly pleasures, but find in their Lord, through prayer, full satisfaction of soul! Ahab's aspirations were consummated in a banquet, but Elijah aspired to heaven itself, there to enjoy communion with God, and to intercede for others. Let prevailing prayer be our aspiration. Ours not to seek pleasure or to court ambition, but to pray until we become ministers of grace and power to those who are in need.

True prayer requires a heart removed from earthly distractions. The "closet" and "shut door," of which the Lord Jesus spoke, reveal the need of a world shut out and a heart shut in with God. Thus in the quietness of His presence the heart communes with its Lord. It is good to give ourselves time to sense the Lord's presence when we pray. The rush and toil of everyday life is not conducive to true worship. To wait in silence before the Lord until the fragrance of His nearness fills the soul and until every striving thought is hushed and troublesome doubts are stilled, is often a necessary prelude to fellowship with the Saviour.

"Elijah went up," and the rain came down. Precious thought! There is a correspondence between the blessing that comes down and the prayer that ascends. If the wilderness is to become a fruitful place, and the parched ground a pool of water, we *must* pray. The great need for today is not more method or even more effort, but more prayer. Prayer gives power to the humblest action, and makes effective the preaching of the Gospel. It nerves the arm of the warrior for

fight, it steels his heart for conflict. It strikes fear in the minds of our spiritual foes, and brings confusion to the powers of darkness—wicked spirits in heavenly places.

Prayer changes things
And blessing brings
When all is dark and dreary;
It climbs the steeps,
It courage keeps,
Pray then, and be not weary.

Prayer is not always easy; sometimes it is an agony of conflict. Here we see Elijah casting himself to the ground and putting his face between his knees. He bows himself under the burden of prayer and travails for deliverance. He is at home upon his knees. We see him hunched up, with muscles taut and every nerve tense. No movement is seen, except perhaps the heaving of his shoulders as he breathes a mighty sigh. No sound escapes his lips; his petition is too strong for words. But God can see his heart, and there burns one great request—RAIN. If we draw nearer we may see the beads of perspiration forming on his brow, and beginning to trickle down to the ground. "He prayed earnestly." James 5:17. He means business. His whole heart is absorbed in his prayer, his mind is filled with it, his being utters one request—it is for rain.

What a contrast between his public petition earlier in the chapter, and this example of his private intercession! When before the multitude he prayed audibly, briefly, and to the point, and his prayer brought down the blessing of God. But in private he prays on and on until he gets what he wants. The one has a calm serenity about it, the other a striving, an agony of soul. It appears that he prayed things through in private, and his public prayers were a triumphant climax to the fight that had been thus fought and won. May we seek to follow his example! Spurgeon said that the reason people prayed so long in public was that they prayed so little in private. Elijah, at least, cannot be included in this class; his public

prayer was ideal. We should measure prayer by its depth rather than its length.

Elijah prayed the prayer of faith. Before he went to pray he said, "There is a sound of abundance of rain." He *knew* God would answer before he ascended the mount. Much of our time is spent in praying our doubts away. What blessed results might follow our intercession if we could begin as Elijah did! We sometimes may wonder how long we should pray for anything. Elijah prayed until he saw a little cloud. We, then, should pray until we see our desire beginning to come to pass.

He not only prayed, he watched. Seven times his servant looked for the answer; he watched until he saw it coming. We need to pray and watch, as well as "watch and pray." Like those who prayed for Peter's release, we can hardly believe, sometimes, when the answer *does* come. But faith is ever on the look-out, and quickly recognizes the hand of God in answering our petition.

Elijah's faith was imperturbable. Had we been in his position, the young man's "Nothing!" might have filled us with dismay; but Elijah prayed on. He took the silence of God as a challenge to further intercession. He prayed until the arm of God was moved. He prayed until nature responded. He prayed until his answer was seen.

We see the prophet rise wearily to his feet. He has spent himself in prayer. He staggers to the cave-mouth and gives command to his servant concerning Ahab. The young man hesitates to leave his master thus, but in obedience goes. A mighty change begins to come over Elijah. His face brightens, his form stiffens, he stands alert and strong—the hand of the Lord is upon him. He who emptied himself is filled, he who poured out his strength in prayer is quickened. He girds up his loins and racing down the hillside, speeds before the chariot of Ahab to Jezreel. Thus is prayer a restorer of strength: though it costs a lot, it brings its reward.

Teach us, O Lord, to pray, that prophet-like we may in time of deepest need to Thee for blessing plead. O grant us faith that claims Thy Word, and importunateness that WILL be heard, that we may know the joy of answered prayer, that blessing may abound for all to share. Thus shall Thy saints be satisfied, and Thy blest name be glorified.

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Studies in the Life of Prayer

As Experienced by Many

We will give ourselves to prayer. Acts 6:4.

There are a great many people in these days who are so active in what they suppose to be the service of God that they do not seem to have time to settle. They do not seem to have the time to take root and bury themselves below the surface, out of sight. The grandest saints that have ever lived have always taken time to settle. I remember one saint who always prayed two hours a day, and if he had an extra heavy day's work he prayed four hours instead of two, but nowadays if we have an extra day's work we sometimes forget to pray at all. We are so active and so busy, and there is so much to do, and so much fuss and hum that we have hardly time to get on our knees and wait for something to happen. But it would be good for us to stop and get on our knees and stay until something comes.—Seth Rees.

In your prayer, above everything else beware of limiting God, not only by unbelief, but by fancying that you know what He can do. Expect the unexpected things, above all that we ask or think.—Andrew Murray.

True prayer will achieve just as much as it costs us. It is the little further that counts. *He went a little further and prayed the same words.* The ministry of intercession is a great battlefield. We need the whole armor of God for we wrestle in the trenches against all the powers of darkness. True prayer sets in motion divine forces, and restrains evil forces, in a way we shall never understand until we stand in the kingdom of light.—Samuel M. Zwemer.

The man of prayer belongs to two worlds, and the prayerless man to only one. It is the way the Master went. Should not the servant tread it still? Habitual prayer confers decision on the wavering, energy on the listless, calmness to the distraught, and altruism to the selfish.—James Hastings.

"O that Thou wouldest rend the heavens and come down! Manifest Thyself unto us. If Jesus of Nazareth be the Messiah, manifest it unto us!"—A Jewish Rabbi in Brooklyn, recently, in prayer.

"All God's giants have been weak men who did great things for God because they reckoned on His being with them."—Hudson Taylor.

There is hardly ever a complete silence in the soul. God is whispering to us well nigh incessantly. Whenever the sounds of the world die out in the soul, or sink low, then we hear the whisperings of God.—F. W. Faber.

It is no loss of time to pray. Many think it is chiefly, or wholly, lost time. They are so full of business, they say, and assume that prayer will spoil their business. I tell you that your business will go all the better for much prayer. Are you studying? It is no loss of time to pray, as I know well by my own experience.—Chas. G. Finney.

God's children should pray. They should cry day and night unto Him. God hears every one of your cries in the busy hour of

the daytime and in the lonely watches of the night. If the veil of the world's activities were lifted, how much we should find done in answer to prayers of God's children. Give yourself to prayer. If you do not pray, God will probably lay you aside from your ministry, as He did me, to teach you to pray.—Robert McChyne.

The potency of prayer hath subdued the strength of fire; bridled the rage of lions; hushed anarchy to rest; extinguished wars; appeased the elements; expelled demons; burst the chains of death; expanded the gates of heaven; assuaged diseases; rescued cities from destruction; stayed the sun in its course, and arrested the progress of the thunderbolt. Prayer is an all-efficient panoply, a treasure undiminished, a mine which is never exhausted, a sky unobscured by clouds, a heaven unruffled by the storm. It is the root, the fountain, the mother of a thousand blessings.—Chrysostom.

"Give me souls, or take my soul! I pray to God this day to make me an extraordinary Christian."—George Whitefield.

Within the limits of our God-appointed work, we can do all things through Christ that strengtheneth us, and may fearlessly undertake labors, self-denials, and difficulties in the face of weakness, conditions of climate, and demands upon our strength and time; and we shall have His protecting power, and find that *God is able to make all grace abound.* But this comes only by and through consecrated prayer. Yet let us so much as even touch the forbidden earth, get out of the sacred circle of His will, or spend our strength on self or sin, and our life will lose its strength like Samson's arm, and wither like Jonah's gourd.—A. B. Simpson.

"I know a woman who had prayed twenty years for her husband. Sometimes she would pray at him, and sometimes about him, and sometimes for him. When she was at low ebb spiritually she was cross and would scold and spoil all the good she had done. But one night she got desperately in earnest, and cried for the Holy Ghost to save her husband. He retired, while she stayed on her knees until eleven o'clock, then until twelve, then until one, and then she waited and wrestled with God until the clock struck two; and then the heavens opened, and the fire came down, and she had the witness that her husband would be saved. She also retired, and her

husband waking with a start, jumped up, and went down on his knees, and prayed earnestly for God to help him, and by morning he was saved. When you get this experience, you can feel assured that God has your loved ones in hand. He will attend to them. Without this secret, the probability is you will tell them this, that, and the other, and never get them saved."—"The Overcomer."

Epaphras: The Prayer Warrior

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During a series of meetings an evangelist observed that many of the seekers for the Baptism with the Spirit were praying in a general way and along other lines instead of focusing their heart's desire upon receiving the Baptism. Upon bringing the matter before the Lord the evangelist was given a message by the Spirit on David's cry of singleheartedness, "*One thing* have I desired of the Lord and that will I seek after." As he preached that message the following night he emphasized repeatedly the two words, "*One Thing.*" The result was that in the prayer service that followed eight received the Spirit's Baptism.

They had allegedly been "seeking" for months but did not receive until they got the vision of *focus* in prayer. Nor is merely a focus of the lips in endless repetition enough but there must be also a concentration of *heart* and *mind*, for the "double-minded man is unstable in all his ways" especially in prayer. The prayers of such men as Epaphras are an invincible and irresistible force that touch God and bring an answer by virtue of their *importunity, fervor* and *concentration* of desire.

The Prophetic Scriptures

The editor of the Evangel is writing a series of articles on the prophecies, and, the Lord willing, we expect that practically every issue of 1942 will contain some message on "things that are shortly to come to pass."

"All that troubles is only temporal," and the Lord's word to us today is, "Let not your heart be troubled." Or if the hearts of some are, the word is, "You who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God." We shall find great comfort in these days in the study of things to come.

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Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.
Mal. 3:10.



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War and Missions

Noel Perkin, Missionary Secretary

The spread of the war to the United States and the involving of the Pacific area in the conflict brings added problems to our Missions Department. It is very natural that there should be a concern among the friends and relatives for the safety of missionaries who have so suddenly been brought into the war zone. To such it will be of interest and perhaps some comfort to know that our Missions Department cabled to the Philippines and Hong Kong almost immediately after the outbreak of war with Japan that we would be responsible for any transportation expense if the missionaries should desire to return to the United States and facilities should be provided for them to do so.

As far back as the middle of November a special message was sent to the missionaries in North China that we would be responsible for their transportation home if they should decide that it would be wise for them to leave at that time. This was when the United States marines were still in China and arrangements were being made for them to leave. We admire our missionaries in that no word came in reply that they expected to leave, but they have bravely stood by their posts. We fear that in North China it may mean that the activities of those remaining will be greatly restricted and, of course, there is a possibility that they might be put under arrest as American citizens. Naturally, we hope that the fact that they are there with nothing but philanthropic motives will give them the right to special consideration, but we have to be prepared for the worst.

Our special sympathy goes out to Jessie Wengler, who, because of ill health, was unable to leave Japan at the time when Marie Juergensen and her mother left. We have had no further word from her since the outbreak of war and naturally, it is going to be very difficult, if not impossible, to get funds to her.

The missionaries in the Philippine Islands are likely to continue their activities as long as it is possible for them to do so. Our sincere hope is that the war may not engulf that little section of the globe to such an extent that the Stars and Stripes would no longer fly over it. Naturally, nothing is very certain, so that we must look to the Lord to help and guide in everything that is done.

A Greater Challenge

Our Missions Department is seeking to meet all the requirements of the various fields and also to take care of special needs.

We must ever bear in mind that we are in a warfare that is more intense and even more real than the tremendous world conflict that is raging in the material realm. If hundreds of thousands, yes millions, of men are giving their lives for the fulfilling of human ambitions among the leaders of nations, how much more should our young people who are followers of the Lord be willing to devote their lives in consecration to the great task of the furtherance of the gospel? Danger in itself is no ground for the withdrawal of the messenger of Christ. But, of course, we do have to take reasonable precautions so that our missionaries do not suffer unnecessarily, or place themselves in positions where their service will be definitely hindered, if not stopped altogether.

It would seem that as long as there are opportunities of service, the fact that people are suffering distress and perplexity is a greater challenge than ever that those who know Him who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, should stand by to help every seeking soul.

Our Emergency Relief Fund

It has been a great pleasure for us to stand by not only our own missionaries in their time of difficulty, but also we have been able to assist, with many thousands of dollars, missionaries from European countries who have been more or less stranded because of their sources of support being cut off. Many are the letters that come to our desk expressing appreciation of the help that we have been able to render, and so often it seems that our contributions arrived just at a time when people had been definitely praying that help would come from some source. The money we have sent to assist these missionaries who are not under General Council appointment has been that which has been sent to us for emergency needs, and we are always appreciative of such offerings, since there are so many unusual situations that confront us these days requiring financial aid.

It is a joy to report that in spite of the difficulties that confront us in sending out other missionaries to many of the mission fields, we still have a strong staff of workers in Africa, India, China, and the islands of the sea, who will continue on, even though they may have to prolong their terms of service and we be unable to send reinforcements to them for the time being. We urge all those who have so faithfully stood by us during the past years, to continue contributions during this time of special need.

Our Immediate Opportunity—Our Neighbor

Although it is probable that few, if any, missionaries can be sent back to Africa, India,

and China and other outlying parts for some considerable time, yet, the vast continent of South America is still open to our activities and as there are over eighty million people there needing the gospel message, we are planning for definite advances into that land which was so long known as the "neglected continent."

The sudden challenge that war has brought to the people of the United States has caused every American to feel a new sense of loyalty and desire to stand by his country in its hour of trial. But above the challenge of national loyalty we seem to hear a call that comes from an even higher source, even from Him who is the King of kings, and Lord of lords; and the challenge, just as it came to the Children of Israel, echoes through the centuries to those of us who are His people today, "Speak unto the Children of Israel that they go forward."

May God help us to be faithful to the task that He has given us until the trumpet sounds!

SINGAPORE NOTES

Friends are naturally concerned for the safety of our missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. McKinney in Singapore and Lula Ashmore, also in British Malaya but some little distance from the others.

Several weeks ago funds were cabled in response to a cablegram from Mr. McKinney, requesting fare for his wife and two children to return to the United States. We have not received word whether or not they have left there. A further cable has been sent with funds for emergency needs, providing fares for all if they wish to return home at this time. In view of the present increased danger they may feel it advisable to not venture out even if accommodations could be secured for their passage.

The happy group pictured here attended the Vacation Bible School which the McKinneys conducted in Singapore in recent months. Brother and Sister McKinney are seated in the center. The buildings which have been adapted for the Assembly of God Mission have been paid for by the native Christians and a thriving work has been established. Let us hold our Singapore brothers and sisters up in prayer that God may sustain them and protect their property through this time of crisis.



The L. O. McKinneys and their Vacation Bible School in Singapore

Three Weeks in Liberian Jungle

C. W. Hixenbaugh

This writing finds us in Liberia at last after a long and roundabout journey to reach our destination. Our party, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Landrus and children, Mrs. Hixenbaugh and myself, arrived in Cape Palmas July 12 aboard the S. S. West Lashaway. We were glad indeed to be able to disembark and bid good-bye to ocean travel for a while.

Low Bush and High Bush

We spent the first week after arriving in getting our things through customs and part of them unpacked. Then Brother Landrus and I said good-bye to our wives and the others at the Missionary Home and started on a trip



C. W. Hixenbaugh traveling by way of Liberian hammock.

into the interior during which time I got my first taste of travel through the bush, as it is called in this country. They have the low bush and the high bush. The low bush is composed mostly of trees around 100 to 150 feet in height. The high bush is trees that are 200 feet and on up to almost 300 feet high. The ground is covered with a dense growth of brush until it is impossible to see more than a short distance at any time. Overhead the trees are laced together with climbing vines of every kind and size. Sometimes in the high bush we would travel for hours with a bright sun shining and scarcely a ray of sunlight would penetrate to the jungle trail we were on. One who has never seen this can hardly imagine how much plant life the ground will support. The rains are frequent and it is seldom one sees the ground dry, even on the surface.

The Ups and Downs of Travel

The trails in this country are something to remember. They are stony and rutted, with steep hills and many streams. The streams are bridged sometimes; at other times one crosses on a pole or on the back of one of the hammock boys. They carry you pick-a-back as they used to do when you were a small boy. The hammocks are the only means of transportation over this kind of country. A horse would mire in the swamps and there are some of the hills that are so rocky and steep that no horse could get up or down, and more than that, horses cannot live in this country due to the tsetse fly. Hammock travel is hard work for the carriers, but it does afford some measure of relief for the missionary.

Menu—Rice and Palm Butter

We traveled almost every day of the time we were gone, stopping in native towns at night where we would hold services. We slept in the native houses and cooked over their fires. They have three fire stones made of clay that are placed in a triangle, a fire built in the center, and a pot of some sort placed on the top of the stones. Their food consists mainly of rice and palm butter, so that it is not hard to prepare.

Evening Services

After the evening meal we would gather the people together and have services. Some nights this would be rather late because it was rice cutting time and the people stayed at their farms until dark and some all night to keep guard from the wild animals that come out of the jungle and destroy their crops. Then after they get home they have to beat out their rice for the evening meal, which they do by hand, cook their meal, take their baths, etc. Most of the time it was 9:00 or 9:30 and sometimes 10:00 before we could start the service. We always met with good response and the Lord blessed us.

"Come and Sit Down"

We visited many towns and found the people hungry to hear the Word preached. Many times the people came and begged for a missionary to "come and sit down" in their town or tribe. That is the way they express their desire for one to come and live with them. We found native workers busy in different places and they are doing a fine work, but there is much of the country that has never been touched as yet by the gospel message. My heart yearned to get out into some of those out-of-the-way places and do what I can, but at the present time there is great need for us in the Feloka Boys' School, so we are here.

There Is Such a Need

everywhere, the people living in darkness and no one to carry the light to them. They still have their devil worship, their witch doctors, their idols, their jujus and charms. One may see a witch sign by the trail as he leaves a town. It may be nothing more than a circle with some marks inside it drawn with white clay on a little mound, but they believe that it has power to avert any evil power or danger from the town. There will be some little charms, may be nothing more than a piece of wood placed on a stick by the side of the trail that leads to their farm, but they believe that it has power to protect their crops because of the incantations some devil doctor has said over it.

Yes! Missions Pay

We met paramount chiefs, tribal chiefs, town chiefs and ruling people of different kinds. All were very friendly and we received the best that they had in the way of accommodations. We found some mission stations that had been built by missionaries but they were empty, due to the fact that the missionaries had gone home on furlough and there was no one to take their places.

There are many wide-open doors in this country and the gospel is still effective to liberate from the bondage of sin. It does one's heart good to see the effect of salvation in the lives of these people. Some may ask, "Do missions pay?" I believe that if they could see some of the results that I have already seen, they would agree with me that missions DO pay. We are happy here and are looking forward to a term of real missionary effort in the service of the King of kings. We ask you to pray for us.

PENTECOST NO LONGER AN IDLE TALE

"It is good to see in nearly all sections that the Pentecostal gospel is no longer an idle tale, but a blessed reality." So writes Jennie W. Carlson from Liberia. "Often the people ask us to pray that God might open their minds that they may understand God's Word better. The dear Lord gives us very precious times together when we search the Scriptures. Heart searchings and a mellowing of spirits is the outcome.

"On a recent trip requiring three months to make, we had a real feast, gathering together several nearby tribes for a baptismal service and the Lord's Supper. It was a red-letter day which lasted three days. In their testimonies there was the clear ring that they were born again. As one man, who had been the leader in all heathenish rites and practices came up out of the water with a radiant face, he exclaimed, 'All my old fashions I have buried in the water.' He was a new creature in Christ Jesus."

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.

Pumpkins

This is the largest pumpkin we ever grew in semi-arid Ouahigouya. It was grown from American seed and weighed 44 pounds. Boanga, the young man holding it did the tending of the garden. Many, many natives begged for seed after seeing this specimen.



This young man, now married to a splendid Christian girl, is in the Lord's work. He received the Baptism with

the Holy Spirit in our chapel and is very spiritual. Often he comes to my study and sits reading his Bible in the evening, just to be near the missionaries and to ask what some passages mean. It is blessed to pray with him and to hear the way he opens his heart to the Lord. His answers to our question-answer Bible study lessons reveal a satisfying growth in grace.

Meat Hunger

The common people so seldom get meat that they have a word "nim'velem" which means meat-hunger. One of the Christian boys at Baraga saw a squirrel go into a hole in a tree and climbed up to try and get it. As he poked away in the hole with a stick, the squirrel rushed from the hole and bit him in the face. The boy was so taken off guard that he lost his hold of the limb and fell to the ground killing himself, and the Christians had a sad funeral just because of meat-hunger in a boy.

Fulani Boy Healed

Dabanaga is one of the native workers in Ouahigouya district. He is at Noden about sixteen miles from the mission. One day a Fulani herdsman came to him asking that he come and pray for his son. The Fulani is a Moslem and had tried every sort of fetish, native medicine and advice of witch doctors, for all of which he paid heavily both in cash and produce, but to no avail over a period of two years. Dabanaga talked first of all to him about his need of the Saviour and then went with him to the dirty, squalid, little grass shelter where he saw the pitiable sight of a boy suffering with great glandular swellings over his entire body.

Dabanaga laid on hands and prayed for the poor sufferer, in Jesus' name, the Name which Moslems refuse to acknowledge as the Son of God. But what could the father say? He had tried his famous prophet Mohammed to no avail. Dabanaga talked further to him and went home. Two days later the Fulani man came with a gift carried by a boy in good health. Dabanaga did not recognize him until the father told him it was the same boy he had prayed for. Hallelujah! What a testimony it was to the glory of God.

Believing God would have His people come together unitedly for the vitally important business of waiting upon Him in supplication and expectation during these most trying and perilous times, various groups in different places everywhere are urged to *gather together*, for special days and nights of prayer, during the week of January 4-11.

The Best Investment

Friends of Christ, one of the best investments in this hour is earnest, prevailing prayer for rain. It pays dividends in personal refreshing from the Lord. The greatest need of this hour is rain from heaven. There seems to be no lack of energy or will to do. But—we need rain. Let us not permit Satan to spike our prayer guns. Having gained that point, he knows the battle is won. Why not invest a little more time in closet prayer and daily waiting on God for rain so greatly needed at this hour? The world is sick and dying, and no matter where you lay your hand upon it today you can feel its weakening pulse. Fear is written on the face of men in responsible places. Strong stimulants are being administered to keep the dying world alive. Help is being sought from every source but from above. It is a serious hour. You cannot please God and neglect prayer.

Prayer is the life of the soul; when prayer stops the soul dies. We must draw nigh to God. We must let other things go and seek His face at any cost. Shall we not do it in the name of Jesus? Let us organize ourselves into prayer units that will call upon God day and night.

—D. H. McDowell

Mightier Than Pentecost

It is certain that we are rapidly approaching the worldwide downpour of the Spirit; for the very judgments which we see around warn us of the revival dated to arrive before the final scenes. So, in linking up ourselves with myriads of Christians throughout the globe in praying for world-revival, world-evangelism, and the return of our blessed Lord, we are praying for solid coming facts, and therefore know we are praying according to the will of God. We are praying for the world the biggest blessing it will ever have on this side of the Great White Throne. A work of the Holy Ghost is before us absolutely unparalleled in the history of the human race."

—D. M. Panton

The Original Pentecost

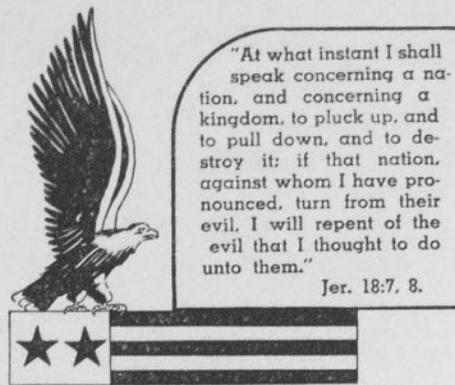
The original Pentecost came because there was a breaking up of fallow ground. There must be preparations for the moving of the Spirit of God. You cannot substitute natural things for spiritual things and get spiritual results. How much real prayer is there today? It was a momentous decision when the Apostles said, *We will give ourselves to prayer.* A Pentecostal atmosphere can be created by real fervent seeking of the Lord.

—J. R. Flower

The "Faith of God"

If we put our will over on God's side, refusing to doubt, God will work in that surrendered will His faith. Abraham *"callethe the things which be not as though they were."* We will do likewise.

—Carrie Judd Montgomery



The "Garden of Prayer"

Three weeks ago I entered into a place where there is an incessant flow of heavenly language. The place, in the spiritual realm, is called a "Garden of Prayer;" and listening more closely I'd hear mention of the "Mountain" of prayer. Something began to stir in my soul. I saw the open door in the "Enclosed Garden" for which my longing heart had been crying. I entered, reverently, almost on tiptoes, because there was an extreme consciousness that under my feet was "holy ground." Now within this garden, something has happened. There's a song in my soul, such as filled Philip's when he said to Nathanael: "We have found Him." Hallelujah!

—Jeanette Jones

"Seek Meekness"

"Seek meekness! It may be ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger." Zephaniah 2:3. "Seek meekness!" Without it, there can be no cloud of glory!

Meekness is the great goal for the righteous to seek, in the day when God's judgments are in the earth. This prophet speaks of a day that most strikingly parallels our own: "A day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of . . . alarm against the . . . cities. . . . Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of the Lord's wrath." Zeph. 1:14-18. When cities lie desolate, and steeples topple, *seek meekness!*

In the Scriptures Moses is held up as the meekest man in all the earth. This causes us real heart searching. Aaron, who once with Hur, held up the hands of Moses until the righteous forces prevailed in the conflict with the enemy forces in the valley below, failed upon this very point. With Miriam, he fell into the sin of murmuring against their God-given leader. His enemies were thus "those of his own household." Moses had faults; he struck the rock twice when just commanded to strike it. Yet God was so displeased with the action of Aaron and Miriam that "the anger of the Lord was kindled against them . . . and the cloud departed from off the tabernacle; and behold, Miriam become leprous, white as snow." Numbers 12:9,10. Moses himself had to pray, "Heal her now, O God." *Seek meekness!* Moses had it, but Miriam in complaining, did not.

The sad story of their murmuring is left to this day, handed down to all succeeding generations. It was Dr. A. B. Simpson who once made the profound remark, concerning the words, "Touch not Mine anointed, and do My prophets no harm" (Psalm 105:15), "I would rather play with forked lightning

A Call to

Week of
January 4

Come, my people, enter thou into thy ch thyself as it were for a little moment, until the Lord cometh out of his place to punish the inh 26:20, 21.

Gather yourselves together . . . before the day of the Lord's anger come upon earth . . . seek righteousness, seek meekness: Lord's anger. Zephaniah 2:1, 2.

Thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy shall reward thee. Matthew 6:6.

Gather my saints together unto me: tho sacrifice. Whoso offereth praise, glorifieth me

or take in my hands living wires, than speak a reckless word against any servant of Christ, or idly repeat the slanderous darts which thousands of Christians are hurling on others to the hurt of their own souls and bodies."

Seek meekness! In praying, then, let us pray for meekness.

There is a Bible way, which, if we are prayerfully seeking meekness, we can observe. "Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted." Gal. 6:1. If we are truly conscious of our own shortcomings it will help us to be charitable towards those of others. If meekness is in evidence, charity which suffereth long and still is kind, will be in evidence. Charity never faileth. In the Upper Room, before the power fell, each of the disciples had to lose sight of the very evident shortcomings of the others.

Seek meekness. Armies are marching. Nations are in commotion. We need God. God will not fail to do His part, if we diligently seek His help to do ours.

—A. H. Argue

He that is down need fear no fall,
He that is low, no pride,
He that is humble ever shall
Have God to be His guide.

—John Bunyan

"Come Where Jesus Intercedes!"

Come, dear one, with me out there where Jesus will intercede through you and deliver many sinners through your prayers. If you will follow me into this field of prayer you will thank me for urging you to give your lie to pray sinners through to God. He has praying ground to give you which has never been possessed by anybody. He has praying hills and mountains nobody has asked Him for. Your feet can stand on a new height every day and night.

Early in the morning, at noon and late at night, the Lord lifts me to a new place in prayer. I was so overshadowed last night with the glory of the Lord that seemingly my

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chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide the indignation be overpast. For, behold, the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity. Isaiah

ore the fierce anger of the Lord come upon you, upon you. Seek ye the Lord, all ye meek of the ss: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the

thy closet . . . shut thy door . . . thy Father

those that have made a covenant with me by me." Psalm 50:5, 23.

flesh died and I was led out somewhere in the garden of prayer where I had never been before. The Spirit of the Lord cried, "Thousands shall be saved: call upon me, I will deliver!" Then the groaning was very great. I wept before the Lord, and offered myself in prayer until all His wishes had been served.

Our God is not dead. He is not tied. He is willing today to do as great a work as He ever did. If He stopped the sun for a man; if He heard the cries of a woman, and broke the bars of death and gave her back her child, is He not able and willing to shake creation for you and me who are calling for the table to be filled with those who are in the hedges and highways? He, He hears!

—Elizabeth J. Dabney

Wrestling prayer can wonders do,
Bring relief in deepest straits;
Prayer can force a passage through
Iron bars and brazen gates.

Enter In, My Soul!

ENTER IN, MY SOUL!

"Enter into the Rock, and hide thee in the dust." Isa. 2:10. While the storms are raging high, "enter in!" While dark clouds lower, "enter in!" While the horizon threatens more ominously, "enter in!" O, inner ear, harken diligently to this call, "Come . . . enter thou into thy chambers . . . hide thyself . . . until the indignation be overpast."

ARISE, MY SOUL!

"Arise and pray! Why sleep ye?" was Christ's word to His nearest disciples in the hour of His betrayal. "This is your hour, and the power of darkness," He admitted to those who had come out against Him with swords and staves. Dark was the hour in Gethsemane. Then the disciples slept. Jesus wrestled and prayed alone. Angels came and strengthened Him. To Simon, He said, "Simon, sleepest thou?" Again has come a dark hour. Darkness is covering the earth and gross darkness the people. My soul, doth He call to thee, "Sleepest thou?" Arise, my soul, and pray, for Christ Thy great Intercessor doth not fail to pray.

"If My people, which are called by My name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways: then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

2 Chron. 7:14.



HUSH, MY SOUL!

In prayer thou mayest enter the sacred garden, the holy of holies, with Christ! Here let earthly clamorings cease, and incense to His Name arise.

AWAKE, MY HEART!

"Awake, awake! put on thy strength . . . shake thyself from the dust!" Isa. 52:1, 2. While the foolish virgins sleep, let the wise go diligently to buy oil, lest their lamps go out. The midnight hour is at hand. "Behold the Bridegroom cometh!"

BE STILL, AND KNOW!

"Be still and know that He is God!" Though all around is shaking, my soul, call Thou in confidence upon thy God. He is, and He will make a way for thee! My soul, "Pray always that ye may be found worthy."

—Zelma Argue

"Jesus Wept"

Here are two short words, but they are words that reveal the heart and soul of the Master. The sympathetic heart of Jesus is touched with the sorrow of his friends. He feels with them the deepest pangs of anguish and sorrow. He weeps, not because He is not able to restore the lost brother to the sorrowing sisters, but because he feels the grief that has burdened their hearts. He is the resurrection and the life. A word from Him and the dead will live again, the grave will be robbed of its victory, and smiles of gladness will be seen again on the faces of the bereaved ones. But sorrow is their portion now, and He feels that sorrow within His own bosom and weeps with them that weep. Jesus could rejoice with them that rejoice as is evidenced by the incident recorded in Luke 10:17-21, but He could weep, also, with them that weep.

Sympathy is a precious jewel, and, in our time, a rare one. It is a characteristic of a true Christian; and reflects the great heart of God and follows closely the example of the Master. It is enjoined upon saints by the tender-hearted Paul, who said: "Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep."

Christ, looking down the future, saw the sorrows of the "time of Jacob's trouble"—saw also the prior trouble that should come upon Jerusalem when the Roman prince Titus should destroy the city, and wept. He "beheld the city, and wept over it," says the faithful Luke. Thus we know that the heart of Christ still feels the sorrow for the woes that shall come upon those who blindly turn His offers of peace and salvation aside. He feels the great anguish of soul for them who go wilfully into the way of wickedness and woe.

Tears are the rains that saturate the field of Christian endeavor; that season the ground

of our planting, and that cause our fields to yield their thirty, sixty, and hundred fold of fruitage. Said the Psalmist: "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

The wicked are admonished to weep with the tears of repentance, to be grieved over their sins against a holy God. Tears now will turn to joy when the morning of life shall dawn. God Himself, will "wipe away tears from off all faces," and there shall be "no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying" in that fair day. But the soul that refuses to weep here, and repent of its sin, must weep and mourn for anguish and sorrow of heart when the sun of its earthly life shall go down forevermore.

Tears are not always a sign of weakness. Some of the strongest characters in the world have wept bitterly at times. Paul was a man of tears and wept over conditions obtaining in the Corinthian Church. Timothy, too, was a man of tears, and mingled them with his prayers. David, the king of Israel, said: "I water my couch with my tears." And again: "My tears have been my meat day and night." Jeremiah has been called "The weeping Prophet," and his great prophecy and his "Lamentations" are wet with his tears. King Hezekiah, in his affliction, was not ashamed to weep before the Lord. Abraham wept in his bereavement, and Joseph poured out his heart in weeping for the great love he had for his brother Benjamin. Great leaders of men have not refrained from weeping in the great hour of trial and crisis. They were not weak, nor cowardly; they were men who felt deeply the agony of the hour, and wept with and for them over whom they were placed.

—W. B. McCafferty

How the Great Revival of 1857 Began

In 1857, a city missionary in New York, in prayer for the perishing souls about him, pleadingly cried; "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" Daily as he thus cried unto the Lord, his earnestness grew to intensity. By faith he took hold of the promises in The Word and rose to the expectation that hundreds and thousands would be converted to God. He did not know how this would be brought to pass but he believed. In the latter part of September in one of the rooms of the Fulton Street Chapel he waited for half an hour, then one person entered; shortly another came in; then three or four. These six held a prayer meeting.

One week later, in the same place another meeting was held, at which twenty-four were present. They held a meeting the next day, which was very well attended. This was the beginning of the Fulton Street daily Noon-day Prayer Meeting. Soon the room became too small and they moved into larger quarters. God moved upon the people, and soon the cry of the penitent was heard. The fire spread. Men felt impelled to pray. Christians, without respect to denominational distinctions, rushed into and filled all places opened for prayer.

Christians, engaged so intensely in intercessory prayer, struck the world with amazement. It was felt that this was prayer indeed. A love for souls sprang up. Sinners felt that it was awful to trifle in the place of prayer. Christians obtained positive and direct answers to their prayers, and when they united to

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THE DYING WORLD AND THE LIVING WORD

CONVERSIONS IN BERLIN

According to *Sunday School Times*, the Salvation Army reports wonderful conversions following its evangelistic work in Berlin.

CHURCHLESS COMMUNITY

A report given in *Life* magazine, typical of the defense boom, says: "Planted just outside Illinois, Calumet City has 14,000 inhabitants, . . . no Protestant church, . . . 308 night clubs."

"WAR IS A JUDGMENT"

J. Frank Norris interviewed Lord Reith, the British Minister for Reconstruction, in September. He said, concerning the war, "It is a very strange experience, Lord Reith." Lord Reith replied, "I don't think so. I believe profoundly that for Britain and America this war is a judgment of Almighty God."

BUDDHISM IN AMERICA

An impressive Buddhist temple, costing about \$100,000 was recently dedicated in Seattle, Wash. According to *Herald of Holiness*, many white Buddhists were observed mingling with the Japanese worshippers. Assisting in the service was Mrs. James Wesley Pratt, who is said to be the only active Buddhist priestess in America.

THE BIBLE IN SWITZERLAND

In Switzerland, one of the few nations still enjoying peace, great interest is being shown in Bible study. According to *Revelation*, a Swiss woman named Frau Wasserzug, moved with desire to prevent the stores of Bibles in Germany belonging to the British and Foreign Bible Society from being destroyed, purchased them from the German Government at a small price, and distributed them among the people. Thousands of Gospels and Testaments have been given to French, Belgian, and Polish soldiers interned in Switzerland.

THE VOICE OF JERUSALEM

The Jew and Palestine News reports "how anxiously and lovingly the voice of Jerusalem (the Palestine Broadcasting Service), the only Hebrew broadcast in the world, is heard in places as far removed as South Africa and Latvia. It gives new hope of a better future to hundreds of Jews under the heel of oppression today." The report reminds us of the prophecy of Isa. 2:3, repeated in Micah 4:2, that "in the last days . . . the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off." Will the "Voice of Jerusalem" then be the voice of our Lord going forth from His earthly throne at Jerusalem to the ends of the earth through the medium of radio?

PARLIAMENT WANTS RELIGION

According to *Time*, 224 British peers and members of Parliament recently asked their government to: (1) provide schools with religion instructors; (2) make religion an optional subject in teachers' colleges; (3) begin daily services in schools; (4) arrange for textbooks on religion; (5) appoint government inspectors of religion.

Said these signatories: "The present struggle is clearly one between a regime embracing a crude and reactionary paganism, finding expression in material force and destroying truth, freedom and justice wherever its impact is felt, and ourselves and those who have the declared purpose of establishing these more firmly in the common life of the world as the foundation of that new and better social order. Rightly understood, these are the elemental principles of the Christian philosophy of life, and it would seem therefore that the future citizen should be so molded in character by Christian education that his citizenship shall become the expression of these principles in action."

AMERICAN MAGAZINES BANNED

American magazine standards are low and lax, when compared with others. Last January the Australian government placed a ban of 72 American magazines. Canada, states *Religious Digest*, barred more than 100 American magazines, a figure four times as large as the total barred from all other lands combined. Even Japan, a nation largely pagan, has ordered the editors of children's magazines to exclude stories of gangsters and criminals and gamblers, three of the most prominent figures in American magazines.

CONDITIONS IN BRITAIN

Said J. Frank Norris, when interviewed by the *Christian Herald* during his visit in England this fall: "Conditions are a good deal worse than I thought. The numbers of people killed or wounded or maimed for life are terrible; but, worse still, I learn that many of the old people have become mentally unbalanced. Even worse, I am told this very delicate thing. Many children are coming to birth prematurely, and even for those that are not there is grave concern for their future. Think of those innocent babes! Who knows what will develop in them twenty, thirty years hence? Criminologists now tell us that in most criminals there is some prenatal influence. I believe that the prophecy in Matt. 24:19 has more than one fulfillment—'Woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days.'"

THE SEAMEN'S PSALM

At a time when the United States Navy is in action against an enemy who has treacherously attacked American possessions, it would be well for every Naval officer and sailor to read again the Seamen's Psalm, "They that go down to the sea in ships . . ." Psalm 107:23. God is the refuge of those seamen who cry to Him in their distresses.

An interesting report is given in the *Christian Herald* (London) regarding a recent interview with A. V. Alexander, the First Lord of the Admiralty in Britain. In the course of the conversation, the head of the British Navy quoted from memory verses 19 to 31 of this 107th Psalm. As he did so, his eyes filled with tears. Said the interviewers, "I never heard it quite in the same way; he made it a new song to me."

God has marvelously helped the British Navy in answer to His people's prayers, and He will not fail to protect the men and ships of our Navy if we as American people will humble ourselves, repent of our sins, and cry to Him.

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together." Heb. 10:25.

JOIN THE WORLD-WIDE CHRISTIAN OBSERVANCE OF NEW YEAR'S EVE

Attend your own church for the WATCH NIGHT SERVICE

Wednesday evening, December 31, 1941

"I was glad when they said unto me let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1.

BIBLES FROM ABOVE

The British and Foreign Bible Society were faced with a problem recently. In a certain part of Free China there arose a famine of the Scriptures. The Society packed a ton of sacred treasure—900 Bibles and 3,100 New Testaments—but wondered how delivery could be made, since that part of China was cut off from access by rail or highway. The problem was solved by chartering an airplane, which "flew in the midst of heaven having the everlasting gospel," and down from the skies came the precious volumes for which the Chinese had been longing.

AN ANTI-CHRISTIAN CRUSADE

The report is given by *Alliance Weekly* that in Germany some 14,000 religious periodicals have been suspended. The step was taken ostensibly because of a shortage of paper and labor. But, while only 1½% of German periodicals are religious, 95% of these were suppressed while only 20% of the secular papers suffered this fate. Protestant and Catholic papers alike were suppressed. Not much authentic news is available, but what is received indicates a steadily increasing pressure within Germany against those pastors and churches who seek to maintain liberty of thought and worship.

FASCISTI AND THE BIBLE

According to *Bible Society Bulletin*, the following is written in the Year Book of The Young Fascisti: "I urge you, dear youths, to read the lives of great men. Do not forget that at the head of biographies stands the great Biography, the Book of books, the Bible. This is the most sacred and most powerful of books, the educator of youth, the guide of grown men, the counselor of old age; it contains the biographies of mighty heroes, patriarchs, kings and judges. Only in the Bible will you find a treasury of sweetness, gentleness, purity, penitence, goodness, heroism and justice which is beyond price, never clouded by a doubt nor profaned by a controversy." This is golden advice, but it seems quite contradictory to other teachings of Fascism.

MISSIONARY PRAYER REQUESTS

Andudu, Congo Belge—Pray that a native boy who has been baptized in water and in the Holy Spirit will be an overcomer and bring the gospel to his own people. Also pray for my wife. She is just recovering from fever.—Ragnar E. Udd.

Nkuot Ikono, Nigeria—Pray for the work here. Pray especially for the Bible School and for the outdoor services which are conducted by the students. Pray that many shall turn to Christ.—Rex Jackson.

Hwangyuan, China—Pray that the believers will obey the Lord. Pray for one of the young men who would like to enter Bible School. Also pray that our finances will be adequate to meet the expenses.—V. G. Plymire.

Wei Hsi, China—Pray for Mr. Chao who is in need of salvation.—Mary E. Lewer.

Hardoi, India—Pray that in the zenana homes the women whose hearts have been touched will accept the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour.—Edna Wagenknecht.

Banta, Cuba—Pray that God will save many souls here.—Amy Ausherman.

Guatemala City, Guatemala—Pray that we may learn the Spanish language fluently and speedily. Pray for the meetings which are being held here by Brother Franklin.—David L. Kensinger and Earl L. Wilkie.

25 de Mayo, Argentina—We praise the Lord for answering previous prayer requests. Please pray for a woman who is suffering from cancer and for another who is in danger of insanity. Pray for the pastor and people at La Riestra.—Alice C. Wood.

Barquisimeto, Venezuela—Pray for a new Sunday School just opened and for two new converts. Pray that we shall have an outpouring of the Spirit in the Girls' Home. Also pray for me.—Hilda Meyrick.

Juncos, Puerto Rico—Please pray that four young people will receive support so they can enter Bible School.—Louis C. Otero.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Judah's Restoration

Lesson for January 4. Lesson Text: Ezra 1, 2 and 3.

Our new quarter's lessons begin with three lessons from the book of Ezra. The theme of Ezra is *restoration*. This is evident by comparing the book with Kings and Chronicles. These books record the *destruction* of Israel's temple; Ezra records its *rebuilding*. Kings and Chronicles give a dismal picture of a nation *corrupt with idolatry*; Ezra reveals a nation *completely cleansed from idol worship*. The former books record the *neglect of the law*; the latter, the *restoration of the law* to its rightful place in the hearts of the people. The former books record the *mingling of Israel* with the heathen nations; the latter, the *complete separation of Israel* from heathen influence and custom.

Ezra gives a wonderful lesson in God's faithfulness to His people. True to His promise He lifts His punishing hand and restores Israel once more to its land.

I. THE PROCLAMATION OF CYRUS. Ezra 1.

How marvelous it is to behold the accuracy of the clock of God's eternal decrees! Seventy years of captivity for Judah had been predicted by Jeremiah. Jer. 29:10-14. At the end of exactly seventy years there came forth the proclamation whereby the people were free to return to their land. During those seventy years, the cup of Babylon's iniquity was being filled, so that the time of the deliverance of Israel synchronized perfectly with the time of God's judgment upon Babylon.

Nebuchadnezzar reigned as king of Babylon for 45 years; his son Evil-merodach, 23; and his grandson Belshazzar, 3 years—which make up the seventy predicted years. In the third year of Belshazzar's rule, while that king held his blasphemous feast (Dan. 5), the combined forces of Darius the Mede and Cyrus the Persian, invaded the land. Belshazzar was slain and his kingdom overthrown. Darius, being old, left the government to Cyrus the Persian who made the decree which freed the people of Judah.

Compare Ezra 1:1-3 with the following Scriptures: Jer. 25:12; 29:10-14; 33:7-13; Isa. 44:26-28. Not only did Jeremiah predict the return of the Jews seventy years before it actually occurred, but Isaiah, nearly 200 years before the birth of Cyrus, called that ruler by name and predicted that he would make the proclamation which would set Judah free!

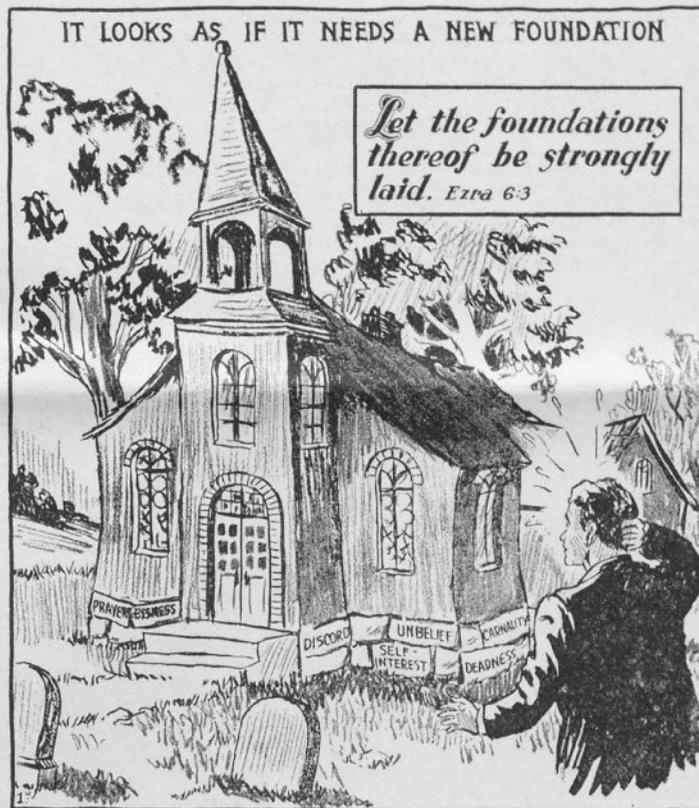
How was it that Cyrus made such a decree? "The Lord stirred up the spirit of Cyrus!" Josephus, the Jewish historian tells us that Daniel showed Cyrus these prophecies, and the monarch was so affected by them that he made the decree permitting them to return to their land. If true, that is very interesting. But in any case the fact that Cyrus, a great ruler, should make such a decree is nothing less than a miracle.

Here we may derive some practical thoughts: (1) *The human spirit needs stirring up*. We shall never do the will of God, unless we are first inwardly moved upon by God's Spirit. We cannot worship God unless we worship in spirit and with the help of the Holy Spirit. We cannot be saved unless our spirits are stirred and awakened. Eph. 2:1. (2) *God alone can stir up the spirit*. Human persuasion would have failed to move Cyrus to action. Likewise, it is God alone who is the source of all spiritual life, power, action. We cannot, in ourselves, do God's will. We cannot draw ourselves to God. Everything in the spiritual

realm begins with God. He draws, our part is to respond. (3) *The evidence of a stirred-up spirit is consecrated action*. Cyrus not only gave the Israelites permission to return to their land; he also gave orders that their neighbors were to help the Israelites to return to their land by giving them contributions and free-will offerings; and, finally, he returned to the Israelites all the vessels which had been taken from the temple in Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar! Likewise today, the individual whose spirit "the Lord has stirred up" is even on the alert for opportunities of helping God's work and God's people.

II. THE RETURN OF THE JEWS. Ezra 2.

Who returned to the land of Israel? Not all the Jews who were in Babylon, by any means!



The returning remnant was composed of (1) the people—Ch. 2:1-35; (2) the priests—Ch. 2:36-39; (3) the Levites—Ch. 2:40-54; (4) descendants of Solomon's servants—Ch. 2:55-60; (5) certain priests who had lost their pedigree—Ch. 2:61-63. The total number returning to Israel was not over 50,000. Thousands of others yielded to the temptation to stay in Babylon. Many of them had prospered in Babylon. They found comforts there, had made friends there; they enjoyed the security of being a part of a great nation which they felt was unconquerable. Return to Jerusalem? Why should they? The journey would be long, the difficulties of travel many. It was now a strange land. What should they do in Jerusalem? Their city was in ruins, surrounded by many enemies. There would be hardship and humiliation to face in attempting to rebuild their land and re-establish themselves in it. Thus many of them reasoned. And thus it was that many remained in Babylon.

Is there not a pointed lesson here? The Christian is not to settle down in this world. This world is not his home. He is a pilgrim and a stranger, "seeking a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God" (see Heb. 11:8-16). He is called upon to make a journey, a spiritual ascent, in this present evil world. He

is called upon to rise above the indifference, ease, and self-indulgence of the natural life, to rise above self-pleasing, and to build the kingdom of God on earth. He may yield to the temptation to live an ordinary life, a carnal life. But he also has the privilege of accepting the challenge of his day, of dying to sin, self, and the world, that he may please his Lord and extend His kingdom on earth. How is it with you, Christian, as you read these lines?

Why the record of those who returned? Chapter two is almost entirely taken up with a record of the name of each family that returned from the captivity, and the number of those in each family. Why take up so much space with this long list of names that mean so little to us? God did not determine in a haphazard way what should and should not be included in His eternal Word. There is wisdom, purpose, and meaning in every word in God's Book. What may not seem important to us, may be of tremendous importance to God and of vital necessity to people of other generations.

This record of names was preserved for the benefit of posterity, in order that the coming generations might know from whom they descended and to whom they were allied.

This record has been preserved as an honor roll! God has promised to honor those who honor Him! As we have seen, this returning remnant was composed of people whose hearts had been stirred by the Lord and who had responded to the call of God and the challenge which was thrown out to them by the deplorable situation of their land.

Their action involved a great deal of self-denial and courage, and in a very real way was a case of "leaving all to follow the Lord." We are reminded of another record that is being kept now—in heaven—a record of the deeds of every Christian. Is our record a record of honor or a record of shame? Oh, let us apply this lesson to our hearts! The need of the world is staggering, the need of the church appalling. God is again moving the hearts of some of His people everywhere to pray, to pray for another mighty spiritual awakening and outpouring of God's Spirit.

But prayer is not easy, especially the intense soul travail that is necessary in order to bring forth revivals! And, many people today, like those who remained at ease in Babylon, shrink from giving themselves to prevailing prayer. May it not be so with any of us today! On the very day this lesson is to be taught our entire General Council Fellowship is beginning a week of prayer for world-wide revival. May the love of Christ constrain us *this week* to give ourselves to prayer as never before. We may not fully know in this life the results of our individual praying. But of this we may be sure—there is "a book of remembrance" being written concerning the deeds of those who are faithful; and *we* may all have a place on that honor roll!

III. THE REBUILDING OF THE TEMPLE FOUNDATION. Ezra 3.

Space will permit only brief comment on this chapter. It includes—(1) the restoration of observance of the feast days and the offering of sacrifices. The people rebuilt the altar as soon as they returned to the land. They put first things first. And the first thing is worship, not work; it is fellowship, not service. (2) The laying of the foundation of the temple and the dedicatory service. Notice the effect of the service on the worshipers. Some shouted with joy and gratitude because the new temple was going up. Others, who had lived in the days of the temple of Solomon, wept because the glory of that temple (Continued on Page Sixteen)

REPORTS FROM THE REAPERS

(Near) LEACHVILLE, ARK.—We have just closed an old-time revival at the Happy Corner Church, 4 miles north of Leachville. Twenty-seven were saved, 7 were filled with the Spirit, and the church was wonderfully built up.—J. B. Rousey, Pastor, Swifton, Ark.

KILGORE, TEXAS—We recently had a revival with Evangelist and Mrs. J. A. Rogers of Baxter Springs, Kansas. Several were saved, and some received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. The church was revived and blessed during the meetings.—J. A. Linn, Pastor; by C. R. Long, Secretary.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—We have just closed a 3-weeks meeting with Evangelist Clifton Hall of Alabama. The Lord blessed in a most precious way, several being saved or reclaimed, and 3 receiving the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. The saints were also helped in a marked way.—E. Edw. Miller, Pastor, Riverside Tabernacle.

BURBANK, S. DAK.—On November 30 we closed a 4-weeks meeting with Evangelist C. D. Quackenbush of Keego Harbor, Mich. God blessed, and night after night our hearts burned within us as His servant opened to us the Scriptures. We are happy for the ministry of Brother Quackenbush. He is an evangelist of the old school with God's message for the churches.—C. L. Snider, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEXAS—Since taking over the Heights Gospel Tabernacle about August 24, we have had a number saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit. Our Sunday School attendance has been growing; we had an increase of about 70, making our number 164. We are now in a campaign with R. L. Davis of Dallas as evangelist. God has begun to bless and we believe a revival is on.—Oscar L. Davidson.

SEMINOLE, OKLA.—Evangelist and Mrs. Vernon M. Murray of Houston just closed a 3-weeks revival here. We had one of the greatest visitations of God's Spirit that we have had in nearly three years. Near the close of the revival, there were two night services when no preaching was required. A number came to the altar. One night 5 were saved, and 2 were filled; another night 3 were saved, and 4 were baptized. Quite a number were saved in other services.—Berl Dodd, Pastor.

SHAWNEE, OKLA.—The Glad Tidings Assembly just closed a successful 3-weeks revival with Mr. and Mrs. Vernon M. Murray of Ft. Worth, Texas, as the evangelists. Every service was marked by the presence of the Lord. Several people were saved or reclaimed, and the church was benefited by the old-time gospel preaching of our brother. The songs sung by Mrs. Murray contributed much to the success of the campaign.—James C. Dodd, Minister.

WICHITA, KANSAS—After the General Council at Minneapolis, we had with us Evangelist and Mrs. Charles B. Dobbins of Ft. Smith, Ark., who were greatly used of God in evangelistic work here. A good many were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost, and the church was stirred to a revival. A month later, we had Evangelist George Hayes of Ft. Worth, Texas, who preached the old-time gospel with power. Many were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. Our Sunday School was much helped. These evangelists are good men, full of the Holy Spirit and faith.—Chas. Sheall, Pastor.

LAKE PRESTON, S. DAK.—A 2-weeks series of meetings has been conducted here by Evangelist John Robinson of Milwaukee, Wis. The presence of the Holy Spirit was in our midst mightily. People came to the altar for salvation and the church as a whole was edified and strengthened in the faith. The Holy Spirit manifested Himself on several occasions with messages in tongues and interpretations. One evening was set aside for a Divine Healing service and several were prayed for according to the Scriptures. Brother Robinson has a very practical message and is Pentecostal to the core.—F. E. Evans, Pastor.

COLUMBIA, S. C.—Three years ago, around August 1, we began our work here, out in a field in the open air, with approximately 6 people that we could count on. Since that time God has given us a nice piece of property with a 34x70 ft. tabernacle, nicely finished, a growing membership of over 50, a progressive Sunday School with up to 120 in attendance, and a fine group of young people organized into a C. A. class. Very little is owed on the property. We appreciate God's blessing which has made this accomplishment possible in this hard field. We also appreciate the good spirit of co-operation which has been manifested among the saints. We have been called to pastor the church at Millville (Panama City), Fla., and are resigning here to assume our duties there. Council ministers passing that way are invited to stop over with us.—Pastor and Mrs. H. D. Ferrell, P. O. Box 832, Millville, Fla.

HUNTSVILLE, ARK.—We praise the Lord for the very successful revival conducted here by Denver C. Ogden, Evangelist, and Orvel L. Jagers, Music Director, of Siloam Springs. Brother Ogden's inspiring messages as well as Brother Jagers' music and singing found a real response in the hearts of the people. The revival was well attended from first to last. Twenty were gloriously saved, 6 received the Holy Ghost Baptism, and 12 followed the Lord in water baptism. Nine new members were added to the church. Our Sunday School attendance broke all previous records. Brother Jagers won the hearts of the children and we shall continue the Booster Band each Sunday night at 6:30. We feel that the 3-weeks revival laid a real foundation for what the Lord is going to do in the future. We praise the Lord for these two young men who are giving their full time to the ministry.—Ira Ballenger, Pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.—During the three weeks, ending November 2, Faith Tabernacle enjoyed a very refreshing revival under the leadership of J. Paul Bruton. Quite a number of people knelt at the altar seeking salvation; new people were present in almost every service; and best of all, the Holy Spirit was present making each service different. This revival was a great blessing to the church in general, causing the spiritual tide to rise continuously.

This revival was followed, after a week's intermission, by a meeting with Stewart B. Douglass of 1328 North Elwood, Tulsa, as evangelist. Brother Douglass' messages were of a prophetic nature and at the same time practical and inspiring. During these services, too, the spiritual tide continued to rise; souls were saved, and saints were revived and enlightened. On the last Sunday morning there was a veritable downpour of the Spirit. There was no preaching, and the entire church became an altar of prayer and praise.—By the Assistant Pastor.

EDGEMONT, S. DAK.—We accepted the pastorate here June 1, 1938, and God blessed us from the first Sunday. We have seen souls saved, believers filled with the Holy Ghost, and sick bodies healed. Cases of cancer, tuberculosis and many other afflictions were healed in the name of Jesus. We have had a steady increase each year in the average attendance of the Sunday School, due to the splendid co-operation of the saints. By the help of God the mortgage on the tabernacle has been paid and a nice parsonage has been purchased which is well on the way to being paid for. We have had campaigns with the following evangelists: Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Baker, Marie James, Jane Schaffer, L. H. Bacheller, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hoole, W. Keith Reed, and Paul and Helen Clapper. We are now in a meeting with Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Ziegler. God has blessed the ministry of each of these workers in our midst.

We are resigning as pastors here and will be on the evangelistic field after December 21. Mail will reach us at General Delivery, Whitney, Nebr.—W. A. Hawkins.

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.

BUCKEYE, ARIZ.—Jan. 4—; Mary Alice Bridges, Evangelist.—J. W. Dollins, 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. Keiser, Pastor.

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

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

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

NEW BROCKTON, ALA.—Dec. 22, for 2 weeks or longer; Lenward J. Reece, Evangelist.—A. E. Hughes, Pastor.

MALVERN, ARK.—Jan. 4—; Evangelist and Mrs. G. B. McDowell, Dallas, Texas.—Stephen Vandermerwe, Pastor.

SULLIVAN, MO.—Jan. 4, for 3 weeks or longer; W. M. Stevens of Springfield, Evangelist.—Odin H. Virgin, Pastor.

BIG STONE GAP, VA.—Revival in progress; W. W. Smith, West Fork, Ark., Evangelist.—A. L. Todd, Pastor.

CLINTON, IND.—223 N. Main St.; Jan. 11, for 2 weeks or longer; Clifton Hall, Evangelist.—Phillip G. Barnard, Pastor.

HAYS, KANSAS—Meeting in progress; W. M. Stevens, Springfield, Mo., Evangelist.—Max and Mae Johnson, Pastors.

MUNCIE, IND.—Glad Tidings Church, Jan. 4—; Evangelist and Mrs. J. D. Saunders.—Cecil M. Good, Pastor.

UNION CITY, TENN.—Dec. 28—; Evangelist and Mrs. Hilliard G. Griffin, Dallas, Texas.—R. H. DeLancey, Pastor.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y.—9 Prospect St., Jan. 5—25; C. Stanley Cooke, Evangelist.—Frederic D. Drake, Pastor.

KANSAS CITY, KANSAS—934 Scott Ave., Jan. 4—18; Christian Hild, Evangelist.—Hershel B. Barnett, Pastor.

BONESTEEL, S. DAK.—Gospel Tabernacle; Jan. 4, for 4 weeks or longer; C. D. Quanabush, Evangelist.—Douglas E. Snider, Pastor.

BYESVILLE, OHIO—Full Gospel Tabernacle; Jan. 4, for 2 weeks or longer; B. E. Hillman, Evangelist.—Mr. and Mrs. Tice Snider, Pastors.

GRAFTON, N. DAK.—Gospel Tabernacle; Jan. 4, for 2 weeks or longer; Raymond Reine and George Hiller, Evangelists.—K. E. Olson, Pastor.

PARAGOULD, ARK.—Our prayer week will begin with watchnight service Dec. 31, and will continue each night for one week.—Alfred A. Bradley, Pastor.

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

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

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

WICHITA, KANSAS—South Main and Lincoln Sts.; Jan. 4, for 3 weeks; Evangelist and Mrs. F. A. Sturgeon.—Chas. Sheall, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—1665 N. Mozart St.; Jan. 4, for 3 weeks; Roy P. "Frosty" Foster, Evangelist.—August A. Anderson, Pastor.

BARTLESVILLE, OKLA.—Jan. 4, for 2 weeks or longer; Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Quanabush, Evangelists.—U. S. Grant, Pastor.

SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF.—1165 F St., Jan. 4—; Evangelist Myrtle Wolford and coworker, Fredona Amerman, Oklahoma City, Okla.—R. M. Hargis, Pastor.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.—24th St. at 40th Ave. (Sayreton); Jan. 4, for 2 weeks or longer; Doreen E. Justice, Mansfield, Ark., Evangelist.—Joseph H. Harper, Pastor.

BELLFLOWER, CALIF.—Center at Stevens St.; Jan. 4, for 3 weeks; Evangelist and Mrs. J. Paul Bruton.—Clifford Andrews, Pastor.

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, 3100 E. 31st St. The Sectional Fellowship Meeting will be combined with Great Dedicatory Service of our new Tabernacle on New Year's Day, at 10:30 a. m. Ralph M. Riggs, District Superintendent, Speaker. We extend an invitation to all pastors and churches to be with us. For further information write Pastor A. A. Wilson.

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.

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Third Assembly of God, Sheffield; Jan. 4, for 2 weeks or longer; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon M. Murray, Texas Singing Evangelists.—Norman F. Brewer, Pastor.

LONACONING, MD.—All-day Meeting, Jan. 1; then follows 2-weeks meeting or longer; Dot and Homer Thropp, Greensburg, Pa., Radio Singers.—Albert Ark, Pastor.

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.—303 Capitol Ave. N. E., Jan. 4—; Evangelist and Mrs. Paul H. Kalstin. Broadcast, Station WELL, 1400 kilos., Battle Creek, Sundays 8:00-9:00 p. m.—Chas. W. H. Scott, Pastor.

AKRON, OHIO—Week of Prayer, North Howard and York, Jan. 4—11; R. E. McAlister, Toronto, Ontario, Guest Speaker. Two services daily. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate.—J. O. Savell, Pastor.

CORNING, N. Y.—129 Cutler Ave., Dec. 28—Jan. 11; Wilfred A. Brown, Secretary-Treasurer of Eastern District, Evangelist. Western New York Fellowship Meeting, Jan. 1. Neighboring assemblies urged to co-operate.—Samuel Y. Wedler, Pastor.

SHARP, OKLA. (8 miles southwest of Okmulgee)—All-day service, Jan. 4; Lee Krupnick, converted Jew of Tulsa, in charge. Old-fashioned basket dinner at noon. We trust many will co-operate to make this a great spiritual day.—Hattie Coffee, Pastor, Okmulgee, Okla.

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 Saxelid, Pastors.

TORONTO, CANADA—Great Holiness Convention, 833 St. Clair Ave. W., Dec. 28—Jan. 4. F. D. Davis, Superintendent Texas District Speaker. Border City Assemblies invited to attend. Services each evening for 8 days.—H. R. Pannabecker, Pastor.

PUEBLO, COLO.—702 S. Main; three special services, Jan. 4. Burning of mortgage and notes with dedication of church at afternoon service. District Superintendent J. E. Austell and other District brethren will speak.—R. A. McClure, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEXAS—Annual "Back Home" Week, Evangelistic Temple, Dec. 25—Jan. 1. District Superintendent F. D. Davis, Sectional Presbyter J. W. McClellan, Dr. P. C. Nelson, Raymond T. Richey, and others will be special speakers. Music under direction of Joseph L. Gerhart.—Raymond T. Richey.

DAYTON, OHIO—State Ministers' Institute, Bethel Temple, 108 Buckeye St., Jan. 12—H. R. E. McAlister, Toronto, Ontario, Night Speaker. Lodging and breakfast provided for all ministers and their companions. For complete program write T. E. Hartshorn, Secretary, 455 N. Lyman St., Wadsworth, Ohio.

S. CUMBERLAND, MD.—Workers' Meeting, Jan. 4—10. Three meetings daily. Speakers: Flem 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.

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

LONE WOLF, OKLA.—Fellowship Meeting, Southwest Section, Jan. 13. First service 10:00 a. m. Monroe is pastor.—C. L. Brown, Presbyter.

VINITA, OKLA.—Fellowship Meeting, Northeast Oklahoma, Jan. 5. Special speakers. Basket lunch at noon.—Leslie J. Moore, Secretary-Treasurer, Cardi, Okla.

CANALOU, MO.—Fellowship Meeting, Kennett Section, Jan. 5. Clarence Wiegand, Morning Speaker. E. L. Hance, Presbyter.—C. E. Garner, Sectional Secretary.

CHAFFEE, MO.—C. A. Rally, Cape Girardeau Section, Jan. 4. Gale Jackson of Sikeston is C. A. presbyter.—Mrs. L. C. Ramsey, Sectional C. A. Secretary.

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.

BELLEVEUE, OHIO—Northwestern Ohio Fellowship Meeting, Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 211 Main St., Jan. 5. Services 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30. Bessie Jones is pastor.—Forrest Anderson, Secretary-Treasurer.

ITHACA, N. Y.—Central New York Fellowship Meeting, First Pentecostal Church, 521½ Meadow St., Jan. 1. J. Boyd Wolverton is pastor.—Robert T. McGlasson, Sectional Secretary, 28 Vincent St., Carthage, N. Y.

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. Griesen. Bring basket lunch. L. R. Logan is pastor.—Pay Clopine, C. A. Sectional Secretary.

NEW YORK, N. Y.—C. A. Rally, Hudson Valley Section, Russian Pentecostal Church, 543-5 East 11th St., Jan. 1. Demain A. Matysuk is pastor. Services 3:00 and 7:30; Wesley R. Steelberg, Philadelphia, Pa., will speak at both services.—John W. Tucker, C. A. Vice President.

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, Hagers-town, Md., Speaker. Special singing and speaking by different C. A. groups.—R. F. Bender, Reading, Pa., Sectional C. A. Leader.

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

SILAO 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.

AMARILLO, TEXAS—Mid-Winter Prayer Conference, Jan. 19–22. Monday night, Fellowship Meeting. Five district meetings—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.

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.

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.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—Box 792, Moneta, Calif. "I am now pastoring the Full Gospel Tabernacle, 163rd and Western Ave., Gardena, Calif."—C. E. Shields.

NEW ADDRESS—Box 111, Dexter, Ga. "We have not accepted a place on the faculty of the Southeastern Bible Institute this term. We have accepted the pastorate of the Assembly in Dexter, Ga."—Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Gygax.

WANTED—Pentecostal Evangel and Gospel Tracts for free distribution in slums of Los Angeles, Calif. All papers and tracts must be clean and presentable and all postage paid.—Roscoe Harms, No. 4 Toluca Estate, North Hollywood, Calif.

NOTICE—After 7 years I have resigned as pastor of Calvary Full Gospel Church, Rochester, N. Y., to return to the evangelistic field.—C. Stanley Cooke, 860 Culver Rd., Rochester, N. Y.

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.

BROADCAST

"The Goshen Tabernacle Hour," Station WTRC, Elkhart, Ind., Sundays 3:30-4:00 p. m.—Joseph and Helen Dunets.

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Douglas Assembly of God	11.64
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Gateway Full Gospel Assembly	11.12
Gentry Assembly of God Church	2.00
Grapevine Hedden Chapel	3.74
Hickory Ridge Smith Center A of G	7.82
Hot Springs F Assembly of God CA	10.13
Lepanto Speedway Assembly of God	3.45
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Fresno Full Gospel Tab CA & WMC	16.00
Half Moon Bay Full Gospel Ch	6.54
Huntington Park Full Gos Assembly	1.25
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La Mesa Gospel Tabernacle	24.76
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Los Angeles Bethel Mission	7.00
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Bridgeport United Pent Church CA	26.45
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Lewes Full Gospel Assembly	4.50
Minquadales Full Gospel Ch SS	12.36
Wilmington Calvary Pent Church	5.00
Wilmington First Pent Church & SS	76.12
DIST COLUMBIA Personal Offer	5.00
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Auburndale Assembly of God	2.00
Daytona Beach Full Gospel Tab	2.00
Milton Pace Assembly of God	11.34
Orlando First Pent A of G CA	3.00
Oxford Mt Zion Assembly of God	3.00
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Tallahassee Assembly of God & CA	9.00
Tampa Ballast Point Faith Assembly	1.07
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IDAHO Personal Offerings	51.40
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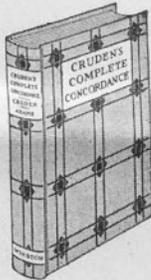
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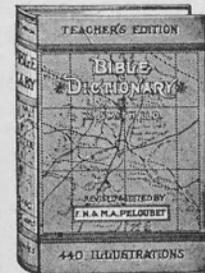


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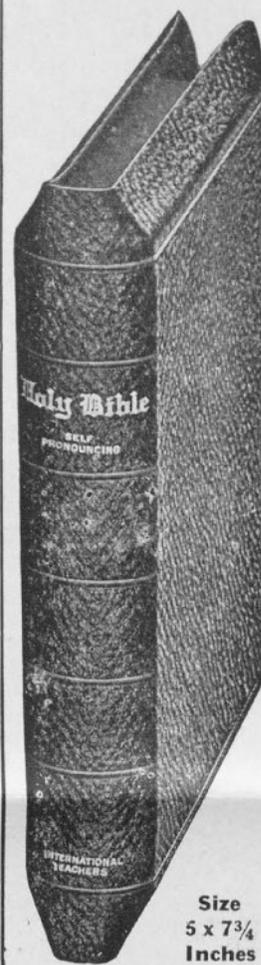
But what are we going to do with them? They are too little to go into a grownup class with Mother and Daddy. Besides, they wouldn't learn anything there. And it isn't fair to the beginners for us to try to teach them along with the other children in the Beginner Department. They cannot sit still and listen as long as beginners can. And they cannot understand the stories—even as simple as we make them for the beginners. There are other beginner teaching activities as well, in which they cannot join—because they are so tiny.

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 PRAYER

WHAT CAN YOU DO? First of all prayer! Then ask others to pray. Speak to your pastor about services in your church. If you are a pastor, get the matter on the minds of your people. If need be, open your own home for a meeting. You can do something, and you will if you are not indifferent or asleep. Do it! Begin today! Pray. Keep praying. God will give the results.

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BIBLES FOR RUSSIANS

Tucked away on one of the inside pages of the New York morning papers on Saturday, November 29, was an item entitled in one instance, "Captive Reds to Get Bibles," which to the average reader was just as unimportant as it seemed but which to those whose concern is for the spread of the Kingdom of Christ is very significant. The news item was based on the following radiogram received by the American Bible Society on November 26 which read as follows:

HAVE PERMISSION DISTRIBUTE SCRIPTURES RUSSIAN PRISONERS STOP MAY WE PLACE FIRST ORDER THIRTY THOUSAND NEW TESTAMENT FIFTEEN THOUSAND SWISS FRANCS FINNISH SOCIETY.

The radiogram came from W. S. Visser 't Hooft,

Secretary of the Ecumenical Commission for Chaplaincy Aid to War Prisoners in Geneva, Switzerland, through which the American Bible Society has distributed thousands of Bibles, and Testaments to prisoners in German prison camps. Now for the first time permission has been given to extend this distribution to camps where Russian prisoners are interned. Just where these camps are has not yet been revealed. The cable calls for an expenditure of fifteen thousand Swiss francs, which in American exchange is \$3,250 and the printing is to be done in Finland where it is known that paper is relatively plentiful and publishing operations practical.

There is abundant evidence that the Scriptures will be welcomed. There is no better authority than the Society of the Militant Godless themselves who testify that "even the smallest people know the Bible story. Even those who hold the Bible story to be a pious legend do not forget it. Every

one knows about Jesus Christ. His existence is not doubted."

At a service held on August 31 in the Orthodox Cathedral of Riga for the Russian prisoners of war, over 5,000 members of the Soviet army took part. A choir composed of 35 prisoners of war sang the liturgy. The young singers thus demonstrated not only that they had been taught how to sing, but that they knew the hymns of the Church. The prisoners followed the service with great attention and spiritual responsiveness. Many expressed the wish to make confession and receive communion.

The door that has been tightly closed for two decades in Russia is ajar. The American Bible Society is prepared, if funds are available, to meet this wonderful opportunity. The Society's War Emergency Fund is already considerably over-spent as the work for prisoners from other countries has been very extensive. Gifts for the work for Russian prisoners, which is bound to rapidly increase throughout the coming months, will be welcomed. Brother Noel Perkin, our Missionary Secretary, will be happy to forward offerings from our readers or Assemblies to the American Bible Society for this work.

JUDAH'S RESTORATION

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was so much greater than that of the much smaller temple that was in the process of erection. No condemnation is due either class. Today we shout with joy and are genuinely grateful to God for what we see being accomplished in the church which is God's habitation (Eph. 2:20-22); but we also weep as we read of the apostolic church and compare its glory with that which is generally manifest today. However, we do not stop there! For we believe that in answer to prayer and praise we shall see God's glory increasingly revealed in His twentieth century church!—J. Bashford Bishop.

SPECIAL NOTICE

It is necessary to go to press with the Evangel every Monday. Our printers do not work on Saturdays, so all the notices that appear in the Evangel must be set up on Friday. Please remember this when you send in your notices. Always address them—NOT to the Gospel Publishing House—but to the Editor of the Pentecostal Evangel, 336 West Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.

Earnest prayer is requested for Augusta Remacle in Southwest China whose physical condition is critical.

1941 General Council Minutes

The 1941 General Council Minutes, together with the Constitution and By-laws, and Reports of Executive Officers are now ready for distribution. Copies are being mailed to each ordained minister of the General Council free of charge. All others who desire copies can obtain them for twenty-five cents (25c) postpaid from the Gospel Publishing House, 336 West Pacific St., Springfield, Missouri.

Official 1941-42 List of Ministers of the General Council

The Official List of ordained ministers of the General Council will be ready for distribution by January 1. This list is published separately from the General Council Minutes and WILL NOT be mailed to the ministers as in former years. The list contains the names and addresses of approximately 4500 ministers. Copies of the Official List can be obtained for twenty-five cents (25c) postpaid from the Gospel Publishing House, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.