

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



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THY TESTIMONIES ALSO ARE MY DELIGHT AND MY COUNSELLORS



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Continue in Prayer

THE story is told of a woman who dreamed that she died and went to heaven. "As one of the angels was showing her about the rooms of that glorious place, she was brought to a large room where many bundles were piled in a corner. Finding her name on several bundles, she asked for an explanation, saying as she did so, 'I remember praying for those very things when I was down there on the earth.' The angel replied, 'Yes, when any of God's children make requests to Him, preparations are made to give the answer, but the angels are told that if the petitioner is not waiting for the answer, to return with it, and store it in this room.'"

How correct the above account is, we do not know, but it well illustrates the need, not only of asking, but of waiting for the answer. In this hurrying age, it seems harder to find time to wait on the Lord than to hastily pray and then run off without an answer.

Some pray more fervently when passing through trouble, while others let sorrows dampen their ardor for prayer. We ought not to forget, "Is any afflicted, let him pray." There is strength in telling our troubles to God, there is weakness in telling them to others. Specially, if we feel we have been wronged, we should make the Lord our confidant. You are very likely to manifest a right spirit toward your troubles if you mention them in prayer. You are just as likely to let a different spirit creep in if you begin to tell them to others. "Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord (not man) delivereth him out of them all." How soothing to the soul when God has given victory over wounds which have torn the spirit.

It is the will of God that we be sanctified. It is testings that develop

Ernest S. Williams



sanctified strength. There is a sense in which all Christians are sanctified. Immediately upon salvation, we "are sanctified in Christ Jesus," set apart and given the position of saints. It is this positional sanctification that opens the way for experimental holiness. To say that all believers are at that moment sanctified wholly is to disagree with Scripture. Paul wrote the Thessalonian believers, "This is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from forni-



A Prayer

*Speak to us, Lord, until our hearts are melted,
To share in Thy compassion for the lost:
Till our souls throb with burning intercession,
That they shall know Thy Name, whate'er the cost.*

*Speak to us, Lord, till shamed by Thy great giving,
Our hands unclasp to set our treasures free;
Our wills, our love, our dear ones, our possessions,
All gladly yielded, gracious Lord, to Thee.*

cation." And again he wrote, "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." Entire sanctification then purifies and preserves man's whole being, so he is found "not wanting at the appearing of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." We join with Paul in saying, "Wherefore we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of His goodness, and the work of faith with power."

The purpose of Paul was to have a people ready for the coming again of our Lord Jesus Christ. He had espoused his converts to Christ that he might present them unto Him "as a chaste virgin." He had looked forward toward the time of the wedding of the Lamb when the Lamb would present the Church unto Himself, "a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing." He anticipated the hour of the wedding when "His wife had made herself ready," "arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints."

Of linens, there are three qualities referred to in the Scriptures. There is the coarser linen worn by the High Priest when he went in to make atonement for the people. This was worn when dealing with the guilt of sin and making reconciliation for the same. The honest believer is a wearer of this linen, considered spiritually, even when confessing weaknesses and guilt before the Lord. The blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all such sins and clothes him with the linen of acceptance and love.

But the High Priest did not at all times wear this coarser linen. After
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Paul Asks a Question

Floyd L. Hawkins at the Central Assembly, Springfield, Missouri

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

In A. D. 54 Paul made what is known as his third missionary tour. In the course of this journey he came to Ephesus, in Asia Minor, where he found certain disciples. These disciples had been brought together under the leadership of Apollos, an eloquent man, mighty in the Scriptures. He was instructed in the way of the Lord, was fervent in the spirit, and spake and taught the things of the Lord to the best of his knowledge. Under his ministry a little group of believers had been banded together. Their experience was genuine and thorough as far as it went, but they had received no instruction concerning the Holy Ghost.

Paul came to Ephesus, and found this little company of believers. He at once became conscious of a very definite, specific and overwhelming need; and so he put to them this question: "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" They replied, "We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost."

To me, this question reveals Paul's chief concern for them. There were a great many other things that Paul might very legitimately have discussed with them, such as, their influence in the community, their numerical strength, their membership, etc. But those questions could never have revealed the chief concern of the Apostle Paul, so he said, "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?"

God give us more leaders with the concern of the Apostle Paul! There was a reason for Paul's putting this question. He knew that if this little company of believers, together with himself, were to make any impression on this pagan center of Ephesus, they must have the power of Pentecost. He knew there was no other way.

Ephesus was rich and powerful. It was not only the commercial and the political center of Asia Minor, but the religious center. Here stood the great temple for the worship of Diana, a wonder of the world. It was 220 feet wide, had 127 pillars, and each of its columns, more than sixty feet high, was said to have been the gift of a prince. It was built of bright, shining marble. It was a treasure house, a refuge. It housed many of the world's finest paintings and statuary, and 220 years were required for its erection.

In this city was centered the worship of the goddess Diana, with all its corruption. Here Paul and this little company of about twelve men began their ministry under the leadership of the Holy Ghost. Thank God, they got the right vision at the outset! They realized their need of the power of Pentecost. I am amazed, as I read the record, at how this little company of Spirit-filled believers accepted the challenge of paganism in this godless city, and as I think of their courage and the invincibility of their faith.

I have seen people filled with the Holy Ghost and with fire. I well recall my own beginning in this work under the instruction of a humble little lady, one of the least literate, least trained, least gifted of all leaders that I have met. But she had tenacity and stick-to-itiveness and faith and power and courage and invincibility; and more than that—an experience of Pentecost that I have rarely seen equalled anywhere before or since that time. With faith in God she went into one pioneer community after another. She knew how to pray, how to fast, how to talk to God and how to depend on the ministry of the Holy Ghost. She knew how to prevail with God, until God the Holy Ghost came upon the scene and moved among the people.

I have seen whole churches—denominational congregations—empty their buildings and file out into her Pentecostal revivals. I have seen pastors of other churches, filled with the Holy Ghost, lock the doors of their pastorates and turn to Pentecost. I saw a motion picture theater closed and turned into a Pentecostal church as a result of her ministry. Ignorant, uneducated, without natural gift, without natural ability or talents; but, oh, the courage and the invincibility of her faith! God help us to grasp this truth. *If we are to make any impact upon this conceited, unbelieving, apostate, atheistic generation of ours, we must begin with the power of Pentecost.*

The other day in the *San Francisco Examiner*, I noticed quite an article about the Christ's Ambassadors of the Assemblies of God. It spoke of the strength of the Christ's Ambassadors, about the money they had raised with which to purchase Testaments for the armed forces, about the Testaments they have placed on life rafts, on bombers and so on. It said that these people, without gifts, and without a great deal from the standpoint

of worldly things, have had a growth from their early days that somewhat parallels the growth of early Methodism soon after and during the Wesleys' time. Thank God for the Holy Ghost! For without money, without prestige, without position, without recognition by the world, this work has had a growth that overwhelms you when you think about it. It is because we have had our resources, our power, and our strength in the experience of Pentecost. Nothing else in all the world will do.

The other day we had Charles E. Fuller of the Old-fashioned Revival Hour for a special engagement in our city. It was to have been sponsored by the Protestant churches of the city, but when it came to a showdown many of them that claimed and professed to have a great belief in evangelism let us down. It simmered down to a few groups like the Assemblies of God, the Nazarenes, the Christian and Missionary Alliance, the Swedish Covenant, and a few others that believe the message of salvation that Charles E. Fuller preaches.

I happened to be connected with the committee on evangelism for the Council of Churches, and I had the responsibility of making arrangements for this meeting. I could not get any publicity from the churches in general. They sneered at it, made fun of it, did not believe in that kind of evangelism, and I wondered what the outcome would be. Came the time for the doors of the auditorium to open; and, without any advertising, without any great effort on our part, the people filed in by the hundreds, and soon the place was packed to capacity. Brother Fuller reached over to me and said, "I had been hoping that God would prove at least one thing to these men who do not believe in the power of old-fashioned evangelism; and that is, that the old simple gospel, preached in the power of the Spirit, still draws, still attracts, and still transforms."

The Ephesians became conscious that there was a dynamic church within their borders. Miracles were performed through Paul. Ephesus, that great city, the stronghold of paganism in Asia at that time, was made conscious of the presence of a dynamic power within its borders, and there was no small stir in that city. When God the Holy Ghost comes into the lives of the people who name the name of Christ, and Pentecost really possesses them, endues them and empowers them, their neighbors will know it. They may not believe, they may reject, but they will know that within their borders there is a dynamic spiritual force. O God, give us today the power of Pentecost! It is indispensable to a ministry which can meet the need of this age.

The seven sons of Sceva tried to imitate the power that Paul manifested. They

took upon themselves to call over the demon-possessed man the name of Christ which Paul used. They had no first-hand knowledge of Christ, and so they said: "We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth." The evil spirit said, "Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?" And the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped upon them, and overcame them, and tore their clothing from them, and they fled defeated, wounded and naked, because they did not have a first-hand knowledge of this Christ whom Paul preached. One miracle after another was wrought by Paul's hands. And there arose, says the Scripture, no small stir about that way. I thrill from head to foot as I contemplate what can be accomplished under God, and under God alone, in all the cities, communities, and villages throughout the length and breadth of this great land, if all of us who name the name of Christ enter into Pentecost.

A person could spend a great deal of time talking about what Pentecost is. It is more than tongue talking. I thank God for the speaking in tongues! True Pentecost is emphatically more than a profession. There is something very real, very wonderful about the experience of Pentecost!

I saw a little girl get up and lead the song service in a meeting not so long ago. She looked too much like the world, to begin with. I saw her prance about on her tiptoes for a little while, miles from being in contact with God, I am sorry to say; and then she said, "I thank God I am Pentecostal!" I thought, "God have mercy on this community if you are an example of Pentecost. God help us all! We might just as well lock our doors if that is an example of it!"

We cannot make an impression upon any community unless we begin with something fundamental, something really of God. Despite all that you have seen, despite all the squabbles, divisions, misrepresentations, hypocrisies, poor examples, and all the rest of it, there is a real Pentecost, and we must enter into it, and let it possess us, if we are ever to make any impact upon the callousness of our day. If we have not been to Pentecost yet, may God take us through!

So I read here: "Fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified. And many that believed came and confessed, and showed their deeds. Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together, and burned them before all men: and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver. So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed." Glory to God!

I don't care what your city is called. It does not matter how strong a hold Satan has upon a community, or the difficulties

of breaking through, it can never be the stronghold of paganism and unbelief that Ephesus was. And yet this little company of humble believers began with Pentecost, and oh, what an impression, what an influence they exerted upon that community!

Any full-grown revival will inevitably overflow its banks. This Holy Ghost awakening in Ephesus reached clear out to those across the Lycus Valley and resulted in the establishment of churches in Colosse, Laodicea and Hierapolis. All who dwelt in Asia during Paul's two-year stay in Ephesus heard the word of the Lord Jesus. Many of those who became converted there subsequently became sowers of the gospel in their own communities. I thank God for a revival that overflows its banks, that cannot be housed in or tied up. We cannot keep this revival for the Assemblies of God alone, for it is a real Holy Ghost visitation. Any full-grown revival must overflow its boundaries and reach out to other communities. Thank God, they were missionary-minded, filled with a holy compassion that drove them out into the valley and into other cities to give to others what Almighty God had given to them. This revival of which we are a part is primarily an evangelistic and missionary movement, and we must keep it so. And we will, if we retain the experience of Pentecost.

Thank God, they enlarged their borders, reached out! God keep us alert! May God empower us, enthuse us, inspire us, and keep us going out with the gospel, telling the story of a Christ who still heals, who still answers prayer, who still can revive His work in the midst of the years, who still wins the victory, who is still personal and real and near to the hearts of all the people who receive Him! God, send us out with this kind of evangelism!

Oh, the stuff that is palmed off on people in this day in the name of evangelism! Oh, the dead, dull and lifeless program that official Protestantism is palming off on the people of America today in the name of evangelism! God give us an Acts-of-the-Apostles evangelism! God give us a Pentecostal evangelism!

In speaking of Pentecostal evangelism, I do not refer to any organization which calls itself Pentecostal; I mean an experience that is thorough and real—under God. Give us an evangelism full of fire and fervor and reality; give us the courage and invincibility to do for God what we can never do apart from Pentecost!

The other day a lady told me her story. She said that when she was a young girl she pioneered for Christ in a section of the country where the gospel had not been preached. She said, "I did not have sufficient money to buy the food I needed,

nor the necessary clothing. I did much of my work walking from one place to another. But I am grateful to say that today in this particular community there are some beautiful churches. The people have written me, officially and otherwise, asking me to come back whenever I can, for they love me, and they are grateful to God for the work I was able to accomplish in their midst." As I went away, I thought of what an experience in Pentecost will do. There was that little girl, without backing, without money, without necessary food, without sufficient clothing, going from place to place to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, and as a result substantial churches had been built.

The other day John Hall got up in one of our meetings in the District and told of his desire to go back to Africa as soon as possible. A young lady who had just returned from Africa got up and said, "I'm so anxious to go back I hardly know what to do. I can hardly wait until the time comes when I can go." That, friends, is what the experience of Pentecost will do. That is an example of the courage and invincibility that possesses one when he comes into the Pentecostal experience! Thank God for the young men and young women, for the middle-aged and the old, for all who are possessed with the experience of Pentecost, and who become permeated and imbued with the spirit of evangelism that desires to do something for the dead and dying, those in trespasses and sins! God, give us all this experience in Pentecost!

The Glory of Drudgery

"Waitin' for a train today, I couldn't help noticin' the shiftin' engine, 'nd how hard 'twuz workin.' 'Twuz puffin' here 'nd tuggin' there, 'nd never standin' still for five minits. 'Nd it never got outside the yards neither. Jest back 'nd forth, on them same line of rails, gettin' trains ready for other engines to take out, allers in the thick of things, never runnin' out through the fields or woods, or acrost the river bridges or other hills, like the other engines—my! 'twuz like a parable of some folks' lives allers doin' the hard work in the hard places.

"There ain't no glory in bein' a shiftin' engine. No fast runs, 'nd no record-breakin' hauls—jest makin' up trains so's they can start out right. Seems to me ther's lot of men 'nd wimmen—specially wimmen—jest like that, doin' common things day in 'nd day out, gettin' no glory nor credit out of it all. Folks praise a great man, 'nd ferget the mother that started him out right. They admire the head of a concern, when it's the quiet partner or the gray-haired clerk that keeps things goin' straight. The engine that goes speedin' along over a clear, open track with the hull continent ahead—that's the engine for them, every time."

The Trial of Your Faith

THE disciples brought word to the Master, "Lord, he (Lazarus) whom thou lovest is sick." Had He not spoken just a word and it was enough to bring healing to the centurion's servant? Now why did He allow one who always gave Him loving hospitality in his home in Bethany to be overcome with sickness? Why did He allow such a trial to come to such hospitable friends as Martha and Mary? Was He inconsiderate? Did He have no concern for those in that home where He was always so welcome?

He gave answer, "This sickness is not unto death but for the glory of God." And He left Lazarus in the thralls of virulent sickness. He left Martha and Mary to be anxious for their brother. As they could see his temperature mounting higher and higher they wondered, "How is it that the Master does not hurry to bring healing to our brother as He has brought healing and deliverance to thousands?"

There are many things that the natural man finds difficult to understand. It is in these things that the saint must encourage himself in the Lord, and say with the Psalmist, "I will trust and not be afraid."

Here was Lazarus left unaided in his sickness. See him in the very thralls of death and listen to that last gasp! Hear Martha's word, "He is gone! If only the Master had been here he would not have died! Why did He not come when we invited Him? Does He not care?" Yes, He cares. But He has greater regard for the glory of His Father than the convenience of His saints.

See that babe. Does it sit up and criticize the mother because it does not think that the bottle which is being prepared has a sufficiency of calories and vitamins? No, the babe rests and drinks that lovingly-prepared provision. And cannot the little children of the loving heavenly Father trust infinite wisdom and infinite love in the choice of all His providences?

He is infinitely loving and wise in all His ways. He does not think merely in the realm of that which will be temporarily convenient. But He is seeking to prepare His children for eternal service. And so He is disciplining, training, and frequently putting His children through hard schools and much suffering, through many infirmities and necessities and persecutions.

He ever has the eternal in view. It is written, "His servants shall serve Him and they shall see His face." Yes, and after they have wisely and lovingly served Him they will see in His face the smile of loving approval. They shall hear from

His lips, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

After years of toil and drudgery, after a life of submission, of many years of misunderstandings (for even His brethren did not believe in Him), it was a joy to the Son of God to hear the words of approval of the loving Father, "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased."

The Son of God has sent His Holy Spirit who shall so mould, train and perfect His servants that in days to come it can be said of them, "The spirits of just men made perfect." They will be enabled to render perfect service, to give God perfect praise. They will be enabled to respond to infinite love with perfect love.

It is written, "His delights are with the sons of men." They have been, they always will be. "Sons of men"—those who have been redeemed at infinite cost; the cost of His own Son's life blood!

Trust the Holy Spirit whom He gives. Yes, through that eternal Spirit you may be taken to your Gethsemane and Calvary. Trust Him through all the difficult days when things happen that cannot be explained. Trust Him when you are inclined to ask, "Why this trial? Does not the Master care? Why does He not come? Why does He not bring healing? Why does He not bring what our hearts are craving?" In infinite wisdom the Son of God allows that which is for the glory of God. He looks beyond the temporal, beyond the suffering, beyond the trial, to the eternal, when He shall present to the Father, with exceeding joy, those He has prepared, those He has wisely

disciplined, those He has perfected through the things they have suffered.

It is written, "He ever liveth to make intercession," and His prayers prevail. It is written, "He shall see of the travail of His soul and shall be satisfied." For those He will bring will be like unto Himself. "It does not yet appear what we shall be, but... we shall be like Him." And the Father will be pleased with the many sons, even as He was pleased with His only begotten Son who always labored for the glory of His Father.—S. H. F.

A Place on Christ's Prayer List

We have a High Priest who is touched with the feeling of our infirmities. His intercession did not cease at the cross when He prayed, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do." That was for sinners. He is able to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them.

The children of Israel laid their hands upon the sacrifice that they brought to the priest, and confessed their sins, and the priest offered the sin-bearer. Jesus Christ knows our sins and our weaknesses, and He intercedes as the great high priest; then God looks at Him and acts in mercy because He alike bore our sins and intercedes on our behalf.

Jesus Christ is the Son of man and the Son of God. He can intercede with God because He is God, and He can intercede for man because He is man. God and man meet in God's high priest.

He continues to pray after you have ceased. And His prayer is an availing prayer, a comprehensive prayer—comprehensive for the individual and all individuals who will avail themselves of the services of the high priest.

What is the claim that gives a right to call upon Him? The need constitutes the claim. Come to Him in your need. He ever liveth to make intercession for you.

There was always a priest available for any of the children of Israel. Today there is always a Priest available for the children of God. Enlist His services. He is listening to your requests and waiting to pass them on to His Father.

A Safe Landing

Oh, set your sail to the heavenly gale,
And then, no matter what winds prevail,
No reef can wreck you, no calm delay;
No mist shall hinder, no storm shall stay;
Though far you wander and long you roam,
Through salt sea sprays and o'er white sea foam,
No wind that can blow but shall speed you Home.

—Annie Johnson Flint.

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God's Certain Judgments

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In our churches, and among the religions of the world today, there is a great organization under the control of Satan; and he is guarding and guiding public opinion. He is inspiring people to write books on things theological and ecclesiastical. People out of Christ, and surrendered Christians not led by the Holy Ghost, are being used by this supernatural power for the great climax that is brought before us in chapters 12 and 13 of Revelation.

As we study prophecy we recognize the fact, that the devil's methods are here unmasked. The devil's purposes are being wrapped up in one personality, a kind of superman, who will appear among men as the ideal man, and who will have a two-fold policy—one political, the other ecclesiastical. In each of those policies there is one word, unification. The political policy is to unite all nations into one common brotherhood to prevent war, to bring about mutual prosperity, overcome race prejudice, and bring peace on earth. The program is magnificent.

Then there is an ecclesiastical policy, and that is to unite all religions into one common brotherhood, and one common creed, in which the words are ever to the front—"the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man." In this creed, both political and ecclesiastical, the Man Christ Jesus is upheld as a great Example, and the Bible is looked upon as a good ethical Book, an honored Book, a unique Book—but not the Word of God. There is no place for hell or punishment or sin in that creed.

This mystery of iniquity is now at work. And when once the Church has been caught up the climax begins to develop very speedily. This great unifying policy is at the back of everything today, political and ecclesiastical; you see it everywhere, and it is heading up to the final conflict described in the 19th chapter of Revelation—organized effort against God and His Christ; and, humanly speaking, the effort sounds good.

How is this great climax to be met from heaven's standpoint? How is the devil's great plan to be overcome? And through whom? There are five things to note. Here we see heaven's army against earth's organization. We notice, first of all, the general in command. Second, the army which He leads. Third, the foes which they encounter. Fourth, the glorious victory of good over evil. And, last the doom of the leaders of earth's army.

Let us look for a few moments at the heavenly General. What is His name? From whence does He come? Our hearts are thrilled, for we see at the head of heaven's army a glorified man, bone of our bone, and flesh of our flesh. The divine Man coming to men's rescue. His title is King of kings, and Lord of lords, and His name—the Word of God. We notice He comes from heaven. He has ascended, and is now our great High Priest at the right hand of the Father, but here we find Him leaving that high priestly office, and coming as King David's greater Son. And notice that He rides upon a white horse.

His eyes are as a flame of fire. Nothing escapes his attention. Is it any wonder that the kings and the military leaders, when they see Him, shall fall on their faces and cry to the rocks: "Fall on us, and hide us from the face of Him that sitteth upon the throne"? On His head are many diadems, for He is not only the mighty General, but He is the all-conquering monarch, the King of kings, and Lord of lords. Notice, too, His name—"the Word of God." Now, this is one of the prominent designations of our blessed Lord: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. All things were made by Him; and without Him was not anything made that was made." Notice the 15th verse: "And out of His mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it He should smite the nations." The beast was taken, and with him the false prophet. These both were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone.

The lake of fire is referred to nine times in the New Testament, and the One who refers to it most is none other than the Lord Jesus Himself, and He speaks of hell, Gehenna, in the most vivid, solemn and awful way. Tophet in the Old Testament is Gehenna in the New Testament, and refers to the valley of Hinnom, where human sacrifices were offered. It is a literal place. In Isa. 66:24 we read: "And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcases of the men that have transgressed against Me; for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh."

Our Lord speaks of Gehenna. He says it is much better to sacrifice an eye or a limb than that the whole body should be cast into hell fire. It is a place prepared for the devil and his angels, but the devil is not there yet, nor his angels; it is not inhabited yet. The first persons to be con-

signed to hell fire are the beast and the false prophet, who deceive the whole world, and lead the world into this great warfare against God and His Christ—the two world leaders, the political leader and the ecclesiastical leader. The next to be consigned there is Satan. And, then, the wicked dead of past generations, and of this age, and the age to come.

In the light of these solemn words, let us take to heart Peter's message: "Your adversary the devil goeth about as a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour." He is blinding men's eyes to the glory of the gospel. He is blinding men's eyes to the enormity of sin. We know in our own hearts that our blessed Lord is the coming king, that He is on the throne of our hearts.

We know that when He comes, and we hear that trumpet sound, that we are to be caught up to meet Him, and to share His kingship and glory. We know that we are to be part of that triumphant army in the days to come. But our blessed Lord has so arranged it that you and I should be here just now, in the height of this terrific conflict, and at His disposal for Him to have His way with us. The call of these last days, before the coming into the air of our Saviour, is for absolute submission to God the Holy Ghost. Every avenue of our being must be under His control, every moment of our time must be spent for the glory of the Lord Jesus. Absolute separation from everything that is called worldly, or of the world; dead unto sin, and alive unto God.

The warfare is thickening. Remember that the great Christian explosive to overcome evil and win our friends who do not understand it, is not denunciation, but love. And that is the mark of those who are filled with the Holy Ghost.

Simon the Tanner

We read that Peter "tarried many days in Joppa with one Simon a tanner." Acts 9:43. An old rabbi has written, "The world cannot do without tanners, but woe unto that man who is a tanner!" How inveterate must have been the prejudice against this occupation! The house of the tanner was always at the east end of the town. There is wonderful suggestion in the statement that Simon's house was "by the sea-side." The Jews pushed the tanners out as far as possible; they would gladly have pushed them all into the sea. They hated tanners. To get a Jew, who had never eaten anything common or unclean, to lodge with a tanner, was a miracle of miracles, the supreme conquest of Christ.—Joseph Parker.

"The Lord is never voiceless except to an earless soul."—Charles H. Spurgeon.

When the Fire Swept Korea

A Continuation of the Story by Jonathan Goforth

Just then about one hundred preachers and colporteurs of the Methodist Mission arrived in the city to study a month. The missionaries in united prayer committed this important class to the control of the Holy Spirit. They realized that it was not by might, nor by power, but by the Spirit of the Lord of hosts. They honored God, and He rewarded them by a manifestation of His presence and power at the very first meeting. In a few days crooked things were made straight. The Divine One took control. They studied with effect, and at the end of a month they went out to do exploits.

A few days later, 550 selected women from the Presbyterian country churches assembled in the city to study God's Word for twelve days. If we heard of over 500 sisters meeting in our country to study the Bible for twelve days we would expect a mighty revival. Before the war, many mothers in Israel were more zealous for card parties than for the study of God's Book. The Korean sisters had dropped cards when they dropped idols and witchcraft, all works of the devil. These 550 women brought their own money to pay all expenses. Two of them walked five days to get to that class. One mother carried her babe five days to get there. The missionaries and revived leaders in Ping Yang now knew that man, not God, was to blame if there was any lack of spiritual power. They knew the Holy Spirit was ever waiting for human instruments, through whom He might glorify the Lord Jesus Christ. So they sought His control the first night, and, true to promise, He was present to convict of sin, of righteousness and of judgment.

When Mothers-in-Law Were Different

Many got rid of the hindering thing on the first night. But others, as Mrs. Baird expressed it, went about for days as with a thorn in the foot or an unopened abscess, and then came the yielding and the victory. The Best of Teachers taught them those days, and then they went home. The change could not be covered. These were Spirit-filled women. Their husbands knew it. Their children saw it. The daughters-in-law could not mistake it. Not a few of those Eastern mothers-in-law are terrors. It often happens that their victims can get relief only by suicide. But now the mothers-in-law are different.

And some daughters-in-law who were at that class are different, too. They are more diligent and less touchy. The heathen neighbors noted the change also and the Lord was glorified.

Scarcely had the women reached their homes when seventy-five Presbyterian students in theology arrived to study three months. They had a five-year course, with three months each year. The Ping Yang Theological School had over two hundred students. The teachers, in arranging the curriculum, decided that they would have a prayer meeting and Bible class each evening, hoping that by the end of three months the Holy Spirit might fill these young men. However, since God the Holy Spirit had been doing wonders among them of late, their eyes had been opened to the great dishonor of saying, as it were, to the Holy Spirit, "Let us do our best for the term, and at the close You come and do for the young men what is lacking." They confessed this sin and turned the young men over to God that first night and their faith was honored. The Spirit did wonders. He who alone can guide into all truth taught that term as He had never been permitted before, and Christ the Lord was glorified all over Korea that year when 50,000 converts were added to the churches.

These facts prove that the Korean Church honored the Lord seeking for and in yielding to the promised Holy Spirit, as truly as the Early Church did. What excuse can the home Church offer in view of such facts?

Let us apply the *prayer test* to the Korean Church. Prayer was a very conspicuous trait of the Church in the Acts. The Korean Church puts great reliance in prayer. During the week that the Methodist students were resisting the Holy Spirit at the high school, there were Presbyterian students with such a burden of prayer upon them that they were almost transformed in appearance, and continued in fasting and prayer until victory came. At that time in the lower schools the spirit of prayer was so powerful that the schools had to be closed for a time. The tears were falling from the children's eyes as they pored over their books. The missionaries admit that the Korean Christians outdistance them in prayer. It is common for them to spend half the night in prayer. Their general practice is to

get up for prayer long before dawn. Mr. Swallen said when once out at a country station he arranged that all should meet for prayer next morning at five o'clock. At five o'clock next morning Mr. Swallen came and found three kneeling in prayer. He knelt down, supposing the others had not yet arrived. After praying for some time one of those present told him he had arrived too late. The prayer meeting had finished before he came, and yet some of them had come across a mountain range to be present.

A Prayer Meeting at 4:30 A. M.!

Some years after Elder Keel had been made pastor of the Central Church at Ping Yang, he noticed that the love of many had grown cold. He proposed to one of his most spiritually-minded elders that they two meet in the church for prayer every morning at half-past four. As they met each morning during that month, others noticed and came too, so that by the end of a month about twenty were meeting each morning at 4:30 o'clock. The time now seemed ripe to announce a public prayer meeting. On the Sunday the pastor announced a prayer meeting for each morning at 4:30. He told them that the church bell would be rung at that hour. At two o'clock the next morning 400 people were waiting outside the church for the prayer meeting to begin, and at 4:30 fully 600 were there. By the end of a week 700 were meeting each morning, and then the Holy Spirit flooded their hearts with divine love. Blessed people to have a pastor so clear-sighted. Oh, how low have we fallen! Where two or three meet together in His Name, He is there, but imagine our getting up at 4:30 in the morning, even to meet the Lord of glory.

The biggest prayer meeting in the world is at Seoul, Korea. The average weekly attendance for one year was 1,100. One Wednesday evening, I went to prayer meeting at one of the flourishing Presbyterian churches in Toronto. It was a special occasion, for a Korean missionary was going to speak. I sat alone in my seat for a time, then a fine-looking old gentleman came and sat with me. The meeting was soon to begin, but in the by no means large room many empty seats were still visible. The old gentleman, looking around the room, remarked, "I can't understand why people don't attend prayer meeting." When I replied, "Because they don't believe in prayer," he looked me all over, not knowing what to make of me, for he didn't know me, and I added, "Do you suppose if they really believed the words of the Lord Jesus, 'Where two or three meet in my name, there am I,' they could keep away?"

The Master cannot but take note of our prayer condition.

The Korean Church believes earnestly in family prayer. A man who would not hold family worship would run the risk of being unchurched in Korea. In Canada there are some Christian families so busy in the world that they haven't time for a blessing before meals. Mr. Foote tells how he was once on a tour in Korea when some people on the road asked if he were not going to visit the Christians at the village over yonder in the valley. "Why," he said, "I didn't know there were any Christians there." He went to the village and found many ready to be baptized, and to be recorded as catechumens. He put the question, "Do you have family worship?" "Yes, twice a day," they replied. "But how many families?" "Twenty-four—all in the village," was the reply. Think of it! A family altar in every home!

A missionary in Manchuria sent two evangelists over to Ping Yang to find out all about the revival. When they returned he asked if the missionaries had opened many street chapels. The evan-

gelists replied, "None at all. They do not need them because every Christian is a street chapel." Christian workmen have been known to spend a summer in a country where there were no Christians in order to evangelize it. Merchants as they travel from place to place are always telling the wondrous story. A hat merchant, converted in a revival on the east coast when we were there, had within a year afterwards started up little Christian communities in about a dozen places. In one of them there were seventeen converts. A student got a month's holiday and spent the time in an unevangelized district and won a hundred souls for God. Another student resolved to speak each day to at least six persons of their soul's salvation. By the end of nine months he had spoken to three thousand! It would take some of us homeland Christians a lifetime to speak to so many.

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Putting Prayer First

A Message All Should Read!

MANY today are making prayer a secondary matter when according to the Word of God prayer is the primary work, the matter of first importance in the spiritual life and ministry. If we would only give prayer, real, vital, Spirit-inspired prayer its rightful place in our individual lives and in our service, what tremendous changes would take place!

The following letters from a lady missionary (which were not intended for publication) will show us how this has succeeded in her case, and we firmly believe there would be similarly glorious results in every instance where proper emphasis is placed on prayer.

"It is almost a year ago, I think, since I wrote to you of the definite call I felt from God to give myself more fully to the life of prayer and intercession.

"At first the temptation came—'Suppose you see no immediate result of your prayers. If God should keep you waiting perhaps years for any blessing in your work; if things go on just the same in spite of all the time you give to prayer, can you trust God and pray on until the answer comes?' or even if the answer never seems to come?' It was hard but God gave grace to feel that I could pray

on although I might never see the fruit of it.

"Then came what was even a harder struggle. I have always lived such an active life, accustomed to steady work all the day long, and my new life called for much of the best part of the day to be spent in prayer and Bible study. Can you not imagine what it was? and what it is sometimes now? To hear others going around hard at work, while I stayed quietly in my room as it were inactive. Many a time my heart has longed to be out in active work among the people in the rush of life, but God would not let me go. His hand held me with as real a grip as any human hand and I knew that I could not go. This experience often comes to me yet. Only the other day I felt it and then with the old longing God seemed to say, 'What fruit had ye then in those things of which ye are now ashamed?' Ashamed! yes, I knew I was heartily ashamed of the years of almost prayerless missionary life. I do not know of anything in my past life that I am more ashamed of. And what fruit had I! I can look back over eight years in India, eight years of hard work, unceasingly from morning till night, and very, very little fruit of any kind.

"And today? Not quite a year yet of this new prayer life, yet there are such changes. Last year we reported fifteen adult baptisms during the year. This year during the last six months over one hundred and twenty-five adults have been baptized and there are still a large number of enquirers. In several villages where a few months ago we had no work whatever, we have now small Christian communities and day schools and the work is spreading. The evangelistic work here has never been what it is today. I am not specially associated with this movement, in fact, I do not think any one connects me with it particularly. Our senior missionary is the leader in it, and I am more than glad to have it so; there is such a joy, I think, in being a hidden instrument and it is far safer.

"With every department of my work things are in a more prosperous condition than I have ever known them to be; and yet I give but half the time to my work that I once did, still I do not feel that anything is neglected. The stress and strain have gone out of my life. I find that I can do my work quietly with none of the feeling of hurry which once characterized it. And the joy of feeling that my life is evenly balanced—the life of work and the life of communion—brings constant rest and peace.

"I could not go back to the old life now—it does not seem as though I could, and God grant that it may always be impossible.

"I have written this just as a testimony to His faithfulness and to the wide-reaching value of the prayer life, and especially of the life of intercession. It is *this* from which Satan is keeping so many of God's children. Our rightful heritage on earth is the life of communion, and how few of us enter into it."

She later writes: "You will be glad to know that the work here still goes on. The spirit of earnest enquiry is increasing in all the villages and there is every promise of a greater movement in the future than we have yet had. Our Christians now number 600 in contrast with one-sixth that number two years ago."

What place does prayer have in your life? Has it the first place, or a secondary place? We all believe in prayer, but is it fundamental work? or supplemental?

We may think that our work is so urgent that we cannot give time to prayer; but this worker says, and many would confirm her statement, that the work has not suffered in any way; *one is able to do more work, when prayer has its rightful place in our lives*; the work runs more smoothly, difficulties vanish away, when we take everything to the Lord in prayer.

Read This Amazing Story of Success . . .

Family Devotions That Work

Alva Leach James

I HATE devotions!" My husband opened the Bible and read a portion followed by readings from a commentator. We knelt in prayer, and our family worship was over for the day.

I rose from my knees as one stunned. My mind had been a daze throughout the reading, and I couldn't have named the passage from which he had read. I hadn't heard the prayer either. Instead those three words continued to ring in my ears and I gazed at my child in utter bewilderment.

Never had she so asserted herself before. My first impulse was to rebuke her, and I found myself feebly saying, "Why, Esther!"

But I could say no more.

There had been a long pent-up feeling in her heart, and suddenly it had burst forth uncontrolled and ugly in its child-like frankness. This was no time for correction. It was time for fact-finding.

I determined to go to the bottom of her statement.

As I waited her reply I caught a brief glimpse of myself as a mother. I had been trying to be all a mother should be. We had sought to leave no stone unturned in the early training of our children, but of a sudden I felt something must be dead wrong. We had missed the mark entirely.

"Oh, I have to sit so still," was the hesitant reply. "And I don't like what Daddy reads."

Then I recalled the little sighs as the children tried to control that uncontrollable wiggle within them, and I realized how hard it must be to listen attentively to reading prepared for adults. Gradually a vision of great possibility opened before me, and I asked God to help me to transform our period of family worship from a lifeless obligation into a period of intense appeal for even the youngest. A time to be anticipated rather than dreaded. A time of uplift and inspiration for those little minds and tiny feet.

So it was that our family worship took on new life. I feel it can still be enriched and developed even more, but the items mentioned here may serve as stimulating seeds of thought for you and your particular family needs.

What I needed first, I decided, was stories briefly depicting Biblical doctrine

and truth through the medium of childhood's experiences in everyday life.

I sought in vain.

The stores were over supplied with folklore and mythical fiction of every variety, but I was told repeatedly, "Children of that age cannot grasp religious truths."

I clung to my own convictions, nevertheless, and decided to write my own stories. I usually dashed them off while the dinner was cooking, or riding to a meeting on the bus. Often the last sentence was completed about five minutes before time for family worship to begin.

They were simple stories that any mother could write, fitted to the world in which our children lived, and leaving each time one simple spiritual thought.

"If you sit still during the Bible reading, you may have one of your stories," was the bait hung before the children at each devotional hour.

How remarkably it worked!

The air of depression and resignation was replaced by eager anticipation.

Frequently I overheard the children referring to the stories later in the day. At last they had found a message in the family altar for themselves.

What's more, I saw their little minds reaching hungrily for spiritual light. The stories often brought on discussions of truths I had never dreamed such tiny minds were capable of grasping.

Three years have passed since Esther challenged us with those shocking words. Our problem now is to induce the children to be willing to close the worship period! It has become the most cherished and anticipated event of our family life, and I find myself wondering how to keep ahead of their spiritual appetites and demands.

After breakfast we had our Scripture reading and brief comments and prayer. This is not our family worship, but serves merely as an appetizer to give strength and courage for the day.

This comes after the evening meal and the children are ready for bed.

Lights are extinguished and three candles are lighted. Somehow a sense of hallowed stillness settles about us, and we unquestionably feel the presence of that unseen Guest whom we worship and love.

Edward, age 3, leads the songs. He selects his own hymns and choruses and sometimes improvises new verses for them.

This is followed by the repetition of a Psalm. We have learned several and always have a new one under way.

The next item may be another song, or one of the children may ask to recite the books of the Bible alone or in unison. We are learning the divisions of the Bible, and many other interesting things about its construction and inspiration.

About this time Elisabeth, aged 5, conducts her part of the program. She asks each one in the circle what he is thankful for. It is challenging and refreshing to notice the minute details that are remembered. It rebukes me to realize how much we adults take for granted from our Lord's unfailing hand. They seem to see His loving faithfulness in so many events of their everyday life.

Edward says he is thankful the milkman didn't forget to come that morning, and also that he found his favorite ball before it went into the sewer.

Esther is grateful for the Lord's help in her spelling test at school, and Elisabeth is glad she was invited to a party and had a new dress to wear.

Our thanks expressed, Elisabeth goes around the circle again asking each if he is sorry for anything.

Edward says he's sorry he "cried so much" that morning, and that he hit sister with his bat.

Elisabeth is sorry she didn't eat lunch well and refused to take her nap.

Esther regrets being cross.

Mother asks forgiveness for losing her temper that forenoon, and Daddy is sorry he was late getting home.

Somehow all barriers are now broken down and as Elisabeth put it when getting into her bunk one night, "Isn't it nice to go to bed all forgiven with each other?"

Esther is in charge of the weekly verse we memorize and drills us rigidly. When time permits we get out our flannelgraph. It's a homemade affair from the blotter of grandpa's desk to the characters we drew and colored ourselves. But we love to tell stories from the Bible on it. Each child tells them in his own way.

Then there is the discussion period when we spend a few minutes talking of whatever spiritual truth or problem the children desire. One night there was the discussion of heaven, and we were getting deep into the wonders of that bridal feast with Christ and His church. Suddenly Elisabeth remarked casually that she hoped Jesus wouldn't come during the night because she'd hate to go to that feast in her pajamas. This led to the wonderful revelation of the wedding garments He is preparing for us.

The quiet hour closes with individual prayer.

Frankly, I wouldn't exchange the joys of these family worship hours for anything else life offers. To see the light of fascination and rapture on those faces

as the Spirit opens the light of life before them, is untold satisfaction.

But what occurred in our home may happen in any home where parents are determined to give spiritual fellowship and growth its God-intended place. What I have done any mother can do. The point is, don't rob your home of the happiness and companionship God means for you to enjoy. It centers about the family worship hour.

Continue in Prayer

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having made atonement, he laid aside these linen garments and put on the linen garments "of glory and beauty." This was a linen of finer texture. It is pleasant to know that, when a child of God has confessed his wrongs and failures, he does not have to continue ever in a state of mourning. God forgives upon honest confession. Atonement is made by our great High Priest. We may then lay aside the linen connected with mourning and atoning and put on in its place the garments of glory and beauty, to go forth triumphantly, living for God.

But the end is not yet. The finest linen of all was very precious. It was worn only by kings and persons of high estate and then only on special occasions. The threads of this linen were extremely fine and the finished garment glistened when in the light. It is this sort of linen that is referred to in the account of the wedding of the Lamb. His wife had made herself ready. This shows that the Bride had lived for that time, living in such manner as to be thus gloriously adorned. It shows also that divine power had enabled her to make the preparation, for "to her was granted." "The king's daughter is all glorious within: Her clothing is of wrought gold. She shall be brought unto the king in raiment of needlework."

He who would live a sanctified life must seek constantly to walk with God and to develop every Christian grace no matter what the expense to human feelings or natural desires may be. Jesus is coming for a Bride, not for those who have conformed to this world in its spirit and ways, but rather for them who have chosen to "put on Christ, making no provision for the flesh to fulfil the lusts thereof." May we pray that we be "accounted worthy to escape those things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man."

May our prayer life be consistent. Some become zealous at times, but are not constant. Daniel made it his custom to pray three times each day. David may have given him the example for he says, "Evening and morning and at noon will I pray." Cornelius was a man "who prayed always." Some believe Cornelius was a fully justified man before Peter

preached to him. Others believe he was not converted until he heard the message from Peter. Were we to express an opinion, we would be drawn into the controversy. Whatever was his spiritual state before the ministry of Peter, he was a man of prayer whose prayers and alms met the acceptance of God. If he was not a saved man, he then puts most of us to shame who claim rather high Christian experience.

Think of some of the other examples of consistent prayer. "I give myself unto prayer." Psalm 109:4. The saintly Anna "continued in prayer" and it was she, and not the formal Pharisees, who recognized Jesus as He was brought, an infant, into the temple. It is the prayerful, spiritual minded that know God and detect His workings, while the formal and merely intellectual in religion, miss their Lord.

He who prays should seek so to live as to make his prayer effectual. The Psalmist prayed, "Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense: and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice." Psalm 141:2. Bad people usually do not pray. Shallow Christians do not pray much. It is the devoted soul that takes special delight in drawing near to God. It is he who knows the promise true, "Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you." He draws near in confidence and with expectation. The promises of God are to him a living portion. He lives in prayer, being supported "by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."

Finally, all prayer is to be made in dependence on Christ. We may lack, but we may add at all times the worthiness of His name. Learn a secret from the Book of Revelation. There we read of two special occasions. In the one place, it reads, "And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and the four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odors, which are the prayers of the saints." This would indicate the fragrance to God of Christian prayers. It also indicates that our prayers are being only partly answered now. The fuller answer will take place when the Lamb rises and takes the book of title to the world and sets Himself to reign.

See again: "And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer: and there was given him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne. And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand." In the first instance, we have "vials full of odors which are the prayers of the saints." In this case we have incense added to the prayers. The incense, no doubt, refers

to the work of Christ. When we earnestly pray there is added the excellence of Christ's work and intercession. It is a joy to know that, although our prayers may be imperfect because of human infirmity, they are provided perfection through the intercession of our great High Priest. When we find prayer not easy, may we remember that we have One who is praying for us and with us. "Men ought always to pray and not to faint."

Mown Grass

It is written, "He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass." Psalm 72:6. Grass that is mown has lost its height and beauty and all its magnificence. Everything that it boasted of is gone. The roots alone are left.

When God's people have lost their self-complacency, their boasting, and their self-satisfaction with what they have attained—in a word, when they have been *mown*—they may expect rain.

It is written, "He will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain," and this deluge will be greater than the former rain which the prophet speaks of as coming "moderately." Joel 2:23. There will be no stint in the amount of rain. The crop will be magnificent and luxuriant.

God's people should be in an attitude to be mown. They should humble themselves as kneeling supplicants.

It is written, "Be patient, therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain." James 5:7. He Himself will come down, but He will be preceded by the rain. Expect a quick short harvest. Be ready when He comes.

A Doer of the Word

Charles G. Finney once stated: "The true idea is, that if a man is converted, he will, as a rule, continue to obey God: and as a consequence he will surely go to heaven. But if a person gets the idea that because he is converted he will assuredly go to heaven, and does not live in obedience to God, that man will assuredly go to hell." "Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in heaven." Matt. 7:21.

Living for Eternity

To live for today is in the noblest sense to live for eternity. To be my very best this very hour; to do the very best for those about me, and to spend this moment in a spirit of absolute consecration to God's glory—that is the duty that confronts me day after day.—David J. Burrell.

The GOSPEL in FOREIGN LANDS

Forward for Christ in Brazil

Southeastern Brazil may be little more than a foreign name to many of us, but it is in no sense of the word "foreign" to the Lord. That is the location of the vast area called Minas Gerais—which simply means General Mines. And general they are, for out of the ground is mined gold, silver, diamonds and an abundance of precious minerals. But that is not all. While others are searching for earthly riches which shall some day perish, valiant men and women of God are "mining" the most valuable thing in all the world—human souls.

Heart-stirring news has reached us of the power of God at work in this land of the mines. Last May a conference of the various Assemblies of God was held in the great city of Rio de Janeiro for a very definite purpose. For one thing, the brethren banded together to determine how they might best prepare gospel workers to carry the message of life to their own people. At the same time plans were made to evangelize the men of the armed forces of that land. Among the soldiers, sailors and airmen are being distributed some very attractive Gospels with the covers printed in the Brazilian national colors, yellow and green. These Gospels are being well received by the men, many of whom are turning to God in this hour of world-wide crises.

Brother and Sister Lawrence Olson are laboring in this land of the mines in the city of Lavras. The Lord has blessed not only their efforts in the city itself, but the fire of this gospel is spreading to other towns all about them. In one place the people have just dedicated their new church, which is built on a beautiful hillside where it may be seen for many miles around. The glorious thing about it is that this building was erected with practically no outside help. Just a year previous to the dedication service, the first Bibles were being brought to this place by a new convert from the town of Perdoes. In those few short months, they have seen over a hundred saved which includes practically every person within a certain radius. Not only that, but between 35 and 40 have been baptized in the Holy Spirit.

On the day of its dedication, the church was nearly free of debt. Fully 250 jammed every available inch of space and many stood outside the building listening through the windows. That same day eleven candidates

were baptized in water. It was a day long to be remembered by those earnest people. In writing about it, Brother Olson says: "Words cannot express the thrill of joining with these precious new believers in their praise and worship as they dedicated their new church to the Lord. May it be a real lighthouse throughout that region. Indeed, it promises to be just that, as word comes to us of other nearby communities being opened to the gospel."

Brother Olson tells of a great open-air service that was held in the public square by permission of the authorities. In describing it he says: "Many, many hundreds gathered, including some determined enemies of the gospel who interfered with the meeting, even endangering our lives. God so answered the earnest, subdued prayers of the faithful believers who encircled us, that the very thing that was intended to bring us to shame actually worked out for the glory of the Lord. Many are now our friends who formerly were against us, and all seems to point to a time of genuine revival.

"Today a brother came from Nepomuceno offering us land on which to build a much needed church in that city. Evidently it is a very suitable site, so by the time we write to you again, it may contain news of yet another place of worship for the glory of the Lord. It is also possible that by that time the Assembly in Ribeirao Vermelho will have purchased property to become their permanent place of worship."

And so, along with the gold and the silver and diamonds, precious souls are being "mined" in Minas Gerais, the land of the general mines. The work is forging ahead. The Spirit of the Lord is this moment at work in the hearts of the people. He shall continue to work as we pray and give of our means.

ARRIVALS

Erma Miller and Lillian Flessing have returned on furlough from Brazil. Miss Miller's home address is Route 1, Milford, Nebraska. Miss Flessing may be reached at 201 Pleasant Street, Wausau, Wisconsin.

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E. H. Simmons has arrived safely by clipper from Liberia. His plans are not yet definite but for the present friends may address him at Fristoe, Missouri.

FROM GOLD DIGGING TO MINING BLACK DIAMONDS

Ada H. Reitz, Transvaal, South Africa



Shadrach and his wife

This is what happened to Shadrach. Five years ago he started working in the Shingwedzi gold mine. In connection with his work he organized a night school for the boys of the mine compound and also held services which the Lord blessed to the salvation of a number of men. Soon he and others started going out to the surrounding villages preaching the gospel. Later Shadrach was placed in charge of an outstation and carried on very successfully.

About a year ago Shadrach became very hungry for the Baptism in the Holy Spirit and while seeking he promised that if God would fill him he would give all his time to preaching the gospel. After the Holy Ghost was poured out on his hungry soul, he did not forget the promise, but human reasonings entered in such as this: How could he leave his work when his wife was not nearly paid for? So in order to make sure that the father-in-law would not take her from him, he decided to continue working until the debt was paid off. But the Lord planned otherwise for this chosen vessel of His. . . .

One day the burden on his heart became so heavy that he was unable to go to work. There in his humble mud hut he wrestled with the Lord until the agony of his soul became so intense that others, hearing him, were greatly concerned thinking surely something was wrong. The Lord made known to him very definitely that he must leave his work and enter upon the ministry to which he was called. In a little more than a week he was out of the mine and on his way to a six-weeks Bible study class conducted by our missionary, Fred Burke.

Now Shadrach and his wife are faithfully laboring here at Caledon Mission Station. I have handed over to him the full pastoral duties which he is discharging very capably. He has a very outstanding ministry and every message is under the anointing of the Spirit; I often marvel as I listen to his preaching.

As soon as the way is opened, it is the desire of this couple to go to that darkest of all places, Portuguese East Africa. Will you pray for them?

"I Do Not Want My Parents to Die In Darkness"

"Senorita, we want to ask some questions." A chorus of boyish voices greeted Hilda Meyrick as she approached the dormitory to see if all was quiet during rest hour at our mission school in Barquisimeto, Venezuela.

"Most of these boys had never been in a gospel service before coming to the institute," says Miss Meyrick, "but we had been quietly sowing the seed and now it was beginning to bear fruit.

"I expressed my willingness to answer their questions if at all possible, whereupon they began with the Sunday School lesson of that morning, and finally the subject turned to their teaching of purgatory. I took the Word and as we studied, God opened their eyes. In great surprise, one of the older boys said to me, 'Senorita, the gospel being the truth, that there is a real heaven and a real hell, and that there is no hope to save ourselves after death, nor that our family can do anything for us for salvation, WHY IS THERE NOT A GOSPEL CHAPEL IN EVERY CITY OF VENEZUELA? I do not want my parents to die in darkness. I must tell them that they can know where they are going to spend the eternity.' He spoke rapidly, under tremendous emotion. I told him that he himself could be a witness to his own, after having a genuine experience with God. Then and there he asked the Lord to save him and to use him in the salvation of others.

"Please pray for these lives that pass through our institute year after year. God has saved many of them, and even though they cannot all remain under our care, He knows where they are, and we ask Him to keep them and to use them for His glory."

A Voice from Venezuela

Yngve Olson, who is laboring at Caracas, Venezuela, is encouraged with the growth of the work in past months, especially since they rented a hall for the church in a different location. "A great number of strangers have attended the services," he writes, "both believers and unconverted, so that we have seen this new hall, which seats about 200 people, filled to capacity. As many as five or six have come to the altar in one service, some with tears giving themselves to the Lord. The Sunday School attendance has been well over 100. How we praise God for His hand on our humble efforts.

"Brother and Sister Jordan, from Carora, came to help us with a week's Bible course for the workers and young people. Classes were held from 6:00 to 9:00 each evening; we chose this time because so many are employed during the day. There were 30 enrolled, with an average attendance of 25 students beside a great many others who came to listen.

"Last month I made a 300 mile trip into the interior to be with Brother Jordan for

the fourteenth anniversary of the work at Carora. The opening of this work involved great trials and persecution, and its continuance has meant a struggle through the years. At times the work almost disappeared, but a few kept praying on, and now those prayers, along with the faithful plodding and sacrifice of Brother Jordan and his family, are being rewarded.

"The past year has seen a splendid growth so that it was necessary to enlarge the chapel which now seats about 150. Each night during the anniversary services the chapel was filled to overflowing with audiences up to 200 people standing shoulder to shoulder for two hours, listening with hungry hearts to the gospel. The Sunday School averages 80 or 90, and the Sunday we were there it went up to 130, counting visitors. A group of 15 walked twenty miles from a neighboring town to be present at the special meetings. The closing night several young people came forward to rededicate their lives to God. And as a closing touch, one brother stood up to tell how God had called him to go to a certain field up in the mountains where the unconverted were pleading for a preacher and offering three homes in which services could be held. So there is great rejoicing in Carora—what a tremendous victory for the gospel in that place!"

Potential Preachers for Peru



The above picture sent to us by Pansy Blossom shows a group of students from Chilea, a distant mountain section of Peru, arriving at the Lima Bible Institute where they are being warmly welcomed by Mrs. Felton (left) and Ruth Couchman (right). The journey to Lima took about six days. After exchange of greetings, they formed a circle and sang to a native refrain, "Love the Bible, read the Bible, and believe the Bible."

"It was a touching scene," says Miss Blossom, "and we sensed great possibilities for the pread of the gospel through them. The school work is going along very smoothly, for which we praise the Lord. There is a sweet spirit in our midst. Many mornings we are awakened between four and five by a group of students praying."

During her year in Peru Miss Blossom has made good progress in the Spanish language, and already she is taking some classes in the Institute as well as teaching in the Miraflores Sunday School. The Lord has also

opened to her a ministry among the Chinese population. "There are about 8,000 Chinese in Peru," she tells us. "They are not as open to the gospel as the Latins, but their need is just as great."

En Route to Costa Rica

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Gruver, en route to Costa Rica, decided to spend at least a month in El Salvador in order to gain a little experience in the work and in the use of Spanish before launching out in a new field. "I feel that this is very necessary and will be of great benefit to us," Brother Gruver writes. "The program outlined is that I shall accompany either Brother Hodges or one of the native brethren on some trips into the country, probably riding horseback, eating with the natives, taking my hammock and blanket along for sleeping, and thus getting a taste of the rugged side of missionary life. Not having ridden a horse since I was ten years old I had a pretty good idea what my feelings would be after the first day's experience.

"These were many phases of our trip which we all enjoyed very much—riding the narrow guage trains around hairpin curves, over magnificent mountains, crossing spidery trestles, skirting narrow precipices, going through dark tunnels, passing beautiful lakes, large banana groves and coffee plantations. It was also very interesting to see the people with their ox carts and the native men carrying tremendous burdens on their backs. Still more picturesque were the women with great baskets on their heads, their clothing bright in color and unique in fashion. Then there was the public market with its mass of tropical and semitropical fruit, flowers, exotic food products, handwoven textiles, queerly shaped and colored pottery, basketry. Oh, how sad to see the countless number of beggars in Mexico and the terrible living conditions throughout these countries.

"From Mexico City, the train trip was much like riding a street car in the States. The average speed was about two miles per hour and they stopped at every little station; sometimes these were less than a mile apart. On the way from Vera Cruz to Suchiate we paid over sixty pesos for a Pullman, but about nightfall the Pullman car broke down, so they dropped it as well as the diner. This meant we had to sleep in a crowded chair car for two nights and eat the food sold by the natives along the way; but the Lord kept us all in good health.

"We have learned a lot of Spanish along the way. I found very little difficulty in making myself understood but do have trouble at times understanding some of the people, particularly due to the fact that the language varies in the different countries.

"We have appreciated the time of fellowship with the missionaries here and expect to learn much from them regarding the work in Central America. We are also enjoying the blessing of the Lord, and are grateful for the wonderful privilege of serving Him in this field."

The PASSING and the PERMANENT

CRIME IN AMERICA

The national crime bill amounts to \$28,500 a minute. The average age of men arrested has been under twenty-two, and most of the girls have been under twenty-one, but within recent months the average age for the girls arrested has dropped below twenty.

THE BEST SELLER

Not only is the Bible our best seller, says the New York *Herald-Tribune*, but it is currently outstripping the combined production of Wendell Willkie's *One World*, Walter Lippmann's *U. S. Foreign Policy*, Eve Curie's *Journey Among Warriors*, Wm. L. White's *Queens Die Proudly*, and Fosdick's latest book of modernistic philosophy.

SUNDAY SHIFTS ABOLISHED

According to *Time*, Sunday shifts in all U. S. shipyards will stop at the New Year, at the ruling of the Maritime Commission, because merchant-ship production (20 million tons a year) is already "over the hump." Will this have a good effect on church attendance or will the workers prefer to throng the theaters?

"SHALL HE FIND FAITH?"

Those who look for a world filled with righteousness before the earthly reign of Christ are doomed to disappointment. *Sunday School Times* points out that the gospel was to be preached "as a witness." It will be rejected by the many, and in the nature of the case it is only the many, the majority in a democratic society, who can be looked to for any social transformations. The words, "When the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?" (Luke 18:8) presuppose that the Christian faith and Christian ethics will, in the closing years, not be dominant in society. And so a pastor in Estonia, under the shadow of atheistic Russia, writes: "Today is closing time in our Baltic countries. The old bells stop ringing. We must admit that Europe never has really been Christian, but that it has, during two thousand years, just been influenced, sometimes strongly, sometimes more weakly, by the Christian heritage. We shall only know what it means when we lose it." Christ's return is our only hope for a righteous world order.

A CONVENTION IN THE CONGO

Douglas R. Scott, one of the British Assemblies of God missionaries, writes of a convention in the Congo at which 600 natives and workers were present. He says: "For this convention the natives brought in over a ton of flour. We put in the dried fish and incidentally some meat which fell to our gun, so that we were able to keep the native teachers for a full week, giving them some needed teaching. We see more and more that the work is to get the native ministry up to a good level, and this we are endeavoring to do by our example and teaching. We had 18 baptized in water and 16 in the Spirit, definitely coming through with the initial sign. Many more shook with the power of God, but did not come right through."

FIRST BIBLE PRINTING IN CANADA

From Toronto, Canada, comes the RNS report: "The printing of 30,000 copies of the King James Bible by the United Church Publishing House here marks the first time in history that the English Bible has been published in any part of the British Commonwealth outside the British Isles." For centuries the copyright for the English Bible has been vested in the king. For many years the sole right of publishing the Bible lay with "The King's Printer," for the sake of preserving purity of text. Later the right was extended to the publishing houses of Oxford and Cambridge, and later still to the Scottish house of Collins.

FRIENDLY GERMAN SOLDIERS

The news from Russia, where the first war-guilt trials were held, pictures the Nazi soldiers as cruel, ruthless murderers of Jews, civilians and defenceless women and children. At the same time a report of a very different nature comes from Sweden. The Associated Press in Stockholm says that 3,000 Danish Jews have been able to reach Sweden, a fact due in part to the friendliness of German soldiers. The refugees declare that German soldiers, expressing disapproval of the Nazi persecution of Danish Jews, assisted them to escape. In some instances they even changed into civilian clothes in order to help the Jews without drawing attention to themselves. Not every German soldier is a beast!

THE FAMINE IN BENGAL

Famine conditions in the Province of Bengal, India, are easing with the coming of new rice crops, but during October and November many thousands starved to death. About 100 corpses were found on the streets of Calcutta every morning. Hunger is always present in India, of course, but war made the situation worse. The loss of Burma, the great rice granary for India, together with the consumption of certain supplies by Allied forces in India, plus the effect of a flood that covered much land, while other arable territory suffered from serious rain shortage, is the explanation.

To relieve the famine, some 4,284 free and subsidized kitchens were operated, mostly by the government. In addition, the U. S. Government finally permitted the American Friends Service Committee to ship 20,000 cases of evaporated milk to Bengal. This is the first time an American religious organization has been permitted to send food to the Bengal famine victims. The milk had to be distributed co-operatively by Hindu, Mohammedan and Christian agencies, *Time* reported.

A PARABLE FOR TODAY

One Sunday afternoon, in order to have a little rest, Daddy tore a map of the world from a newspaper, sheared it into a number of odd-shaped pieces, and sent his little girl into the living room to "put the world together again." He hoped for an hour of quiet, but in

five minutes she was back, announcing that the map was all laid out on the floor. "How did you get the world together so quickly?" asked her father. "That was easy," she said. "I just turned the pieces over and on the other side I found the picture of a man. I put the man together right, and when the man was together right the world was right."

Here is the only plan for postwar reconstruction that will work. The world will never be right while the individuals who make it up are not right. As Will Rogers said, "They have settled every problem except that of human nature," and the only One who can change human nature is Christ.

ITALY'S SUFFERING

Her nation divided, her cities bombed, her northern parts occupied by a pitiless foe, Italy is suffering to an extent unknown for generations. Viewing the situation, one is reminded of the warnings of Savonarola, the Florentine Martyr of 1478. Was it the Italy of this present hour he addressed when he cried:

"Hear now, O Italy, repent and forsake evil. Do justice, love mercy: put away all uncleanness from among you, that the spirit of truth and holiness may fill your souls and breathe through all your streets and habitations, and then pestilence shall not enter, and the sword shall pass over your head and leave you unhurt.

"For the sword is hanging from the sky; it is quivering; it is about to fall! The sword of God upon the earth, swift and sudden! Is there not a king with his armies at your gates? Does not the earth quake with the wheels of swift cannon? Is there not a fierce multitude that can lay bare the land as with a sharp razor? And the tyrants who have made to themselves a throne out of the vices of the multitude, and the unbelieving priests who traffic in the souls of men and fill the sanctuary with fornication, shall be hurled from their soft couches into burning hell. . . .

"You say in your hearts, God lives afar off, and His Word is as a parchment written by dead men, and He leads not as in the days of old, rebuking the nations and punishing the oppressors and smiting the unholy priests as He smote the sons of Eli. But I cry again in your ears: God is near and not afar off; His judgments change not. He is the God of armies; the strong men who go up into battle are His ministers, even as the storm and fire and pestilence. He drives them by His breath against the land which has forsaken His covenant.

"Wash yourselves from the black pitch of your vices. Put away the envy and hatred that have made your cities as a nest of wolves. And the passage of armies shall be to you but as the flight of birds, and pestilence shall be far from your gates. . . .

"O Italy, take the offered mercy! See! the Cross is held out to you. Come and be healed. Put away every abomination from among you, and you shall be strong in the strength of the living God."

America! Take warning!

CHRIST'S AMBASSADORS HERALD

You will greatly enjoy reading *Christ's Ambassadors Herald*. The price is only 60 cents a year. Two years for \$1.00.

The Benefits of the HI-C.A. Brigade

Ralph Harris

*G*F pastors and young people's leaders fully realized all the benefits to be derived from the HI-C.A. Brigade, they would be quicker to promote and encourage such a plan. This project will do much to meet the spiritual needs of our Christian young people of high school age.

By enlisting in the Brigade, young people who are weak spiritually are encouraged to take a definite stand for Christ. Emboldened by the fellowship they enjoy with other Christian young people, they become stronger by carrying out the three basic principles of the Brigade, daily prayer, daily Bible reading, and daily witnessing for Christ.

There is also the benefit of seeing the young people, the future leaders of the church, get definite training in ministry for God. Through the activities of the Brigade they develop into sturdy, spiritually-conditioned soldiers of the Cross, able to take responsibilities and assume spiritual leadership.

It is an amazing change which can be wrought in lives, as they yield to Him. Here is a quotation from the sponsor of a Brigade, which shows what has happened in at least one case. "Before we started this organization, these same boys and girls would be asked to do something in the church and it was, 'Naw, let someone else do it; I can't.' But now, when asked to do something, they say, 'Yes, indeed, I'll try and will do my best.'" What happened here will happen in other cases, we are sure.

Not the least of the benefits to be derived from the Brigade is the winning of other young men and women to Christ. Already numbers have been saved, and some filled with the Spirit. When one thinks of the possibilities for God, wrapped up in just one life, what tremendous results may accrue from the formation of a HI-C.A. Brigade!

Also there is the unconscious influence of the Brigade. Simply by taking their stand for God, and letting their class-mates and teachers know that they are born-again children of God, they are wielding an influence which is bound to count for God, if not in the immediate future, at some later time.

BRIGADE SENTINELS

A further step of the Brigade is now planned to help still more of the young people. Many have written in saying they desire to start a Brigade but feel unable to, because they are the only Christians in their schools who wish to live up to the high standards of the Brigade. Something should be done for these splendid young Christians who must stand, like a sentinel, at a lonely post of duty.

We are going to consider such young people as members of the HI-C. A. Brigade,

giving them the distinctive name of Sentinels. If they will apply for membership, we will send them copies of the HI-C.A. Creed, in two colors, and an emblem to wear. Then, as they are faithful, others will be won to the Lord, and when there are enough they may start, a regular Brigade.

Pastors, young people's leaders, have you any Christians of high school age? Encourage them to start a HI-C.A. Brigade, if there are enough, or to become a Brigade Sentinel. Write to the Christ's Ambassadors Department, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri for information on how to begin.

Send 25 cents for large packet of Assorted Tracts.



The HI-C. A. Brigade of Bethel Pentecostal Church, Washington, D. C., Harry V. Schaeffer, pastor. Within five weeks after their Brigade was begun, 14 had been saved, and 3 filled with the Holy Spirit.

METHODISTS AND DANCING

Some ministers have sanctioned dancing, saying that the youth of our day have decided to dance and so it is not a question of whether or not to dance, but of where they should dance. The North Alabama Methodist Conference, meeting recently at Birmingham, did not agree, however. It said so in a very positive resolution which reads in part, "We consider the dance as a whole, a questionable amusement, and not one designed to promote wholesome Christian living."

Attention!

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Beginning with the First Quarter of 1944 and continuing for nine months, our Sunday School lessons will cover the Life and Ministry of Christ.

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AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

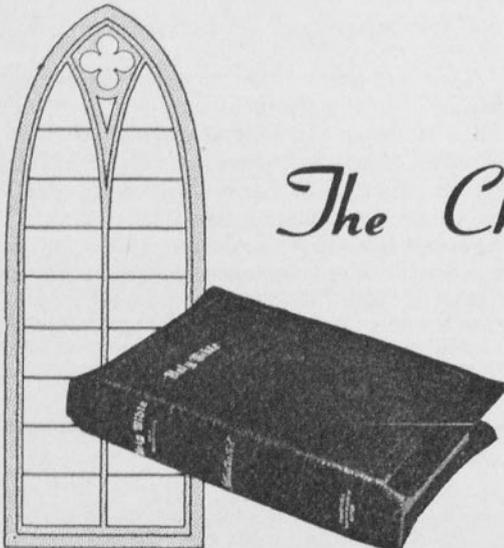
HOUSTON, TEXAS—Evangelist Christian Hild of Fargo, N. Dak., just closed a very successful revival with the Magnolia Park Assembly of God. Large crowds attended and we had a great revival.—E. M. Yeats, Pastor.

FILIPINO ASSEMBLIES OF GOD
The 6th Annual Convention of the Filipino Assemblies of God was held at San Jose, California, Nov. 24-27, and proved to be the best convention we have had. The crowd

was bigger than ever before, and the tide of blessing was higher. R. J. Thurmond, Superintendent of the Northern California and Nevada District Council, was our guest speaker, and his messages moved the people to praise the Lord in the Spirit. Many spoke in tongues, and we had interpretation of tongues, dancing and weeping in the Spirit, and many were prostrated on the floor. What a sweet visitation of the Holy Spirit! We give God all the praise and honor and glory.—E. C. Lagmay, President.

TILLAMOOK, ORE.—We celebrated Thanksgiving by having an all-day service. The neighboring assemblies were with us. A blessed time was had in the Lord. The wonderful thing of the day was, the Lord saved three souls. We had double rejoicing because two who were saved last Thanksgiving were with us again.—Harold E. Beaty, Pastor.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—The Lord provided a building for us just when our lease expired on the old one. It was formerly a garage and filling station. It is in an ideal location, just about the center of the residential neighborhood, and we are really thankful. We have just closed a 2-week meeting conducted by Evangelist George Hammitt. Five were saved, and the church was gloriously blessed. The Sunday School attendance reached a new high of 71.—Joe Sandifer, Pastor, 3504 Kassuth Ave.



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A WORD OF THANKS

A few weeks ago we made announcement of the diamond wedding anniversary of Jacob Miller and his wife, and suggested that friends should write them an encouraging word. Brother Miller writes us that they received over 200 greeting cards and letters. He regrets that he is not strong enough to be able to reply to all of these, but he asks us to express a word of thanks to all who remembered them on this occasion. An occasional letter would greatly encourage Brother and Sister Miller. Their address is 2219 Bertrand St., South Bend 19, Indiana.

QUILTS FOR OLD MINISTERS

Not having money to send, one subscriber sent in a beautiful hand made bed quilt to be given to one of our old ministers. Immediately it was found there are four or five ministers who are in need of bedding. We could only send the quilt to one of them and so wondered if others would like to contribute bedding instead of money. If you have a bed quilt which you can spare, please advise us. We will then send you instructions for mailing direct to one of our old ministers who needs it. If more quilts are offered than are needed, we will so advise you. Write for information to J. R. Flower, Treasurer, 336 W. Pacific Street, Springfield.

CONSCIENCE MONEY

A former soldier placed \$60 in an envelope addressed to the War Department, with this note: "The enclosed covers some blankets which, as I see it now, should have been turned in by me on my discharge." The unidentified young man does not regret his act, we are sure, for "a conscience void of offense" is worth far more than \$60.

CIGARETTES FOR SERVICEMEN

The following appeal was made in the bulletin of a certain Congregational church in Massachusetts just before Christmas: "Organizations have been generous in their gifts but due to the large number of men and women in the service we need cigarettes, gum, life-savers, and razor blades." Is this the best they have to offer to young men and women who are going out to face battle and possible death?

WITH THE LORD

News has just reached us of the homegoing of Stephen Jeffreys, the Welsh evangelist. Brother Stephen was a pioneer in Pentecost. Thousands were saved in his evangelistic campaigns, and the Lord never failed to confirm the Word he preached with signs following. Many astounding miracles were wrought through his ministry, a few of which are recorded in our book "With Signs Following." Brother Jeffreys visited America in 1928 when he made a world tour, and it was our privilege to have him for two weeks in Springfield. He was the most radiantly joyful person we have ever met. He has finished his course; he has fought a good fight. Henceforth, the crown!

KARL MARX' DAUGHTER

The following is told in *Dawn*: A lady still living who was an intimate friend of a daughter of Karl Marx, the great founder of Communism, tells of a talk they had together on religion. The daughter of Karl Marx said: "I was brought up without any religion. I do not believe in God." Then she added a little wistfully, "But the other day in an old German book I came across a German prayer, and if the God of that prayer exists, I think I could believe in Him." "What was that prayer?" asked her friend. Then the daughter of Karl Marx repeated slowly, in German, the Lord's Prayer.

AWAKENING IN MEXICO

"In the State of Tabasco, Mexico, a new church has been born out of the fires of persecution and suffering. Ten years ago," says *Truth*, "Tabasco was given over to godless communism. Churches were destroyed, the ministers were exiled and church members were persecuted. A faithful few boldly proclaimed the gospel and their witness has been such that today there are thousands of Christian believers. Tabasco is wide open to the gospel."

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.

BIBLE AND PRAYER CONFERENCE

OKMULGEE, OKLA.—Southwestern Interstate Bible and Prayer Conference, First Assembly, 5th and Seminole Sts., Jan. 17-20; sponsored by Superintendents of Arkansas, Texas, West Texas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma Districts. First service, Monday night. Free rooms to ministers as far as possible.—James E. Hamill, Pastor, P. O. Box 1213.

WARREN, OHIO—Fifth Annual Ohio Ministers' Institute, sponsored by Northeast Ohio Fellowship, 235 Highland Ave. S. W., Jan. 10-12. Ralph M. Riggs, main speaker. Tuesday and Wednesday morning sessions for ministers and companions only; all other services open to public.—T. E. Hartshorn, Secretary-Treasurer, 751 Main St., Conneaut, Ohio.

MINISTERS' INSTITUTE

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—Sixth Annual Ministers' Institute of Illinois, Carpenter and Klein Sts., Jan. 18-20. Guest speakers: F. J. Lindquist, Minneapolis, Minn.; Wm. I. Evans, Springfield, Mo.; Everett Phillips, Nigeria. Rooms provided as far as possible. For information write Pastor Bert Talcott, 1017 W. Washington St.—W. R. Williamson, District Superintendent.

INDIANA, PA.—South 5th and Grant Sts., Jan. 2—; H. E. Hardt, Falling Waters, W. Va., Evangelist. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate.—Harold Crosby, Acting Pastor.

PRAYER CONFERENCE

ST. JOSEPH, MO.—Inter-district Prayer Conference, 27th and Olive Sts., Jan. 25-27; sponsored by Southern Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, and West Central Districts. For further information write Pastor J. Lon Hale, 3224 Jackson St., St. Joseph, Mo.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—Fremont at 25th Ave. N., Dec. 31—; Christian Hild, Fargo, N. Dak., Evangelist.—Russell H. Olson, Pastor.

TORONTO, ONTARIO—833 St. Clair Ave. W.; Jan. 9, for 3 weeks or more; Beatrice Best, Springfield, Mo., Evangelist.—H. R. Pannabecker, Pastor.

WEST MONROE, LA.—Cypress and Crosley Sts., Jan. 24—Feb. 13; Evangelist and Mrs. Lee Krupnick, Tulsa, Okla.—E. L. Tanner, Pastor.

SIOUX FALLS, S. DAK.—Gospel Tabernacle, Jan. 30—; Amelia Joseph, Evangelist.—Arthur F. Berg, Pastor.

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.—1220 16th St. N., Jan. 2-16; Evangelist and Mrs. Don Mallough, Seattle, Wash.—Troy B. Helms, Pastor.

LEWISTON, IDAHO—11th and Idaho Sts.; Jan. 1, for 3 weeks; Evangelist and Mrs. Elvis D. Davis.—Hilliard G. Griffin, Pastor.

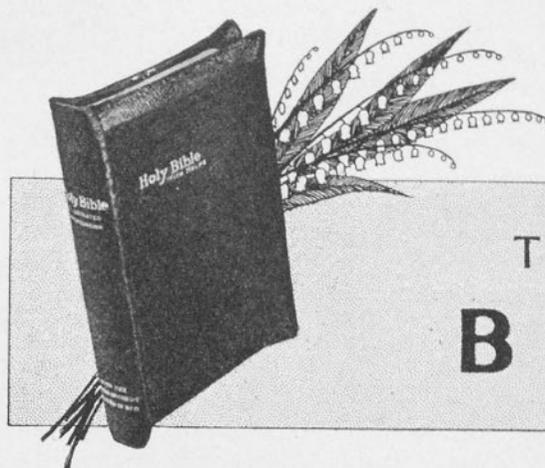
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