

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



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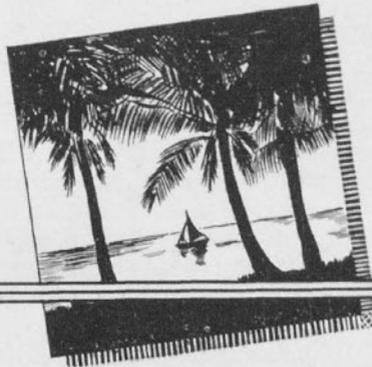
 THY TESTIMONIES ALSO ARE MY DELIGHT AND MY COUNSELLORS


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Jesus Lives



THERE were three hours of darkness on the earth when Christ was on the cross. What about the following three days? The Saviour of mankind was dead. It was the darkest period in the world's history. Man was indeed without God and without hope! The veil was rent in the holy place, but there was no one there to enter into the holiest.

At creation, darkness was upon the face of the deep, and the Spirit of God brooded upon the face of the waters. But now the darkest ones of hell brooded over the earth. Hell held high carnival on the borders of the earth. "The heir is killed, the inheritance is ours!" The stone on His sepulchre is sealed! A guard is set to prevent the crucified One from coming forth from the tomb!

But God was not dead, though the Heir was. Christ, foreseeing what would take place, had spoken prophetically through the prophet: "Thou wilt not leave My soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption." Psalm 16:10. He knew that God would fulfill this prophecy, and that He would make good the word: "Yet have I set My King upon My holy hill of Zion." Psalm 2:6. The grave could not hold Him. The stone was rolled away. The soldiers had to go down. *Christ came forth.*

No human being witnessed it. The soldiers were as dead men. They did not see Him, though He was risen. And they fled. The neighborhood of the tomb was no place for them. The supernatural scared those soldiers as nothing on earth could frighten them.

God raised Christ from the dead. He loosed Him from the grip of death. He unclasped those icy hands that held Him. He set Him free from the tenacious grip that had snatched all men of past generations and had held them all, with but two exceptions—Enoch and Elijah.

God raised His Son from the dead, never to die again.

The apostle Paul could proclaim with no uncertain sound, "*Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.*" 1 Cor. 15:20. Christ was the firstfruits, the first fruit of a mighty harvest. He says to those who are His, "Because I live, ye shall live also." John 14:19. It is written, "In Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at His coming. Then cometh the end," and the final resurrection. 1 Cor. 15:22-24.

As surely as man went down into the grave, so surely must man come up out of the grave. Christ went down into the grave as the last Adam, and He arose;



There shall
be a
resurrection
of the dead,
both of the
just and
unjust.

Acts 24:15

After the Night

"It was night."
Darkest, that was ever seen;
Treachery, desperate and mean;
"Friends" on whom He could not lean.
It was night!
Night for Him—and for them night;
For they could not bear the sight,
So they left Him in their fright
That dark night.

"Morning" light!
"Very early" in the dawn
Of that resurrection morn
Hope was dead. But joy was born.
O the light!
"Mary" was the name He said;
"Master!"—Gone was all her dread;
He was living and not dead,
Glory light.

It will be bright!
When the Morning Star shall shine,
When the joyful "shout" is Thine.
When in glory Thine are mine.
Gone: the dark night.
All the sin, shame, sorrow past;
All the shadows suffering cast;
Tears all wiped away at last!
Eternal light.

—L. M. Warner

and all will have to rise because He arose. It is written, "For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive." 1 Cor. 15:22. No man is foolish enough to dispute the first point, that in Adam all die. The elixir of life has never been found. Books tell of cures and how to prolong life. The writers die, and the readers. The fact is universal—the death of the sons of Adam.

And the fact is also universal that in Christ all will be, have to be, made alive. "As in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive." *As—so.* You cannot veto the first, neither can you veto the second. Man's duty is to decide in which class he is going to be—*In the resurrection of life or in the resurrection of damnation?* That is the problem, the serious problem. Not how to prolong your life, but the quality of life you are living.

Don't spend all your days endeavoring
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THE best argument that has ever been written on the reality of the Christian religion was written by the invisible hand of Eternal Power on the rocks of our Saviour's sepulcher." For what is proclaimed is not sentiment, but *fact*; fact, the solid bedrock on which alone salvation could ever be built; and a fact which carries with it the entire Christian Faith. *No soul need be in any doubt concerning the truth of the Christian faith: Christ is risen.*

Every effect has an adequate cause. Napoleon, one day, is master of Europe, allotting thrones at his pleasure. A few months later, he is pining as a lonely captive on a rocky islet of the Atlantic. Something *must* have happened in between. What was it? Waterloo. Now see an infinitely more sudden and transcendent change. One day Jesus is hanging denied, betrayed, gibbeted, forsaken. Some weeks pass, hardly months, and He is worshiped as the Son of God by thousands. A fact of proportionate significance must have intervened. Something *must* have happened in between. What was it? *An empty tomb.* The angels at the mouth of the sepulcher said, "He is *not* here: He is *risen.*"

Look again. Here is Saul of Tarsus. Saul is of noble blood, a brilliant scholar, a passionate Jew. Within three to five years of the Crucifixion he is employed by the Sanhedrin to stamp out the new sect. As the chosen confuter of the resurrection, every clue must have been in his hand, every tittle of adverse evidence was before him, every alternative theory he had mastered *on the spot*, and *within five years* of the event itself. No critic since Saul has possessed a tittle of his mastery of the evidence *against* the resurrection of Jesus. But now look. Saul has cut himself off from his family, has buried his religion, has become an outcast from his nation. He lives buffeted, persecuted, a wanderer, in tears. He dies, it is said, at the hands of a common executioner. He is poured out as a drink-offering for the faith that he once slew. Something must have happened in between. *What was it? He had seen the risen Lord.* "He said unto me"—Jesus and Paul had met face to face—"I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom thou persecutest." Acts 22:8. So he could say later "Am I not an apostle? have I not *seen* Jesus our Lord?" 1 Cor. 9:1. *Could evidence be more convincing?* Thirty years of travail and a martyr's death are the *proofs* of what Paul *saw*.

But look again. Every Jew was bound, by every tie of religion and patriotism, to expect a militant Messiah. Even if a slender handful of spiritual Jews, on the strength of the fifty-third of Isaiah, and

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the twelfth and thirteenth of Zechariah, looked for a slaughtered Christ, one thing is certain; *the slaughter was not to be on a cross.* "He that is hanged," said the Law, "*is accursed of God.*" Deut. 21:23. Jesus, nailed to the tree, was nailed to the Curse; and it instantly became a moral impossibility (as men speak) for any Jew to accept a Messiah whom their Jehovah had cursed. Now look. Here are multitudes of Jews—*three thousand in one day*—worshiping the Crucified; a great company of the *priests* on their knees (Acts 6:7); and the most stern, stubborn, and loyal of races bent before a Messiah whom their own Law cursed. Something must have happened in between. What was it? *An act of God.* "Let all the house of Israel therefore know assuredly, that God hath made Him

both *Lord and Christ*, this Jesus whom ye crucified." Acts 2:36. And nothing remained but to bow to the decision of God. *Nothing short of the miracle of resurrection, wrought by the hand of God Himself, could have proved to Israel that Jesus was Jehovah's Messiah.*

But look further. No possible alternative to a risen body has ever been offered. (1) Did the disciples imagine it? "They, when they heard that He was *alive*, and had been *seen* of (Mary), *disbelieved*" Mark 16:11; Luke 24:11. Men do not *imagine* what they *disbelieve*. The women went to *embalm a corpse*. Imagination never yet emptied a corpse-filled tomb. (2) Did our Lord appear as a spirit? *Then what about the empty tomb?* John 20:5-9. Moreover, if Christ re-appeared as a spirit, then He reappeared as a lying spirit; for He said, "Handle Me, and see; for a spirit *hath not* flesh and bones, as ye *see Me have.*" Luke 24:39. (3) Had the body been removed? *The position in which the grave-clothes were found makes this impossible.* The clothes had sunk *empty* upon the rock: the napkin was "folded inward," separately, yet so as to preserve the appearance of a corpse.

He is RISEN



D. M. Panton

The Body had not slipped *out* of the clothes, but passed *through* them. John 20:7. John believed the moment he saw the knotted grave clothes. So there was no body-theft by a friend or foe, or recovery after swoon. For enemies *would not* have pretended a miraculous rising; and disciples neither *would* nor (because of the Guard) *could*. Unexplained for nineteen hundred years, the facts remain an impenetrable mystery if our Lord is dead: all is simplicity itself if, as He has since said, *He rose.* Rev. 1:18.

See another fact of immense importance. The resurrection is not an isolated wonder, a lonely miracle, without purpose behind or adequate consequence before. Millions of believing souls had fallen asleep with faces set *forward* toward an unrisen Sun. Earth's only holy millions today have their faces set *backward* toward the Light of the world. What has intervened? *A tomb that has been emptied by the love of God.* In the midst of the eternities is a Cross: God, with face averted in awful shadow; Satanic hosts, like vultures, descending on the Lamb of God, malignantly triumphant; and on a dying Christ the fathomless agonies of a lost world. But lo, there is an empty tomb! On Calvary, love, goodness, purity, holiness met in One: hate, sin, agony, and wrong combined to crush Him, *and they did.* But beneath lay the love-design of all the ages. Christ suffered Calvary that He might bear the sin of His murderers. Hell triumphed for three days that righteousness might be established for ever. *The empty tomb is the triumph of Love.* "A bygone eternity had no other future: an eternity to come shall know no other past."

So the rising of Jesus is the touchstone of life or death to every soul. *How could it be otherwise?* Ponder it. God hath made Him both Lord and Christ. The soul that does *not* make Him Lord and Christ sets its seal afresh to the crucifixion of the Lord. If we say He never rose, we judge the apostles to be false witnesses. For they say they saw Him *bodily*, when they did not. We decide, further, that

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"For as Jonas was a sign unto the Ninevites, so shall also the Son of man be to this generation." Luke 11:30.

MASTER, we would see a sign from thee," shouted the scribes and Pharisees. "Demonstrate your ability; perform a miracle, and we will believe."

"There shall no sign be given," said Jesus, "except the sign of the prophet Jonas." For Jonah was a sign.

Standing before the Ninevites, still dripping as it were from his plunge into the depths of the sea, Jonah delivered a message which brought about a moral miracle that prostrated an entire city before God. It was a message of judgment and of mercy. It was a message of power, and its power came, not just from the threats of judgment but from what Jonah himself had been

through. For Jonah stood before them as one returned from the dead.

This is a miracle; not just the lesser one of the whale, but the more glorious one of resurrection. For He who multiplied the fish for the mouths of thousands could equally prepare a fish for one man's lodgment. He who shut the lion's mouth could open and also restrain the whale's devouring maw. He who located a coin inside a fish down in the shadowy deep could without doubt find and deliver an entombed prophet in the heart of the seas.

So our Lord continues: "Jonah (not his corpse) was three days and three nights in the belly of the whale." Whether he was in a swoon, or conscious, or actually physically dead, the Scriptures do not state. But he was by his own declaration taken to the place of death, and in that place he was conscious and prayed; and he returned again to give evidence of the resurrection.

The people of Florence said of Dante, "There goes the man who walked in hell." Much more, the Ninevites must have said of Jonah as he stood with the smell of sea-weed still strong on his garments, "There goes the man who has re-crossed the valley from which no mortal returns." And seeing this sign "the people of Nineveh believed God." Jonah 3:5.

And this miracle was but a foreshadowing. For God works in cycles, and history is again and again a forecast of prophecy. Jesus said, "As Jonah was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth." Matthew 12:40. Thus Jonah who was the accepted marvel of the Jewish race pointed to Christ whose resurrection is the supreme miracle of the ages.

Exactly three days and three nights mark the time of Jonah's imprisonment in the whale. Three days and three nights encompass the Lord's marvelous underworld experience for the redemption of the race.

A storm was raised by the wrath of God, and it threatened all on board with instant destruction. In that storm both Christ and Jonah were outcasts, flung to

the raging tempest—cast there as the objects of God's wrath. The storm centered on *one*. Christ who had done no sin was *made* sin and was sacrificed for all on board.

A great peace followed the great sacrifice. But the victims were drowned in the depths, and out of those depths they cried, "All thy waves and billows are gone over me" (Jonah 2:3; Psalm 42:7); waves that were wrath-billows for sin; billows which took them into the jaws of death, and actually into sheol. "Out of the belly of hell cried I, and thou heardest my voice." Jonah 2:2. R.V.

Resident in the whale's belly for three days and three nights, the three greatest days of the prophet's life, he got there his power to revolutionize vast Nineveh. So the Lord won the world; "emerging at last wrath-free, sin-free, death-free; a miracle from the grave, moving over the world for salvation among surging, sobbing, praying multitudes of its inhabitants."

Resurrection! The very heart of God is in this miracle. Foreshadowed in Jonah; in Christ it became a fact. Nineveh, and then thousands of every generation have been saved as they beheld it.

Two such people were Gilbert West and Lord Lyttleton, eminent lawyers of the nineteenth century. They decided to overthrow Christianity, and after repeated conferences agreed on two great bulwarks which they would tear down. They would disprove the alleged resurrection of Christ and the supposed conversion of Paul. Lord Lyttleton undertook to write a book showing Paul's conversion to be a myth. Gilbert West decided to disprove the resurrection of Christ. They continued to meet for conferences. Finally West asked Lyttleton, "Have you finished your book?" Lyttleton said that he had. "But," he continued, "as I have been studying the evidence and weighing it according to the recognized laws of legal evidence. I have become satisfied that Saul of Tarsus was converted, and that Christianity is true." "Have you written your book?" asked Lyttleton. "Yes," replied West. "But as I studied the evi- (Continued on Page Five)

Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.

Jer 33:3

Life From the Dead

Alice E. Luce

THEY buried him... and laid him in the bed which was filled with sweet odors and divers kinds of spices prepared by the apothecaries' art; and they made a very great burning for him." 2 Chron. 16:14.

They did the very best they could for that dead body; but all the incense they burned, all the beds of spices and sweet fragrance could not overcome the stench of corruption; Asa was dead.

This is what human effort tries to do in the way of reforming, improving, educating, polishing and perfuming the sinner; but nothing changes the fact that he is dead in trespasses and sins.

"Lord, by this time he stinketh; for he hath been dead four days." John 11:39. Jesus did not call for beds of spices, sweet incense or fragrant perfumes to overcome that stench.

The life-giving Son of God called with His voice of command: "Lazarus, come forth!" And the stench was gone, the corruption was no more, death loosed his hold on Lazarus.

At the almighty Word of Power the dead man arose and walked forth; he was loosed from the grave-clothes, and was every whit whole.

"If any man be in Christ he is a new creature; old things are passed away, behold all things are become new." Do not try to perfume the dead, but bring them into touch with the life-giving Saviour.

A VISION OF HELL

A True Story by E. Hodgson, Belgian Congo

ABEDENEGO is one of our tallest and thinnest native evangelists. He has a little face, a big mouth, big voice, big feet, and big hands, but everything else about him is extraordinarily long and extremely thin. His speech is as quaint and angular as his anatomy.

Anyway, he ought to be unusual for both his mother and father are very unusual, both being witch doctors in separate practices and only get along by agreeing to disagree. At least, there were two things that they did absolutely agree about; one thing was that they would never make a move or decision without first consulting the spirits, both being professional spirit-mediums; and the other thing was that they both, even to the point of fanaticism, obeyed every rule of heathenism as to their eating and drinking; not only did they eat alone in specially built houses, but had absolutely private cooking pots, utensils and fires, even private hoes and gardens. They were sincerely devoted slaves to their cult. The man enjoyed the name and prestige of Mwana Banza, and his wife that of Ilunga Kabalela.

They flourished well side by side and had no complaints to make until this year, when both started feeling the burden of Anno Domini, and then came along a serious sickness that laid the wife very low and rendered her absolutely helpless; but not quite hopeless, for her clever husband set out to save and restore his unusual and useful wife. He set into motion every heathen force that he could command, but her sickness would not respond to spirit rapping or blood tapping, charms or idols, filthy concoctions, herbs, roots or leaves, forms or ceremonies. Despite all she still remained a helpless groaning mass of pain and complaints. Indeed, finally things got so bad and hopeless that Mwana Banza decided to get out and look far afield for further help, to another territory where witch doctors flourished almost unhindered by the sound of the gospel message or the presence of white men.

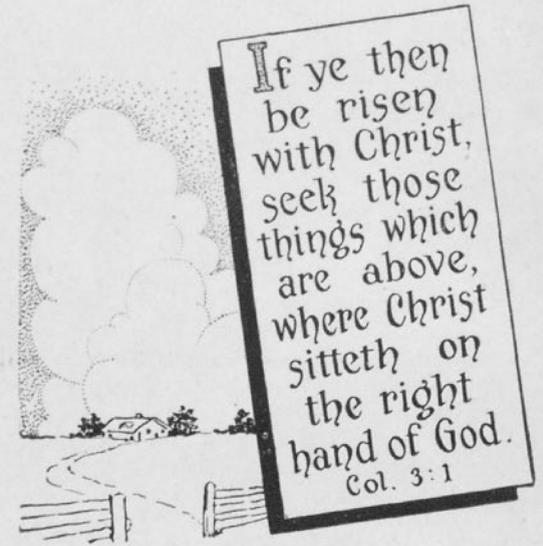
His evangelist son, Abedenego, was always a thorn in the flesh to him, and his gospel message always seemed to nullify all his best heathen efforts, also his spiritual presence seemed often to jam his spirit communications. Old Mwana Banza's going away so far to find help looked a bit like running away, at least so thought his wife; and no sooner had he got away than she rolled off her bed mat, and walking, collapsing, crawling and rolling, she dragged herself to the next village, where her out-cast Christian son, Abedenego, was working for God.

It was a shocking surprise for him to see his old mother come crawling along to his house. She refused to be carried into his house, but demanded an empty hut to herself, and gasped out that she had come for help. Abedenego thought that he was on an easy job and that the victory was almost won as he settled down to talk to his mother about her soul and God's power to save and to heal.

The old lady just kept quiet long enough to summon up all her remaining strength and vehemence to tell her son that she hated his God, Christianity and prayers, and wanted none of them; all she wanted was some help for her sick body. He did his best for her, but she refused food out of his house kitchen or cookpots, and refused even his wife to be near her; she even demanded a special heathen hut to be built for her. It was then that Abedenego became angry, saying: "I have no compromise in my Christianity and you have no compromise in your heathenism, so I do not see how I can possibly help you."

Then finally he brought into her little hut lots of unprepared food, bananas, water and cookpots, and made her as comfortable as possible, leaving her for a week while he visited his people, who were away fishing in the big lake. He was very troubled in his soul and prayed much each day. Then for three days' hand-running came SOS messages from his mother, making his stay all the harder. At the weekend, after much prayer, the Lord told him to go back home now, and He would save and heal his mother.

Getting back, he found the stubborn old lady weaker than ever, and the food untouched except for a few bananas and the water. In desperation, Abedenego prepared the best and tastiest



meal possible with his own hands in her presence, and then gave it to her; still she refused to eat, so he said: "Well, I am going to kneel down and pray for you and shall not stop praying until you have eaten everything up." She felt she could manage the food better than the praying, so she ate up, and he shut up.

Returning to his own hut and shutting the door, Abedenego prayed hard and long, pleading for God to do something for his old mother. Finally, he said: "Lord, it is Saturday. If you will only give my mother a dream or vision of hell tonight she will get saved this weekend." Feeling assured that God had granted his request, he came out happy and went about his work. That same Saturday night he heard his mother crying out in terror, so he got down on his knees to thank God and ask Him to give her more until she was convinced beyond recall. Next morning the old mother called him and told him of all that God had shown her in the night and she was now only too anxious to get right with God. She asked to be carried to the church so that she might confess Christ publicly and never go back on her decision.

Abedenego was beside himself with joy and canvassed the whole village, promising them a very special Sunday gospel service if only they would come along. The result was that the wee church was packed inside and out, and in the village there was not a soul to be seen. Towards the end of the service a line of mourners came through the village, wailing and looking for the old mother, whom, they had heard, was dead. They arrived at the church just as the old lady in question, too feeble to sit up, stand, or even raise her hand, shouted out with unexpected energy: "I accept the Lord Jesus Christ as my Saviour and my Lord, now and forever."

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RESURRECTION RAYS

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THAT I may know . . . the power of His resurrection." Phil. 3:10.

Resurrection Rays! Can you see them?
Streaming straight from Heaven above!
Resurrection Rays! Do you feel them?
Tokens of a Saviour's love.

Resurrection Rays! Hallelujah!
Lo, He maketh all things new.
Resurrection Rays through eternal days,
Resurrection Rays for You!

These are the days of "rays."

There are many rays varying much in origin, nature and effect. We read of X rays, cosmic rays, and shudder over descriptions of the awful destruction and devastation of which Death rays are capable.

But, as Tennyson has said:

"Tis life of which our nerves are scant,
Tis life, not death for which we pant,
More life, and fuller, that we want."

And many are asking "Are there Life Rays? If so where may they be found?"

Somebody said to Talleyrand, Bishop of Autun, during the French Revolution, and one of the astutest men who ever lived:

"The Christian religion, what is it? It would be easy to start a religion like that."

"Oh, yes," replied Talleyrand. "One would only have to get crucified and rise again from the dead the third day."

That is what the Founder of our faith did.

Up from the grave He arose,
With a mighty triumph o'er His foes!

And He ascended to the right hand of the Father, where He ever liveth to make intercession for us, and to minister to us as a Priest after the order of Melchizedec—"Not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an endless life."

In the Aaronic and Melchizedekian priesthood we see law and life in sharp contrast.

We cannot abide in spiritual and physical soundness through the law, by reason of the weakness of the flesh.

But "the power of an endless life"—there is not a weak link in that chain!

It is the power of an endless life, the all-conquering life of the Risen Christ, that we need. Life for spirit, soul and body—life more abundant.

It streams upon us in "Resurrection

Rays" from our risen, glorified Christ, who is the Sun of Righteousness with healing in His wings.

He is the light of the world; "in Him was life; and the life was the light of men." John 1:4.

There was once a man whose name was Lawrence. They called him Brother Lawrence, for he was a monk, a very lowly monk who cooked the meals for the brethren of a great monastery. His task was a hard one. He made many mistakes which were greatly resented by the monks.

Even monks, it appears, do not like to have their soup scorched, and their vegetables underdone.



The harder Brother Lawrence tried the more unsatisfactory were the results which he obtained. He got nervous under the strain, and when a small army of waiter monks, who were serving the tables of their superiors, all rushed into the great kitchen at once loudly clamoring to have their orders filled immediately, he became stupefied and spoiled the dinner. When he was rebuked for his fault he was angry and had at last to confess that he was an abject failure.

God, who will not despise a contrite heart, took him into the school of the Holy Ghost and taught him something wonderful which he called "The Practice of the Presence of God." Mighty men of God have not scorned to sit at his feet (though I do not think he could read or write) to learn of his secret.

What was it? In short, simply to acknowledge always everywhere the presence of the mighty God, His strengthening presence, His illuminating presence, His sustaining presence, and His comforting presence. And God manifested Himself through the poor monk in

strength, wisdom, endurance and patience till they marvelled and said, "We have a new cook." And so they had, for God had made him over.

He basked in the "Resurrection Rays" which stream from our Risen and Glorified Lord.

Let us follow his example and not forget to practice the healing presence of God. For He is the Lord that healeth us, and the Name of Jesus is as fragrant, soothing ointment.

Waiting on Him we mount up on wings as eagles, far above the plane where Satan has power to jangle our nerves, make our bones ache, our hearts fail, and our other organs refuse to duly perform their proper functions. We are told that as we thus wait we "shall renew (literally, change) our strength." Isaiah 40:31.

As the Life Rays stream upon and into us we exchange human strength for Divine, and cry as it tingles in every cell and tissue—

"O the resurrection power in this hour lives in me."

I was reading Ephesians 1:19-21 in the dark one night when I was waiting on God in my room. I love to let the Word of God flow through me in the dark for it brings its own light with it.

As I read—"The exceeding greatness of His power to usward who believe, according to the working of His mighty power which He wrought in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead, and set Him at His own right hand in the heavenly places, FAR ABOVE"—and I realized that I had been raised together with Him, my being was so filled with resurrection power that I seemed to be literally lifted "Far above" everything that could mar or hinder spiritually or physically.

The experience lasted for days and I hoped I would never come down again. Perhaps I shouldn't have.

But, praise God, the day is near at hand "when we shall all be caught up in the clouds, and so shall we ever be with the Lord."

The Sign of Jonah

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dence of the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead and weighed it according to the laws of evidence, I have become satisfied that Jesus really rose from the dead, and I have written my book on that side." Both became earnest Christians.

It is always so. Facts which are accepted save—the sign of Jonah; the sign of the resurrected Lord. "For if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Romans 10:9.

MOST MISERABLE MAN IN THE WORLD

A True Story by L. Clyde Meyer, Barnesville, Minnesota. Part 2

AT THE expiration of three months my condition was no better. I was still holding tenaciously to the Catholic faith, but still I was in despair. Now I came to realize that a preternatural force was closing in upon me, and, although I could not see it, I could feel it driving me to suicide. If I tried to shave myself, I had to fight an impulse to slash my throat with the razor. The railroad passed behind my house, and I had to fight an impulse to throw myself beneath the steel wheels of the passing trains. Oh, what constant fear I lived in, fearing that this demon who had possessed me would succeed in carrying out its diabolical plot against me! But God's Word says, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Rom. 10:13. I had called upon the name of the Lord, and the Lord was bringing me to the place where He wanted me, which was the end of my fleshly faith in the Catholic Church.

Realizing that I was unable to battle this unseen force that was driving me to self-destruction, I pleaded with my wife to send me to a place where I should be protected. But her love and faithfulness caused her to plead with me to fight it out at home. I consented, and I continued the fight for one week longer, and it was very evident to me that I was fighting a losing battle. One morning I rose from my bed early, and, as I walked along the railing that guarded the stairway that leads downstairs, this power literally lifted me from my feet. With a demonic scream I was cast headlong over the railing to the floor below, lighting on my head. I weighed one hundred and ninety pounds, and it was only the protecting hand of the Lord that saved me from a broken neck. As I was going through the air, my foot broke the staircase window and was cut. My wife, seeing that my foot was bleeding, brought a bottle of iodine, removed the cork and applied some of the iodine to the wound. In the twinkling of an eye I snatched the bottle from her hand and drank its contents. Oh, the love and mercy of our God! It was past finding out! His Word tells us, "And these signs shall follow them that believe: . . . if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them." Mark 16:17, 18. Although I had no faith in my heart, God spared my life, for the poison passed through my system and never even made me ill.

These attempts at suicide convinced my wife that I needed more protection than I could get at home, so she acceded to my desire to be sent to a hospital. I

was sent to a sanitarium where I was locked up and watched very closely.

I had not been in the hospital long before I realized that I was in a house of torment. The battle that was waged during the next six months is beyond my ability to describe. As the days lengthened into weeks and weeks into months, this spirit of suicide continued to drive me. The fear of hell's fire was constantly upon me, and, as I passed through the door leading from one room to another, I was afraid I would step into the pit of fire.

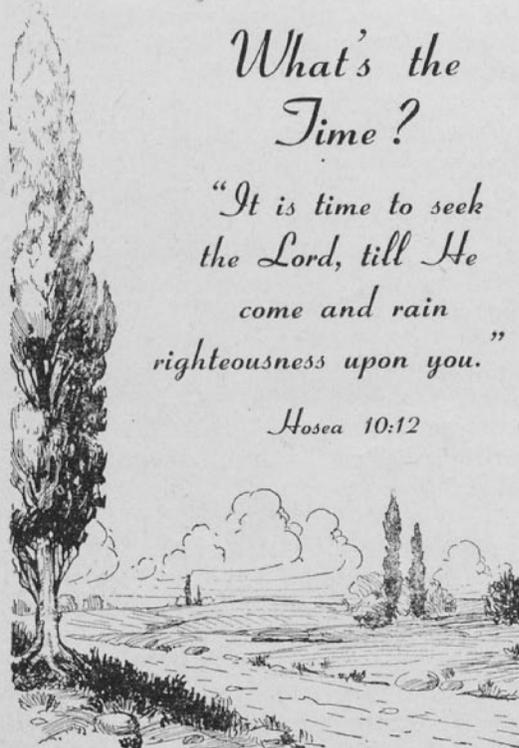
My friend, maybe today you are strong and healthy. Maybe the thought of hell's fire for eternity does not frighten you. But, if God reveals to you the reality of the eternal punishment that is coming upon the unbeliever and that you stand convicted before His holy law, your own strength and courage will prove inadequate to uphold you, and you will cry unto Him for mercy. Seek the Lord today while He may be found. God says, "My Spirit shall not always strive with man." Gen. 6:3. The day is soon coming when you will be unable to find Him.

Day after day the fight continued. Satan was contesting my right to life. He was telling me that God had forsaken me, that the wages of sin is death, and all I could do was to take my own life or else he (Satan) would make me suffer the most horrible death possible for man to die.

What's the Time?

"It is time to seek the Lord, till He come and rain righteousness upon you."

Hosea 10:12



You say I was suffering from an hallucination. No, it was very real, although they were lies that Satan was whispering to me. "Because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it." John 8:44. Nothing but a visitation of the Holy Spirit could have given me faith and courage enough to go on in life. I continued the fight, praying to the Blessed Virgin and the saints to intercede for me.

One day about a month after I arrived at the sanitarium, the doctor told me he was going to send me to another ward where I would have my liberty, and that within a month or so I would be ready to go home. I was transferred to the detention ward where the patients have the very best care and are permitted to go and come as they please. I was put to bed in the dormitory on the second floor. The stairway leading to the basement was a circular one with an opening from the dormitory to the basement. As I lay in my bed, the demon suggested this as a means of ending it all. Remembering how I had been cast headlong over the banister at home, I lived in constant fear lest I should leap from my bed and cast myself headlong to the tile floor of the basement, three stories below.

In misery and torment I fought this battle for three days in my own strength. I fell on my knees beside my bed, and in utter helplessness I again besought the Blessed Virgin and the saints to intercede for me. After I got into bed a young man came over to me and greeted me in a manner in which I had never been addressed before. "Praise the Lord, Brother, I see you are a Christian." This young man was God's messenger to me, and although I would not listen to him then, God used him five months later to lead me to Christ.

The next morning, weary of the fight and despondent because of my condition, I thought it was God's will that I take my life. Taking an electric light globe from its socket I broke it, and using the broken glass I slashed my wrist and crawled back into bed to bleed to death. The nurse, seeing the blood, followed me to my bed and bandaged my wrist. I was then sent back to the receiving ward again.

Many of the saints who read this testimony have received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost and have experienced the ecstasy and joy of His blessings. When asked to describe it, all we can say is that

it is too wonderful for the mortal mind to describe. So likewise, the torments of Satan are terrible, and the horror of the manifestations of Satanic power within a demon-possessed man are beyond the power of the mortal mind to describe. Within five months there were four times that this demon power awakened me in the small hours of the morning and manifested itself in torments that were beyond the power of human endurance. I felt as though I were sinking in a quagmire of filth, and at times I felt that I would gouge my eyes from their sockets. Leaping from my bed, I would run to the night nurses and beg to be put into a strait jacket to keep me from killing myself.

May God have mercy on the souls of men. If Satan has such power of torment here on earth, his power will be terrible when God withdraws His love and Spirit from the earth.

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A Vision of Hell

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It was an electric moment, and one of the happiest in Abedenego's life. Now he could talk to his mother for she was a new happy creature in Christ Jesus. He prayed with a mighty assurance that God would heal her and, of course, He did. The old lady, from that moment, started to recover, and in less than a week went home all by herself, a walking miracle of the grace and healing power of God and the gospel which she had so despised.

Now she is waiting the return of her other half, old Mwana Banza, from his useless rambles, to tell him of all that is in her heart and of what God has done for her. We wonder if the old witch doctor will get beautifully saved like his wife. He will, if you will join with us in believing prayer for him.—*Redemption Tidings*.

Resurrection Power

A sea captain who had crossed the Atlantic hundreds of times once testified: "When there is a storm, as I stand on the bridge I can see the huge Atlantic waves dashing themselves against the ship. They seem to be forcing the vessel back and to be saying, 'You can't! You can't!' But under my feet I can feel the throb of the 40,000 h. p. engine, and every throb of that engine seems to say to me, 'You can! You can!' as we drive through the storm."

There are many trials and dangers to face as we go through life, but relying on the gift of the Holy Spirit we shall be able to go forward in confidence, saying, "I can! I can!" "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:13.

A Challenge to Christians

Charles T. Studd

MY MONTENEGRINS," said King Nicholas, "will henceforth spill their blood for their persecuted compatriots."

When shall God be able to say to the devil—"Hast thou seen My Christians of today? No longer do they seek for gold or pleasure, for honors or ease: from henceforth My Christians will spill their blood for the love and cause of My beloved Son, and the salvation of the neediest of men."

Yes, when? When indeed shall we see a real "church militant here upon earth?" I wonder! Yet no! The answer is sure! Just as soon as we Christians really mean what we sing with such apparent earnestness—

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small,
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my life, my soul, my all.

A few years ago, at the mouth of the Congo, 1,000 prospectors, traders, mer-

chants and gold seekers waited to rush into these regions as soon as the Government should open the door to them, for rumor declared that there was an abundance of gold. If such can hear so loudly the call of gold and obey it, can it be the ears of Christ's soldiers are deaf to the call of God and the cries of the dying souls of men? Shall the votaries of mammon be more brave than the disciples of Christ? Shall the missionaries of the Crescent be more zealous than the soldiers of the Cross? God forbid.

Shall our blood turn to water and our hearts to stone at the cries of needy and thirsty souls in their agony, calling on us for deliverance, forsooth, because the climate is not "just so"? Or should we let the selfish call of affection hold us back? Rather might we say, "But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God."

Jesus Lives

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to prolong the natural life, but seek to procure the eternal life. Christ said, "I am come that they (His sheep) might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." John 10:10. Lay hold of this life that is eternal.

It is appointed unto men once to die, and after death—what? Don't shut your eyes, don't stop your ears, don't stultify your reason and stifle your conscience. After death, what? You have the power to say what.

He Is Risen

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Christ's was a guilty soul. For death holds Him still, and death's sting, death's holding power, is *sin*. And the sixteenth Psalm must therefore be altered, Thou shalt suffer Thine *unholy* One to see corruption. We assert that for nineteen centuries God has been silent to countless myriads of the saintliest souls, who have made their lives saintly by building them upon a *lie*.

To say He rose not, when God says He raised Him, is to declare God a liar; and how can such a soul be saved by God? 1 John 5:10. "If Christ hath not been raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins." 1 Cor. 15:17. On the other hand, to accept Jesus risen is to do as God does: "God hath made Him both

Lord and Christ, *this Jesus*." It is to acknowledge the world's wondrous love in providing it. It is to confess the sinlessness of the Sacrifice; "*because it was not possible that He should be holden of death* (Acts 2:24); and therefore rose. It is to accept the Sacrifice *because God has accepted it by raising it*. Therefore "if thou shalt confess with thy mouth Jesus as Lord, and shalt believe in thy heart that God raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Rom. 10:9.

A Plea for Unity

The keeper of an insane asylum was asked, "Are you not afraid that these people will unite sometime and hurt you and the other attendants?" He replied, "No! Crazy people never unite on anything."

Perhaps that may be a good way to judge a lot of people that usually keep things in a divided mess.

How to Know God

If we really *desire* to know God better, we shall seek to know Him in His Word; the Bible will be our study. Our part is to "prepare the way of the Lord"; i. e., to provide a pathway along which God can reveal Himself: And this is best done by a devotional study of His Word. And let us also give ourselves continually to prayer.

The PASSING and the PERMANENT

A KING'S TESTIMONY

King George of England recently said, "Not even for the sake of victory in the war, dare we stop the work and witness of Christ our Saviour."

RUSSIAN MISSIONARIES-TO-BE

At the Russian Bible Institute in Toronto there are 48 students in training, preparing to enter Soviet Russia and other parts of Europe with the gospel as soon as the war is over.

700,000 LIQUOR STORES

The Business Men's Research Foundation reports that there are 400,000 saloons and 300,000 other establishments selling legal liquor in the U. S. This is four times the number before repeal. There are 2 drinking places to every church, 3 to every school, 1 to each 75 families, and 1 to each 51 youths between 16 and 24.

DUTCH JEWS DEPORTED

"There is no longer a Jewish problem in Holland," reported Anton Musser, the Dutch Nazi leader, recently. He boasted that "more than 150,000 Jews have been deported from Holland." The wandering Jew will continue to wander until he is settled in his Promised Land.

ITALIAN JEWS SUFFER

It is reported that when Italy surrendered to the Allies and turned against Germany the Nazis vented their rage upon the Italian Jews. Many have been brutally massacred in the northern cities. Some were shot while trying to escape to Switzerland. Several hundreds escaped to Southern Italy, however, and are seeking transportation to Palestine.

THE JEWISH PROBLEM

"Maritain is right when he calls the Jewish problem insoluble," says the *Jewish Missionary Magazine*. "It is not in the wisdom of man. It finds a partial solution as Jew and Gentile turn in humility to Christ as their common Saviour and Lord and become members of that body in which 'there is neither Jew nor Gentile.' Its final solution, when 'all Israel shall be saved,' awaits the coming of our Lord in glory."

PRAYER FOR OUR GENERALS

Last October the following note was sent to the Commander in Chief of the Allied Forces by Morris Zeidman of the Scott Mission, Toronto, Canada: "Dear General Eisenhower: We are continually upholding you and yours in prayer before the throne of grace. May God guide you and bless you with strength for the task that is before you."

From the Allied Headquarters in Italy came the following reply: "Dear Mr. Zeidman: I truly appreciate your prayers. I earnestly believe in the power of prayer, and it gladdens my heart to receive such a message as yours. Sincerely, Dwight D. Eisenhower."

This should inspire us to pray that divine wisdom shall be given to the leaders of the Allied armies, navies and air forces in this tremendous crisis

PALESTINE CEMETERY

A cemetery where American soldiers who gave their lives in the Near East will rest, was recently consecrated somewhere in Palestine. This is said to be the first (in fact, the only) spot considered as a site for such a cemetery.

CATHOLIC SUPERSTITION

According to *The Converted Catholic Magazine*, 212,230 pilgrims visited the shrine of Saint Anne de Beaupre in Quebec, Canada, during 1943. Supposed relics of Saint Anne are venerated there, which the pilgrims are taught to believe have healing and miracle-working power.

TEN MILLION TESTAMENTS

About ten million Testaments have been printed for free distribution among American servicemen. As of January 31 the Gideons had ordered 6,408,397 copies. The American Bible Society reports that it has supplied over 3,000,000 Testaments as well, through the chaplains. Many additional copies of the Scriptures have been distributed by the Government, the Pocket Testament League, and other agencies.

RADIO CENSORSHIP

According to *Watchman-Examiner*, the freedom of proclaiming the gospel in America is being seriously threatened. It states: "We have had repeated evidences that even positive and noncritical expressions of New Testament conviction are taboo in much of the press and in nearly all radio facilities. One would think that Southern Baptists would be unchallengeably powerful because of their numerical preponderance in their own area, but we recently saw the deletions and changes in the radio script of a preacher on the 'Southern Baptist Hour,' and every possible reference, direct or indirect, by which the Roman Catholic sect might be possibly identified had to be toned down or eliminated."

THE 1943 CRIME RECORD

The FBI estimates that 1,381,681 major crimes were committed in the United States in 1943. Every day, on an average, there were 27 criminal homicides, 29 rapes, 136 other felonious assaults, 124 robberies, 745 burglaries, 2,204 larcenies, and 514 auto thefts. The report is based on a report from 318 of our larger cities.

Compared to 1942 there was a noticeable decrease in murders, negligent manslaughter and larcenies, but there were increases of 9.7 per cent in rapes, 3.4 per cent in burglaries, and 11.5 per cent in auto thefts.

The number of arrests of boys under 18 increased 23.4 per cent, with 17 the predominating age. Arrests of girls under 21 increased 49.9 per cent, with 18 the predominating age.

Conditions are growing more and more like the days of Noah, when the earth was corrupt before God and filled with violence. Gen. 6:11. The coming of Christ is therefore very near. Matt. 24:37.

"FUNDAMENTALISTS"

The members of the recently publicized Utah sect who call themselves "Fundamentalists" surely chose a misleading name. Twenty of them were arrested for practicing polygamy. According to *Time*, their leader did not deny having five wives and twenty children. Others were said to have as many as six wives and thirty-three children. But even more absurd than the sect's name is the name of its publication. It is labeled "Truth," though it teaches that polygamy is God's will!

A THOUSAND-DOLLAR BILL

Churches may receive even larger gifts in the form of checks or money orders, but rarely do they find a thousand-dollar bill in the offering plate. Such was the experience of a Baptist church in Syracuse, N. Y., recently. The pastor appealed for a missionary offering one Sunday, to be brought the following Sunday, after speaking on Dives and Lazarus. He was happily surprised to find a brand new thousand-dollar bill in the plate, neatly folded within an envelope. The pastor said he was thrilled that the first thousand-dollar bill he had ever seen was in a missionary offering.

PRAYERS FOR A PRICE

An article in the February *Magazine Digest* tells about an organization in Connecticut that sells prayers. Anyone can write in and for a dollar secure a prayer that is worded to suit their need. Prayers for financial success are said to be the best sellers. The customers are supposed to unite in offering up their mimeographed prayers at the same time each day, during what they call "Allah Hour." Last year this prayer-by-mail organization had a return of \$100,000. What a challenge to us is the fact that so many people have a spiritual longing but know no better than to go to such concerns as the above for help.

LET US STAND BY OUR PRINCE!

"Now, after a quarter of a century, the political relations between the Soviets and the Church are more than cordial. But this cordiality does not indicate an end to the conflict between religion and Bolshevism. In matters of principle and doctrine authority holds a supreme position in Russia. Ultimate, final, irrevocable authority is vested in four men: Marx, Engels, Lenin, and Stalin. On the subject of religion the pronouncements of these four men are only too clear and pointed. Their speeches and writings are permeated with passionate denial and an implacable repudiation of all religion in any and every form."

Who wrote these words? Not an American evangelical, distrustful of Soviet Russia, but a partisan of Russia, Maurice Hindus (in his book, *Mother Russia*).

Karl Marx said: "We make war against all prevailing ideas of religion, of the state, of country, of patriotism. The idea of God is the keystone of a perverted civilization. It must be destroyed. The true root of liberty, of equality, of culture, is atheism."

No wonder Lloyd George said: "The authority of the Prince of Peace is defied. The nations are plotting to hurl more defiance at His throne. It is time that the churches of Christ throughout Christendom should stand by their Prince."

VICTORY GIRLS

What is a "Victory Girl"? She is one of a group now numbering, authentic information from Washington informs, more than a million teen-age girls who hold themselves ready, without pay and as an act of self-sacrificing patriotism to satisfy the sex desires of boys in uniform.

The very great number of these girls is testified to by an official legislative report on juvenile delinquency in which it is said: "When the war began eighty per cent of the social disease in the army was traceable to professional prostitutes. Today, eighty per cent of the venereal infections among servicemen are derived from high school girls."

In his powerful, stirring and informative book ("The Truth about Juvenile Delinquency" by Dan Gilbert, for sale at Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo. for 35c) Dr. Gilbert undertakes to trace the origin of this amazing phenomenon. He quotes Frederick L. Collins, an authority on the cause of juvenile delinquency as saying:

"If there has been a wholesale breakdown in civilized conventions in sexual conduct among American youth, the major responsibility can be laid squarely on the red doorstep of Communism."

He lays the beginning of the horrible sex education in our colleges and high schools to the activities of Dr. Havelock Ellis who with Bertrand Russell "has been the most important influence in introducing sex education into our schools. In Dr. Ellis' work on "The Psychology of Sex," is a chapter on "The Civilizational Value of Prostitution."

The picture show joins hands with our Communist-defiled school system. Wherever the show appears in which a fine, modest nurse is shown, ministering to soldiers, who finally becoming convinced that she can best serve her country and build up the morale of the soldiers under her care by offering her body to them, a wave of victory girls follows. They parade the streets unashamed, and when asked what they are doing say frankly that they are trying to do their bit, building up the morale of the soldiers by offering them the use of those high school girls' bodies.

Add to this infernal triumvirate the urge of our government representatives that we should give soldiers a good time, make booze available for them and girls to dance with, and you have a combination that is resulting in a breakdown that perhaps is more portentous of national disaster than any other one thing there is.

Are we going to let these things go on under our noses and be so sacrosanct that we profess not to even know it is being done?—Chas. E. Robinson.

PRAY FOR VICTORY

Our readers may remember that two years ago we printed a special appeal for prayer for Nation-wide Revival and for Victory, written by George T. B. Davis, the director of the Million Testaments Campaigns.

We have just received a letter from Brother Davis, who states:

"For a good while I have been praying that our alliance with Russia may be broken. Recently I have felt impelled to ask others to pray about this matter.

"Long ago Jehoshaphat, the good king of Judah, made an alliance with Ahaziah, the wicked king of Israel. What was the outcome? Their works 'were broken.'

"Here is the terse and striking story of this ancient alliance, as recorded in 2 Chronicles 20:35-37:

"And after this did Jehoshaphat king of Judah join himself with Ahaziah king of Israel, who did very wickedly. And he joined himself with him to make ships to go to Tarshish: and they made the ships in Ezion-gaber. Then Eliezer the son of Dodavah of Mareshah prophesied against Jehoshaphat, saying, Because thou hast joined thyself with Ahaziah, the Lord hath broken thy works. And the ships were broken, that they were not able to go to Tarshish."

"The Lord still rules and reigns in the affairs of men. He judges nations and individuals today just as truly as long ago. I tremble as I think of our beloved nation's alliance with God-hating Russia. I fear lest our military works in Europe will 'be broken,' as were the ships of Jehoshaphat long ago.

"Praise God for the marvelous power of intercessory prayer! Let us remember our Saviour's words that 'if ye have faith as a grain

of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.'

"If multitudes of God's children will intercede earnestly and fervently day by day, the Lord is able to break our alliance with Russia, and to do it much more quickly than to many would seem possible! He is the God of the impossible!

"Let us also continue to intercede day by day for revival for our land, and for victory for our arms!"

RUSSIAN PROPAGANDA

According to *Midnight Cry*, supply ships returning from Russia are bringing back tons of printed propaganda for organization of a united bloc in this country of people of Slav origin, according to a statement made by Representative Doderer of Michigan in Congress. "This," he said, "is a type of lend-lease in reverse which is not of a character upon which the American people will look with relish." He said that the ships "arriving at Pacific ports" carry newspapers printed in several foreign languages designed for Michigan and for the coal fields of Pennsylvania, New York, and Illinois.



God Bless America

This is the nation's most popular slogan. It has swept the land like wildfire. The song has dwarfed our national anthem, and in the hearts of the people has supplanted "The Star Spangled Banner" or "America."

You will find it everywhere... this popular slogan. It is displayed in our churches, decks our college chapels, adorns our senate houses!...

It is woven into tapestry... these little words, GOD BLESS AMERICA... printed on silk shields and emblazoned on emblems!...

It rides the highways on automobile windshields. It soars through the blue on airline transports!...

It plies the deep on our merchant marine!

GOD BLESS AMERICA

There it is on the night club—swinging from the wall, GOD BLESS AMERICA!... That saloon across the street has pasted it on the glass above the bar, GOD BLESS AMERICA!...

Yonder where human flesh is sold for a price, the slogan GOD BLESS AMERICA decks the gaudy brothel!...

On the lapel of the drunkard, the silk of the prostitute, the coat of the gambler, the purse of the racetrack better, the gun of the criminal, you will find the words GOD BLESS AMERICA!...

Ennobled by those who love America, the slogan is also degraded by crime, and sin, and debauchery!

HOW... WHEN... WHERE WILL GOD BLESS AMERICA?

As long as liberty can be bought, and courts have their price, and sin rules the high and the low, and one-twelfth of the populace is diseased through social sin, and billions are spent each year for liquor, and other billions are blown up as smoke by cigarette-sucking Americans of all ages, WILL GOD BLESS AMERICA?

WILL GOD BLESS the AMERICA whose morals are taught through movies made by those whose lives are dedicated to the service of sin?

WILL GOD BLESS AMERICA as long as moral standards are degraded through the lecherous dance?

HOW can GOD BLESS AMERICA if our churches and Christian folks keep silence before the god of mammon?

WHERE will GOD BLESS AMERICA as long as the god of the people is a bottle of liquor?

The blessings of God upon this our America can be obtained only through clean living, high morals, uprightness and holy ideals. God will BLESS AMERICA when she goes back to her churches, drives the god of liquor from her shores and repents of her evil doings.

As the anthem wafts from shore to shore—GOD BLESS AMERICA—may our national prayer be: "Cleanse us, O Lord, from our iniquities. Wash clean our hands that have itched with the price of liquor. Sweep from our memories the vision of lads whose downward careers have begun at a home cocktail hour. Put America upon her knees!"

Then will GOD BLESS AMERICA!...

The above article is the introduction to the new booklet LIQUOR MAD AMERICA, by U. E. Harding. A revealing expose on the liquor traffic in America. Help us distribute this widely. Paper binding, Price 35c each. GOSPEL PUBLISHING HOUSE, Springfield, Missouri.



What's News in the Missions Department

Noel Perkin

We have just closed what we believe was a very helpful conference of missionaries who have been invited to engage in deputational work. We found one problem was to make the missionaries stretch out to meet the many requests for missionary speakers.

Those who have asked that missionary speakers be sent to you, please bear with us and we shall endeavor to meet your need as soon as possible. Our Brother Kenneth Short, the editor of the *Missionary Challenge*, is taking the oversight of all deputational work and communications regarding this matter should be addressed to him.

New Missionaries

In counting the missionaries added to our list since we set our goal for 500 more, we find the number has reached 60, so that more than a tenth of our goal have been recruited. We now have under missionary appointment 467, including some who, while not on the regular missionary list, are yet engaged in foreign missionary work and hold General Council ministerial papers.

Not only are missionaries being added to our list, but our field secretaries, H. B. Garlock for Africa, and H. C. Ball for Latin America, are busily occupied in helping these missionaries to the fields of their appointment. It requires patience, and then more patience, these days to overcome all the obstacles. First to convince our Department of State of the urgency of each appointment and then to secure the necessary permits and visas for travel to or through other lands, after which final arrangements are made for transportation.

Missionaries Returning to Their Fields

There are several happy missionaries from India who can now return to the land of their calling. Marguerite Flint and Hilda Wagenknecht have received all the necessary papers and permits and expect to sail for India in April. Mrs. H. T. Waggoner also is looking forward to returning to India at that time providing her permit to re-enter India is received when needed.

A number of our missionaries headed for Africa are likely to sail at the same time. Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Smith have everything in readiness to return to the Ivory Coast, while Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Godbey are preparing to go to Nigeria for their first term out. Mary Martin and Lois Shelton also hope to be on their way again to Liberia. Others are in various stages of preparation and may get off at the same time.

H. T. Goodwin Arrives in Africa

For the first time in almost three years an Assemblies of God missionary has been able to go to Africa. It was a real thrill to receive a cable telling of the arrival of H. T. Goodwin in Africa recently. For a long time Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Weston have been carrying on alone in the Gold Coast, but our Brother Goodwin, considering the present

emergency, has left his wife and children in the United States so that he might help hold the work together in that country until reinforcements can be sent.

It seems that almost every other week missionaries leave for Latin America. The next to depart will be Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Jeffrey and Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Gibson, all destined for Argentina. A recent letter from Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Leonard, now in Argentina, states that they feel there is a great opportunity and need for the full gospel ministry in the city of Buenos Aires. It is estimated that in this one city there are 100,000 English-speaking people and approximately 300,000 who speak German in addition to the Spanish-speaking people there.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Larson Arrive in Chile

We were glad to learn of the safe arrival in Chile of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Larson and Mr. and Mrs. T. Bueno.

We understand that Mr. and Mrs. Walter Erickson of Peru are en route home and will no doubt have arrived in the United States when this news is published.

Two of our new missionaries are receiving training in Spanish in Mexico City—Adele Flower and Marjorie Trulin. Their address is Quetzalcoatl Palace, Heroes and Violeta Streets, Mexico D. F., Mexico.

Funds Getting Through to China

Each month we are sending something over \$1,500.00 to China for the support of our Pentecostal workers who are faithfully carrying on, as well as to help in a small way the tremendous task of relief work.

Funds can still be used in an almost unlimited amount for the relief of the destitute in China and also in India, while we are told that at the close of the war we shall be confronted with 20 million people in Europe who will be on the verge of starvation.

Offerings sent for relief work will be used in any of these fields wherever the need seems greatest.

Visiting Latin America

We were glad to learn of the good ministry of Pastor and Mrs. C. E. Butterfield of Everett, Washington, who are at present visiting our missions in Central America. Good reports are also coming in of the ministry of Pastor F. J. Lindquist and Evangelist Lester Sumrall who were last reported in Mexico and are also visiting some of the other Latin American fields.

THINGS YOU WANT TO KNOW

John F. Hall

Furlough French West Africa

What! do the Africans know how to weave? is an oft-repeated ejaculation. It seems that so much of American conception of Africa has come from the lopsided presentation of the Dark Continent by movies and by the reports of some ex-



plorers who have delighted in exaggerating nakedness, uncouthness and heathenism.

Now we grant you that there are some naked tribes—we have visited three—but there is also the other extreme of the Mohammedans with uncounted yards of cloth in their great flowing robes, the sleeves alone using almost as much cloth as the body of the garment. The great baggy trousers that would easily contain three bushels of wheat and the twenty yards of turban which swathe his head all make the Moslem the most dressed person of Africa. European countries have done a tremendous business selling cloth to Africans. Cloth with gaudy colors and peculiar figures, cheap in quality, appeals to them.

But as you will see in the picture the Africans still make their own cloth. The women spin all the thread by hand and make the skeins, but it is the men who do the weaving, measuring, cutting out and sewing of garments. Here are typical Soudanese looms. At certain seasons these crude affairs are found in every village. The weaver works the crossing and uncrossing of the warp with his feet and throws the shuttle through the warp from one hand to the other and back. Between each action he swings the tiny loom frame hard back against the wool to tighten the weave. The cloth is woven in strips about four inches wide and fifty to a hundred yards in length. The cotton is raw, unprocessed. Sometimes they dye thread different colors and make designs. The Filani people also use goats' hair and sheep hair (yes! hair—no wool on our tropical sheep!) and weave wide strips with measured designs which they sew together to make a large basket. In a former column we showed large "cartwheels" of Mossi cloth being loaded into a truck for transportation.

There is another thing about the looms: those little pulleys overhead, oh, how they squeak! We get so tired hearing them but the weavers tell us they enjoy it as indicative of their speed in weaving!

"WE DARE COUNT IT ALL JOY"

Grace Walther writes from the girls' school and orphanage in Bettiah, India: "Greetings in the Name of Immanuel! 'God with us!' Is that not enough for you and for us all, even in days such as we are living in! Wars, turmoils, distresses, persecutions—but God is with us! You have been so faithful and loyal in standing with us—keeping up the quota of supplies, when we know you, too, have been pressed and it has meant real sacrifice, but oh! it has been suffering

together! And because 'God is with us' we dare count it all joy.

"We have not been able to write to you as often as we should like, but you are not forgotten, and every token of your remembrance of us is treasured, whether a word of greeting, a letter, or your good help by offerings and prayers. We do count very definitely on YOU, and your daily remembering us before the throne of grace.

". . . and we are satisfied"

"The Nepali family who so marvelously stepped out for the Lord are going on, in spite of every effort being made by the Hindu leaders to turn them back. Big Hindu men have been brought from different cities to try to convince them that there is nothing to Christianity, and to offer them money, position, and so forth. They have but one answer to them all. 'We became Christians for neither position, money, nor other gain, but because we have found salvation, and we are satisfied.' It seems all the powers of hell and Hinduism are arrayed against them and we cry out to the Lord continually for a wall of fire to protect. Pray much for them. How the enemy hates to see a soul

won over to the Lord's side!

The School a Soul-Saving Power

"So many new little ones have come in, and it is a great blessing to see how the older ones take them into their hearts to love and lead them to know the Lord. More and more we realize that the school is a real 'soul-saving' power for God. To Him be all the glory! Two of the older girls felt the call of God to prepare for ministry to their own people, and are now attending Bible School.

Saved from Utter Destruction

"Four young men of our church are in the Indian forces, and it is a great encouragement when they come back on leave to hear them give their testimony of how the Lord wonderfully keeps them. One of them in our weekly meeting that was given over to our servicemen, told of how marvelously he was saved from utter destruction while driving a motor, and as he called on the Lord Jesus in that hour of danger, he realized what it meant to know that the 'folks back home' were praying for him. And that is how we feel, too. For your prayers for us mean more than we can tell. So pray on! God bless and keep you in His loving care."

Spiritual Conflict in Nicaragua

Oren Munger

In writing to the saints at Ephesus, Paul unveils the true character of spiritual warfare: "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against wicked spirits in high places."

The soul-gripping realization that our spiritual conflict is of the same nature—and further that in these last days the conflict is increasing—should drive us to our knees in fervent supplication that God would make us giants in this all-important wrestling against principalities and powers. To minimize the conflict is rash folly! To deny that satanic power is on the increase is blind self-deception! God grant that we bestir ourselves before it is too late, or as Samson we shall awaken to find the enemy has us bound and the power to break the fetters has been lost!

Nicaragua has heard the Pentecostal testimony for more than three decades. Three missionaries lie buried beneath her sod, and many others have had to leave because of broken health. Others have suffered worse fate—that of losing the vision, succumbing to the enemy, leaving the field disheartened and disillusioned. Native workers have come and gone, churches have risen and fallen, many have been saved and on fire for God only to lose out with God and backslide. Fierce has been the opposition from without; disastrous the spiritual indifference within. Do we discredit what God has done? Do we discount what missionaries, native workers, churches, and believers have accomplished? By no means. We give credit where it is due. The purpose of this article is not to belittle the labors of the past, but

to reaffirm our intense need of help in this spiritual conflict in the present.

The nature of our conflict may well be illustrated by a few events that have occurred in recent months on the field.

In the course of our recent Bible School in Leon the students opened up several out-stations during their week-end activities. One place was a suburb of Leon where a believer had offered us his property for gospel services. The first few services were quite well attended, but before long the opposition of the enemy began to make itself manifest. First came a leaflet attacking our motives, doctrines, and practices; warning the people that even to accept literature was dangerous. The people were urged to oppose us and our message—contrary, of course, to the constitutional right of freedom of religion that Nicaragua guarantees.

The active opposition took form in several ways. There was a large procession from the near-by cathedral carrying appropriate images to implore the aid of the patron saint against our efforts. One night our open-air meeting was showered with rocks. Another night a procession of young ladies carrying an image of Jesus interrupted our service by singing songs to the saints pleading their aid against the heretics. Then there was of course, that passive opposition, not seen, but felt. These opposition efforts have not driven us out of that locality, but the battle still continues.

Another point of ministry was a place some 6 miles away where services were held on Sunday. Three of our young men went out to do personal work, and in the course of their visit they announced a service for

the following Sunday afternoon. When we arrived that Sunday we found practically all the male population drunk. The priest having heard of our coming, gave the barkeeper sufficient money to pass out free drinks to all and sundry, so that the place was a veritable bedlam when we arrived. The following week we came back earlier in the morning, before they had time to get drunk! We were unmolested.

A sample of the mental attitude of the average unsaved person one meets may well be exemplified by a conversation that we had recently with an unbeliever. As we talked he offered us no insults; he listened to us and our presentation of Christ, but replied to all of our persuading, "I am not interested in the gospel. I am satisfied with my life of vice and sin. If my religion won't save me, it makes little difference. My family and my friends will be with me in hell."

There seems to be no capacity to comprehend spiritual truth. What is it that blinds men's minds and hearts to the work of God? Paul gives us the answer in Eph. 4:18, 19 and in 2 Cor. 4:3, 4—the god of this world, our adversary. Who makes war against the saints, and causes persecutions to arise? Rev. 2:10 and Rev. 13:7-10 point the accusing finger at the devil and satanic power—our adversary again! How can souls be liberated from these shackles of darkness and sin? By intercessory wrestling in prayer.

It is possible to go on almost indefinitely citing practical evidence of the presence of legions of wicked spirits that fill the atmosphere, that lull God's people into spiritual indifference and ease, that create active opposition to the message of liberty, that blind people to their true spiritual condition. A national spirit of pleasure—a national spirit of drunkenness and vice, spirits of wickedness in high places—all are arrayed against the message of salvation.

It is God's purpose to break through this cloud of darkness to pour out His Spirit. Here and there are movings of the Spirit of God. But the fact remains that after more than 32 years of Pentecostal testimony we have reached less than one per cent of Nicaragua's million and a quarter. Of that one per cent only a small fraction have accepted our message and are saved today. The total of all evangelical groups in Nicaragua is estimated to be less than one per cent of the nation's population.

Are we facing satanic opposition? Let your heart be the judge. Do we need intercessors for Nicaragua? God only knows the urgency! Who will pray? Who will join us in the battle against the enemy? Who will lift up holy hands for us in Nicaragua? Of our native workers there are a few who see the need. But for the most part, they are only beginning to see their need of the fullness of the Spirit, and are not yet prepared to storm the bulwarks of sin with us.

May God lay the need of Nicaragua upon many hearts. Except for your prayers all might have been lost long before this. "Brethren, pray for us."

With His Stripes We Are Healed

TWO NOTABLE HEALINGS

After suffering so dreadfully with constipation, nervousness and general disability from the time I was fourteen until I was nineteen I gave up hope. Feeling that I was about to die I went to the altar to get saved. Then next night I received the Holy Ghost Baptism, and then asked prayer for healing. I was healed at once and became a strong, robust man, gaining more than forty pounds.

When I was ten I had a bad leg. It was decayed clear through. A hole went in at the shin and came out at the back. When I was about twenty-one the other leg also became affected. I could hardly walk. I knew the Lord could heal, so put nothing on it and had prayer. This was two or three years after my first healing as stated. I stood on this prayer for three years, during which my legs got worse, and my friends opposed my trusting the Lord as I was. At that time after two weeks of the hardest time I had ever had, my legs became sound and well and they have been 100% sound ever since, except the deep scars.—W. V. Grant, 700 North Main Street, Malvern, Arkansas.

HOW GOD HEALED ME

In 1929 I was very ill. I had been ill since before my youngest son was born, thirteen years before; but I had to carry on with the housework as I had five children and a husband to cook for. I suffered greatly but went on on will power. Eventually however I came to the end of my strength and went to Dr. Miller's clinic in St. Paul. I was examined by several doctors and they said everything was wrong with me. I had a very bad heart, high blood pressure, kidney trouble, hardening of the arteries, and my esophagus was closing up. The doctors said it would not be long until I would be unable to eat. They could not understand how I kept alive. There was not much they could do for me but to send me to a hospital, and I could not go as the children needed me at home. Moreover I had the assurance in my heart that God would heal me if I went to the cottage prayer meeting that Brother Albin Johnson was conducting in my neighborhood. The day after I came from the clinic I went to the prayer meeting and Brother Johnson anointed me with oil and the people all prayed. God made me every whit whole. I am now seventy-two years old, and well, to the praise of God.—Mrs. Adelaide Kuhlman, 955 Edmund Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

A NOTABLE HEALING

A miracle happened in St. Joseph, Missouri, November 29, 1942. For many years I had read Hebrews 13:8, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever," but now I know it to be the truth.

I had suffered more than thirty-five years with asthma which caused complications. I was advised by some of the best physicians in this city, and elsewhere, including my own father, who was an M. D., that my affliction had affected every organ of my body. My complications were so great that I suffered every minute and lacked breath to bear my

pain. I was told many times that there was no cure for me.

My family physician refused to give me another shot of adrenalin, telling me that in my weakened condition I might not survive. I weighed only ninety pounds. Then I called for prayer. My husband called our neighbors, J. Lon Hale and wife, pastor of the Wyatt Park Assembly of God, who told me they were going to obey the scripture in James 5:14, anoint me with oil, pray and ask God to heal me. This they did, and I went to sleep.

When I awoke the next morning I was free from all suffering. I could not understand the strength which had come into my body. I arose, dressed, ate breakfast, and went about my duties. While at these, it suddenly occurred to me that I was healed of all my afflictions, and it was such a joy, I could no longer contain myself. I shouted the praises of God for four hours continuously.

At this date, I weigh 140 pounds. I eat, sleep, and breathe the free air that God intends I should, and, with all ease, I do all my work, my laundry, attend all the church services possible, and give a great deal of my time to home missionary work. I have never had any pain, nor any medicine since the night I was healed.

I give the Lord all the praise, bless His wonderful name forever. I have fully surrendered my life to the Lord, and wholly follow Him, letting Him have His will in my life. Until the time of my healing I had never surrendered my life to Him, but now I know, that if we would have His best we must live a life according to His divine Word, and have faith in Him to know what He has promised, that will He do.—Mrs. J. H. Balderston, 3220 Jackson St., St. Joseph, Mo.

Her pastor writes: "She was saved at the same time. The Sunday following her healing she received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. The following Sunday her husband, 73 years old, was saved. They are now one year old in the Lord, and staunch members of this assembly."—Pastor J. Lon Hale.

Whatever desire the Father permits to live in the heart of one of His saints, He will grant the fulfilment thereof.—O. Chadwick.

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ONE WORLD—ONE GOVERNMENT

Ely Culbertson proposes a world federation with a world president, a world supreme court, a world legislature, etc. He would group the nations into eleven regional federations under this world federation, and let all armaments be limited so that one nation cannot wage war against another. America, Britain and Russia together would possess 50% of the world's troops. The other eight powers would possess 28% of the world's troops between them, with China and France possessing 6% each, Germany, Poland, Turkey and India possessing 3% each, and Malaysia and Japan possessing 2% each. The remaining 22% of the world's troops would be a mobile corps that would serve as the world's police force. It would be composed of troops of smaller nations. The plan is said to be "fool proof."

Whatever the postwar plan may be, world government is coming. The Bible foretells it. The devil has his counterfeit-christ to put in world-power. He will deceive the world into believing that permanent peace is possible through his plan. The Bible mentions "ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings." Rev. 17:12-14.

This points to ten regional federations, instead of the eleven that Culbertson proposes, but the purpose is the same. The regional federations support a world federation, at the head of which is a single man. When the spirit of Satan enters into this man, he is revealed as the beastly character that he is—the Antichrist. Instead of promoting peace, he leads the world into the last great battle of the age, at which, Christ triumphs and sets up His universal reign of peace and righteousness. That is the world government for which we long. Our prayer is, "Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth."

ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN PALESTINE

Dr. Chaim Weizmann says: "Today there are in Palestine some 250 Jewish rural settlements, with a population of more than 140,000. Towns have been built up and industries established. The country has been awakened from its age-long neglect. The ancient Hebrew tongue has been revived, and is heard today in the fields and orchards of Palestine, in the streets and workshops, as well as in the schools and the university. The total acreage of land in Jewish hands—acquired by slow degrees by purchase in the open market—is now approximately 400,000 acres. On this land a close-knit, well-organized, modern Jewish community of over half a million souls has arisen. It is normal in every way—in its structure, its occupational distribution, and the whole edifice, moral, social and intellectual, has been built up in a comparatively short space of time by the efforts of the Jews themselves on the neglected land of Palestine."

REBUILDING PALESTINE

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A PHYSICIAN'S PRESCRIPTION

Dr. Hyslop, speaking before the British Medical Association, once said: "The best medicine which my practice has discovered is prayer. The exercise of prayer, in those who habitually practice it, must be regarded as the most adequate and normal of all the pacifiers of the mind and calmers of the nerves.

"As one whose whole life has been concerned with the sufferings of the mind, I would state that, of all the hygienic measures to counteract disturbed sleep, depression of spirits, and all the miserable sequels of a distressed mind, I would undoubtedly give the first place to the simple habit of prayer.

"It is of the highest importance, merely from a physical point of view, to teach children to hold daily communion with God. Such a habit does more to quiet the spirit and strengthen the soul to overcome mere incidental emotionalism, than any other therapeutic agency known to me."

READ

"Seek ye out of the book of the Lord and read."—Isaiah 34:16.

Hark my soul! Hear thou the whisper
In thine ear, and take thou heed;
'Tis the voice of God that speaketh:
"Seek ye out the Book and read."

Read the scroll of truth eternal,
Written by the scribes of old—
By the holy seers and prophets,
And apostles true and bold.
Scan the pages all resplendent
With the light of truth divine;
Drink from Wisdom's well the water
Sweeter than the ruby wine.

Let them drink, who will, at Marah,
Where the bitter waters be;

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Let them tarry in the desert
Of their woe and misery;
But dip thou thine empty vessel
In the rivers of the Lord,
That are flowing, ever flowing
From the pages of His Word.

Read, and treasure well the tokens
Of eternal weal there found;
Read and muse upon the wonders
And the mysteries profound;
Read, and hear fair Prudence speaking
To thy heart and take thou heed;
For 'tis God the Spirit speaking:
"Seek ye out the Book and read."
—Wm. Burton McCafferty

THE DISEASE OF DISTRUST

If we believe the New Testament, we believe that men were once "made whole" without medicine or doctor. If this was a fact in New Testament times, why may it not become a fact in the present day? If it is a fact, it is the most beneficent fact in history, and being such, it ought, if possible, to be recalled and re-established. To grasp the question wisely and thoroughly, we must go back to Christ's own time and think with Him. Did Christ heal men? Yes, He did. Did Christ's apostles heal men? Yes, they did. Was the healing mechanical, surgical, medicinal? No, it was not.

Is Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever? Yes, He is. Does Christ still work and reign? Yes, He does. That settles it. Suffering is the same, Christ is the same, love is the same. Then what is wanting? Just what was wanting in Christ's own day. Dost thou believe? Believest thou that I am able to do this thing? All things are possible to him that believeth. He could not do many mighty works there because of their unbelief. We must simply and heartily adopt the belief—most rational belief—that the things which are impossible with men are possible with God. That is all. The belief must not be mere assent; it must be the ruling and ever-active principle of the life. The curing of disease is an important matter. However, to cure the disease of distrust of God is the principal miracle.—Joseph Parker.

Among The Assemblies

FREDERICK, MD.—In a revival just closed, with B. E. Hillman as the evangelist, 25 were saved or reclaimed and 21 were filled with the Holy Spirit. Brother Hillman made a plea for money to build a parsonage and \$1500 was pledged.—T. J. Kerfoot, Pastor.

KNOXVILLE, TENN.—We closed a 3-week revival at the Island Home Assembly, N. H. Rhodes of Greenville, Miss., Evangelist. About 34 were converted and 6 were filled with the Holy Ghost. The church was helped in every way, and God gave each saint a real spiritual refreshing.—D. Aaron Worley, Pastor.

MADISON, ILL.—We are happy to report victory in our revival. Evangelist J. C. Dove of Springfield, Mo., was at his best in preaching the old-time gospel. About 16 were saved, and 10 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost.



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We closed March 12 with a packed house, and 14 were buried with Christ in baptism. Many remarks were made about this beautiful service.—S. Clyde Bailey, Pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.—We have just closed a glorious revival at the Home Gardens Assembly with Clifford Burkett of Hugo, Evangelist. Waves of glory swept over the congregation from the first. Many were saved, and a goodly number filled with the Holy Ghost. Our Sunday School average during the meeting was 361. The people of the church tell us that it was the best revival held here in fourteen years. People who had been seeking the Baptism for years were filled. We broadcast over Station KOMA, each morning at 7:15, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.—W. L. Miles, Pastor.

CLARKS SUMMIT, PA.—The Lord richly blessed the C. A.'s of the Northeast Section in the February 22 rally, held in the church where F. L. Strength is pastor. Our guest speaker was R. F. Rainbow of Glens Falls, N. Y. In the afternoon Brother Rainbow spoke on the topic, "Choice," taking for his reading Ruth 1:6-18, and urging the C. A.'s to make a definite decision to press onward in the lowly, rugged, despised way of the Nazarene. The evening message was taken from Isaiah 52:1-6, and Brother Rainbow spoke on the subject, "An Imperative Call for This Critical Hour." The Lord wonderfully met the hearts of His people, and C. A.'s present went home refreshed and determined to prove true to our great Master.—Mary Abate, Sectional C. A. Secretary.

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.

ST. PAUL, VA.—April 5-23; A. L. Todd of Big Stone Gap, Evangelist.—D. Edward Park, Pastor.

ELMER, MO.—April 16—; Frank and Gladys Lummer, Evangelists.—F. D. Barnett, Pastor.

WILMINGTON, DEL.—April 2-9; Mae Eleanor Frey, Evangelist.—Ralph Hughey, Pastor.

WAUSAU, WIS.—April 11-23; Peterson Evangelistic Party.—C. C. Wilcox, Pastor.

KELSO, WASH.—April 4, for 2 weeks; Hans F. Bretschneider, Evangelist.—J. S. Manchester, Pastor.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—2200 W. Center St., April 9-23; Evangelist and Mrs. Don Mallough, Seattle, Wash.—Samuel P. Bell, Pastor.

MEMPHIS 3, TENN.—23 S. Manassas, April 2—; Floyd Jones of Ripley, Evangelist.—S. A. Merrill, Pastor.

BAY HILL, OKLA.—All-day Fellowship Meeting, April 10. Basket dinner, E. D. Lockhart is pastor.—H. L. Bayless, Secretary-Treasurer.

PORTLAND, ORE.—115 N. W. 14th Ave., April 18—; Hans F. Bretschneider, Evangelist.—Wm. F. Hageman, Pastor, Phone BR. 4352.

HOUSTON, TEXAS—Glad Tidings Assembly; April 10, for 2 weeks or longer; James O. Savell of Goose Creek, Evangelist.—W. Houston Sumrall, Pastor.

BELLEVEUE, KY.—224 Foote Ave.; April 9-23, or longer; R. L. Bartlett, Bristol, Va., Evangelist.—Christian and Irene Doeppke, Pastors.

SENATH, MO.—April 11-30; Floyd E. Heady, St. Louis, Evangelist. Broadcast by remote control, KLCN Blytheville, Ark., Tuesdays 2:30-3:00 p. m.—Clarence Wiegand, Pastor.

HOLTON, KANSAS—All-day Fellowship Meeting, in the District pioneer work, April 10. The Presbyters and the Max Johnson Evangelistic Party will be present.—Moses Copeland, Pastor.

BELLA VISTA, CALIF.—Highway and Poinsettia St.; April 9, for 2 weeks or longer; Dorothy Fowler and Myrtle McBride, Evangelists.—Thomas F. Hickerson, Pastor.

WINNIPEG, CANADA—Calvary Temple, April 23. Ernest S. Williams, General Superintendent of the Assemblies of God, will speak morning and evening. American and Canadian friends living nearby especially invited.—Watson Argue, Pastor.

SOUTH CAROLINA DISTRICT COUNCIL
The South Carolina District Council will convene at Assembly of God, Spartanburg, S. C., May 29-31; A. C. Bates of Texas, main speaker.—J. D. Courtney, District Superintendent.

LA GRANDE, ORE.—Deeper life Convention in conjunction with Spring Presbyters' Meeting, April 11-13. T. J. Jones, Dean of Glad Tidings Bible Institute, guest speaker, ministering 3 times daily. Lester Carlson is pastor.—Atwood Foster, District Superintendent.

APPALACHIAN DISTRICT COUNCIL
The 25th session of the Appalachian District Council will convene at Chesapeake, W. Va., April 25-27. James Adkins is pastor. Fellowship meeting, 8:00 p. m., April 24.—M. B. Hampton, District Superintendent, 550 Hart Ave., Roanoke, Va.

CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNCIL
The 25th Annual Session Central District Council, First Presbyterian Church, Washington and Clinton Sts., Fort Wayne, Ind., April 25-27. J. D. Menzie, New Castle, Pa., evening speaker. Youth Rally, evening, April 24; Ralph W. Harris, National C. A. Secretary, speaker. W. F. Duncan, 3226 Beaver Ave., is pastor.—D. G. Foote, District Secretary, Box 282, Hillsdale, Mich.

WEST TEXAS DISTRICT COUNCIL
The 14th Annual West Texas District Council, City Auditorium, Plainview, Texas, April 18-20, April 17. Fellowship night, General Superintendent Ernest S. Williams, Council Speaker. For further information write H. Paul Holdridge, District Superintendent, Box 10, Plainview, Texas, or Homer M. Sheats, District Secretary-Treasurer, 2207 Runnels St., Big Springs, Texas.

OKLAHOMA SECTIONAL COUNCILS
Southwest Section, Elk City, April 10-12; Northwest Section, Alva, April 17-19; Panhandle Section, Buffalo, April 24-26; East Central Section, McAlester, May 8-10; Northeast Section, Skiatook, May 15-17.

Those desiring license or reinstatement are requested to meet the board during any of these Sectional Councils. Licensed ministers are to get their renewal blanks at these meetings. First service, Monday night; closing service, Wednesday afternoon, licensing service.

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TEXAS DISTRICT SPRING CONVENTIONS
The following convention begins 7:30 p. m. first day, 3 services the second day: San Angelo Section Abilene Church, April 20-21.

The following conventions begin 10:30 a. m. first day, 3 services each day: Houston Section, First Assembly, Houston, April 6-7, Ft. Worth Section, Rosen Heights, Ft. Worth, April 13-14; Wichita Falls Section, 5th and Broad Church, Wichita Falls, April 25-26; Dallas Section, Faith Tabernacle, Oakland and Marburg, Dallas, April 27-28.

All ministers affiliated with the Texas District urged to be present; all licensed ministers and exhorters

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will need to renew their papers. Our ordained ministers will also need to renew their fellowship with the District. Those making application for ordination will need to meet the committee of their respective sections.

For any information write C. P. Robison, Secretary-Treasurer, District Office S. B. I., Waxahachie, Texas.

ALABAMA DISTRICT SPRING CONVENTIONS
The following conventions begin 7:30 p. m. the first day, three services the second day: Northeast Section, East Birmingham Assembly, 4306 Eleventh Ave. N., Birmingham, May 1-2. Southwest Section, Prichard, May 8-9. South Central Section, Girard Assembly, Phenix City, May 15-16. Northwest Section, Military Grove Assembly, Sulligent, May 29-30. Southeast Section, Elba, June 5-6.

Every minister affiliated with the Alabama District urged to attend his or her Sectional Convention. All licensed ministers and exhorters will need to meet their committee for renewal. Those making application for ordination will need to meet the committee of their particular section. The entertaining assemblies will furnish free beds. A representative missionary from Springfield will speak at each of these conventions.

For further information write Marvin L. Smith, District Superintendent, 55 Chidester Ave., Mobile 17, Ala., or Grover M. Langston, District Secretary, Box 2006, Montgomery 3, Ala.

OPEN FOR CALLS

Evangelistic

Nolon B. Rayburn, 307 Fonville, Martin, Tenn.—"Nineteen years in the Council. Guitarist and singer."
J. H. Aplin, Route 1, Crichton, Ala.—"Member of Alabama District Council. Just wife and I in party."
Mrs. Bessie Hartwell, 205 S. Jefferson, Hobart, Okla.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

WANTED—Portable organ for home gospel work.—Arthur A. Buntensch, 415 W. Fulliam, Muscatine, Iowa.

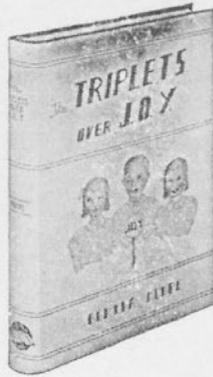
NOTICE—We shall be glad to contact any servicemen stationed at Ft. Thomas, Ky.—Irene Doeppke, Pastor, Glad Tidings Temple, 224 Foote Ave., Bellevue, Ky.

NOTICE—If those having loved ones at Valley Forge Hospital, Phoenixville, Pa., will send us their names, we shall be glad to contact them and minister to them according to their needs.—Pastors Forest T. Nelson, 426 Chestnut St., Portstown, Pa., and F. J. Papiernik, Third and Forest St., Conshohocken, Pa.

NOTICE—Calvary Tabernacle, 28 W. Third St., Waynesboro, Pa., welcomes servicemen from Camp Ritchie, Md., to its Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday services: Anyone wishing to have relatives or friends contacted at Camp Ritchie, write Pastor Ray S. Armstrong, 600 S. Potomac St., Waynesboro, Pa.

Character Building Books

For Teen-age Boys and Girls



THE TRIPLETS GO PLACES, by Bertha B. Moore. Victory gardens and war savings bonds bring this newest story of the Three Baers up-to-date. The Triplets raise their own fruits and vegetables which they sell in their roadside produce stand.

A big storm puts the Triplets out of business by destroying their roadside stand, but they get their chance to do something worth while by helping with the harvesting on their grandfather's farm. **Price 60c.**

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THE TRIPLETS GO SOUTH, by Bertha B. Moore. The Baer youngsters invite their friends to take a trip to Florida with them to spend Easter with their Aunt.

It was a busy week with packing for the trip, the long drive down into Florida, the overnight stay at the cabin; and what sights they saw along the way and in St. Augustine. The trip back was fun too, but what a surprise awaited them when they returned home. **Price 60c.**

KEN BAILS OUT, by Basil Miller. When young Ken Murray and his pilot friend, Ray, were forced to bail out of blazing plan high above the Sierra mountains, they did not realize that even greater adventures lay before them as they sought for Potato-Creek Johnny, missing in the deserted High Sierras.

Ken's faith in God holds him steady as he loses his way in the mountains, and faces an angry pack of wolves. **Price 60c.**



KEN CAPTURES A FOREIGN AGENT, by Basil Miller. Listen, young fellow—did you ever daydream of capturing a nest of foreign spies? Your friend, Ken Murray had just such experience as that. He was able by the help of God to round up a whole company of Japanese agents. You will be thrilled as you read of the breathtaking and hazardous experiences this courageous young lad had as he aided the United States Government. **Price 60c.**

ON SILVER CREEK KNOB, by Brenda Cannon. The three jolly J's learn by actual experience that "all things work together for good." The loss of their parents and home in a devastating tornado results in their moving what possessions that remain to a small mountain cabin on Silver Creek Knob.

Boys and girls will be thrilled by the experiences—some of them hair-raising—that these three young people have. **Price, Paper 20c.**

PATTY LOU'S POT OF GOLD, by Basil Miller. Patty Lou and her friend Rene come to live in her sea-captain father's great home in Hollywood. In the midst of a reckless movie-making community Patty Lou lets her light shine for her Saviour and is able to lead many of her young Hollywood friends to Him. This entire tale is packed with surprise and action. There is never a dull moment. **Price 60c.**

THE TRIPLETS IN BUSINESS, by Bertha B. Moore. Mix three jolly youngsters, a new house, a candy stand, two new friends, somebody who needs help, and plenty of excitement—and you have a story that boys and girls will enjoy. Especially when the three youngsters are the Baer triplets, because Iona, Iva and Teddy Baer are lively and delightful playmates. There's never a dull moment when they are around, and when they go into business, things really begin to happen. This story provides wholesome entertainment for boys and girls up to 14 years. **Price 60c.**

JEHOVAH'S MAN, by Edwin T. Randall. The story of a fictionalized account of the happenings in the Kingdom of Israel at the time of the prophet Amos, who warned of the judgment of God on the social evils of his day. The problems then were very much what they are in our day. A thrilling story of decidedly present-day significance. (For Boys). **Price 30c.**

THE SUGAR CREEK GANG, by Paul Hutchens. It would be hard to find an adventure story more packed with thrills than this story of Bill Collins and his pals, Dragon-fly, Poetry, Little Jim and Circus. It was no wonder that Bill called that week the most exciting one of his life. The boys found a mysterious map hidden in a hollow tree; they discovered where the treasure was buried; and they caught—but you'll want to read the story yourself to find out.

Every boy will enjoy reading this story. He will never forget it, and it will do him a world of good. **Price 60c.**

FURTHER ADVENTURES OF THE SUGAR CREEK GANG, by Paul Hutchens. Those who have read of the earlier adventures of the Sugar Creek Gang won't want to miss this third book in the series; and those who haven't will want to get acquainted with these boys right away, for the Sugar Creek Gang have a way of running into exciting experiences. And they always find a way to meet their unexpected problems; for six bright minds can think farther than one alone. And, besides, when they are in difficulty they do not hesitate to ask for the guidance of their heavenly Father who knows all things. **Price 60c.**



THE SUGAR CREEK GANG IN CHICAGO, by Paul Hutchens. Chicago is an exciting place to the boys—the rushing traffic, the tall buildings, and the thousands of people hurrying here and there. They visit the stockyards, the aquarium, the Moody Bible Institute, and many other places of interest. Barry Boyland, the guide sees to it that the Gang has plenty to remember and talk about when they go back home and gather on the bank of their Sugar Creek. **Price 60c.**

THE SUGAR CREEK GANG IN SCHOOL, by Paul Hutchens. "Mary's Little Lamb" had nothing on Poetry's little lamb Jerry. For Jerry went to school too. Bill Collins tells the story about Poetry's lamb, who not only went to school, but also played the part of a prearranged "ghost" one night when the Gang slept in a cave near a "haunted" cemetery. However, another "ghost" appears, which Poetry and Bill hadn't planned—but Bill Collins will tell you all about it. **Price 60c.**

PATTY LOU OF THE GOLDEN WEST, by Basil Miller. When 14-year-old Patty Lou, popular daughter of a seafaring ship-captain, accepted Christ as her own Saviour, her love of fun, adventure and a good time did not change. Rather, all her energies were diverted into different channels. Adventure, thrills and excitement crowded upon her, yet at all times she realized that she was serving Christ and He was her constant Friend and Guide. **Price 60c.**

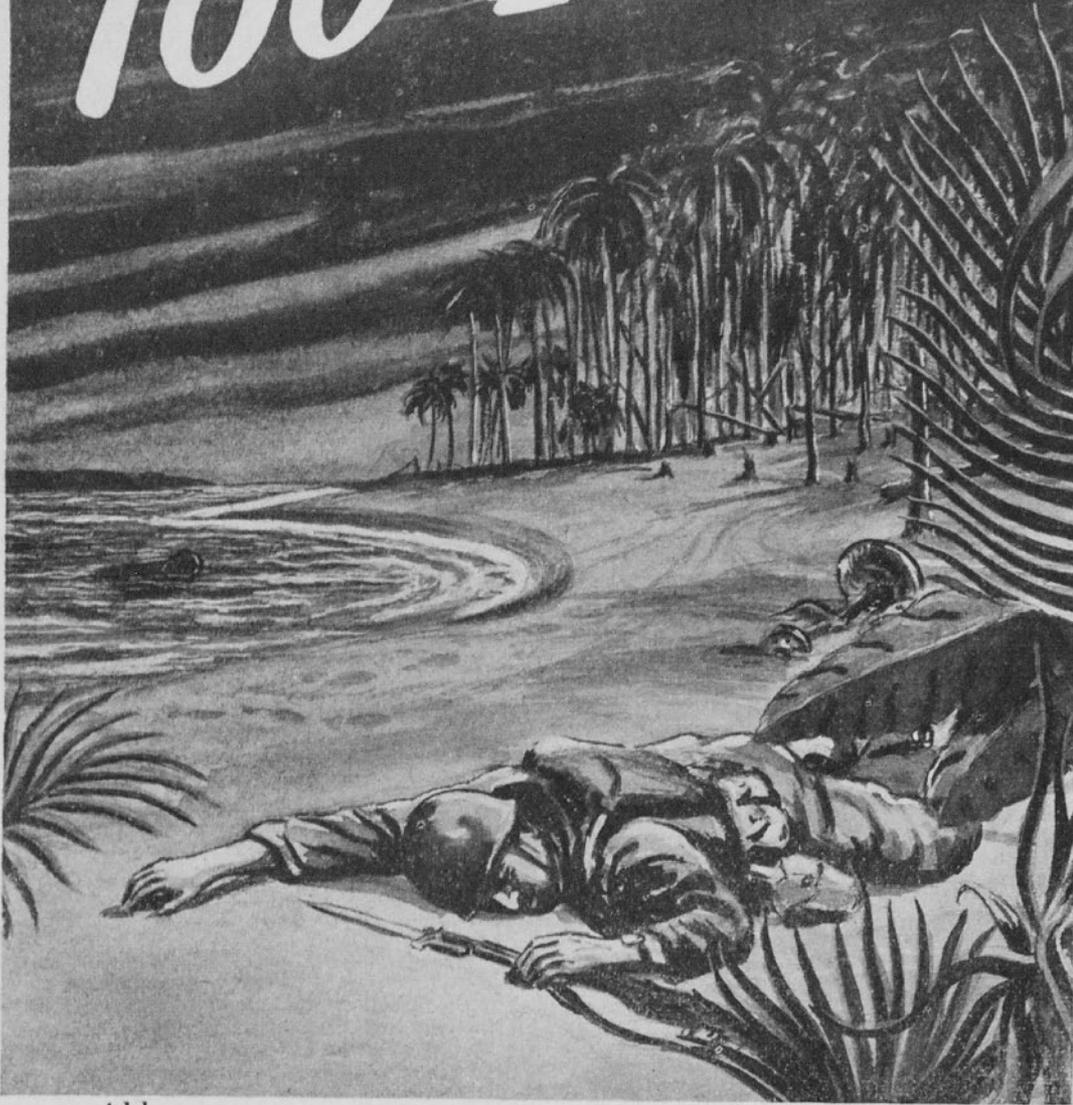
SUGAR CREEK GANG GOES CAMPING by Paul Hutchens. What could be more temptingly welcome to a boy than a camping trip to the north woods with the Sugar Creek Gang?

The big blue lake and the spacious green forest provide ideal background for more thrilling adventures of this merry bunch of boys. They meet real Indians and catch big fish. Also you will want to know about the new member of the Gang. **Price 60c.**



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