

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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Do not fail to read this article.

The Greatest Need in Our Churches Today

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THE writer was saved through the Gideons over thirty-three years ago, at No. 80 George Street, Hamilton, Canada. Throughout these years he has taken an active part in placing the Bible in hotels, hospitals, prisons and jails, and has spoken in hundreds of churches. Since God has marvelously blessed the placing of His Word, is it not fitting that some article be published to warn the people and ministers of the lack that is found in church services today, namely, responsive reading of God's Word? Not from a hymn book—but from the Bible.

There are church services, such as Lutheran, Episcopalian, etc., where they read the Epistles and Gospels, but the writer refers to a great many evangelical churches which he has attended in many parts of the United States and Canada taking his Bible with him and never opening it except to refer to the preacher's text.

Is the Bible read in your church at each service? If not, why not?

The Bible—the miraculous Bible—the Book of all books, is uniquely a personal Book. Thousands in every generation have recognized this fact and have found comfort in the realization that not only is the Lord the Shepherd of His people, but "the Lord is *my* Shepherd."

It is this appropriation of the personal message of our Bible through the public reading of it in church services that this age seems to have lost—even including those who are faithful in proclaiming that "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." The "whosoever"—the universality of it, is always before them; but when some Philippian jailer as a lone soul asks, "What must I do to be saved?" they haven't the answer.

The revival in the church is always the making personal of the Bible message, which is the Word. John Wesley found the church as a whole ignoring the Bible. He brought back its power to bear on individual lives, and a revival was the result.

Every student of missionary history knows the story of Madagascar. When the missionaries were ordered to leave, they hurriedly finished the translation of the

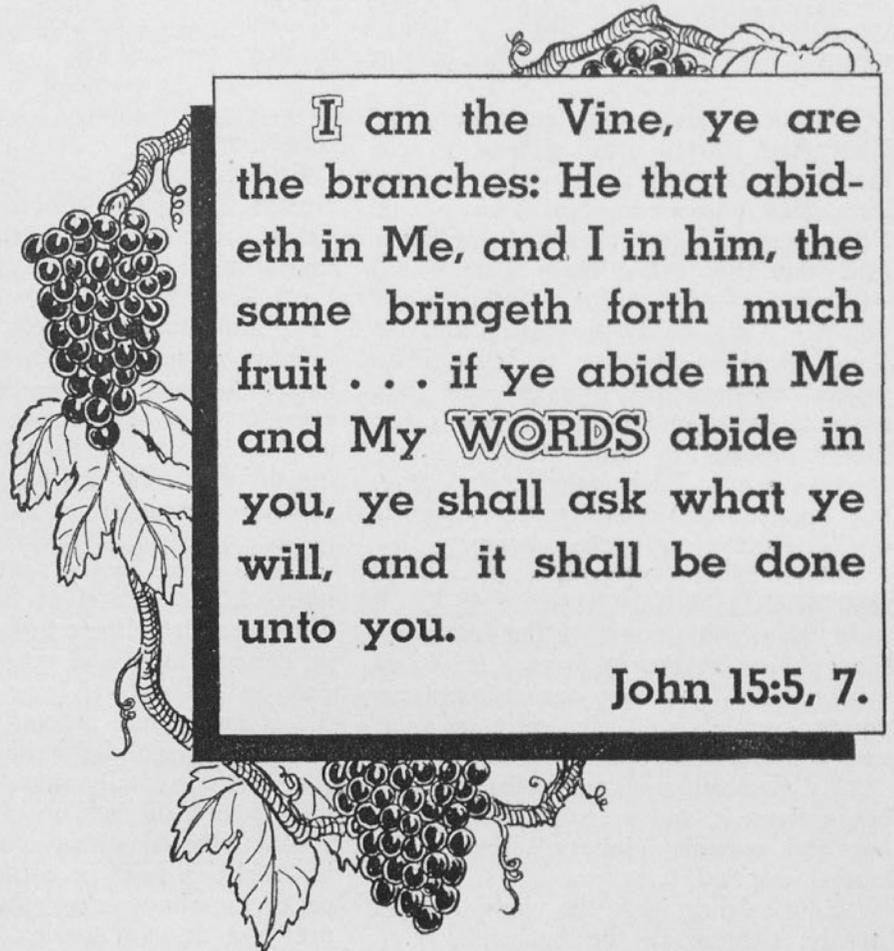
Scriptures and placed copies here and there. When the door of Madagascar was opened to the gospel years later, it was found that the Bible had done its work and there were hundreds of Bible-born Christians awaiting the missionaries.

We are fortunate in our day that the Bible is made available to almost everyone in his own tongue. But a Bible distributed and a Bible read may be two different things. It is the Bible read, released, received, that operates for the salvation and sanctification of life.

The ministers and preachers of today might heed the words of McCheyne: "*It is not our comment on the Word that saves, but the Word itself.*"

How frequently in Acts we read that the early Christians "spoke the Word" and that they went everywhere "preaching the Word," quoting or reading it. Paul exhorts young Timothy to "preach the Word," and reminds him of how much this Word has meant in the lives of Timothy's mother and grandmother, as well as in his own life.

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I am the Vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit . . . if ye abide in Me and My **WORDS** abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

John 15:5, 7.

Family Prayer-That Works

WILLIAM F. McDERMOTT, RELIGIOUS EDITOR "CHICAGO DAILY NEWS"

FIVE boys, from fifteen to twenty-one years of age, stood before the bar of the Criminal Court in Chicago not long ago. They looked as though they might have come out of any high school.

"Have you anything to say as to why this court should not pronounce sentence upon you?" the black-robed jurist asked gravely.

There was utter silence. They only hung their heads.

"I therefore sentence you—" and the judge proceeded to give long prison terms, a total of 247 years in all!

I talked to those boys afterwards. Their attitude varied from defiance to shame and remorse. They were not subnormal mentally; they had come from homes that definitely were not of the slum type—many other persons from such types of homes have made good. They seemed healthy enough, and they wore good clothes.

What, then, was the matter? These fellows simply were young pagans, in whose homes there had been no training for ideals or character. They had been brought up in an environment where pleasure—get it however you can—was the sole objective. To them, a "thrill" meant more than anything else in the world.

What had they done to get this thrill? They had started stealing both to get money and to test their wits. Success gave them something to brag about. From petty thievery they had graduated into what they called their "Gun Club"—robbing victims at the point of a revolver. That wasn't enough: only one thing remained, the lust to kill. They robbed an inoffensive grocer, and then as he stood with hands up, they shot him to death in cold blood. Police caught them. That ended their crime, but began their living death. That is one product of a godless home.

Let me give you another, also out of real life.

In the divorce court of the same city came a warring couple, from a family of millionaires. These smart-appearing young people, in their early thirties, were the parents of four children.

"My husband is unfaithful to me, brags about it, and even urges me to go out and commit adultery," the tearful mother testified.

"How about it?" the judge asked sternly, turning to the husband.

"Yes, I have affairs with other women, and I think it is all right," he said, with no tinge of shame. "This is a new day, and whatever a person feels he wants to do, he has the right to do. We don't believe in God or any of that superstition, and we don't have to answer to any one about our conduct. This morals stuff is all nonsense."

The judge, a God-fearing Jew, solemnly shook his head.

"That's what is wrecking America." he commented to me later, after he had granted the decree.

Now let us turn to the other side of the picture.

Yes, It Works

For illustration of this phase of the matter, any one of a number of situations might be cited, but we will choose only one.

In Chicago, there is a great church, with some 5,500 members and with 1,700 households in which the Word of God is honored by daily reading. From those firesides rise daily the most earnest pleas to the heavenly Father to bless the home and to guide each one of the family.

That church, incidentally, has grown in twenty-one years to be one of the largest in America—a hint to pastors who wonder how to have flourishing congregations.

The pastor of this thriving North Austin Lutheran Church is Fred W. Otterbein, a man who stands unflinchingly for salvation from sin through the Lord Jesus Christ.

"I know many pastors," he told me, "who are run to death with the problems of their people—children getting into trouble, immorality showing its ugly head, and family discord threatening divorce. Yet I find practically none of that among my members. Scarcely once a year am I called in where boys or girls have gotten into trouble, or where husbands and wives are making a shambles out of their home. God reigns in these homes, and consequently all is well with them. I give practically all the credit for the success of our church to the universal habit of our people of observing the family altar. Where prayer is constant, sin has no chance."

Not only does this congregation take its Christian faith in earnest, but it also packs the church throughout the year—not just at one service, but at three!

Every Sunday morning, at 8:30, 9:45, and 11 o'clock, you will find long lines of people waiting to get into the sanctuary of worship. No one is ever asked to join the church, but more than 600 new members have been added in a single year.

The whole secret is, the people are strong because they are steadily nurtured in the Word of the Lord. Anyone who daily—and earnestly—peruses the Bible, seeking the spiritual vitamins therein, need never fear anemia of the spirit. And he who keeps in constant fellowship with the Lord in prayer finds the reserve strength that will carry him through any difficulty.

The trouble with America today is not that people are unbelievers. We do not have the outspoken atheism that was rampant half a century ago. But we do have a host of people who are spiritually starving to death; they want bread, and they are trying to solace themselves with a stone. All they need is for someone to lead them to realize what they are missing. How can this be done?

We cannot force people to be Christians; we remember that our Savior never tried to compel or high-pressure anyone. But we can by the very joy and kindness that we show to others—rich gifts that Christ has given us—bring them to understand that they are missing something very beautiful and enduring.

Then, as we introduce men and women to the Christian life, we can guide them into the practice of the family altar.



The
TWO GREAT THINGS
in Life

This is His commandment,
That we should BELIEVE on
the name of His Son Jesus
Christ, and LOVE one another

1 JOHN 3:23

This is something that must be done with tactfulness and patience.

How to Begin

Most people should first seek out the old, familiar passages—Psalm 23, Psalm 91, 1 Corinthians 13, The Sermon on the Mount, the parables, and the accounts of the nativity, crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension—and study these portions anew for a blessing.

You see, most of the pleasure-mad, careless adults of today had at least a taste of Sunday School when they were children. A renewal of the reading of these best-known chapters will tie in with the childhood memories, bring back happy thoughts of other days, and give the person a feeling of confidence, a sense of being on familiar ground.

This sense of assurance and progress will make it easier to establish the habit of daily devotions, after which a family or an individual can take up unexplored portions of the Bible and begin to find brand new treasures as well as the old.

The habit of prayer will come easily if there is no worry regarding it. Remember, many people feel music and cannot express it; likewise, others want to pray but cannot vocalize their thoughts. The main thing is the desire to have fellowship with God through Christ. Children easily learn prayers which they may repeat; all can repeat the Lord's Prayer. In the course of time, spontaneous prayer can be cultivated, and the altar thus made complete.

The one compelling thing, though, is that great earnestness attend the establishment of the family altar in the home. We must remember Jesus' own words: "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled"—which means that if we *don't* hunger and thirst, we *never* shall be filled.

Anyone who casually establishes Bible reading and prayer-uttering in his home, just as a form, and in the hope that it will work a miracle, is doomed to disappointment. There is no magic in mumbling words out of the Bible—I don't care whether it is done in the pulpit or in the home; and there is no efficacy in just words addressed to an unknown Deity.

People who establish family worship must literally hunger and thirst for fellowship with God. They must yearn to have Him as the Head of the house, the Unseen Guest at every meal, the Silent listener to every conversation—as the wall motto has it—before the windows of heaven are opened and blessings are showered down.

Nation-wide Bible Reading

THANKSGIVING TO CHRISTMAS

List of 33 passages

A NATION-WIDE Bible Reading from Thanksgiving to Christmas, in which millions of American servicemen and women and their families and great numbers of other Americans will join, is being sponsored by the American Bible Society.

Hundreds of thousands of men and women in the armed forces and multitudes at home are finding the Bible an inspiration and guide now as never before. By a more extended and simultaneous reading now by those in service and by those of us at home a spiritual bond will be created that will be full of meaning for millions of families and that will make a priceless contribution to their hope and faith.

Bible passages most helpful in times like these have been chosen. Bookmark leaflets listing the passages with helpful suggestions on how to get the most out of the readings are being furnished without charge in large quantities to churches and chaplains for wide distribution. Copies may also be secured by writing to the American Bible Society in New York.

Both civilians and men and women in our armed forces will be reading the passages each day all over the world.

Thanksgiving, Nov. 23	Psalm 103
Friday	John 14
Saturday	Psalm 23
Sunday November 26	Psalm 1
Monday	Matthew 5
Tuesday	Romans 8
Wednesday	1 Corinthians 13
Thursday	Psalm 91
Friday	Matthew 6
Saturday	John 3
Sunday, December 3	Isaiah 40
Monday	Psalm 46
Tuesday	Romans 12
Wednesday	Hebrews 11
Thursday	Matthew 7
Friday	John 15
Saturday	Psalm 27
Sunday, Dec. 10	Isaiah 55
Monday	Psalm 121
Tuesday	Philippians 4
Wednesday	Revelation 21
Thursday	Luke 15
Friday	Ephesians 6
Saturday	John 17
Sunday, Dec. 17	Isaiah 53
Monday	1 Corinthians 15
Tuesday	John 10
Wednesday	Psalm 51
Thursday	Psalm 37
Friday	John 1
Saturday	Revelation 22
Sunday, Dec. 24	Psalm 90
Christmas, Dec. 25	Luke 2

You know the joy and thrill when your son, brother, or sweetheart, long absent at the war front, comes in through the front door for a visit at home. I know it, too. When one of my boys comes back, the house is filled with joy and light. You know the delight of returning to the sanctuary of the fireside after a long, hard day's work, or a vacation away. You know the deep pleasure that is yours when some loved one whom you have not seen for a long, long time, enters the portals of your home.

That's the eagerness, the expectancy, the gladness, the longing, and the hope we must feel when we invite our Lord and Master to be one with us in the family circle. He must be welcomed, or He will not come. But when He does—"Behold, all things are become new"!

Whole Families for Christ

I believe intensely in family evangelism. The family is the oldest institution in the world, antedating government and

the church. God has ordained that man and woman should marry and set up a household, and that within that household children should be brought up in Christian nurture.

A Christian home is every child's divine birthright. Even psychologists, who a few years ago said children should be reared impersonally and efficiently, now say that mothers should give their children an abundance of affection. Cuddling is as necessary to a baby as food. Growing children, too, need love. And love that endures, love that is unselfish and beautiful, is that born of the realization that God Himself is the source of love, and that its supreme manifestation was the death of Christ on the cross.

I look for the time when evangelism will stress the coming of whole families to the altar to make their confession of Christ. The family is the true unit of society, not the individual. If the household becomes one of faith, how strong
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CIRCULATING THE WORD OF GOD

A FEW weeks ago I heard this story from the lips of one who has labored for Christ in Central America. A native Guatemalan was bound by the drink habit and by the many vices that accompany overindulgence in liquor. Within his heart of hearts he desired to be free. And so he went on a pilgrimage to the shrine of the Black Christ, hoping that as he knelt before this idol he would find deliverance. But it proved to be a vain hope.

Disappointed and utterly discouraged, and realizing no change within, Felipe went on a drunken spree.

As he was returning to his home in utter despair, he was suddenly reminded that years before he had purchased a volume from a colporteur. He searched and found it, and then he went out under a tree.

He opened the book and began to read the Gospel of John. He read the third chapter, and when he reached the 16th verse he was arrested by the words, "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." He was so overwhelmed with the revelation of the good news contained in this verse, that he fell on his knees and cried out to the Lover of souls, "O Lord, if You are a God of love, save my soul from perishing!"

Then something happened. A miracle was wrought within. Felipe became a new creature in Christ, and he knew it. Today he is a witness to the saving power of the living Christ, who says to every needy soul who trusts in Him, "Sin shall not have dominion over you."

This story can be duplicated hundreds of times, for in every part of the world souls have been gloriously saved simply through reading the living Word of the Scriptures of Truth.

Today there are many hearts that are hungry for reality, who would be open to the Word of God if it were placed within their reach.

A few days ago some of us had lunch with Dr. Taylor, one of the secretaries of the American Bible Society. He was telling us of the great call the Bible Society is having for whole Bibles.

Wounded soldiers in hospitals are saying to their chaplains, "We have read through our New Testaments again and again. Will you get us a whole Bible?" As many Bibles as are re-

quested are sent to the chaplains. To meet this demand, the Bible Society is planning to print in the near future 400,000 Bibles, in addition to a large number of Testaments and Gospel portions for the men and women of our armed forces.

In addition to this, there is a real demand for Testaments and Bibles among war prisoners. American prisoners in Germany are being supplied through an agency of the Bible Society in Switzerland, and German prisoners in this country from New York. The estimated cost of the Scriptures required for war prisoners is \$65,000.

Editions of the Scriptures are being printed in Switzerland for prisoners of war and civilians in Hungary, France, Belgium, and Poland, at a cost of \$75,000.

At the present time many Bibles and Testaments are being printed in Sweden for the American Bible Society, in French, Belgian, Czech, Esthonian, Greek, Lettish, Polish, Rumanian and Serbian, for immediate use at the close of the war. The cost of these editions will be \$110,000. This will be in addition to the Bibles and Testaments published in many other foreign languages in the U. S. A., the cost of which is estimated at \$129,710.

Dr. Taylor reminded us how eagerly those attending our last General Council responded to the message he gave. A cash offering of more than \$700.00 was given, the largest that has ever been given to him by any congregation. Dr.

Taylor thought that our Assemblies of God fellowship would like to have the privilege of sharing in this War Emergency program. We are sure they will.

Two years ago, when we asked for \$7,500 for 50,000 Testaments for the men of the Merchant Marine, we received this sum in a few weeks. The young people in our Christ's Ambassadors groups were especially responsive, and so we had the Bible Society print in the Testaments that they were provided by the Christ's Ambassadors of the Assemblies of God.

Sufficient funds came in to provide for Testaments to be put in every lifeboat. Not long ago, Harry Jaeger was in Seattle attending a meeting conducted by Raymond Richey, where a sailor boy gave his testimony. He mentioned that his ship had been torpedoed in the South Atlantic and he and two or three of his buddies were adrift in a lifeboat. When dawn broke upon them, they were weary and hungry, and broke open the provision compartment in the raft to get some of the emergency rations to nourish their hungry bodies. In breaking open these rations they found, first of all, a little brown package with the words "New Testament" printed on the front.

Forgetting for a time their physical hunger and need of food, those young men tore the package open. Though very hungry and very weary, they felt more need for spiritual food than for the temporal things of the body. Hastily they pulled out the New Testament from its wrapper, and began to read the Word of the Lord. It was Bible for breakfast that morning. Before taking time to nourish their bodies they partook of the Bread of Life, and they made Christ King of their hearts through old-fashioned repentance.

This seaman said that he found enclosed a little presentation card stating, "This Testament comes to you with the best wishes of the Christ's Ambassadors of the Assemblies of God, in grateful appreciation of your services to our country." This young man said he was anxious to seek out the local Christ's Ambassadors group, to tell them what God had done in his life, because of their faithfulness in supplying the Scriptures to wayfaring seamen.

There is a blessing in giving to the work of providing the Word of God for needy souls. There will be blessing in

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every assembly where there is response to the present War Emergency appeal of the Bible Society, and there will be blessing for every individual who con-

tributes. Gifts can be sent to our missionary Secretary, Noel Perkin, and will be credited to your assembly as missionary offerings.—S. H. F.

story book. And everybody likes a story. That is the universal language. It is one continuous running story from creation, and Eden's gate, until the missionary-nation has gone to pieces in the upper Euphrates.

There's a fine simplicity in the way the songs and literature of the story are gathered out, and tied up together in a separate group, David's sweet Psalms; and poor Solomon's three-fold biography in three stages. And then little and bigger bits called prophets, culled likewise out of the story, tell the messages these hot-hearted, free-lance preachers gave so fearlessly as the nation was going bad.

There's a rare, human touch in the gap between Old and New Testaments. One naturally is all on tiptoe to know what comes after the long, long break.

That gap is really getting one full ready for the very throbbing Heart of the Book—a Man, the Man, Jesus! Rarest human, our true fellow! The Jews' Messiah, the Gentiles' Son of God, the Savior of all men who will.

The promise becomes a Person. Jehovah comes as Jesus. The older pages point to one coming. Here now He has come. He lives a common life in outer circumstance.

He dies for our sins, as only He could die for others. He leaves the tomb sheer empty, and, back again with His Father, sends down the Holy Spirit. In Acts He is still in action amongst us. In the Epistles He is still teaching and preaching. In that rarest end-book He clears up man's tragic upset, and starts things down here going His own way.

Really the Man is the Book, from end to end.

In His Presence

The most fruitful source of spiritual declension is the neglect of the Word of God and of private devotion. If only the golden pipes are kept free and unclogged, there will be an uninterrupted flow of the golden oil to feed the flame of a holy life. We know all this. Our hearts have often tasted the sweet refreshment and holy encouragement which are found in these quiet, blessed hours spent in the most Holy Place.—F. B. Meyer.

"If in your hearts you have bitter feelings of envy and rivalry, do not speak boastingly and falsely in defiance of the truth. This is not the wisdom which comes down from above: it belongs to earth, to the unspiritual nature (Greek, physical) and to evil spirits."—James 3:14, 15. Weymouth.

The Bible Amid the Storms of Today

S. D. GORDON

THE Bible is singular in this: there is in it a throbbing, pulsating human Heart that finds the heart of men of all the race.

And that Heart is a Person. From beginning to end there is a Man in the book. He talks with our first father in Eden, and, brokenhearted, leads him to the gate of the garden, carefully guarded for his return some glad day.

He walks with Enoch and Noah. He talks with the man of Ur, at the flap of his tent, and with Moses on the mount, and with the Sweet Psalmist, and tired-out, discouraged, heroic Elijah, and with the long line of preacher-prophets.

Then He comes in among us as one of our very selves, through an honored human virgin doorway, never so used before nor since. For a generation He earned rent and food, amid the odor of pine shavings and the music of saw and hammer.

Then the teaching and healing, and then He climbed the Calvary Hill and yielded to death for us men and for our sins, as only He could do. Then a tomb of rock, used, and then left empty.

And then came the rare sending down of His other Self, on that first Pentecost. So He continued, and continues, to do for us, and in us, and with us all He did for us on that Calvary tree, and through that deserted tomb.

And so, clear to the end of the book, He is companioning, teaching, chiding, helping. And then He explains that some day He plans to finish up His earth task in person.

He, this Man, this Jehovah-Jesus, this one true, full Human, He is the throbbing Heart of the Book, from its early Creation's dawn to its new, better, coming dawn in its closing pages.

This Book appeals peculiarly to a man in this present world stress. It touches political conditions. It has a race-wide sweep. It speaks of a world crisis coming some day. It speaks of that Man clearing up that crisis and then giving the world a new start.

In the thick of a storm it is a comfort to have a shelter. It may be a wild windstorm, with the lightning blinding

and the thunder startling and the rain hammering the roof.

Maybe some trees are being torn up by the roots, and the flooding waters endangering property and stock, and worse threatening. It's a great comfort to have shelter and inner quiet, a safe, secluded place whence you can look out on the outer upset, and maybe give a cheering call and a lift to some storm-beset traveler.

There is just such a sure, friendly, nearby shelter. And it tells of a yet better, surer, nearer, Shelter.

That shelter is a book, the Book. And it takes one by the hand and leads straight to the other yet better, yet nearer, yet more unfailing Shelter—the Man of the Book.

The striking thing to note keenly just now is that this Book is distinctively, peculiarly, a storm book, and a shelter-in-the-time-of-storm Book. The storms of this Book are really the stormiest yet.

The windiest simoon of Arabia, the choking sand storms of the Sahara, the blinding, deafening, lightning-thunder storms of the mountain districts, the tropical deluge of rain, these are really zephyr breezes by comparison. These storms of the Book are actual weather storms, on the heels of riotous moral storms, engulfing all life. The earth itself bears the plain marks today everywhere on its surface of the Flood storm.

And the Book repeatedly, plainly, insistently, tells too of a storm coming some future time, moral, actual, even worse than these others.

But with the storm there is a calm following. And the calm is calmer than the storm is upsetting.

It is a quiet and a quieting Book. And its quiet is a heart-quiet, a gentle, deep, penetrating quiet in the thick of the storm. And it will be a quiet for all this earth, and its storm-tossed race of men. Storms and quiet—what a contrast!

This old Book of God has other strange, striking contrasts. It is such a deep book and yet so simple.

It is in simple language. It is really a

The Sign of the Bored Ear

E. F. M. STAUDT

WE are living in days of signs: signs in heaven, and signs on earth. People have even appropriated the expression to themselves, calling themselves "sign people." And the expression is not without its appropriateness, for the true people of God have always been marked.

God's people are marked for *righteousness*. Though it is a righteousness which is not their own, it is something more than just an imputed grace, for it is also imparted and wrought into the very fabric of their lives. Concerning them the Lord says, "Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are His. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity." 2 Tim. 2:19. Then, at Christ's coming, when the finished product of God's work in the lives of His own is revealed, the righteousness which had been imputed will be seen to have become "the righteousness of saints." Rev. 19:8.

God's people are marked by the *Holy Ghost*—sons of oil, "sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise." Eph. 1:13. Christ means "anointed," and Christians, Christ-ones, must need be anointed ones. Are you thus sealed?

God's people are marked as a "*faith people*." They are marked by this designation because they trust God for everything, not only in the spiritual realm but also in the natural, for the same God rules in both. Nothing is too small, nothing too great, to lay upon His loving heart. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego demonstrated this faith in their answer to Nebuchadnezzar: "We are not careful to answer thee in this matter. If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up." Dan. 3:16-18.

Of the worthies of faith of old the inspired writer declares: "These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country. And truly, if they had been mindful of that

country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned. But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for He hath prepared for them a city." Heb. 11:13-16.

God's people are marked by the world's *scorn and reproach*. Like their Master they are a persecuted people. The world has ever heaped contempt, ridicule and persecution upon them. And this is recognized as a Spiritual necessity, for it is written: "The disciple is not above his master, nor the servant above his lord." Matt. 10:24. "Wherefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto Him without the camp, bearing His reproach." Heb. 13:12, 13. Righteous people—filled with the Spirit—living by faith—scorned by the world. For His people, thus marked, God has established a fellowship which binds them together in Him.

The world is full of its fellowships, which men call societies, and it has been suggested that there are so many of them that there should be just one more, the S.S.S.S.—the Society for the Suppression of Superfluous Societies; but I plead for just one more, a recognition of the Lord's marked group, *The Bored-Ear Society*.

This is not a new society. It had its origin at Sinai, at the time of the giving of the Ten Commandments. In the proclamation which brought it into existence God decreed that all Hebrew slaves, bought to be servants, should be freed after six years of service, but added: "If a servant shall plainly say, I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free: then his master shall bring him unto the judges; he shall also bring him to the door, or unto the door post; and his master shall bore his ear through with an aul; and he shall serve him forever." Ex. 21:5, 6.

Membership in this society was limited to *redeemed* slaves, brought out from the Egyptian bondage. Membership today is limited to those who have been delivered from the bondage of sin, and who acknowledge the ownership of God who declares, "Know ye not that . . . ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price." 1 Cor. 6:19, 20.

The bored ear is of great significance.

It stands for a recognition of absolute ownership. Note especially the prophecy of Psalm 40:6, "Mine ears hast thou opened." The Hebrew word is "*Karitha*," which means literally, bored. Jesus as our example had no claim on Himself, His Person, time or life. Of Him it is said that He "made Himself of no reputation and took upon Him the form of a servant." Phil. 2:7. See Him in the temple as He answers His mother, "Wist ye not that I must be about *My Father's* business?" See Him at the well as He answers the disciple: "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me and to finish His work." Note the triumphant cry on the cross: "*It is finished*."

"Must Jesus bear the cross alone,
And all the world go free?
No, there's a cross for everyone,
And there's a Cross for me."

Paul had his ear bored. All the apostles spoke of themselves as "bondservants" of Jesus Christ. It should be a once-for-all consecration and surrender. No re-consecration will then be necessary. "His servants shall serve Him forever."

The bored ear is a sign of voluntary service. Those who come into this fellowship must declare, "I love my master." We know the difference between hirelings and love-slaves. Hirelings are still with us in the church as well as in the home and in the shop. Jacob served Laban seven years for Rachel, and they seemed but a few days for the love he had for her. "We love Him, because He first loved us." 1 John 4:19. This is the "expulsive power of a new affection." "The love of Christ constraineth us." 2 Cor. 5:14. This is the secret of the Christian's sacrifice and toil, the real martyr spirit. When Polycarp the aged disciple was led away to martyrdom, he was given a last chance to renounce Christ. He answered, "Fourscore and six years have I served Him, and He has done me no wrong; how then can I speak evil of my King who saved me?"

There is a blessedness in the bored ear. It speaks of the Master's love, who has promised, "Delight thyself also in the Lord; and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart." Psalm 37:4. It speaks of the Master's care, for of Him it is said, "My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Phil. 4:19. It speaks of the Master's direction, for "The steps of a good man are ordered of the Lord." Psalm 37:23. Thus my responsibility is now "my response to His ability." It speaks of security in the Master's home, for "Surely good-

SIXTEEN MINISTERS NO LONGER WITH US

The names of sixteen ministers have been published in the Evangel during the past six months, with the announcement that they have closed their earthly ministry and have been called to their reward. Not all were on the list to receive old age assistance, but some of them did receive monthly help from the offerings you have given for that purpose. Your help for them will no longer be needed, but there are still others whose last days can be eased through your generosity. So remember that on

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we will again receive an offering for the support of our older ministers. You will want to participate in the offering taken in your own church, or you may wish to send your offering direct to J. R. Flower, Treasurer, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.

ness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever" (Psalm 23:6)—"where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary be at rest."

Admission to the Bored-Ear Society is gained only by submission to the markings which set its members apart. But more than submission, there must be consecration. This is a day of mass production, and in it we are also suffering from mass consecration. But this is not a wholesale business; it is strictly retail. Each man must stand by himself with his ear to the doorpost. And not only must the ear be bored, but there must be a real death to self. George Mueller, when asked to tell the secret of his fruitful life, bowed his head as he repeated three times over, "There was a day when George Mueller died." The death and resurrection of Christ is the hallmark of Christianity, and should be definitely stamped on your life and mine. In this is the *spirit of bridehood* of those who yield to the call, "Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget also thine own people and thy father's house; so shall the King desire thy beauty: for He is thy Lord; and worship thou Him." Psalm 45: 10, 11.

The first lesson in life, and the last, is to obey. Perfect freedom comes only through perfect obedience.—Henry B. Whipple.

The Uncharted Operations of the Spirit

WE have what we call trade winds and they are all charted on our maps. They are the prevailing winds, but there are many other winds that are uncharted. Whoever charted a tornado? It makes its own chart. There are gentle trade winds; there are also hurricanes, tornadoes, blizzards and typhoons.

The same in the spiritual realm; there are the gentle currents, the prevailing winds, the regular stream of salvation; and then there are the exceptions. The divine blast on the Day of Pentecost was one. "There came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind!" It filled all the house where they were sitting, and it overflowed and three thousand were swept into the kingdom.

Was the operation of the Spirit on the three thousand seen? It was heard coming upon the one hundred and twenty, and the crowd heard it coming out of the hundred and twenty. No one of the great crowd saw it enter. Prior to its entering the three thousand they cried out, "What shall we do?"

The word coming forth in the Spirit, and accepted by three thousand of the hearers, brought about an unseen yet tremendously real experience. Eternal life was brought unto them as a reality. Three thousand were born again into a new realm, a new kingdom. No one saw the operation.

There is no limit to the number upon whom the Spirit can operate through one individual. On the Day of Pentecost we see three thousand being operated on from the hundred and twenty, and subsequently five thousand being operated on from the three—Peter, John and the lame man. What had the lame man to do with it? He was leaping and praising God, a receiver of life through Jesus of Nazareth. "One man of you shall chase a thousand." Here were three putting five thousand to flight. Acts 4:4.

The wind bloweth where it listeth and thou hearest the sound thereof but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth; so is everyone that is born of the Spirit. You cannot tell whence the wind comes or whither it goes, and you do not have to tell. Just get into the wind. You can understand the blowing of the wind. You say, "We have the wind from the Pacific, and feel it as it comes off the ocean." From whence did

it start? You may say that a wind comes from the south or west or north, but can you understand all its circuits? In the same manner as the wind is continually moving, so is the Spirit of God moving continuously. Pray that He may move rapidly, strangely, demonstratively, yes, and if needs be, with the fury of a tornado.

When Paul and Silas were in the jail at Philippi there was an earthquake which caused the doors of the jail to fly open. The commotion in the atmospheric disturbance brought about a disturbance in the otherwise undisturbable man, the Roman jailer, and he was soon on his knees before a prisoner. What did it? The unseen working, the breath, the wind, perturbed the inner man and he cried out, "What must I do to be saved?" There was an earthquake within as well as without. And Paul told him, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved."

He believed, and while no one saw the actual birth, they saw the life which resulted from the birth in the activity of the jailer when he took the prisoners to his home and washed their wounds and provided for them. A midnight lunch in exchange for stocks that midnight! Would you like to have heard the grace that Paul offered over the midnight lunch, and to have seen the face of the jailer and his wife and family as they sang a new song as Paul taught them to sing as he had sung?

How was it all brought about? An operation of the Spirit loosened the earth, loosened the doors, loosened the prisoners, loosened the jailer, and loosened praises. Thou canst not tell whence it cometh and whither it goeth, so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

Study, watch, learn, contemplate the operations of the Spirit. Do not think He is confined to one course like a trade wind. Expect the unusual.

The Word of God is our only standard of judgment in spiritual things; that Word can be explained only by the Holy Spirit in answer to humble, believing prayer.—George Muller.

The order of God is fact, faith, feeling. We must not change that order. The moment faith depends on feeling, it turns its back on the fact of Christ.—Evan Hopkins.

A Testimony in the Air

Dick Krantz circled the Stockton Airfield waiting the signal to "come in." A real Christian, and possessed of a voice which he wanted to use for God's glory, he had begun training for his life's work at Bob Jones College. But now he found himself in Uncle Sam's service, an air cadet in the Army Air Corps. Doubts could easily have robbed Dick of his victory, but he was determined, instead, to be his best for God even though his ambitions might not be achieved. Joy filled his heart, for he had committed his life to God. And as he waited permission for a landing he sang:

"Got any rivers you think are uncrossable,
Got any mountains you can't tunnel through?"

After reporting to the airport, Dick had unconsciously left his mike switch on, so without his knowing it, he was broadcasting to the control-tower and through its loudspeakers to the entire camp of five thousand cadets below.—"Any mountains you can't tunnel through?" The question echoed through every corner of the camp. Then in the same melodious voice came an answer to the question,

"God specializes in things thought impossible,
And He can do what no other power can do."

Dick's receiver crackled as the control-tower cut in; "Listen, Krantz, if you want to start a revival come down to earth." Little did Dick know, as he started to glide toward the landing strip ahead of him, but a revival had already begun. Conviction had followed those

words which he thought he had sung to his Lord alone, and that Sunday afternoon five young air-cadets sought him out telling him they wanted what he had. One after another, it was his privilege to pray them through to salvation.

There is another side to the story too. Back home was a Christian mother. At about the time that Dick was coming in from that flight she was praying that God would use her son in some special way that day. God answered her prayer, and in a way more real than she dreamed.

Later, Dick made the supreme sacrifice—the surrender of his life—in the defense of his country. But his desire for a life of service has been achieved. His ministry lives on. A single chorus—not even a song! But its testimony, lodged that day in the hearts of five thousand fellow cadets and lived again in the lives of the five who were born into the kingdom, will never die. The story was told by a friend of Dick Krantz at a Modesto Convention of the Gideons last June. It found its way into the national Gideon magazine this month. And now we pass it on to you. Already others have been influenced to God by its telling. Now what about you?

Has your life been uprooted as was Dick's? Are the hopes and plans for your future destroyed? Do you face problems too big for you to solve?

"Got any rivers you think are uncrossable,
Got any mountains you can't tunnel through?
God specializes in things thought impossible,
And He can do what no other power can do."

The useful servants of God in distant and recent generations have been Bible-born and Bible-bred. It may be a Wesley in his day or a Moody in his, but the operating agency is the same—the Spirit of God through the Word of God, which is not being read in most churches today by the people and ministers. James 1:18 says, "Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth."

It is said that when Spurgeon was enlarging and remodeling his great tabernacle, he went to the platform when the work was about done to test the acoustics. Thinking the auditorium was empty, he lifted his voice in the recital of John 3:16. High up on a bit of scaffolding was a workman just finishing his task. The Word of God found its place in his heart at that moment and he became a born-again Christian.

The blessing of God is on His own word if it is given a chance, according

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to His own declaration to Isaiah: "For as the rain cometh down and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall My word be that goeth forth out of My mouth; it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

What other ages required, we require. What has brought blessing to other men will bring blessing unto us. The Holy Scriptures are still "able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus." 2 Tim. 3:15.

The psalmist has said that God has put His word above His name.

The Bible tells us that it is living "and powerful and sharper than any twoedged sword:" that it is the revealer or "discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." It is the "sword of the Spirit." It is a "lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

It is true from the beginning. It is settled in heaven. It will stand forever.

Jesus declared, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away."

Isaiah wrote (and Peter quotes him in his statement), "All flesh is as grass, and all the glory of men as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away, but the word of the Lord endureth forever."

It has outlived, outlifted, outlooked, outloved, outreached and outblessed all other books. How can the indifferent be aroused, the skeptical be convinced? Where is a spiritual awakening to be found? What will produce the faith which transforms character and gives life point, purpose, poise, and power? All the answers are in one answer.

The Greatest Need in Our Churches Today

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In the eighth chapter of Acts, one person, Philip, brought the Bible to bear upon the life of another person, the Ethiopian, in such a way that, through the Scriptures, the Ethiopian was brought to a knowledge of the divine Person, Jesus Christ. This is the method and means of revival and of the lesser thing which we call evangelism.

That the Word of God is "quick and powerful" is the claim of the apostle. The word *quick* is old English for alive. Peter says it is a living Word; it possesses life; but it also imparts life; for in the same Scripture (1 Peter 1:23) he says we are born again by this Word.

Church history itself is the corroboration of the fact that men may be born from above through the Scriptures.

Faith cometh by hearing, and *hearing by the Word of God*. Rom. 10:17. The Bible has always been the instrument for soul-winning and a builder of one's soul, whether in the period of revival or in the gleaning of quieter periods. God has used His Word. He *will* use His Word.

Ask your minister to read with you in church from the Bible. Then God will send us a fresh revival and many souls will be saved.

Editor's note. A few months ago we published an article advocating a much larger place in our assembly life for the reading of the Scriptures. We have been happy to print this similar plea from a Christian layman. As the prophet Amos foretold, there is a sore famine in the land. Not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the Word of the Lord. How we should love to see in every one of our Assemblies of God at least two whole chapters of Scripture read from the pulpit in every service, and also, as this writer suggests, suitable responsive reading direct from the Word of God, the preacher reading one verse and the congregation the next.

Eternity

Bishop Whipple says that he once met a thoughtful scholar who told him that for years he had read every book he could which assailed the religion of Jesus Christ; and he said he should have become an infidel but for three things. (1) "I am a man; I am going somewhere. To-night I am a day nearer my grave than I was last night. (2) I have read all that such books can tell me. (3) They shed not one solitary ray of hope or light upon the darkness."

Throwing mud at a good man only soils your own hands.

Know Your Bible

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THE Bible is divided into two main divisions: the Old and New Testaments, or Covenants. The Old Covenant is of Law, the New is of Grace, and the one led to the other. Gal. 3:17-25. The New is in the Old contained, and the Old is in the New explained. The Old commences what the New completes. The Old centers around Sinai, and the New around Calvary. The Old is associated with Moses, and the New with Christ. John 1:17. Without the New Covenant the Old is a start that has no finish; and without the Old the New is a finish that has no start.

The Old Covenant centers in and circles around the Law, but the New Covenant, in and around the gospel. The New Covenant is the superstructure of which the Old is the foundation. The Old is foreshadow, and the New is fulfilment. The Old is promise, and the New is performance. The Old is a problem, and the New is a solution. The Old is a commencement, and the New is a consummation. These Covenants cannot be rightly understood apart.

The Gospels relate to the past; the Acts and Epistles to the present; and the Revelation to the future. In the Gospels Christ is Prophet, in the Acts and Epistles He is Priest, and in the Revelation He is King. Israel gives complexion to the Gospels, the Church to the Acts and Epistles, and the world to the Revelation. In the Gospels we see the Founder of revealed religion; in the Acts and Epistles we have the fundamentals of it; and in the Revelation the fulfilment of it. In the first

group is introduction; in the second is application; and in the third is realization. "The truths found in germ in the Gospels, are historically illustrated in the Acts, doctrinally unfolded and applied in the Epistles, and symbolically presented in the Revelation."

The value of these writings, historical and spiritual, is out of all proportion to their number and length, and their influence upon life and history is incalculable.

Here is the noontide of the day which began to dawn in Eden. The Christ of Prophecy in the Old Testament becomes the Christ of history in the Gospels; the Christ of Experience in the Epistles; and the Christ of Glory in the Revelation.

Family Prayer—That Works

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will the household be! I believe that if pastors would hold "Christian Home Revivals" in which the conversion of whole families was stressed, the harvest would be astounding.

Any church on earth—no matter how cold and dead it is, what problems it faces, or what its difficulties are—can grow strong and fruitful if it will follow this pattern: Pastor and a few faithful Christian members band together without fanfare for daily prayer. If these individuals do not have the family altar, let each begin one.

Spiritual fervor will become contagious. Opportunities will open up. The pastor can quietly visit his people, tell them the joys of the Christian home, and invite them to have daily Bible study and prayer. There can be a beautiful service of dedication of a home, with the minister committing the household to God in prayer and conducting the first family altar. From one home to another he may go, making each a house of prayer. Eventually a strong, spiritual congregation will develop, and they will form a church instead of a social club, and the pastor will have the joy of being a shepherd instead of just a secretary.

The future of any nation lies in the integrity of its homes. Here is the one sure way that the inner menace of America may be removed and its future insured—through yieldedness, loyalty, and devoted service to Jesus Christ, the Savior of men.—*The King's Business.*

Wake Up to Reveille!

The other day we received from a soldier a post card which said simply, "Please send me *Reveille*—I want to wake up!" He meant just what he said, and thousands of other fighting men mean it, too; they want to wake up—spiritually.

We are glad for the real soul-awakening *Reveille* has brought to many men in service, but what about you—are you awake to *Reveille*? The printing and distribution of this "custombuilt" servicemen's paper depends on your active awareness of its existence, and of the tremendous need it helps to meet. Wake up to *Reveille*!

We cannot send *Reveille* to a fellow until we know who and where he is—and we cannot know that until someone tells us. So send in that serviceman's name and address now, won't you? Perhaps he too would like to wake up!

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Reunion in Bettiah

Again and again the Missions Department is having the thrill of receiving letters from our outgoing missionaries, telling of God's marvelous protection and of happy reunions. One such letter has just been received from Hilda Wagenknecht who is once again at work for the Lord in Bettiah, India. Miss Wagenknecht describes her journey and arrival as follows:

"How many times when we were on the high seas we felt the comfort of the prayers of friends at home. We started with a very large number of missionaries on the first lap of our journey. In fact, the entire group represented over 20 denominations. Each morning we had services together and the presence of the Lord was very real.

"During the second month on the water, a number of the missionaries left us along the shores of Africa, but we had a long distance yet to travel since we were obliged to go in such a roundabout way. I have never felt the leading of the Lord in such a definite way as I did on this trip and, when at last we were on the last lap of the journey, we knelt in our cabin to thank God for His faithfulness. As the ship pulled out, we stood at the window singing, 'All the way my Savior leads me, what have I to ask beside; can I doubt His tender mercy, who through life has been my guide?' Had we planned this trip ourselves, we could never have arranged for the smallest details as the Lord did.

"We arrived here two weeks ago and as we viewed the shores of India from a distance, our hearts were full of praise to Him for allowing us to see the land of our calling again. The reunion with my dear sister in Hardoi were days of great blessing, but I couldn't tarry long, as I had my dear Indian friends awaiting me here in Bettiah. What a welcome I received! As the train neared the station I could see the company of Christians anxiously waiting to greet me with garlands of flowers.

"As we neared the house, they had the road decorated with banana plants and flowers, and the girls of the orphanage lined up on both sides of the road with flags and flowers singing songs of welcome. A large number of new girls had come in while I was away and I was so happy to see a real growth in the work during the last few years. Sunday I took my first meeting in the church again and as I stood there and

looked into those dear faces, my heart was too full for words to express my gratitude to God for bringing me back safely into their midst again. Together we thanked God for His faithfulness during the years of separation and as I began my work in Bettiah again, I trust it will be a term of greater blessing than any I have yet had.

"I was also glad to see my faithful co-workers again and dear Grace Walther, who has carried on so faithfully during my absence, will now be going home for a much deserved furlough. I am sure that friends at home will be praying for her while she is on the water, that God will protect and keep her all along the way."

A letter was received from Grace Walther several weeks ago, praising the Lord for His blessing upon the work. Her letter reads in part: "A group of Christians who will soon be taking water baptism have had some real victories. The wife of the leader was taken very ill with smallpox. The group gathered together and God's Word was explained to them. They were warned not to worship the goddess of smallpox as is usually done when the disease visits a home. Prayer was made and the little group of new believers stood true, refusing to take offerings to the gods. God heard their prayers and delivered the woman of her illness. This was a real step forward for these dear people. Another man whose son was afflicted with the same dreaded disease, begged that prayer be made for his son. The son was marvelously delivered and instead of taking offerings to the goddess, he came with a thank offering to the church, praising God who hears and answers prayer.

"Much progress is being made in the zenana work. Last month 15 new homes were opened to the gospel message. Pray that the hundreds of zenana homes in Bettiah may continue to open their doors to the gospel workers, and the doorway of their hearts to the Savior.

"At Easter time seven of the orphanage girls asked to be baptized in water and were able to give a clear testimony of their faith in Christ. There is no greater joy than this, to see at the sunrise baptismal service these precious souls following their Lord into the baptismal waters.

"We have had word that Miss Wagenknecht has received all necessary permits

and is at last on her way back to India after her long furlough. We rejoice in the anticipation of her coming to relieve us. The Lord willing, we hope to get a sailing in the Fall and look forward to being home by Christmas and seeing you 'face to face.'"

Let us unitedly pray for the safe homeward voyage of Grace Walther, and for the Lord's continued blessing on the orphanage work in Bettiah.

MISSIONARY CHALLENGE SUBSCRIBERS

Those subscribing to the new missionary publication, "The Missionary Challenge," will notice that beginning with the first quarter of 1945 the price has been slightly advanced to 50 cents a year within the United States and 60 cents to foreign lands. The price of each individual copy is 15 cents.

We are maintaining the same high quality of paper and illustrations as formerly, and the abnormal cost of producing such work in these times has made it necessary for this small increase in price. On the other hand, our readers will recognize that the "Missionary Challenge" is still one of the most inexpensive publications in consideration of its quality.

Why not plan NOW to give "Missionary Challenge" to some friend for Christmas? Where could one find a more appropriate gift for only 50 cents? It will come to his home four times during the new year to remind him of your thoughtfulness, and it will no doubt prove to be a great blessing to him as well.

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Guadalupe's Children

Henry Ayers

Mexico, our next door neighbor, is often called the "Land of Tomorrow." For centuries, a saying well put into practice by the people is, "Do nothing today you can put off until tomorrow." But tomorrow never comes, so the changes that time has wrought in some of the countries of the new world, have been very slow to find a place in the life of the native Mexican. About the only answer one ever receives when asking about these things is—"We are Guadalupe's children and she will take care of us."

Thousands of tourists visit Mexico every

year. They are puzzled by the sights of such primitive life in the twentieth century. They wonder why. An ex-president of Mexico gives his answer to the question: "This republic has been ruled and ruined for centuries by the leaders of the Romanist Church, but a new day is dawning for our beloved country!"

The history of Mexico is most interesting, beginning with the ancient civilizations of the Indian races that migrated from the north after having passed over from Asia via the Bering Strait. Some scientists believe that they are of the ten lost tribes of Israel since they have so many characteristics of the Hebrew. In the ruins and relics of centuries gone by, there is a notable similarity between the arts and crafts, and religions of the Mexican Indian and the Orientals; prominent among them, the worship of the Sun. About the year 1300 A. D. there was a remarkable civilization established among the Aztecs and Toltecs in southern Mexico.

The Spanish invasion in 1520 established a capital on the ruins of the Aztec metropolis, then Tenochtitlan, now Mexico City. The Indian legend says that a wandering tribe, following a flying eagle, stopped when the eagle came to rest on a cactus plant to devour a small serpent, a sign that marked the place where the city should be built. It is situated in a valley surrounded by small hills, all of which have many legends about them. One is known as the hill of Tepeyac, which was inhabited by the Aztec goddess of rain and fertility. Known as Tonantsin, also called the Dark Madonna of Guadalupe, she was pictured as a native Indian girl. About 1700 A. D. she was given the name of the Virgin Mary of Guadalupe, and declared to be the Mother of God, this occurring at the time the Spanish padres gave Bible names to many of the Indian gods, thereby converting

the natives to a so-called Christianity. It is said that she appeared miraculously to a native, one wintry day in 1531, and caused roses to bloom on the lonely hillside. For many years she has been the patron saint of Mexico.

Many of those who worship her today with a most remarkable fanaticism, call themselves the "sons of Guadalupe." "She is moved to tears for her beloved children. Do you not see that her heart is pierced for us? Oh, how she weeps because of the sufferings of her children during these days of crisis." But upon seeing the poor condition of these devotees, we were moved to ask why they need live in such poverty when their saint is so concerned for them and has so much power. They only shrug their shoulders and cannot answer, for they really know nothing of what the Holy Scriptures say about the saints, and know little more about the one that exists only in their minds. Taught from childhood to worship this saint known as the "Mother of Mexico," very few of them have shown an interest in reading the Holy Bible to know the truth about the doctrines of Christianity. But once they are brought to see the difference between pagan worship and Christian devotion, they become faithful followers of the Divine One who gave His life on Calvary's cross, that He might be the mediator between God and humanity.

Whenever one is asked for alms by some beggar wandering the streets, he always asked for it "in the love of our Holy Mother." They do not answer when we ask them if they think their Holy Mother is pleased when they spend the alms for beer and wine and lead immoral lives. It crushes one's heart to see this multitude of humanity living in such indescribable vice and degradation. When I asked a well-known lawyer if something could be done about such conditions,

he replied, "I do not think there is a man living, or has ever lived, that could change the lives of these people, given over to all the evils of the present age." I said, "I think you are wrong there, sir, for there once walked upon this earth a man named Jesus Christ, who had the power to change every condition of mortal man." "Oh, yes, that is true, for He was a great saint, and a most wonderful example of love and sacrifice for all of us. But it has been nineteen centuries since He died, and as for there being any hope of any manifestation of such power today, it is impossible. For if it were true, the priests who are supposed to represent the kingdom of heaven here on earth would have told the people long ago."

I was happy to tell him that in the Holy Bible there is a true story that is different from the one he had learned about Jesus and His mission upon this earth; that He is not dead—still hanging on the cross as pictured and worshiped everywhere—but that He arose from the dead, is alive and is at the right hand of the Heavenly Father, making intercession for all those that call upon His Name.

Is there salvation for Guadalupe's children? Yes, and the challenge to those who have the light of the full gospel message of salvation and peace, is to give this message of good news to everyone in our neighboring land who has not heard.

Safe Arrival

A cabled message to the Missions Department brought the news of the safe arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Thomas and their two children to the Gold Coast, West Africa. Let us continue to pray for these new missionaries.

Christmas Came Early This Year

Christmas shopping in October? Yes, it happened this year because it takes time to deliver packages to the far corners of the earth. At this very moment great ships are plowing through the seas with their heavy cargoes of Christmas gifts, millions of them, for our fighting men overseas. There's candy, nuts, cookies, gum, pictures and a thousand other things to brighten their Christmas day—and we hope it will do just that!

But what about our missionary soldiers? What about those who are doing a courageous work in famine stricken countries, feeding the starving and pointing men to Christ? What of those who are standing in war torn areas, daily putting into practical demonstration the gospel of Christ? And those who are pressing the spiritual battle in the freezing heights of rugged mountains—or in the sweltering heat of the plains—or the humid, sticky swamps of the jungles? What of their Christmas?

Some of our missionaries are continuing their labors in lands where living costs have soared 300 to 500 per cent. But you won't find them grumbling even though they are called upon to share the same privations that the natives are suffering. You'll find them rejoicing over the privilege of serving Christ in such a time as this.

Forget these Christian soldiers? Never! We are desiring to send them a larger gift this year than ever before, because the need is greater. This can only be made possible as Christian friends give sacrificially to help those who are sacrificing all for the gospel's sake.

Send in your offering now! Many of these gifts will have to be sent great distances and some must be cabled. Nevertheless your gift will be divided among the missionaries 100 per cent! Pray about it. Let's not do our bit; let's do our best!

All offerings, either from assemblies or individuals, should be sent to the Missions Department, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri, designated for "Christmas Offering Fund." Remember the need and act without delay!

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The Bible

MR. BOREHAM in one of his books says: "An acorn is a wonderful thing—it is a pocket edition of a forest. You may count how many acorns there are on an oak tree, but you can't count how many oak trees are in an acorn. Space is a wonderful thing—it is the tabloid of infinity; time is a wonderful thing—it is a tabloid of eternity. The Bible is a wonderful thing—it is a pocket edition of the highest life of everything and of the thought of God."

John Wesley said a very profound thing about the Bible. It is one of the shortest arguments for the Bible I know of. "It must be," he said, "the invention of either good men or angels, bad men or devils, or of God. It couldn't be the invention of good men or angels for they neither could or would write a book and tell lies all the time they were writing it saying, 'Thus saith the Lord.' It could not be of bad men or devils for they would not and could not write a book which commands all duties, forbids all sins, and condemns their own souls to a lost eternity. Therefore, we must admit it is from God."

Other books tell us what men suppose; the Bible tells us what God knows. Other books tell us what other men, almost as foolish as ourselves, speculate; this Book tells us what an infinitely wise God, who made us and all things, and consequently knows all things, has inerrantly revealed. This Book makes men wise with the wisdom that is golden, the wisdom that brings eternal salvation. No one can study this Book aright, no matter how ignorant he may otherwise be, without becoming possessed of that priceless wisdom that means eternal life. No other book has the power to make us acquainted with God and with His Son, Jesus Christ, that this Book has. Oh, study the Book that brings eternal life; make it in your own experience, "the implanted Word, which is able to save your souls." James 1:21, R. V.

BIBLE NUMERICS

Prof. Edwin A. Elliott, Hebrew and Greek scholar, has been investigating the accuracy of the late Ivan Panin's unique work. Here are a few discoveries which have appeared, which he says are typical of what Panin points out in every part of the Bible:

"Who but God would think of writing about a fishing party where they caught 153 fishes and would use exactly 153 different words to tell about it? That is what we find in John 21:1-22.

"What man could write 'The Revelation of Jesus Christ' using a vocabulary corresponding in the number of words used to the numerical value of the name JESUS? I find that the vocabulary of Revelation is just 888 words and another striking fact is that the 666th word in that vocabulary is 'chargma,'—MARK of the beast.

"How could eight men over a period of some 60 years, writing somewhere between Rome and Babylon, write 25 books (the name Jesus does not occur in Third John and Revelation has its own numeric structure) and manage to use the name Jesus 888 times, no more, no less?

"Did it just happen that the 77th time the name Jesus is mentioned in Matthew is in the verse which says (Jesus speaking): 'I say not unto you, Until seven times, but until seventy times seven'?"

The full results of Panin's monumental work would fill a great volume. It is a wonderful evidence of the divine inspiration of God's wonderful Book.

WHO WROTE HEBREWS

Ivan Panin, the author of that astounding system of numerics by which every mistake to be found in the Greek text of the New Testament is detected, says also that by his system it is necessarily true that Paul wrote the Book of Hebrews.

Now in his fine book, "The Magnificence of Jesus," Harry Rimmer says: "There used to be considerable argument about the authorship of this book (Hebrews). Happily, this has been settled by the recent discovery of the Chester Beatty Biblical Papyri, which have established beyond question the traditional view that Paul the Apostle wrote the Hebrew Epistle."

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FROM A SOLDIER

It was through reading the *Pentecostal Evangel* about two years ago, when I picked it up from a tract box in a bus station, that I came to know the full gospel message. I was seeking for some message to satisfy my longing heart; the full gospel message was just what I was looking for. Praise God, He saved me from a life of sin, and He keeps me saved. He took the burden of sin from me and filled my way with His wonderful love! He keeps me, right in the army, amid sin and iniquity on every hand. I hope some day to become a preacher of the blessed gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to declare the gospel in all its fulness.—Pvt. Talmadge McNabb, Camp Claiborne, La.

CONVERTED AT ANZIO

"Gil" Dodds, the "runner for Christ," met a young man in an army camp who found Christ on the Anzio beachhead. The soldier had noticed one of his buddies who wasn't afraid in the heat of the battle, and on his way to the front he stopped to ask him how "he got that way." His buddy told him about the Lord, and right then and there the soldier knelt and accepted Christ. Later he was wounded, brought back to the States, and now he is getting ready to go across again. "But now," he said, "I've got something to take back with me."

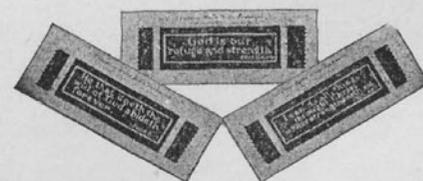
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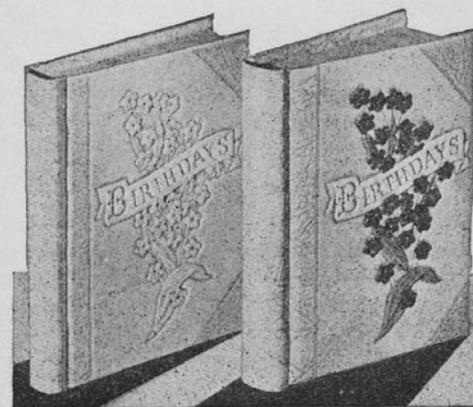
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Roy L. Smith says: "Even wets are dry—at least when their personal safety is concerned. They believe in prohibition when applied to the engineer who hauls the train upon which they are riding, the taxi driver who drives them around, the elevator boy who takes them up to their room in the hotel, the cook who prepares their food for them, or the driver of the car they must meet at a narrow place in the road. It is only when the law interferes with their own liberty that they are really wet."

Among the Assemblies

DANVILLE, ILL.—We praise God for a real refreshing from the presence of the Lord. Just closed a revival with Evangelist Thelma Wilkins. In three weeks God brought 23 to our altar for salvation, and filled 4 with the Spirit. Since then 4 others have been baptized in the Spirit as the revival fires continue to burn.—George W. Clark, Pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—We have enjoyed a 3-week meeting at the Pentecostal Gospel Mission, with Evangelist George Clement of Milford, N. J. Brother Clement gave us some wonderful truths from God's Word. The saints were built up in the Lord and revived, and we believe the Lord has better things for us.—Benjamin H. Cox, Pastor.

MINCO, OKLA.—We took over the work here July 16 and began a revival soon after, with Evangelists Iva Harris and Thelma Denney of Shawnee. God blessed, and in a 3-week meeting 40 were saved, 18 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 19 baptized in water. Minco is a town of about 1,000 population, and we had over 100 in Sunday School three Sundays straight.—C. E. Leib, Pastor.

BOLIVAR, MO.—We recently closed a very successful 4-week revival conducted by Evangelist E. W. Fagerstrom, of 596 Malcomb St., Memphis 12, Tenn. These services were well attended. Several backsliders came to the altar, some were saved, 9 joined the church, and our Sunday School attendance climbed to 196, a record for this church. Brother Fagerstrom's messages were sound and dynamic.—Earl E. Cornelison, Pastor.

REDLANDS, CALIF.—A 3-week revival has been conducted here by Evangelist Arthur S. Arnold of Oklahoma. His messages were unique and soul-stirring. We are rejoicing over the souls that were saved. The attendance was very good throughout the revival. Brother and Sister Arnold were pastors of the church here sixteen years ago. The people are still thanking God for their refreshing and uplifting ministry.—Eugene C. Williams, Pastor.

CEDAR VALE, KANSAS—We have just closed a very successful revival with Evangelist Glen B. Hamilton of Enid, Okla. Some were saved, and several who had never before sought the Baptism in the Holy Spirit were at the altar tarrying. The whole church was stirred and our Sunday School was built up.

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Many people who had never been to our church before came to this meeting. Brother Hamilton preached the full gospel under the mighty anointing of the Holy Spirit, and his ministry was a real blessing and an inspiration to the church.—Harlin Hines, Pastor.

WEST TEXAS DISTRICT COUNCIL

A special meeting of the West Texas District Council was held at Lubbock, Texas, October 5, for the purpose of electing a new District Superintendent, H. Paul Holdridge, the

former District Superintendent having resigned to accept the pastorate at El Paso, Texas. Homer M. Sheats was elected District Superintendent, and H. Paul Holdridge was elected Secretary-Treasurer, he having filled that office four years prior to his elevation to the Superintendency. A fine representative group from the District was in attendance, and a great spiritual meeting was enjoyed. The annual C. A. Convention was held in conjunction with this meeting.—H. Paul Holdridge, Secretary-Treasurer.

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FORKS, WASH.—We have just closed a 4-week revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Wm. L. Andrews of Storm Lake, Iowa. We have had the greatest stir in the history of this church.

Eighty souls came to the altar for salvation; many of this number were children. Six received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Many were healed by the power of God. Among those healed instantly were some suffering from rupture, tumor, leakage of the heart, and kidney trouble. Two were healed of eczema. Thirty-two converts followed the Lord in water baptism; others are yet to be baptized. A goodly number were received into the church, a number of whom were men. One night three whole families were saved. We gave God all the glory.—E. A. Welk, Pastor.

POLISH BRANCH COUNCIL

The Polish Branch Council convened in New York City on April 11-13, at which time the Lord wonderfully helped us to adopt a simple constitution and bylaws. Since then we

have been pressing on for God, and the Lord has blessed our efforts. We thank God for the help the European Advisory Board rendered us at that time, and are grateful for their interest and continued advice. We are making every effort to spread the gospel among the people of our own race. There are 5,000,000 Polish people in the United States, foreign and American-born.

This is a pioneer work. Pray for our people, who are in great darkness, that they may accept the truth and be set free.

We have a Polish Pentecostal magazine, known as "Dobry Pasterz" (The Good Shepherd), which is published once every two months. One or more sample copies will be sent free to anyone desiring such. We are trusting that the Lord will soon enable us to publish it every month. There may be some who have acquaintances among the Polish people to whom this paper may be of interest and blessing. We also have Polish tracts on hand. Write for samples.—Theodore Wojciechowski, Secretary, 416 Bower St., Linden, N. J.

Coming Meetings

Due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 16 days before the date which appears upon it, all notices should reach us 18 days before that date.

BRANDON, MANITOBA—Oct. 22—; Mae Eleanor Frey, Evangelist.—Ralph Hornby, Pastor.

OMAHA, NEBR.—19th and Cass Sts., Nov. 12-26; Evangelist and Mrs. R. S. Peterson, Kenosha, Wis.—L. E. King, Pastor.

BELFLOWER, CALIF.—Center and Stewart Sts.; Nov. 5, for 3 weeks or longer; Charles S. Price, Evangelist.—Clifford Andrews, Pastor.

ESCALON, CALIF.—Meeting in progress; Hans F. Bretschneider, Chicago, Ill., Evangelist.—A. B. League, Pastor.

WILMINGTON, DEL.—908 West St.; Nov. 5, for 2 weeks; Paul V. Chamless, Houston, Texas, Evangelist.—R. P. Hughey, Pastor.

SEATTLE, WASH.—Hollywood Temple, Oct. 29-Nov. 26; Carl and Edna Goodwin, Evangelists. Henry H. Ness is pastor.—By Evangelists.

KANSAS CITY, KANSAS—7th and Riverview, Oct. 29—; Evangelist and Mrs. Gene Martin, Creston, Iowa.—F. A. Sturgeon, Pastor.

CONNEAUT, OHIO—299 Broad St., Oct. 24-Nov. 12; Delbert and Beatrice Best Bucher, Springfield, Mo., Evangelists and Musicians.—T. E. Hartshorn, Pastor.

BOLIVAR, MO.—Nov. 5, for 3 weeks; Evangelist and Mrs. Darrell Chapman, Rifle, Colo.—Earl Cornelison, Pastor.

HUDSON FALLS, N. Y.—Gospel Lighthouse Church, Oct. 31-Nov. 12; Mrs. Lillian Rahner, Plainfield, N. J., Evangelist.—Samuel Y. Weider, Pastor.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—Fremont at 25th Ave. N., Oct. 31—; Anna B. Lock, Galva, Ill., Evangelist.—Russell H. Olson, Pastor.

WICHITA, KANSAS—Main and Lincoln Sts.; revival in progress; George Hayes, Evangelist.—Chas. Sheall, Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Central Assembly, Oct. 29—; Anna C. Berg, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., Evangelist.—Thos. F. Zimmerman, Pastor.

(Near) PUTNAM, OKLA.—Fellowship Meeting, Rose land Church, Nov. 14, J. S. Murrell of Alva, morning speaker. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brotzman are the pastors.—W. C. Crowder, Sectional Secretary.

SOUTHERN IDAHO CONFERENCES
One-day Sectional Conferences, Southern Idaho District: Pocatello, Nov. 7; Jerome, Nov. 10; Nampa, Nov. 13; Payette, Nov. 15. Ralph M. Riggs, speaker.—Homer M. Doyle, District Secretary.

MARYSVILLE, OHIO—Prayer Conference sponsored by Southwestern Ohio Fellowship, Nov. 6-7. Three services daily. District Superintendent G. F. Lewis, principal speaker. A. C. Trimble is pastor.—Irwin Phillips, Secretary-Treasurer.

AUSTIN, TEXAS—Bible Conference, First Assembly of God, 501 W. 37th St., Nov. 2-3. First service 10:30 a. m. F. D. Davis in charge. A. C. Bates is expected to attend this conference. Paul Ansohn is pastor.—J. F. Parten, Presbyterian.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Highway Mission Tabernacle, 19th and Green Sts., will celebrate its 50th Anniversary this Thanksgiving Season. Special services, Thanksgiving Day. Revival, Nov. 12, for 2 weeks; Alan Mallory, Trenton, Ontario, Evangelist.—W. S. Bragg, Pastor, 6641 N. 17th St.

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS—Prayer and Bible Conference, 1002 N. Oakes St., Nov. 7-9. Opening service 7:30 p. m. Special speakers include: F. D. Davis, A. C. Bates, and District C. A. President Edward Robison. Out-of-district brethren invited to cooperate.—Troy R. Frazier, Presbyterian, San Angelo Sec.

KANSAS DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Kansas District Council will convene at First Assembly of God, Lincoln and S. Main, Wichita, Kansas, Nov. 13-16 Ernest S. Williams, guest speaker. Each church is urged to pay the expenses of its pastor and one delegate.—Paul C. Samuelson, Secretary-Treasurer, 1512 S. Main St., Wichita 11, Kansas.

WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT

The annual Fellowship Meeting and Fall Convention of the West Central District will be held in Trenton, Mo., Nov. 14-16. Those desiring license or ordination can meet the Credentials Committee at that time. Entertainment as usual.—Roy E. Scott, District Superintendent; Chas. E. Long, District Secretary.

PRAYER CONFERENCE

New York-New Jersey District Prayer Conference and Convention, Riverside Full Gospel Tabernacle, 688 Tonawanda St., Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 1-5. Services 9:30, 2:30 and 7:45 daily; Sunday morning 11:00 a. m. Wesley R. Steelberg, special speaker. For accommodations write Pastor Fredrick D. Drake, 688 Tonawanda St., Buffalo, N. Y.—Charles R. Shuss, Prayer Conference Leader.

HARTFORD, CONN.—Southern New England Sunday School Convention, Gospel Tabernacle, Warren Terrace and West Beacon St., West Hartford, Nov. 10-11. Services: Friday, 7:30 p. m.; Saturday, 10:00, 2:30, and 7:30. Guest speakers: Norman T. Spong, Paul Kaufman, Mrs. M. L. Ball, Mrs. Glenn Emberson. Lodging for Friday evening for those who write.—J. Robert Ashcroft, Host Pastor, 16 Lockwood Terrace, West Hartford. Telephone 322008.

WEST MONROE, LA.—Special Services, Cypress and Crossley Sts., Thanksgiving week; J. O. Savell, Goose Creek, Texas, principal speaker, Monday night through Friday night. All-day services, Thanksgiving Day, Brother Savell speaking 10:30 and 7:45. C. A. Rally, 2:00, D. B. Ballard, District C. A. President, speaker. Lunch served at church at noon. Neighboring churches and pastors invited to join us in this week of special Thanksgiving services.—E. L. Tanner, Pastor.

GEORGIA DISTRICT C. A. AND S. S. CONVENTION

Second annual C. A. and S. S. Convention, Comer Auditorium, Columbus, Ga., Nov. 29-Dec. 1. Three great C. A. rally evening services, General Superintendent Ernest S. Williams, guest speaker. Friday services given over to S. S. work, Marcus L. Grable in charge. Rooms furnished to all visitors, as far as possible. For further information write John W. Hurston, Secretary-Treasurer, P. O. Box 1101, Columbus, Ga.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—Box 349, Ocala, Fla. "We have accepted the pastorate here."—Chas. S. Brown.

WANTED—Back numbers of the Pentecostal Evangel for free distribution in needy field.—Joseph C. Awtry, Monroe, La.

NOTICE—Have resigned as pastor of East Highland Assembly, Columbus, Ga., and have accepted the pastorate of Faith Tabernacle, 1110 N. W. 2nd St., Oklahoma City 4, Okla.—Jimmie Mayo.

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NEW ADDRESS—Box 232, El Paso, Texas. "We have accepted the pastorate in El Paso, Texas, and have resigned as Superintendent of the West Texas District. Council ministers passing this way are invited to stop. Upon receipt of names and addresses of boys stationed at Fort Bliss or Biggs Field, we shall endeavor to contact them."—H. Paul Holdridge.

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A PERPLEXED JEW

A Jew was given a New Testament which he read for the first time. In speaking of it to a friend he said, "Parts of it are most beautiful. But I do not see what these people around here called Christians have in common with this Book."

UKRAINIAN JEWS MISSING

A Jewish tank driver of the Russian forces, a man who had lived in Bir-Bidjan, has reported that from Kiev down the Dnieper, and westward into the Ukraine, he encountered no Jews in areas where, before the German invasion, hundreds of thousands of Jews had resided.

HALF SLAVE, HALF FREE

Nearly half of China's population have lost their liberty. According to Dr. T. F. Tsiang, China's delegate to UNRRA, 200 millions live under Japanese occupation, 220 millions in Free China, and 40 millions are "displaced persons" who have migrated or been driven from their homes.

RELIEF FOR SWITZERLAND

The Mennonites in America are sending \$500 per month for six months to help in the refugee work in Switzerland. Because of its neutrality and strategic situation in the heart of Europe, Switzerland has become a haven for refugees. At the beginning of this year more than 70,000 persons had fled there for safety. The Swiss have been doing what they can to house, clothe and feed these people, but they need outside assistance.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

One of the most touching incidents of the war is related in a letter from Geneva, quoted in *The Presbyterian*. It concerns a group of French Protestants from Lyons in a prison camp in Germany. From their meager rations they saved up enough flour to send a package of it (through the Red Cross or some other agency) to the Protestant church at Lyons. They asked that it might be used to make bread for the Lord's Supper "as a material symbol of the communion of the Church in Lyons and the Church behind the barbed wire."

"WHEN RUSSIA TRIED FREE LOVE"

An article in the *Magazine Digest* recently, under the above title, points out that the early Communist idea was that women belong to nobody. Marriage, they said, was a "bourgeois invention." Women should have complete economic, social and sexual freedom, and so marriage became a simple matter of registering at a local office—the next day they could register a divorce. But the plan did not work. It did not make for happiness. The number of legal abortions was enormous. Stalin's new family code therefore became law in 1936, and now the government, the Communist party and the Soviet press unite to preach the importance of family life. The Russians have learned that to survive, a community must be built on the home and the family. God's way is best.

A COURT DECISION

The Supreme Court of Iowa said: "There is no statistical nor economical proposition better established than that the use of intoxicating liquors as a drink is the cause of more want, pauperism, crime, and suffering at public expense than any other cause."

NEW FRIENDS FOR BEER

John H. Connelly, administrative beer coordinator of the Army Exchange Service, says: "Under Food Distribution Order 66 all breweries are supposed to set aside fifteen per cent of their production for the armed forces. . . . It is more likely that hundreds and thousands of new friends, and young friends at that, are being acquired by the brewing industry."

INVASION OF THE GILBERTS

It is nearly a hundred years since the gospel invaded the Gilbert Islands. In 1857 Hiram Bingham, son of the translator of Scripture into Hawaiian, pioneered that field. A small printing press was sent to him, but neither he nor his wife knew how to set type. One day three sailors, the sole survivors of a wrecked whaler, appeared in the lagoon. One of them turned out to be a printer. He set up the press, printed the little Gospel, and stayed for many years as the mission's printer. In 1893 the whole Gilbert Islands' Bible was printed in New York, and since then, 26,000 Bibles and Testaments have been sold in the Gilberts.

"INDIA'S WORST ENEMY"

Is Gandhi a great Christian saint, as some modernists would have us believe, or is he even a friend of true Christianity? Here is what Dr. H. W. Kirby of Assam writes:

"War has brought great opposition to government by Gandhi and the Congress party. Trains have been wrecked; post offices, schools, and government buildings set on fire; and many government officials killed. India's greatest problem is Gandhi, one who came close to the light in Christ Jesus and then turned back to Hindu darkness. He is, today, India's worst enemy. In Jorhat our one girls' high school was destroyed by fire. Our girls' middle school was saved from destruction by the English soldiers. Claiming nonviolence as his creed, yet he is the leader of the party that has filled India with violence and so has aided Japan. He is called a saint, but he is a leader in rebellion against God, government, and Christian missions."

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RUSSIA'S EXPORTS

Says Col. F. J. Miles: "Through her five-year plans Russia has converted a nation of peasants into a race of artisans producing goods by mass production to a saturation point at home, thus necessitating the export of her surplus. But how can Russia export her surplus (and undersell the world) through ice-bound ports? She must have a port open all the year round. Is it not clear that she will want to come through the Dardanelles, which will bring her and us into opposite camps on the Balkan problem; or is it inconceivable that she should demand Haifa, which has become, through the return of the Jews to Palestine, the leading port of the Levant?" See Ezekiel 38:11-13.

THE FIRST AUTOMOBILE

It is reported by the American Board of Missions to the Jews that Germans today will not permit Jews to drive autos, claiming the auto was invented by a German. The report states, however, that the "Kraftwagon," the world's first automobile to run on liquid fuel, exhibited at the Technical Museum of Vienna as the world's first auto, was invented by a Jew named Siegfried Marcus, who was five years ahead of both Daimler and Benz. Credit should be given to whom credit is due. Jews have made an amazingly great contribution to the welfare of mankind in the automobile, telephone, gramophone, radio, aviation, astronomy, chemistry, photography, electricity, medicine, and many other fields.

A NEW LEAGUE OF NATIONS

David Lawrence has studied carefully the new international plan of the United Nations, as drawn up at Dumbarton Oaks recently. He reports it offers nothing that is really new. All its provisions were embodied in the old League of Nations, he says, the only difference being the membership of the United States.

The nations simply are making one more attempt to correct international sins by the use of human wisdom and power. Meanwhile the white marble buildings at Geneva, which cost the old League millions of dollars, stand as silent witnesses to the futility of expecting permanent peace before the coming of Him who shall rule the nations with a rod of iron. The old League failed because God was left out. The name of God was not once mentioned in its proceedings. The new peace plan will fail for the same reason.

A CALL FOR CHRISTIAN LEADERS

General Dobbie, defender of Malta 1940-42 when that little island was "the most bombed spot on earth," makes the following appeal:

"Our nation has been through a hard school, and our people everywhere desire and seek to be led back to the old paths and the simplicity of the gospel of Christ. But we, as individuals, shall never be able to help our nation unless we ourselves are firmly grounded. We can only tell others what we know ourselves. Unless Christ means something definite and real to us, we can never get others to trust in Him. But if, in this matter, we are on firm ground, we should speak by life and lip—clearly, definitely, and without hesitation—about what Christ offers us and seeks from us. It is not a question of religion. It is a question of a Person, and that Person is the Son of God, who loves us and gave Himself for us."