

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

THY TESTIMONIES ALSO ARE MY DE-
LIGHT AND MY COUNSELLORS.



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Showers of Blessing

AT MUKTI, INDIA, 39 YEARS AGO

I MUST praise, and *praise*, and PRAISE the Lord, with all my heart, for all His goodness to me and mine. How great and wonderful are His mercies! He continues to bless His children at Mukti, lifting up the fallen, warming up the cold and lukewarm, healing our backslidings and loving us freely, according to His promises. I do not deserve the least of His goodness, but He is so "MERCIFUL and GRACIOUS, slow to anger, plenteous in mercy."

Early this year (1907) the Lord began to give us a fresh spiritual uplift, another and greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Most of the workers, and many of the girls and boys, have received greater blessings. The fruit of the blessing began to manifest itself in deepening spiritual life, continuance in earnest prayer, greater zeal in winning souls for Christ, increasing love, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. Some of our girls who have come under the power of the Holy Ghost have received a definite call to preach the gospel. Many of them have gone to Pandharpur to work with the lady missionaries of the Poona and Indian Village Mission.

It was noised one day, that some of the girls in the praying band were praying in different tongues. I had heard of the gift of tongues having been given to God's children in some other part of the country, so I was not surprised to hear about our girls praying in new tongues. I did not go very near these girls, lest I should

stumble them by taking too much notice of them; but quietly sat down, and praised God for doing something new for us.

One Sunday, as I was coming out of the church after the morning service, I saw some girls standing near the door of a worker's room. They seemed greatly excited and wondering. I soon found out the cause of their wonder. A girl was praying aloud, and praising God in the English language. She did not know the language. Some of us gathered around her in the room and joined her mentally in prayer. She was perfectly unconscious of what was going on; her eyes were fast closed, and she was speaking to the Lord Jesus very fluently in English. I had heard her and some other girls uttering only a few syllables. Some of them repeated certain words over and over again; some spoke one or more sentences, and some were simply groaning as if carrying a great burden of souls.

The Lord gave me a message from His Word by way of explanation of all that was happening, that I might not give any offense to anybody by putting my hand to the work of God and grieving the Holy Spirit. Here is the message:

"For with stammering lips and another tongue will He speak to this people. To whom He said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing; yet they would not hear. But the word of the Lord was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon pre-

cept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken." Isa. 28:11-17.

"In the law it is written, With men of other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people; and yet for all that will they not hear me, saith the Lord. Wherefore tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to them that believe not: but prophesying serveth not for them that believe not, but for them which believe." 1 Cor. 14:21-22.

These tongues were given for a sign for unbelievers among us, that they may see and hear of God's wonderful works and repent of their hardness of heart. The gift of prophecy was also given to many of the praying girls, so that they could give God's messages in very clear language, taught by the Holy Spirit. The believers and unbelievers were moved alike by

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by Pandita Ramabai



How to Receive the Truth

LYDIA A. WALSHAW

MAN is made by God a thinking and a reasoning creature; but he must have *the truth for a foundation* in order to *think* the truth. Otherwise his thinking and reasoning can only be speculative.

The young folk in our family adopted the following plan. If any word was used by any member of the family, as others thought, out of its meaning, or incorrectly pronounced, it was challenged. A certain agreed dictionary was appealed to, and whatever it declared was the spelling, pronunciation, or meaning of that word was accepted. There was an end to all controversy. There was nothing left to do but to practice it. This was a simple matter and answered well. If the children of God had done the same thing concerning their disputations, and had referred everything to the one authoritative book, the Bible, they would have been delivered from all doubtful disputations.

In our Lord's prayer quoted in John 17 we hear Him saying, "Thy Word is truth." Verse 17. Here we have a plain, simple declaration; and unless we are willing to believe these four words, spoken by our Lord in prayer, we may search diligently all our lives for truth and never find it.

Settle at once and forever in your heart before God that as for you, you will receive that declaration, and risk all your earthly and eternal happiness and well-being upon it. That is the rock to put your feet upon. Be assured that though heaven and earth shall pass away, His Word shall never pass away.

Had we been able to receive all that God desired to communicate to us in one word, there is such a word that He could have used. That word is *Christ*. But in order for us to get a clear concept of Him, He has used all the words from Genesis to Revelation to unfold to us Christ, the wisdom of God and the power of God. We see that the Scriptures are the words of God to reveal His Word. It is the whole of Scripture that makes the Word.

It takes the whole written Word for us to get a full revelation of Him who is described in John 1:1 as the Word. "In the beginning was the Word, and the

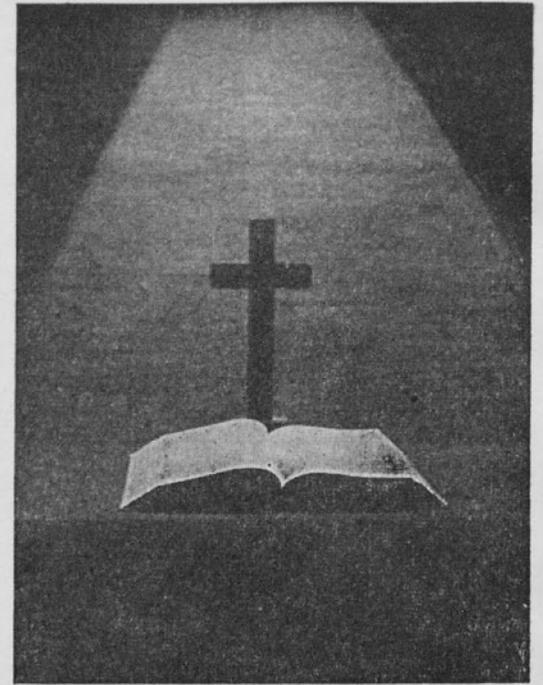
Word was with God, and the Word was God."

If all God's people would appeal their questions to His Word, and let Him settle them in His own Word, as our family did the dictionary, there would be an instantaneous cessation of disputation. God would be honored by our doing so. It is perfectly wonderful how the Scriptures deal with every phase of life in simple language that could be understood by a child.

The main difficulty is that so few Christians ever know where to look in order to find what they want. How is this? There has been no reverent, regular reading of the Word. No pains taken with it. It is used more as a scrapbook than a guide, and the eternal principles of God are lost sight of.

Beloved, take time every day to get alone with God and His Word, to learn what He has caused to be written, what is His good and acceptable and perfect will, and to learn to know Him of whom the Scriptures testify. He is indeed the way, the truth, and the life, and all you need for complete salvation. Linger long on the story of the Cross and learn its practical application in your life, not only blotting out all your sins, but enabling you to live a self-denying, sacrificial life through the Spirit that God will so graciously give you.

Alas, with so many who call themselves Bible students, there is so much in the Scripture they divide and subdivide and distribute—so much to the Jew, so much to the Gentile, so much to the church, so much to the past, so much to the future—that simple souls are bewildered and discouraged and cheated out of the living water and the rich pasture prepared for them by the Good Shepherd. There is, no doubt, a certain amount of truth in some of this overdone dispensational way of carving up the Word of God, but I believe that on the whole we are far better off without any such study because in following it, or having one's mind upon it, one overlooks the eternal principles that are laid down in these very passages, which apply to us as much at this moment as they ever did, or ever will to anyone.



Whatever God says is the truth. Christ Himself is the Word, the truth of God. The Scriptures are the written truth, Christ Himself is the living truth.

Now the point is, How may we get the truth of God into ourselves? Perhaps we will make it very simple by looking to see how the lie of the serpent got into mankind. There came a day when the serpent came and talked to Eve. He uttered words. Those words were "the lie." Eve listened and believed the serpent's words, received them into herself, and acted upon them, thus showing that she believed them. By so doing she received the nature of the serpent, which is "the lie," into her being. It was very simple. She took in the words of the serpent and quoted "the lie" in her. Just so, by taking the Word of God, His nature is received, and His truth is in us.

Eve demonstrated that she believed the words of the serpent; she acted upon them. We may always know when we believe the Word of God, for we too will be prepared to act upon them.

If souls were "born again," not of corruptible seed (the mere words of man), but by incorruptible seed (that is, by the Word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever), there would be no groaning and falling away of converts, because by so receiving this incorruptible Word the nature, the life of God would come into that soul and regenerate it.

Words are seeds, and they have the germ of life or death in them. Receiving Satan's word produces death, for in the day the man and woman partook they died to the truth, to God, and they lived to the lie, to sin, to the serpent. Christ

urged us to take heed how we hear, and to take heed what we hear, for He understood the full importance of words and how they reproduce themselves.

Think, for instance, of an agitator holding forth in an open air gathering. Think of some nice boys and girls sauntering up to listen to what is being said. They hear an earnest but one-sided oration on the wrongs of oppression of the class to which their parents belong. Up to that time they had never considered themselves wronged, but now they have *taken in*, without reserve, all that the man has been saying. The seed of hatred and distrust toward anyone better off than themselves, has been sown in their hearts, and it begins immediately to spring up and bear fruit (or rather, weeds). Whatever words *we receive*, whether of Satan or of God, germinate and bear fruit *after their kind*.

The words which are rejected are manifestly not planted in the soul, whether they be good or bad. Hence, if we do not receive the words of God, though we may hear them and read them we really reject them. And so, though we may be able to recite them, yet they are rejected until they are believed in such manner that we act upon them, as did Eve upon Satan's word. In Hebrews 4 we are told that the gospel was preached unto Israel,

but the word preached did not profit them, *because it was not mixed with faith*; that is, though they heard it, they did not *receive it* into themselves, so it did not reproduce itself in them.

Beloved, settle it forever in your heart that the Scriptures are the Word of God; and whatever you need or lack, go to His Word and find the very words that are suitable for your needs. Plant them in your heart, and your life will become a delight to God. His peace will garrison your heart and mind, keeping you in perfect rest, notwithstanding all the turmoil around you. You will have no perplexities about the inspiration of Scripture, nor about the perfect, sufficient, atoning work of Christ on Calvary, nor the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, nor divine healing, nor the second coming of our Lord, nor why this, or that, or the other is allowed. You will know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. You will know the living Word, the all-sufficient Savior, the One who will heal all your diseases, the One who will fill you with the Holy Ghost as He filled the hundred and twenty on the day of Pentecost, and the One who is shortly to be revealed as the King of kings and Lord of lords, who shall have dominion "from sea to sea, and from the river (doubtless the river Euphrates) unto the ends of the earth." Psalm 72:8.

sweet savor of Christ." 2 Cor. 2:15. We too must be like a coriander seed. When the seed is crushed, the perfume is brought out. And there must be a crushing process to bring out the sweet savor, the fragrant odor, of Christ. And so it is written, "For Thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." Psalm 44:22. It is as death worketh in us that the life is made manifest. 2 Cor. 4:10-12.

When Christ was in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard very precious; and she broke the box, and poured it on His head. Mark 14:1-3. We want to keep the lid on the alabaster box as long as we can, and Satan helps us; but the valuable ointment needs to be spilled, to be poured forth, to be emptied out. In the breaking of the alabaster box the Master was anointed and glorified, and the woman was made immortal. Let the lid come off; let the vase be broken if need be; anything, so long as the contents may flow out, that the ointment may be given to Him who deserves it.

Our Lord Jesus Christ is available in all His sweetness as ointment poured forth to those who desire Him. We are too much like Esau. We have the smell of the field upon us, instead of the fragrance of the ointment. The fragrance of the ointment is to counteract and smother the smell of Esau upon us. We cannot counteract the natural savor in ourselves, but Christ is able to subdue all things unto Himself—not necessarily in the future, but now in time—that we may be vessels unto honor, clean vessels, vessels that He can fill continually; that we may be a savor of life unto life, not only to those that are saved, but unto the Lord as well.

Our Lord Jesus resavors our savor and makes it acceptable to God the Father. He declares, "I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art Mine." Isa. 43:1. He imparts His own name, that name that is as ointment poured forth, unto His bride. His disciples are called Christians, Christ-ones! See that you do not have the wrong label upon you, and that you always have the right perfume, the ointment of His name. If you bear the savor of Christ, you will be as ointment ever giving forth a precious aroma.

The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God. He does not receive and cannot give forth this ointment. But the spiritual man receives the spiritual savor and it flows out freely.

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A Sweet Savor of Christ

IT is written, "Because of the savor of Thy good ointments Thy name is as ointment poured forth, therefore do the virgins love Thee." S. of S. 1:3.

The name of our Lord Jesus Christ, poured forth as ointment, is a balm for the sores of all the earth. It is an ointment that will heal every wound. The sweet savor of His name is saving the earth from corruption. The evil stench coming up from the earth to heaven is counteracted by the sweet savor of the ointment of His name.

The Christian or Christ-one should be a sweet savor, showing forth the fragrance of Him who is altogether fragrant, the Lily of the valley, the Rose of Sharon, the sweet-smelling Myrrh.

John saw an angel with a golden censer, to whom was given *much incense*, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne; and the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of

the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand. Rev. 8:3, 4. This incense is the fragrance of His name.

His name is sweetness to the ear; it is as honey to the mouth, and brings quickening to the soul. Has the Lord Jesus been precious to you? He is waiting and willing to be infinitely more precious. He wants to be sweetness in the essence. The manna on which the children of Israel fed, that came from heaven, was like "coriander seed white"; and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey. Ex. 16:31. Coriander seed is very small. It was food in essence, and a small measure kept a family going for a day. Jesus is the bread of life; He is food in essence. He wants to be to you as the manna, that substance like coriander seed, bread in essence. The heaven of heavens cannot contain Him, but He can be made like unto a grain of coriander seed, so that He can come into the innermost recesses of your spirit.

It is written, "For we are unto God a

THE EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

The Prospects of Peace

THE great concern of mankind at this time is peace—world peace. It is the subject under discussion at great conclaves of the nations' statesmen. Those considered great in the pulpits speak much on this theme, but they do not quote the Scripture, "There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked." They want a mantle of peace cast over lands abounding in iniquity. God, looking down and seeing man's iniquity, declares, "There shall be no peace," but wars and rumors of wars are determined until the end. And when man boasts that by his own devices he has at last brought about "peace and safety," then "sudden destruction cometh upon them . . . and they shall not escape." 1 Thess. 5:3.

THE SPIRIT OF COVETOUSNESS

The whole land of Israel was filled with iniquity, with Ahab the king and Jezebel the queen foremost in it. They were not content with what they had but wanted that which was another's. Ahab coveted Naboth's vineyard. That is the spirit of the nations. They are not content with the land they have. They fain would make excuses that they may obtain by carnal means that which is another's. Ahab coveted and Jezebel obtained by wicked means the vineyard that belonged to Naboth. But when Ahab went to possess this vineyard the prophet Elijah was there with a word from the Lord: "In the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, even thine." And when Ahab was slain and one washed his chariot, the dogs licked up the blood according to the word of the Lord.

"IS IT PEACE?"

Elijah was commissioned at Horeb to anoint Jehu to be king of Israel. He was charged to smite the house of Ahab and avenge the blood that Jezebel had shed. The day Jehu was anointed he went forth to execute judgment on the house of Ahab. At that time Ahaziah, king of Judah, was having a conference with Joram, Ahab's son, who was king of Israel. National rulers who confer together with the view to world peace do not count on God's judgments. The watchman on the tower of Jezreel saw in the distance a company coming. What was this? Joram sent out a messenger to inquire, "Is it peace?" But the man called upon to execute God's judgments knew

there was no peace for the wicked, and Joram's ambassadors brought back no peace message. A second messenger was sent forth to inquire, "Is it peace?" But he, too, was not able to bring back any tidings of peace. Then Joram and Ahaziah set forth to hold a peace conference with Jehu, but that was not in the mind of God, for a holy God was about to bring judgment upon unholy deeds and unholy lives.

THE JUDGMENTS OF GOD

Jehu drew his bow at full strength and his arrow penetrated the heart of Joram, and on the very plot of ground where the blood of Naboth and his sons had been shed, the body of Joram was cast—to be the portion of dogs. Jehu also brought judgment upon the king of Judah, who was smitten in his chariot and died at Megiddo. But that was not all. He rode into the city to bring judgment upon the wicked Jezebel. As he came to the house where she dwelt and she put her painted face out of the window, Jehu commanded the eunuch to throw her down, and they did. He trod her under foot. The word of the Lord through Elijah was fulfilled. In the portion of Jezreel the dogs ate the flesh of Jezebel. And then in Jezreel where the plot against Naboth had been fully consummated seventy of the sons of Ahab were destroyed.

JUDGMENT OF THE NATIONS

The world is full of covetousness, of

sin, of wickedness, of idolatry, of witchcraft. And a holy God looks down. Through the mouth of His holy prophets He has foretold judgments. Judgments are coming. Judgment will not be placed in the hands of a mere man, but the sword of judgment is going to be put into the hands of the Son of God. Men have coveted the land which God gave to the children of Israel for an eternal inheritance. In days to come the armies of the nations will be assembled in that land. They will be assembled in the valley of Megiddo, or, as it is called in the New Testament, Armageddon. When Jehu executed judgment upon Ahaziah, king of Judah, he died in the valley of Megiddo, or Armageddon, on the very field where the nations will meet their judgment. Filled with hatred of Israel, the nations will covet an evil coveting. But God will bring judgment upon them for their covetousness, and the covetous nations will meet with the sore judgments of God. The judgments of Jehu were great, but the judgments of the Son of God will be much greater. And a false church, filled with the spirit of Jezebel, shall also meet her judgment. The harlot shall be destroyed and will become the portion of dogs.

PRESERVING HIS OWN

In the 22nd Psalm we have a revelation of Calvary. In this revelation we see the prayer that was upon Christ's heart, a prayer for His own, His beloved. He loved His church and gave Himself for her, and as He was crucified He thought of His own and prayed for His darling that she might be saved from the dogs. He saw the dogs who would devour her. He desired that she should be preserved, that she should not have the fate of Jezebel, to be eaten of dogs, and so He prayed for her. When He was on earth He said to His Father, "I know that Thou hearest Me always." His prayer for Lazarus was heard, and Lazarus, although in the grasp of death, was released. And think you not that He who is in heaven ever interceding for His own, will not be heard of His Father as He prays for His darling that she might be preserved from the dogs, the dogs of war, famine, and judgment that are coming upon the earth? Yea, she shall be preserved, and those of His own who are in the grasp of death shall come forth from their graves, and they that are alive and remain shall be preserved and caught up to be forever with Him. Thus shall His darling be preserved.

THE REIGN OF CHRIST

But the harlot who has deceived the nations shall be the portion of dogs. And the nations, filled with fury, recognizing the evil of this harlot who has deceived

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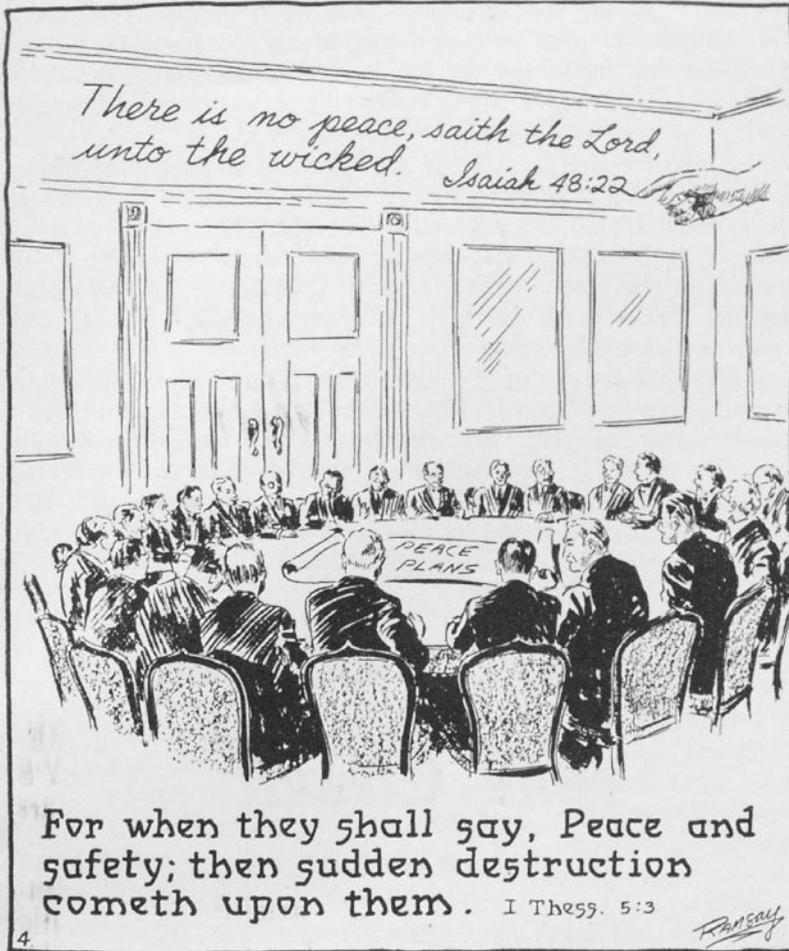
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HANDWRITING ON THE WALL



eternal righteousness and He shall reign forever and ever. Of His kingdom there shall be no end.

ETERNAL PEACE

The Lord Jesus Christ is the Prince of peace, and there is peace only through Him. There is peace through the blood of His cross. In the world there shall be tribulation, there shall be war, there shall be evil, but through Him there is peace. And men can have peace in Him. He says, "My peace I give unto you." He gives it to His own disciples who follow Him, to those who take His yoke, His burden. "My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you"—for there is no peace to the wicked. But His own

Three Maps

A CHRISTIAN business man who always kept three maps hanging above his desk was asked for an explanation. "These maps represent three stages of my life," was the reply. "Before I found my Savior I was a young and enthusiastic real estate dealer in this city. In those days I always had this map"—pointing to one of them—"before me. It is a map of a part of the city with certain additions and subdivisions in which I was much interested. In those days I didn't think of much else or live for much else but real estate.

"Then one day I found Christ, and I began to look farther. When I began to live outside my community I hung up another map. It is the map of my state and country, and my city is only a dot upon it. My real estate business doesn't show here.

"Last of all when I began to think of my Christianity in world-wide terms, I hung up another map—a world map. My real estate doesn't show here, even my city is gone, but I keep it to remind me that I am to live for the whole world."

A Savor of Christ

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However, it only flows out as it flows in.

"Because of the savor of Thy good ointments Thy name is as ointment poured forth, therefore do the virgins love Thee." One who knows the power of the name of Jesus Christ in salvation cannot but love Him. He transforms those who love Him. They are made lovely through the lovely One shining and manifesting Himself through them.

It is written, "The king's daughter is all glorious within (Psalm 45:13)," and He wants us to be all glorious without as well. He is working to that end. The Holy Spirit is working within, and Christ is working to put His own beauty upon His own. It is good to pray, "Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us." Psalm 90:17.

Sometimes this outward working of Christ is misunderstood. We forget that the chisel is just as necessary as the polishing. We are content that we shall be all glorious within but we resent the process without. However, the conforming process must be completed. Nothing is too precious for the King's daughter. Nothing is too expensive, because she is the choice of Him who is the Ishi, of Him who is altogether lovely. She is to be like Him.

them, shall be disillusioned. God will put it in the hearts of ten kings to destroy that harlot, that Babylon, that has been full of covetousness and has sought to have the rule over the nations. Judgment shall come upon the nations. Judgment shall come upon the great whore. And the One who executed judgment shall reign. Jehu reigned, then he fell. But the One who is coming to execute judgment is none other than the Son of God, and He will not fail. He will not be discouraged until the whole earth shall be filled with His righteous rule. He shall rule with His righteous ones and then there shall be peace. All iniquity shall cease; and the very dragon that has caused earth's iniquities shall be cast down to the pit.

PURGED BY FIRE

Iniquity arose in Israel after Jehu's judgments. And iniquity will appear once more at the end of the thousand years of peace, and judgment will once more be seen. Satan will be released for a short season. Then he and those who follow him will have permanent judgment. They shall be cast into the lake of fire. Then there shall be eternal peace. The whole earth, on which the wickedness of men has been seen, and the very heavens where the wicked spirits have been, shall be purified by fire. God will bring in

will have His righteousness, a righteousness which is by faith. And they shall have peace like a river, peace through His precious blood, grace and peace throughout all time and throughout all eternity. Amen.

A Safe Harbor

The captain of the old ironclad *Merrimac* was sceptical concerning spiritual things. One day the chaplain of a Soldier's Home, where he was staying, gave him this challenge: "Read the Bible, and mark in red anything you don't believe. Begin with the Gospel of John." With a glitter in his eyes, the captain accepted the challenge. Whenever the chaplain would pass the room where the captain was confined because of illness, he would stop and say, "Captain, have you marked anything yet?" The old captain would only grin and remain silent. A number of days later the chaplain stepped into his room to find him dead upon his bed. His Bible was open, and the chaplain began looking through the Gospel of John for red marks. Nothing was marked in all the first chapter nor in all the second, nor in all the third until he came to the sixteenth verse. Beside this one he found these words, written in red, "I have cast my anchor in a safe harbor, thank God."

The Lord Is Risen

ERNEST S. WILLIAMS ON NATIONAL ASSEMBLIES OF GOD
RADIO HOUR, SUNDAY, APRIL 21

THE Lord is risen indeed" were the words of the disciples who were gathered on the first Easter morning. What astonishment accompanied the words and what joy they begot. They had seen Him dying on the cross. Later they had sadly said, "We trusted that it had been He which should have redeemed Israel."

The stone had been rolled away from the sepulcher; angels had appeared in this solemn resting place to testify to the resurrection; gentle women, gone to the sepulcher hoping to pour ointments on His dead body, were asked, "Why seek ye the living among the dead?" Two disciples, walking toward Emmaus, were met by the risen Lord who expounded to them from all the Scriptures, beginning with Moses and on through the writings of the prophets, how Christ must suffer and then enter His glory. These were some of the confirmations needed to make sure to believing hearts that Christ had become victor over the last enemy which is death. He is risen! Hear the good news, Christ is risen!

If Christ were not risen we would yet be in our sins. His crucifixion is but one side of the gospel. His resurrection is equally essential. "Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification." We were sinners, condemned to perdition and unable to save ourselves. Then God in His

mercy provided a Saviour for us who died in our stead, making atonement for our transgressions that we might be freed from guilt and made heirs to everlasting life. This Jesus God hath raised up, having loosed the bands of death. Believe in Christ crucified to bear your sins. Believe in Him raised from the dead for your justification.

The resurrection of Christ was the great message of the early Christians. Listen to Peter. "This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, He hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear." In early Christianity the Holy Ghost, who came into believing hearts to testify to the resurrection of our Lord Jesus, brought with Him that which could be both seen and heard. They acted as if intoxicated. They spoke in other tongues. Miracles and signs attended their ministry. To them the Lord was risen indeed. God send upon us the resurrection power of the risen Christ and fill us with His Spirit. The Lord is risen; let all the earth rejoice.

A Three - Million - Mile Circuit

LESTER SUMRALL

THREE MILLION SQUARE MILES IS A TREMENDOUS PARISH FOR ONE MISSIONARY'S RESPONSIBILITY—but Nels J. Nelson's churches are scattered over such an area!

The northern Brazilian states of Para, Amazonas, Maranhao, Piauly, Ceara, with the federal territories of Acre, Rio Branco, Amapa and Guapare, are his parish. Gospel temples are now erected in *each* capital of the states and territories and in many of the other towns in the deep jungles of tropical Brazil. The total membership of baptized believers in his parish is over the 30,000 mark. The mother church in Belem, Para has almost 3,700 members enrolled!

A BIG MAN

Mr. Nelson is a six-footer, towering over most men he meets, carrying more than two hundred pounds around on his huge frame. He is soft-spoken and wears a continual smile. He greets more people on the streets, mostly businessmen, than any other missionary with whom I have labored. Whether in Manaus, Amazonas or in Belem, Para he is well known and well loved. The reason is simple: he devotedly loves the Brazilians and they reciprocate. An example of his good will is the time the governor of the state of Para visited his church to attend a meeting. The following day he returned the visit and presented the governor with a beautiful Bible. Later, the governor assured him that he enjoyed reading the Scriptures.

BORN AND REBORN

About the time the "wild West" was receiving world notoriety, a baby boy by the name of Nels was born in Sweden. When a small boy he read the blazing stories of Buffalo Bill and the exciting, careless lives of cowboys. Nels determined to migrate to the Western plains of America and become a cowboy. This adventurous young Swede was not slovenly in executing his decision; when only eighteen years old he departed his native land to seek his fortune in the fabulous new world.



Unpredictable as real life can be, robust young Nels never arrived upon the Western plains to round up cattle. God had something infinitely better for him than riding wild horses on the prairies. Traveling as far west as Minnesota, he first worked in a lumber business and later in a machine shop. The great turning point of his life came one morning during family prayers, when a godly uncle led him to a personal experience of salvation. Nels had been reared in the state church of Sweden, but had not experienced regeneration of soul. This wonderful spiritual revelation completely changed his life. He received a divine call to the ministry and zealously responded.

A BIG JOB

The burden of Brazil lay heavily upon the youthful minister; the call of God urged him to depart his foster-land and enlist as a missionary in the Amazon Valley of Brazil. When twenty-six years of age he started out for Brazil with no church guaranteeing his support. With a great smile he says: "A quarter of a century in the sweltering heat of Amazonas has produced many remarkable experiences."

In the first three months of language study he learned to speak Portuguese. For five months he traveled alone preaching the Word of God. One year after his arrival Nels purchased a thirty-foot river boat, powered by sails and motor, and christened it the *Boas Novas* (Good News). With this he determined to evangelize the inhabitants of the islands of the Amazon River. To remain free to preach and distribute gospel literature he carried a pilot, a cook and a seaman on board the *Boas Novas*. For three years Nels Nelson plied the muddy, turbulent waters of the Amazon presenting the good news to its poor, diseased and naked folk. He says that they were at that time the poorest people he had ever seen. Many of them possessed no clothes and their diet was fish and *farinha*. The children were undernourished, diseased and many had bloated stomachs.

Missionary Nelson had a difficult time. He often went hungry, sometimes having only a cup of coffee all day. Sailing was dangerous; the perilous "Pororoco" (the slashing backwaters of the Amazon, turned back by the tide) often beat upon the small craft. These are some of the most treacherous waters on earth. Here under the equator furious tropical storms beat upon them, ripping the sails to shreds, violently tossing the *Boas Novas*; the men often despaired of their lives. The Brazilian workmen became converted from experiencing God's deliverance many times.

In the beginning when the boat came to the islands, the primitive, ignorant people were fearful of the strangers and ran away hiding themselves. The missionary was obliged to wade through the deep mud looking for them. However, he was not discouraged, as many of the natives accepted the gospel.

Once on an island a wave of persecution broke out against the missionary and his followers. The opposition was led by a brawny, wicked islander. The mob spirit was so great Mr. Nelson was oblig-

Assistance for Aged Ministers

The time has come in the lives of a number of our ministers when they can no longer continue in active service. Because of age or infirmity they have stepped aside from the arduous duties of pastoral life. Few of them have been able to lay up in store for their declining days and they must be cared for by the younger members of the fellowship. By action of the General Council, a fund has been created for the assistance of worthy ministers of the Assemblies of God, and twice a year an offering is solicited in our assemblies for this need.

SUNDAY, MAY 26

has been designated as the day on which all of our assemblies will be given the privilege of contributing for the assistance of these aged ministers. We know that every reader of the "Pentecostal Evangel" will want to have a part in this benevolence. All offerings for our aged ministers should be sent to J. R. Flower, Treasurer, 336 W. Pacific Street, Springfield, Mo.

ed to leave the island at night on his boat. Most of the Christians on the island had to flee because of the persecution. But God vindicated. Soon after the ring-leader who led the sedition took leprosy and died! This terminated the persecution.

Three years of this primitive and difficult life broke the health of the big strong Swede. He was forced to give up the boat and island work and minister on the mainland. However, the seed had been planted in good ground. He left behind 1,000 baptized members on the islands. The work was continued by native pastors he had trained. Today there are seven self-supporting pastors carrying on the good work.

A BIG TRIAL

From his inland work and for eighteen long, weary years, Brother Nelson

suffered with malaria. Each year it returned to burn his body with relentless pain. Twice he fell ill with malignant malaria—a real killer. Once he was carried aboard a small river boat fifteen hundred miles up the Amazon and shipped home to die. But God delivered him. At present he has serious trouble with sciatica. His legs ache terribly and some days he can barely walk.

Missionaries of all denominations have come and gone in the Amazon Valley, but Nels Nelson carries on. His admirable family (wife and three children) sees him less than half the time, as he must superintend his enormous field of labor. While we were visiting his field, touching four of his five states, I was amazed to see how one man could care for so much work. When he is home, from early morning he dispatches telegrams and letters to all parts of the jungles, solving church problems and directing pastors.

The only possible way of superintending such an expansive circuit is to travel by air. For the past three years he has not traveled by boat; his engagements have been by plane. A single journey up the Amazon by sea plane and land plane was nine thousand kilometers! Last year he traveled more than one hundred hours in the air, flying from state to state for business meetings and Bible conferences. He actually does the work of a group of missionaries.

When other missionaries could not travel during the war, Nels Nelson was making thousands of miles by plane, with his case packed with Bibles, carrying the gospel to his far interior stations. The government granted him special priorities. Losing his health during the war, it was necessary for him to come to the States for a few months' rest. After recuperating he needed priorities to obtain a ticket by plane to Brazil. He wrote President Roosevelt—the answer was negative. He wrote Sumner Wells of the State Department—another negative answer. He wrote the Brazilian Ambassador in Washington—and in less than a week he had priority to travel to Brazil, to carry on his work on a THREE-MILLION-MILE CIRCUIT.

AT JOURNEY'S END

And when it is all over, and our feet will run no more, and our hands are helpless, and we have scarcely strength to murmur a last prayer, then we shall see that, instead of needing a larger field, we have left untilled many corners of our single acre, and that none of it is fit for the Master's eye were it not for the shadow of the cross.—Edward Garrett.

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It is as James says, "Hast thou faith? I by my works will show you my faith." We believe that at this present time nothing can be more effective in the demonstration of our love than this practical sharing with China of our material goods.—Howard C. Osgood.

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Reaching the Chinese Business Men

Henrietta A. Tieleman

THE business men of China are very hard to reach with the gospel. They work long hours, and under adverse conditions. Stores are open every evening, as well as Sunday all day. At various intervals their employer will give them time off to attend a theater or a gambling joint. But unless the employer is a Christian, he will not give his men time off to attend a gospel service.

Our Shansi men, who are the bankers as well as the business men of China, can be found in every province of the Republic. When the distance between their homes and place of business is great, they are away from home five and ten years at a stretch. Their employer provides their meals and sleeping accommodations as part of their remuneration. Most of our contacts with these men, have been when they came home on vacations, or as in a great many cases, after they had lost their positions—due to the fact that they had become hopeless opium or heroin addicts.

We thank the Lord for those whom He has saved from among this apparently hopeless class, setting them on the Rock Christ Jesus, and making them preachers of the gospel. In this class are such men as Elder Ch'ang I Ming, and Chou Rung Hsaing, who have been faithfully carrying on the work in the absence of the missionaries.

Brother Wong Chen, who in the absence of Sister Stephany is the superintendent of the Orphanage, was also a former business man. Knowing the habits and difficulties of the business men, he has thought of a plan whereby they may be reached with the gospel before they become victims of the narcotic habit.

The plan is this: Brother Wong takes a number of New Testaments and pastes a good sized envelope in the front of each, with the printed name and address of our Mission. Then he distributes these New Testaments in the various stores, asking permission for the clerks to read them at their leisure. If questions with regard to the Bible or the way of salvation should arise while reading, these questions are written on a slip of paper and put into the pocket provided for this purpose. After a month has elapsed, Brother Wong, or someone else,



● Standing (left to right), Clyde F. Ferguson, Pastor of First Church Assembly of God, Oakland, California; J. Mark Bell, Assistant Pastor; William Baltau, missionary to China. ● Inset, Commander Harvey M. Whitney.

Our China Relief Drive

FOR a number of months past the Women's Missionary Council of The First Church Assembly of God, Oakland, California, has been busy every day sorting, arranging, and re-packing the tons of clothing which have been pouring in for China Relief. The women have been using great steel drums in which to pack and seal the goods. It has been a gracious ministry, with promise of rich reward.

A few weeks ago they were able to ship fifty of these steel drums, packed with the clothing you have sent, aboard the Navy ship "Arneb," bound for Shanghai. Brother Arthur Ahlberg, our representative there, will receive the clothing upon its arrival. Commander Harvey M. Whitney, who by the way is a deacon in First Church, Oakland, was able to secure space on the boat so that this large shipment of clothing was taken across the Pacific free of charge.

Still more and more barrels are being packed, and at present there are again several tons waiting to be taken. No doubt this time most of the barrels will go in charge of Brother William Baltau, who expects to sail for Shanghai before this issue of the Evangel goes to press. Lula Bell Hough, also, will be taking many of these huge steel drums with her to South China to help meet the great need there.

It is expected that from now on there will be a constant stream of our missionaries returning to China, and we hope to have barrels upon barrels to send with each missionary who goes.

Missionary Advance in China

collects the Bibles, answers the questions, and returns said books to their original stores, for the clerks to continue their Bible study.

Since our only hope of evangelizing China lies in the preaching of the gospel by her own people, we need men in China who have a vision and who can under God be guided into fruitful ways of contacting the various classes of people. When the business men accept Christ as their personal Savior, they make fine preachers. Therefore, I would ask my readers to please join me in prayer for the business men of China, that hundreds of them might be saved and sent forth to preach the gospel to their own people.

Also please pray for the three men I have mentioned in this article—namely, Brethren Wong, Ch'ang, and Chou—as well as our other preachers, that God may use them in a marvelous way for His glory.

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Pentecost in China

Report of Revival Meetings held by W. W. Simpson in Kiangpu and Kaowaing, China, March 4 to 17, 1946.

Despite cold rains, muddy streets, damp earth floors and other inconveniences, the attendance was good. We had no fires, and only narrow backless benches for seats. But the people sat for two hours, eagerly listening as

I taught them of the Lord's gracious provision for every creature and exhorted them to be satisfied with nothing less than the fullness of the Spirit.

From the first day at Kiangpu the Spirit brought deep conviction. The entire room, 24x32 feet, became an altar. Some knelt on the damp earth while others stood. Such weeping and crying for mercy! Soon there was great rejoicing over sins forgiven. Then the real Pentecostal infilling with utterance in tongues was poured upon us. Some had visions of Jesus on the cross. Others felt as if crucified with Him.

March 11, I went on to Kaowaing. The hall was larger than at Kiangpu, but far too small to seat the crowds who came to witness the mighty working of the Spirit. Over three hundred Christians filled the room. Doors and windows were jammed with those who could not get in. At one time there were over thirty under the power of the Spirit, lying prostrate on the earth floor. Some were weeping, some speaking in tongues, interpreting, prophesying, seeing visions, etc. Eighty received the full Pentecostal Baptism.

The most important result of the meetings was the formation of six evangelistic bands to visit, distribute tracts and Gospels, and testify to every family in the entire region.

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Clothing for China

We are very happy over the generous response to the appeals for clothing for China's needy. Boxes upon boxes have been coming, until the amount now received can best be measured in tons—but for the hundreds of millions of needy folk in China, what we have is but a beginning. Won't you go to your attic or closet today and make an inventory, considering what you can spare for those less fortunate than yourself? Then make up as many parcels as you can. Be sure to mark each package "China Relief" and address it in care of Clyde F. Ferguson, 598 31st Street, Oakland, California. Only clean and usable materials and garments should be sent.

In addition to old clothing, new material in five-yard lengths, including overall blue denim, blue or white cotton material in both light and heavy weight, also outing flannels would be most acceptable.

Let us respond to the urgent appeal of the millions of China's homeless at this time. Don't delay! Do it today!—Howard C. Osgood.

Send contributions to Noel Perkin, Secretary, Foreign Missions Dept., 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Missouri.

News Flashes

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond DeVito have left for Argentina, with the hope that they may be able to enter Uruguay later.

A cable from Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Glaser announced their arrival in Liberia.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd H. Aud have left for Nigeria.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Williams arrived in Nyasaland, Africa, on March 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Blattner, missionaries to Venezuela, have arrived in the States for their furlough.

Ada Reitz, of Transvaal, South Africa, arrived in Boston on April 9, for furlough.

We are happy to welcome four new additions to our missionary family: Evelyn Ann, weight 8 lbs., arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Franklin, of Guatemala, Central America, on March 19.

Marian Kay, weight 7 lbs. 2½ oz., arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Palmer, of Lima, Peru, on March 22.

Twins—Richard George, 5 lbs. 4 oz., and Russell Walter, 5 lbs. 14 oz.,—arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence O. McKinney on March 23. Mr. and Mrs. McKinney are on furlough from Singapore.

A WARNING

We deeply regret that it is necessary to warn our *Evangel* readers and contributors that we strongly advise against sending money directly to native ministers and Christians of other lands since unfortunately, there are some who are taking advantage of the generosity of the American people and are writing, making appeals which are not justified. We recommend that all money for the support of native ministers or for the work on the mission field be sent through the Missions Department to be forwarded in care of our accredited missionaries.

We have just learned, to our sorrow, that one of the native ministers in Nigeria has gotten away from God, but he may still be contacting people whose names he received some time ago. We, therefore, urge against sending money to any native ministers, unless the funds are sent in care of a missionary who will be in a position to advise whether or not the worker is still going on with God and deserving of help.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS

March, 1946

Alabama	\$ 925.89	New Hampshire	30.16
Arizona	510.90	New Jersey	2,231.10
Arkansas	2,149.25	New Mexico	1,704.43
California	21,352.38	New York	5,828.93
Colorado	1,886.08	North Carolina	90.81
Connecticut	499.93	North Dakota	880.89
Delaware	597.01	Ohio	7,072.11
District of Columbia	686.36	Oklahoma	5,564.67
Florida	2,689.68	Oregon	4,157.97
Georgia	990.41	Pennsylvania	5,347.97
German Branch	241.10	Polish Branch	34.23
Hungarian Branch	10.00	Rhode Island	151.02
Idaho	861.68	South Carolina	150.52
Illinois	4,278.15	South Dakota	892.89
Indiana	1,743.99	Tennessee	1,045.90
Iowa	1,199.52	Texas	9,208.21
Kansas	3,184.35	Ukrainian Branch	34.85
Kentucky	449.16	Utah	8.11
Louisiana	303.78	Vermont	59.00
Maine	113.28	Virginia	1,284.49
Maryland	603.90	Washington	8,132.87
Massachusetts	363.23	West Virginia	453.12
Michigan	4,766.21	Wisconsin	2,430.27
Minnesota	3,300.21	Wyoming	325.52
Mississippi	260.15	Alaska	55.55
Missouri	5,904.65	Canada	202.60
Montana	1,070.32	Foreign	273.64
Nebraska	1,690.62	Legacies	1,874.05
Nevada	121.74	Miscellaneous	12,908.50
Total Amount Reported	135,182.31		
District Fund	8,368.35		
Office Expense Fund	2,256.03		
Literature Expense Fund	194.55		
Given Direct to Missionaries	14,995.48		25,814.41
Amount Received for Foreign Missions	109,367.90		
Amount Received for Home Missions	5,365.38		

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PALESTINE OR DEATH

A member of the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry reports that Jews in Germany are so desperate in their longing to return to Palestine that unless they are permitted to go to the Promised Land vast numbers of them will commit suicide.

CONVERTS FROM JUDAISM

"Conversions to other faiths are a 'river,' particularly among overseas veterans," says the alarmed President of New York's Jewish Theological Seminary. Half of the 4.6 million Jews in America are not affiliated with any synagouge. There are too few rabbis. Only 50,000 of the two million Jews in New York attend services in the synagogues!

THE SEEDS OF WAR

"It is our belief and the belief of many people close to the suffering people in China, India, and Europe that neglect of these people is laying the foundation of a third great war more terrible than any war for many centuries," said the American Association for China Famine and Flood Relief, in a telegraphed appeal to President Truman to call the churches to prayer.

FRANCE AN OPEN DOOR

The first train to leave Switzerland for France after the liberation, carried thirty tons of Scriptures in the French language—Bibles, Testaments, and Bible portions. There is a greater demand for God's Word in France, and a willingness to hear the gospel. Which "gospel" will they hear—the story of Communism, the message of Romanism, or the true gospel of Christ? France is a needy mission field. Don't forget to pray for her people.

DEATH ON THE HIGHWAYS

By December there will be three highway casualties every minute, or 180 every hour—five and a half times the casualty rate the U. S. suffered during World War II—predicts *The United States News*. Last July there were 27 traffic deaths every 10 hours. In February, 1946, the toll had risen to 35 every 10 hours, and by December it is expected to reach 50. Christians on the highways need to drive carefully and to pray for divine protection.

A "DISTURBANCE" IN CHURCH?

Is a man creating a disturbance when he says "Amen" during a church service? That is the question before the circuit court at Brookings, S. Dak., due to the fact that the Church of Christ is attempting to enjoin a certain old-time member from attending church on the charge that he disturbs the service by repeatedly shouting "Amen." Unfortunately there is no Assembly of God church at Brookings. If there were, this old-timer could go there and feel right at home. He could shout "Amen" there without being charged with disturbing the peace.

PATRICK HENRY'S WILL

When the great Patrick Henry's will was read, it was found to conclude with these words: "There is one thing more I wish I could give you. It is the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ. With it—if you have nothing else—you could be happy. Without it, though you had all things else, you could not be happy."

THE UNFINISHED TASK

Out of 2,000 tribes on the various mission fields of the world, half have no portion of the Scriptures printed in their native language. Only 200 tribes have the whole Bible. Another 200 have the New Testament only; while 500 other tribes have less than the New Testament. How much there remains to do, when 90% of the tribes are yet without the whole Bible!

A RECORD YEAR

The year 1945 set many records of which America can hardly be proud. For instance:

Liquor sales were the largest in history. Americans spent \$7,800,000,000 on alcoholic drinks—an average of \$58 for every man, woman and child in the country.

The 25,000 practicing astrologers in the U. S. had their best year yet. One took in \$50,000 from Wall Streeters alone. At least 162 big-town newspapers printed daily horoscopes. The five leading astrological periodicals had a combined circulation of nearly a million. One zodiac annual sold over a million copies of its 1945 edition at a dollar apiece.

Crime registered its largest annual increase in fifteen years. There were 1,565,541 crimes during 1945, compared with 1,393,655 in 1944. Every day 4,289 serious crimes are committed. One out of every 23 Americans has a police record.

And yet they still say this world is getting better!

GROWTH OF OUR FELLOWSHIP

A recent report from our General Secretary, Brother J. R. Flower, shows that our Fellowship has grown steadily during the past two years.

There are now 5,016 ordained ministers, 3,406 licensed ministers, and 1,225 exhorters or Christian workers, making a total of 9,647 having credentials.

There are 5,311 churches affiliated or cooperating with the Assemblies of God.

Our total membership has increased to 241,782 (not counting children, or those who attend our churches regularly without actually being enrolled as members, or some churches which failed to report.)

"To God be the glory, great things He has done." May our progress in the past never dim our vision of the millions who are yet unreached with the fulness of the blessing of the gospel which we hold in trust.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN FRANCE

The Constitutional Commission of the French Constituent Assembly has adopted a clause in the draft of the proposed new constitution calling for separation of Church and State and guaranteeing freedom of conscience and religion.

THE GOVERNOR'S QUESTION

Says Governor Robert S. Kerr, of Oklahoma: "The liquor interests claim that more liquor is consumed in prohibition states than in wet states. They either are lying or are crazy, or both. If dry states are consuming more liquor than wet states, why are the liquor interests spending millions of dollars trying to make dry states wet?"

"YES, WE HAVE NO BANANAS"

The value of our imports of rum, gin, whisky, and other alcoholic spirits from the other Americas rose from \$1,000,000 in 1938 to \$35,000,000 in 1944, according to the Office of Inter-American Affairs. During the same period imports of bananas fell from \$28,000,000 to \$20,700,000. We send missionaries to these lands and at the same time buy liquor from them. They must find it hard to understand.

A HARVEST IN JAMAICA

Evangelist Harvey McAlister is rejoicing over a gracious harvest of souls in the British West Indies. Writing from Jamaica on April 11, he stated: "Landed here on the last day of March on an evangelistic mission. This country is wide open for the gospel and there is such a response on the part of the unsaved. To date we have had 1,355 persons kneel at the altars for salvation. This does not include backsliders as they do not count them with the seekers for salvation. I have had as many as 115 come to get saved in a single service." On April 18 he expected to go on to Cuba for a similar work there.

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Dangerous Mission

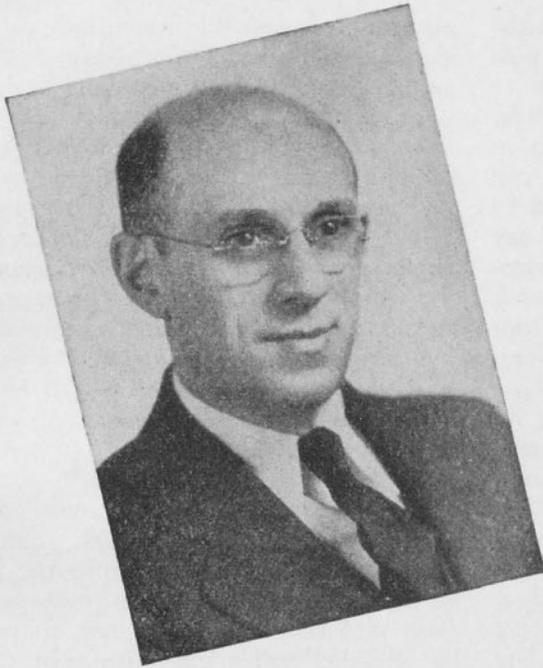
By Bernard Palmer



The WISTFUL NELL, whose many missions had been successful, was ready to go out on another mission—the most dangerous of all. When the big Flying Fortress crashed among the trees of Yugoslavia, the crew desperately wondered how they could repair the ship. God's answer will surprise you. Steve Embers and his crew were recommended for the Silver Star, but these words spoken by General Austin made Steve much happier: "The way you live has shown me that you have something I need. Will you show me the Way, Captain?" Price 60c.

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MYER PEARLMAN

and his books

YES, he was a teacher, a lecturer, a preacher. But how important it is to us now that Myer Pearlman was a writer, for he has bequeathed to us, through his books, a great spiritual inheritance.

For many years he prepared the copy for the Adult Sunday School quarterly and also most of the copy for the Adult Teachers' quarterly. For the two years preceding his death, he took special delight in editing "Reveille," our paper for servicemen.

His writings are rather like his personality. They are highly intellectual, often profound, yet presented in utmost simplicity.

His position on the faculty of Central Bible Institute has given his writings a practical touch, his Jewish ancestry has added a richness, the anointing of the Spirit has made them live! Thus, we highly recommend to you the books of Myer Pearlman.

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Showers of Blessing

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these messages, and a deep spiritual work began in our midst.

The girls who have received the gift of tongues are not using them for delivering Scripture messages, except those who have received the gift of interpretation. They pray, and praise God, and sometimes sing hymns unknown, and sometimes sing in known tongues.

The Lord is teaching many of us a word at a time, that we may become quite like babes, and learn to speak as the Holy Spirit gives utterance.

"And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions; and also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out My Spirit. . . . Before the great and the terrible day of the Lord come. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be delivered." Joel 2:28-32.

We think, with many of God's children, that the above is what is happening in our country, as well as in other countries. Those who know how to read the clouds, and prophesy about the weather, ought surely to know the signs of the times. I am not aware that anything like the present Holy Ghost revival has ever visited India before the year 1905. God the Holy Ghost is visiting us in a very special manner; the spirit of prayer and supplication has been and is being poured on our children and ourselves. We realize more and more that this is the time when we should give ourselves to prayer, and to the study of God's Word, and to do His bidding rather than criticize others.

Some special features of this revival have stumbled not a few: the shaking of the body and other physical demonstrations, speaking in different tongues, simultaneous prayer, and such other things. Most of these things are attributed to hysteria; alarming reports of people committing suicide, etc. have gone abroad and all such incidents have been attributed to the extraordinary condition prevalent among the people visited by the revival. Hence, friendly or bitter criticism on the part of some; and scornful silence and indifference to the revival on the part of others. All that I can say about the alarming reports is that in most cases mountains have been made out of mole hills; things have been greatly exaggerated.

I do not mean to say that all those who have come under the influence of the revival have turned into perfect people.

Even people who had been blessed on the day of Pentecost, and after that, in apostolic time, were not so perfect as not to be liable to make mistakes and backslide. We do not expect sudden perfection in those who are babes in Christ. Nor can those who are indifferent or opposed to these special features of this revival, say that they have attained spiritual perfection. I looked upon these features with much concern for some time, but did not try to interfere with God's work in any way, knowing that, "If this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought: but if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it; lest haply ye be found even to fight against God." Acts 5:38-39.

While praying to get an explanation of the matter, God showed me to look upon it in this way. When we go out to preach the gospel to the heathen, it becomes easy to suffer small or great persecutions. If the heathen and unbelievers throw stones at us, or pelt us with dirt and mud, we do not mind it. The Spirit of God enables us to bear these things. We take His help under such circumstances; we fully trust Him, and are kept by His power.

But suppose our own brothers and

sisters, professing the same faith, and living under the same roof, begin to throw stones at us and persecute us, speaking ill of us, and laughing at us, it is not quite so easy to bear this. The trouble is, we are off our guard; in such cases we do not take the life of Jesus and the strength of His Spirit to sustain us under any circumstance. When we are off our guard, we are offended at our brother and sister speaking and acting against us, and crossing our will. We forget, in such a case as this, to turn our left cheek to our brother who has struck us on our right cheek. Unless we have grace and strength to stand any kind of persecution in our own home, and in the household of God, we shall not be able to stand the great test of faith that is coming, before the Lord Jesus comes again for His own people. Dear children of God, do not, therefore, be offended and angry with your fellow Christians who are strongly criticizing you and avoiding you because you happen to be so yielded to the Spirit of God that you will be made fools to become a "spectacle unto the world and to angels and to men."

Some of the messengers of the Lord,

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who have been greatly used of God for the conversion of many, are strongly criticizing and trying to put down their fellow-Christians who believe the Lord has given them the gift of tongues, as mad and possessed with devils. The speaking in other tongues, perhaps, does not amount to more than speaking only a few intelligible words in other languages; sometimes these words are not intelligible at all. At other times they are nothing more than the first few syllables uttered by babes just beginning to speak. I have read articles and letters of great and godly men and women, warning people against this "so-called gift of tongues." My Christian experience does not extend over many years, but what I know of our people does not lead me to think that this "tongue movement" is of the devil, or is confined to only a few hysterical women.

So far as I can judge people by their daily life, I am convinced more and more that those who have received the gift of tongues have been greatly helped to lead better lives, and are filled with zeal for the salvation of others and are given to more earnest prayer than they were formerly. The Lord has been most graciously visiting His children at Mukti during the past two years, and He has blessed some with this special gift. Many others have not had this gift, but they have been much blessed in other ways. As a result of this visitation, these people are beginning to feel their responsibility to give the gospel of Christ to others. They are doing their work in a very humble way without being paid for it, and without expecting any reward in this world. They are magnifying Christ, giving Him all glory, and travailing in prayer for the lost souls living around them. They do not act foolishly, or do extravagant things in their daily life. They are very humble and unpretending people, walking in the fear of the Lord. This sort of fruit is not borne by the branches "of the vine of the earth," but is the fruit of the True Vine.

I see that God is doing great things for us and among us. We are so situated, in an out-of-the-way place, that our people here do not come in contact with the outside world, and what has happened here during this revival is not an imitation of anybody. Had these people who have come under the power of the Holy Ghost been mere imitators, they would certainly have shown their inclination toward that way before the revival came. For some of them lived here for ten, some for seven, some for five years, and yet they did not imitate the Christian missionaries working here or visiting this place, either in prayer or in preaching. We have all very closely watched them, and we do not find many such hypocrites among them. There

are certainly some bad people living here who pretend religiousness, but they can be easily distinguished from the truehearted Christians. They well know that they are known to many, and do not attempt to appear too religious.

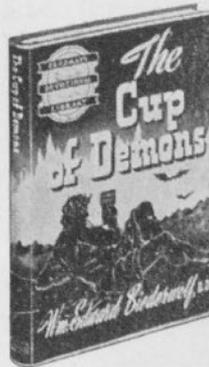
It is sad beyond all expression, that God's children, who have been praying for years for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all flesh, should now, when God is beginning to answer their prayer, be so hasty in judging and picking their fellow-Christians to pieces. I wish they would heed God's voice, and "Stand still and see the salvation of the Lord." It is not within human power to correct any if they choose to go on erring. The Lord's children can move the almighty hand of their heavenly Father, by prayer and intercession, dropping an occasional word of warning in a loving Christian spirit. This is what is needed more than argument and excommunications.

We need not suppose that those of God's children whose religion is not up to our special standard of religious propriety, have gone wrong or have been possessed with devils. The blood of Christ in which they trust with wholeheartedness, and the Spirit of God who has been poured out on them according to His promise, are able to keep them from errors. I have seen not only the most ignorant of our people coming under the power of revival, but the most refined and very highly educated English men and women, who have given their lives for God's service in this country, coming under the power of God, so that they lose all control over their bodies and are shaken like reeds, stammering words in various unknown tongues as the Spirit teaches them to speak, and gradually get to a place where they are in unbroken communion with God. I, for one, do not dare to put them down as a few ignorant and "hysterical women." I wish all of us could get this wonderful and divine hysteria, which makes these children of God so happy in Him, and so faithful in doing His work, and so travailing in prayer for lost souls that they cannot rest until they see the fruit of the travail of His soul.

May God Almighty increase the number of such people, that our country may be saved from idolatry, and from its dreadful filthiness. Nothing but a Holy Ghost revival will rouse our sleeping Christian Churches from their sleep of indifference regarding their own lost condition and that of their fellow men. There is no effectual remedy of all the evils prevalent in this country except in a Holy Ghost revival moving both Indian and foreign Christian people. Those of us who have been praying for a Holy Ghost

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By Wm. E. Biederwolf



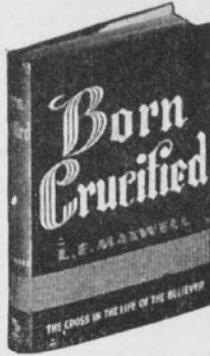
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revival for many years, must now thank our heavenly Father with all our heart, believing what Christ our blessed Saviour said:

"If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?" Luke 11:11-13.

We have been asking our heavenly Father to give us the Holy Spirit and not evil spirits. He has answered our prayer. We praise Him, we bless Him, we magnify His Holy Name, and we thank Him with all our heart.

Among the Assemblies

TALIHINA, OKLA.—We had a good meeting with Evangelist Gerald Council of Durant. Five were saved, 3 were reclaimed, and one received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Our Sunday School is growing.—Murrell Clay, Pastor.

EL CENTRO, CALIF.—We have had a 3-week meeting with Evangelist Clyde Henson, in which 13 were filled with the Holy Spirit and the church was definitely built up spiritually.—Kenneth R. Schmidt, Pastor, Assembly of God Tabernacle.

NORTH MIAMI, OKLA.—We have enjoyed an old-fashioned meeting with Evangelist Ray Ball, from Commerce. Seventeen gave their hearts to the Lord, and 3 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. We had large crowds, good music, special musical numbers. A good service each night. Our Sunday School is larger.—Harry Rogers, Pastor; by Cleo Revels, Church Secretary.

MILTON, FLA.—We have been enjoying an old-time, Holy Ghost revival conducted by T. E. Gilbreath of Hogansville, Ga. The power of God has been wonderfully manifested in our midst. In this 2-week revival, 16 were gloriously saved, and 9 were filled with the Holy Ghost. March 17, we gathered by the water's edge with 13 candidates for water baptism. Our neighboring churches joined us there, and we enjoyed a downpour of God's blessing. Sunday night, 13 new members were added to the church.—Nelle Wallace, Church Secretary.

LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS—A wonderful meeting was conducted here recently by Evangelist B. Owen Oslin of Ft. Worth. Many were reclaimed. Some young men were saved. Several received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, among them being the pastor of a church which does not endorse or preach the evidence of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Our Sunday School has reached a new record in attendance, and the church has taken on new life. There were some very definite healings. The days of Pentecostal revivals are not over. Visiting ministers are welcome.—Scott F. Mitchell, Pastor.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—We are in the midst of a real spirit of prayer here at the Trinity Gospel Tabernacle, 5406 Monte Vista St. The saints are giving themselves night after night to waiting on God. Tender movings of the Spirit sweep over the praying people. Meltings, tears, old-time intercession, are followed by waves and billows of glory and gales of holy laughter. God is leading us out in faith into new places in Himself. These special prayer revival services are held in remembrance of the fortieth anniversary this month (April) of the outpouring of the Spirit here in the city of Los Angeles. Other localities too, around us, are experiencing the glory of God in searching, in converting, in baptizing, with mighty power.—E. Jeannette Jones and Zelma Argue, Co-pastors.

SEBASTOPOL, CALIF.—We had a week's meeting with Roy Whitt as the evangelist. A number were at the altar every night and some prayed through to a definite experience of salvation. The entire church was blessed by the anointed preaching of the Word.—J. L. Jeffrey, Pastor.

SMARTT, TENN.—We have just closed a glorious campaign with Evangelist Floyd Olson. Two from another faith who had never been born again were saved, as well as 11 others who professed to know Christ as their personal Saviour. The church was greatly revived and refreshed. It was the greatest revival in the history of the church.—Thos. F. Harrison, Pastor.

FORT WORTH, TEXAS—We have concluded a 2-week pre-Easter campaign in the Riverside Assembly with Evangelist Donald Walker of Fayetteville, Ark. Night after night, we witnessed the power of God working in our midst. The timely and anointed messages of our brother proved a great blessing to the excellent congregation throughout the meeting. There has been a continual revival spirit in the church for the last six months, and this recent campaign has been a stepping stone to a great awakening.—Elbert R. Wilkinson, Pastor.

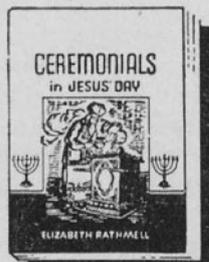
WASCO, CALIF.—We have had a very good revival, the best since I have been pastor here. Cecil E. Grice of Orting, Wash., was the evangelist. The crowds were very good. A large number of children were saved. There were also several adults who were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit as a result of the meeting. The whole church has been revived and souls are still being saved.—T. C. Gameson, Pastor.

GEARY, OKLA.—We have just closed a very profitable meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. V. E. Wilson. Three were saved, 3 were reclaimed, and 3 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Much good was accomplished. Our Sunday School has shown a steady growth since our arrival here eight months ago. The first Sunday we were here only 21 attended, but last Sunday there were 98 present, the number having doubled during the revival. We appreciate the ministry of Brother and Sister Wilson and their faithfulness around the altar. Brother Wilson is an anointed minister of the Word especially concerning the fundamentals of Pentecost.—T. J. Kirk, Pastor.

CLAREMORE, OKLA.—We thank God for an old-time, Holy Ghost revival with Lee Krupnick, Christian Jewish Evangelist, and Mrs. Krupnick, of Tulsa. These evangelists believe in letting the Holy Ghost have the right of way. They are deep in the Word of God and yet expound it with such simplicity that children enjoy hearing them. Every night for 3 weeks the church was crowded to capacity, people coming from various denominations, and we had to use extra rooms to seat the overflow crowds. Children sat on the altar benches. Some people came a distance of 150 miles to attend the meetings. Many attended for the first time. Our church was greatly benefited by these services and our people were drawn closer to the Lord. Twenty-five were saved, 6 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, and several sick were healed. Brother and Sister Krupnick are especially interested in the Christ's Ambassadors and are truly co-operative. Their untiring work at the altar inspires people to remain and pray for hours. Their message is directly to the unsaved.—C. O. Haymaker, Pastor.

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Coming Meetings

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BASSETT, NEBR.—May 5—; Dewey L. Heath, Chandler, Okla., Evangelist.—Herman Rhode, Pastor.

OKMULGEE, OKLA.—All-day Fellowship Meeting Revival Tabernacle, North Bryan, May 14. Leo Swicegood is pastor.—Hobart Jennings, Secretary.

NEWCASTLE, IND.—May 5—; Dorothy Fowler and Myrtle McBride, Evangelists.—John E. Rogers, Pastor.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.—4737 Canal St., April 21—; Evangelist and Mrs. R. W. Prince, Boston, Mass.—T. Horace Clark, Pastor.

TURTLE CREEK, PA.—368 Larimer Ave., April 23—May 9; R. L. Bartlett, Evangelist.—K. W. Wilkerson, Pastor.

HAMBURG, ARK.—May 5, for 2 weeks or longer; Mrs. Lee F. Stokes of Eureka Springs, Evangelist.—C. I. Myers, Pastor.

CAMDEN, N. J.—570 Walnut St., April 28—May 12; George James, Alexandria, Va., special speaker.—Harold W. Barnes, Pastor.

PUXICO, MO.—Revival in progress; R. M. Crenshaw of St. Louis, Evangelist.—Walter Hardy, Pastor.

KERMAN, CALIF.—May 12—; Evangelist and Mrs. Vinton E. Huffey.—Earl T. Hunt, Pastor.

LAKE CITY, MINN.—May 5—; Evangelist and Mrs. James C. Kofahl.—Edgar C. Kofahl, Pastor, 217 N. Sixth St.

GRANITE CITY, ILL.—May 1—; Evangelist and Mrs. C. Merrill Johnson of Peoria.—Walter H. Smith, Pastor.

FORT MADISON, IOWA—Meetings in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. V. H. Mathan, Mathan Musical Evangelists.—W. E. Longdin, Pastor.

GUTHRIE, OKLA.—April 23—May 12; Evangelist and Mrs. Lee Krupnick of Tulsa.—W. C. Drain, Pastor.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Palm at Jefferson, April 21—; Mark B. Paddock of Kansas City, Evangelist.—Henry Hoar, Pastor.

FAYETTVILLE, ARK.—First Assembly; meeting in progress; Ernie Reb of Alaska, Evangelist.—G. W. Pitts, Pastor.

CLEVELAND, OHIO—W. 91st and Willard Aves., May 5—; Wm. F. A. Gierke, Los Angeles, Calif., Evangelist.—C. W. Loenser, Pastor.

SPOKANE, WASH.—"All for Christ" Crusade, Beacon Chapel, April 30—May 12; Evangelist and Mrs. Paul Hild, Fargo, N. Dak.—S. A. Williams Jr., Pastor.

FORT SMITH, ARK.—Dodson Avenue Assembly of God; May 5, for 2 weeks or longer; The Gospel Music Makers, Frank, Gladys, and Dorothy Lummer, Davenport, Iowa, Evangelists.—C. A. Lasater, Pastor.

ELKHART, IND.—Johnson and Baldwin Sts., May 12—; Young People's rally, May 17. Evangelist E. Wm. Anderson, Oakland, Calif., speaker at both meetings.—Truman S. Lowell, Pastor.

SIoux CITY, IOWA—Central Assembly of God, 9th and Court Sts.; meetings in progress; The Skonedeen Family, Evangelists.—Gerald F. Houk, Pastor.

SANTA CRUZ, CALIF.—Glad Tidings Tabernacle; meeting in progress; Arthur M. Otteson, Minneapolis, Minn., Evangelist and Gospel Singer.—Raymond P. Murray, Pastor.

LATIN-AMERICAN BIBLE INSTITUTE

Commencement, Latin American Bible Institute, Ysleta, Texas, night, May 13. Noel Perkin, speaker. Program in Spanish. Public invited.—Kenzy Savage, Superintendent.

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PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Greater Philadelphia Area C. A. Rally, Italian Pentecostal Church, 16th and McKean Sts., May 4; J. Robert Ashcroft, West Hartford, Conn., speaker.—Anthony A. Marinacci, Chairman.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—First Assembly of God, 4401 W. 14th St., May 5—12; Stanley H. Frodsham, Editor of Pentecostal Evangel, special speaker. Services daily, 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., except Saturday.—Robert C. Sellers, Pastor.

C. B. I. ALUMNI MEETING

The annual banquet of the Central Bible Institute Alumni Association will be held Saturday evening, May 25. The business meeting will be Monday morning May 27, at 10:30 o'clock. Alumni desiring rooms for Commencement time, write J. Bashford Bishop, Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo., informing him of the time of your arrival.

OKLAHOMA SUNDAY SCHOOL CONFERENCES

Oklahoma Sectional Sunday School Conferences: McAlester, May 6—7; Hominy, May 9—10; Mooreland, May 27—28; Hugo, May 30—31. Conferences beginning on Monday will convene for the first session at 7:30 p.m., with four sessions on Tuesday. Those beginning on Thursday first session 7:30 p.m., and continuing through Friday night.—Sunday School Department.

CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

BLOOMINGTON, IND.—The Annual Meeting of the Central District Council will be held May 6—9, at the Methodist Church, Bloomington, Ind. For reservations write Pastor Roscoe Russell, 105 W. Grimes Lane, Bloomington, Ind.—E. E. Bond, District Superintendent; by T. E. Hartshorn, District Secretary, 108 Buckeye St., Dayton 2, Ohio

ILLINOIS DISTRICT COUNCIL

The 24th Annual Meeting of the Illinois District Council will be held at the Gospel Tabernacle, 511 Spring St., Alton Ill., May 7—9. Credentials Committee will meet May 6, 2:30 p.m. Ernest S. Williams, guest speaker. Rooms provided as far as possible. Write H. A. Hamilton, host pastor, for accommodations.—W. R. Williamson, District Superintendent.

NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE

Third Annual Conference, New York-New Jersey District, Bethany Pentecostal Church Broadway and Summers Sts., Paterson, N. J., May 7—9. David H. Leigh, host pastor. Opening rally, May 6, 7:30 p.m. Missionary service, May 8, 7:30 p.m. Ordination service, May 9, 7:30 p.m.—Robert T. McGlasson, District Secretary, 257 East 10th St., New York 3, N. Y.

KANSAS SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS

Kansas Sunday School Conventions: Kansas City, 934 Scott Ave., May 6; Topeka, 610 Lime St., May 8; Osborne, May 10; Oberlin, May 13; Dodge City, 700 Avenue D, May 15; Pratt, 6th and Hamilton, May 17; Wichita, Lincoln and S. Main, May 20; Chanute, 517 W. Chestnut, May 22; Baxter Springs, May 24. Ralph W. Hillegas and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kirschke, speakers.—Sunday School Department.

LOUISIANA DISTRICT CAMP MEETING

The Louisiana District Camp Meeting will be held at the First Assembly of God, 69th and Henderson Sts., Shreveport, La., May 13—19. J. O. Savell, Goose Creek, Texas, night speaker. A Ministers' Institute will be conducted May 14—16; G. F. Lewis, director. Rooms furnished as far as possible, but no meals. For further information write S. A. Rice, Pastor, Box 33, Cedar Grove Station, Shreveport, La.—L. O. Waldon, District Secretary.

MINNESOTA S. S. CONVENTIONS

Minnesota Sunday School Conventions: Willmar, May 1—2; St. Cloud, May 6—7; Brainerd, May 8—9; Detroit, Detroit Lakes Tabernacle, May 14—15; Thief River Falls, May 15, 17. The foregoing conventions begin at 7:30 p.m. the first day, then 3 services the next day. Minneapolis, North Central Bible Institute, May 3, 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., and May 5, 3 p.m.; Hibbing, May 10, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.; Bemidji, May 13, 7:30 p.m.—Sunday School Department.

OKLAHOMA SECTIONAL COUNCILS

Oklahoma Sectional Councils: Northwest Section, Fairview, May 13—15; Elmer T. Watkins, Pastor. Northeast Section, Claremore, May 20—22; C. O. Haymaker, Pastor.

First service, C. A. Rally, 7:30 Monday night; T. C. Burkett, District C. A. President, in charge. Meetings: Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., and 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. Last service, Licensing service, Wednesday afternoon. Election of Presbyter, and S. S. and C. A. Representatives, Wednesday afternoon.

All those desiring license or exhorter's permit, meet the members of the District Board at these Sectional Councils. Licensed Ministers and Exhorters, get your renewal blank at one of these Sectional Councils.—V. H. Ray, District Secretary-Treasurer, P. O. Box 1341, Oklahoma City 1, Okla.

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ROCHESTER, N. Y.—Missionary Convention, Bethel Full Gospel Church, May 19—26. Services each evening; afternoon services Tuesday through Friday. Missionaries participating: H. C. Ball, Field Secretary, Latin-American work; Jessie Wengler, who was in Japan during the war; and Fred Burke of Africa.—Chas. R. Shuss, Pastor.

ALABAMA SPRING CONVENTIONS

Alabama District Sectional Spring Conventions: Northeast Section, Leeds, May 6—7; J. B. Davis, Presbyterian. Northwest Section, Liberty Assembly, Millport, May 13—14; O. C. Hickman, Presbyter.

Daily Program for each Convention: Monday, 7:30 p.m., a big World Missions Rally; Doris Malone, returned missionary and representative of Foreign Missions Department, Springfield, Mo., speaker. Tuesday, 9:30 a.m., Prayer Meeting; 10:30 a.m., message by Marvin L. Smith, District Superintendent; 2:00 p.m., Sunday School lecture by A. T. Hickman, Educational Secretary of the District; 7:30 p.m., a big C. A. Rally, W. T. Davis, State President, special speaker.

All ministers expected to attend conventions in their respective sections. Ministers and one duly elected delegate from each assembly in the section will elect their District Presbyter. All applicants for credentials of any kind to preach, for renewal of exhorter and license permits, and those applying for ordination required to meet their Sectional Credentials Committee in person.—Marvin L. Smith, District Superintendent.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

WANTED—Gospel tent, at least 28x40, in good condition. Also public address system. Write particulars.—T. J. Howard, Box 275, Clayton, N. Mex.

NEW ADDRESS—Box 5, Colquitt, Ga. "We have accepted the pastorate here."—T. A. Hall.

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NEW ADDRESS—1221 America Ave., Bemidji, Minn. "I have taken over the pastorate of the Gospel Tabernacle in Bemidji."—George Rasmussen.

NEW ADDRESS—636 W. Washington St., Petersburg, Va. "I have recently accepted the pastorate here."—T. B. Pierce.

NEW ADDRESS—Box 44, Rangely, Colo. "The District has sent us to pastor the church here."—Ralph H. Ewing.

NOTICE—O. E. Eldridge, formerly of Berryville, Ark., (instead of Harrison), has accepted the pastorate at Sunray, Texas.—Mrs. Nuel Sanders.

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