



Called, Held, Kept

*Called in Christ unto a holy calling,
Called to be renewed in righteousness,
Called to show His praises everlasting,
Called assuredly to pray—and bless.*

*Held by Christ, in arms of mighty shelter,
Held in Him against the stormy gale,
Held securely in His gracious shielding—
Held above whatever would assail.*

*Kept in Christ in covenant relation,
Kept in Christ, though arrows fly by day,
Kept in Christ to know His love forever;
Kept in Christ to walk the narrow way.*

—FLORENCE MOTT



The NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD **PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL**

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Should Christians Keep the Seventh Day?

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THE Sabbath question has kept many minds in a state of perplexity and unrest. Certainly they are entitled to a clear-cut answer to their problem; but since opposing factions give a wide variety of answers, each group using weighty arguments, the honest inquirer often finds himself in a worse fog after his inquiring than before. Too often the seeker for truth finally decides to accept his instructor's opinion without being convinced from the Word of God to his own complete satisfaction. I hope that what I write regarding this question will rest solidly upon the teaching of the entire Word of God.

If the Scriptures teach that the Ten Commandments, as found in the Book of Exodus, are binding upon Christians, then we may as well admit that the Sabbath of that code is binding. But the Bible does not teach this. In Hebrews 8 we read that Christ "is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises. For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second. For finding fault with them, He saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers. . . . In that He saith, A new covenant, He hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away."

Please note the words Better Covenant, First Covenant, Second Covenant, and New Covenant. The Scriptures speak of two covenants—one better than the other; the second not according to the first.

Moses was the mediator of the First Covenant. This covenant was made at Mount Sinai (sometimes called Mount Horeb). It was made with the children of Israel. It was sealed with the blood of an animal sacrifice. It was conditional, on man's part, on obedience to the Ten Commandments.

But the time came when a new order was to be ushered in, and a new covenant was to be made. The prophet Jeremiah was the one who announced it. Said he: "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was

an husband unto them, saith the Lord. But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be My people. . . . I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more." Jeremiah 31:31-34.

This is clear: a new covenant was to be made with the people of God, which would be better, and which would take the place of the old. Read 2 Corinthians 3, and see how Paul contrasts the Old Covenant with the New in that chapter:



THE OLD COVENANT

1. Old: Ex. 34:27, 28
2. Mediator: Moses. 2 Cor. 3:7, 13, 15
3. Engraved on stone: v. 7
4. Written with ink: v. 3
5. Was glorious: v. 7
6. Ends in condemnation: v. 9
7. Leads to bondage: Gal. 5:1
8. Ends in death: 2 Cor. 3:6, 7
9. Was temporary. vv. 7, 11

THE NEW COVENANT

- New: Jer. 31:31-34
- Mediator: Christ. 2 Cor. 3:3, 4, 14; Heb. 8:6; 9:15
- Written on heart: 2 Cor. 3:2, 3
- With the Spirit: v. 3
- Exceeds in glory: v. 10
- Justifies: Acts 13:38, 39
- Brings liberty: 2 Cor. 3:17
- Life eternal: v. 6
- Permanent: v. 11

Some who believe in keeping the seventh day may try to dodge the force of this argument by claiming that in 2 Corinthians 3 Paul refers to some other law than that which was engraven in stone. A comparison of Deuteronomy 10:1 with 2 Corinthians 3:7 shows clearly that Paul means the law of the Ten Commandments.

Seeing, then, that the Old Covenant has passed away, we might ask, What is the content of the New Covenant? Does the New Covenant command the observance of the seventh day of the week?

If the Ten Commandments, as given in the Old Covenant, are done away, then are Christians left without the Ten Commandments? Is the Christian free to take God's name in vain, to kill, to steal, and so on? Assuredly not, for the New Testament forbids all these sins.

Let us examine the Ten Commandments in Exodus 20, one by one, and see what the New Testament (or the New Covenant) says about them.

1. The First Commandment says, "Thou shalt have no other gods before Me." This is a command against idolatry, against the worship of false gods.

The New Covenant contains strong language forbidding idolatry. Consider a few passages: "Neither be ye idolaters, as some of them." 1 Cor. 10:7. "Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry." 1 Cor. 10:14. "Little children, keep yourselves from idols." 1 John 5:21. We may not be tempted to bow down to idols of wood or stone, but we may make pleasure, money, or worldly fame our god. If we put any of these things ahead of God, we are idolaters. If we care more for the favor of men than for the favor of God, or if we spend time and money on worldly things which ought to be given to Him, we have made these things our idols and have become idol-worshippers. To do such is to disobey God, and disobedience is sin.

2. The Second Commandment reads, "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image. . . ." This command is also against idolatry—that element in idolatry that sets up an image of God or of other objects of worship.

The New Covenant teaching is clear concerning this sin. Jesus said: "True worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth." John 4:23. Christians must worship with the heart, and not merely in form. Spiritual worship is that which does not depend on ritual and ceremony, on outward pomp and form, but which arises from the heart to God in any time and place. "The Father seeketh such to worship Him."

3. The Third Commandment is, "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain." They were forbidden to profane God's name.

Christians have a similar commandment, that reaches even farther. "Swear

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A Bengali Pentecostal Heroine

DOROTHEA Chandra was a Bengali; that is, a native of Bengal, India. She was born in 1874, to Christian parents, and was educated in Christian schools.

At the tender age of eighteen she felt called to leave her home and join an older woman in missionary work. But who ever heard of a young girl, belonging to a respectable Bengali family, leaving the shelter of her father's home to go out into the villages to work, and to go out alone? In 1892 it seemed unthinkable. Yet with singular daring, Dorothea violated every tradition and went out alone. All honor should be given to the well-to-do parents who, recognizing the call of God upon their daughter, bowed their wills in resignation, though with breaking hearts and much misgiving.

Dorothea worked with Miss Adam in Deoghur for a number of years, preaching and teaching in the villages about the Lord Jesus. After the death of Miss Adam, Dorothea went to the Orphanage at Allahabad to visit a friend and fellow-Indian, Miss Chuckerbutty. Miss Chuckerbutty had just lost her mother, and Dorothea thought that the Lord was leading her to spend only a few days at the Orphanage. So she bought a return ticket. But on her arrival at the Orphanage she found herself in an atmosphere of prayer, weeping, and confession of sin. To think that the hearts of these little orphan girls had been so filled with a consciousness of the awfulness of sin! They were getting their first glimpses of "Holiness unto the Lord," and were being led to repent.

This was at the time of the first outpouring of the Holy Spirit in India. As the Spirit at creation brooded over the face of the waters, so it seemed that He was hovering now over the heads of these girls to crown them with cloven tongues of fire, a purifying crown, a crown of glory. Miss Chandra was swept under this mighty influence of the Holy Spirit. It was her introduction to Pentecost. Never had she seen anything like this. She began to wonder if, after all, her place was here with Miss Chuckerbutty who, now that her mother had passed away, needed a co-worker for the boys' department.

"Lord, if Thou dost wish me to work here, then baptize me with Thy Holy Spirit," she cried. The Lord heard. She fulfilled the conditions—became an emptied and cleansed vessel—and

THE STORY OF DOROTHEA CHANDRA as Told by Henrietta Wise and Jeanette Wight

the Lord whom she was seeking suddenly came into His temple, as she heard herself speaking "with other tongues as the Spirit gave her utterance." From that time on, Miss Chandra and Miss Chuckerbutty lived and labored together.

A friend who witnessed her baptism said that as soon as Miss Chandra was filled with the Spirit, she rose from her knees, and with a far-away look in her eyes walked right over to the boys' house, where they were having their dinner. Standing at the entrance, she called, "Repent, repent. The Lord is coming soon!" Immediately all the boys fell "as one man" to the floor before the mighty power of God, and the revival soon broke out there also.

For a long time before this, the Lord had been preparing Miss Chuckerbutty for this revival. She had heard about the Holy Spirit falling in other places, but she wished to know the truth for herself. She locked herself up in her study and spent long hours searching the Scriptures. And the Holy Spirit who saw her sincerity and humility did

indeed become her Teacher. It seemed to her He was seated in the chair opposite hers, flashing the truths into her spirit, as with open Bible and bowed head she waited. Thus she was baptized with the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4 and came to know that the Holy Spirit falls on believers now as on the apostles at the beginning of the Church Age.

The Spirit's presence was very manifest during those days in the Orphanage. Waiting one morning for the breakfast gong to be sounded, a suggestion was made to spend the intervening moments in prayer. But in a few minutes such a spirit of intercession had seized that little group of teachers, that the gong went unheeded; and the girls on duty, coming to announce that breakfast was getting cold, were so caught with the spirit of prayer that they ran back and dropped on their faces before God. Thus it happened all those weeks: meals, classes, programs of work were all swept aside. The Lord was in the midst in mighty power. Nothing else mattered. The revival fire took everything before it. Prayer, prayer, prayer was the order of the day.

On one occasion when prayer was being made in a certain room, one afternoon, there came a sound as "of a rushing mighty wind," apparently betokening the near approach of a storm. But on stepping out to ascertain the state of the weather, Miss Chandra was surprised to find that there wasn't a leaf stirring in the garden. The Holy Spirit had come in demonstration and in power.

Late one evening there was a terrific noise. From the gate some one was calling, "The house is on fire." Miss Chandra rushed to the spot. Yes, there was fire; but it was "cloven tongues like as of fire," which were descending on a particular corner of the building where a group of girls were praying and praising. The flames were playing over them as they, unheeding, lay prostrate on the floor before the Lord.

Passers-by on the street marvelled as they heard the voices of little children raised in supplication and praise. Missionaries in the station came to see and to question, "What meaneth this?" Miss Chuckerbutty gave audience to all; and on one occasion sat surrounded by missionaries and ministers of many denominations, answer-

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OTHERS

Lord, help me live from day to day
In such a self-forgetful way
That, even when I kneel to pray,
My prayer shall be for OTHERS.

Help me in all the work I do
To ever be sincere and true,
And know that all I'd do for you
Must needs be done for OTHERS.

Let "self" be crucified and slain
And buried deep: and all in vain
May efforts be to rise again,
Unless in love for OTHERS.

And when my work on earth is done,
And my new work in heaven's begun,
May I forget the crown I've won,
While thinking still of OTHERS.

Others, Lord, yes, others—
Let this my motto be:
Help me to live for OTHERS,
That I might live like Thee.

—C. D. Meigs

Palestine, the Focal Spot of World Interest

PALESTINE is the only piece of territory on earth that is designated by God as "the glory of all lands." Ezek. 20:6, 15. God drew Abraham out from idolatrous Chaldea, and brought him to this land. There He established with him an everlasting covenant of grace: "I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, . . . all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession." Gen. 17:8. This covenant was later established with Jacob in similar words. Gen. 48:4. It was in this land that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ was born, lived, died, and was buried. It was from a tomb in this land that He arose from the dead and ascended to the right hand of the Father. It was here that He poured forth His Spirit at the beginning of this dispensation of grace; and He is destined to return thither to sit on the throne of His father David and rule all nations.

HUMAN ASPIRATIONS

From the beginning of this century the eyes of many have been toward this land. We well remember the time when Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany visited Palestine. It was not with meekness and lowliness, riding upon an ass, that he entered into the city of Jerusalem, but with much pride and pomp, riding on a magnificent charger, followed by a large retinue of mounted military magnates. He went up to the mount of Olives and there picked out a wonderful site upon which he built what was known as his Peace Palace. From that hour, or perhaps long before, he planned a war that would make him world conqueror, with his throne in the city of Jerusalem.

Wilhelm was extremely disturbed when a godly woman, a sister of Countess Bismarck, who had been visiting the Keswick convention in England, told him of the glorious hope of the soon coming of our Lord Jesus Christ to rule in righteousness as King of kings and Lord of lords. He declared petulantly: "That will interfere with all my plans!" But he brushed the message aside as foolish fanaticism.

LOOKING ZIONWARD

In the year 1906 the British government

was considering the question of providing a tract of land in East Africa to become a national home for the Jews. Balfour was prime minister in those days. He was the Member of Parliament for Manchester, and went down to that city to make a special election speech. At the close of the meeting he was interviewed by a young Jewish student from the Manchester University—Chaim Weizmann, who said to him: "That land in East Africa which you propose to give to Jewry as a national home is not Zion. It never will be Zion, and cannot be accepted. It must be refused." "Why?" asked Balfour. Weizmann answered: "Suppose we substituted Paris for London as your national capital, would you take it?" Balfour replied, "Why, we have London!" Weizman said, "Mr. Balfour, we had Jerusalem long before you had London—when London was only a marsh." "Ah, I see," said Balfour. And he did not forget the words of that interview. Weizmann's words were but an echo of the plaintive psalm Israel has been singing for years: "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning. If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy." Psalm 137:5, 6.

A JEWISH CONTRIBUTION

Ten years later, Great Britain and France were in the throes of the great war that Kaiser Wilhelm had long planned with a view to becoming world ruler. But as Burns, the Scotch poet, has it: "The best laid schemes of mice and men gang aft agley (go off askew)." In the book of Esther we read the story of Haman, who was full of pride and ambition, but there was a despised Jew in the city of Shushan he had not counted on, before whom he began to fall.

At a crisis hour when Britain was short of explosives, a despised Jewish professor in the University of Manchester, the same Chaim Weizmann who years before had accosted Balfour, gave to Great Britain the formula for the deadly explosive TNT, an explosive that under God changed the destiny of World War I.

"What reward do you want for your invention?" Weizmann was asked. "Palestine for my people," was his reply. When Weizmann in 1916 once more met Balfour, that statesman said to him: "When these guns stop roaring, you will get your Jerusalem." On November 2, 1917, the famous Balfour Declaration was made, in which, on behalf of the British Cabinet, he promised Palestine as a national home for Israel. A month later, December 9, 1917, Jerusalem was wrested from the Turks, and was in the hands of the British troops. At the close of the war, in the peace treaty, Great Britain was given the mandate over Palestine.

"A BURDENSOME STONE"

But the Balfour pledge brought great resentment from the Arab population in Palestine, and they immediately began to stir up the whole Mohammedan world in opposition. Was not their greatest shrine, the Mosque of Omar, situated on the very site where Solomon built the Temple to Jehovah? For thirty years vacillating politicians in Great Britain, purposing a policy of appeasement to the Mohammedans, have been hedging on the promise given in 1917. Balfour, on his dying bed, appealed to the British people not to break this word to the Jewish race, not to make a solemn pledge "a mere scrap of paper."

Before World War II, writhing under Hitler's persecution, hundreds of thousands of Jews desired to return to their Palestinian homeland, only to be refused by Great Britain, who desiring to placate the Mohammedan world, allowed only a small quota to enter. During World War II, when Adolf Hitler tried to become world ruler, and since that time, when millions of Jews in Europe have been displaced and have wanted to settle in the land of their fathers, Britain has said NO. Is it any wonder that impatient, indignant young Jewry has been aroused to the bitterest opposition, causing Britain so much trouble that she has decided to give up her mandate? She has been learning, in a measure, the truth of the word given twenty-five hundred years ago by the Lord: "In that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it." Zech. 12:3.

ARAB OPPOSITION

And so Great Britain has turned the land of Palestine over to the United
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Revival in Europe

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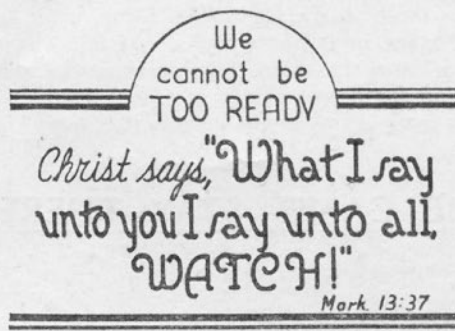
IN France, a blessed revival has been going fifteen years already, and that revival was sent in answer to prayer. France is an irreligious, indifferent nation. There are about four million Catholics, half a million Protestants, and the rest are in darkness and spiritual ignorance. There are people in France who do not even know there is a book called the Bible. You find there people who have never heard of Christ.

God sent a revival to that country in answer to prayer. The Christians prayed a number of years, day and night, and believed that God would visit them one day and send the Pentecostal message to France. God answered that prayer. Suddenly and unexpectedly, God sent them a young man with the message of the gospel. He had heard a Polish brother give his testimony. That message spoke to that man listening in the crowd, and he gave his heart to Christ and came to France to study and to get ready to carry the message to others. He was longing to get a sufficient hold on the French language to be able to preach. He wrote his first sermon down, had it corrected and translated into French, then memorized it. He still had an impediment of speech, but that didn't hinder God at all. In his first meeting the Spirit took charge, and God wonderfully blessed souls. Soon it was noised abroad. Strangers came in, the revival broke out, and hundreds became Christians. Many Catholics found Christ, were baptized, and were filled with the Holy Spirit.

The revival swept over France. Other Protestant groups opened their gates and invited this Pentecostal revivalist to preach in their churches. God moved in a remarkable way. They have a spiritual ministry. They are baptized in the Holy Spirit. That revival is still going on today and they are greatly encouraged and winning souls for Christ. The Pentecostal work is the only gospel work in France that is really going onward. All the other churches are having a struggle.

During the war years, when the cities were bombed and the invasion was being prepared, the city population was given instructions as to how to behave in time of alarm. They were advised to hide in their basements. A father, mother and five children, the youngest eighteen months old, heard the siren and saw the squadron coming to bomb their region. Quickly they went down into their cellar, committing themselves to God. The father soon heard God saying, "Go up into the

kitchen." This was contrary to instructions and he hesitated. But he felt that God was still speaking, so they went up into the kitchen and, kneeling down in the middle of the room, committed themselves to the protection of God. Suddenly they heard a terrific noise. A bomb came down into their cellar and exploded, blowing the whole house up. After the bombing, the pastor of that place went into the city to look after his members. When he came to this place he didn't see any of the house, and the bomb had made a large hole in the earth. But the family was there and made signs, calling the pastor and telling him the wonderful story. God had just lifted all seven of them up into the air and let them come down on the remains of their house, and not one had received even a scratch.



I know when some hear these things they can hardly believe them, but God wonderfully answered prayer, revealing His wonderful and marvelous power. One couple, who had been Catholic, had a remarkable experience. They had come to Christ and been saved. They prayed that God would give them a child. They had been married twenty years. God had answered prayer and the woman was expecting a little one. The time of her delivery came in the midst of a terrible bombing attack. The people were leaving, seeking shelter in the country. This woman found herself among those fleeing people when her hour came, and she gave birth to a little girl on the side of the road. A man passing gave her some assistance. She had nothing prepared, so she took the little one in her apron and rejoined the people trying to get away. She was very weak, of course. She called to a man passing on a cart, and he invited her to sit beside him. But this was very dangerous because bombs were falling all around. Suddenly, a bomb fell near them and the woman was thrown unconscious. When she came to, she found herself lying in a mass of blood

and flesh, but she had been protected and was unhurt. Her little child had disappeared, though, and she began to call upon God. Then she heard a little voice crying and she found her little child. It was safely bedded on straw in a small dog house near by. She never knew how it had been carried there, whether someone put it there, thinking the mother had been killed, or whether the explosion had carried it there; but she rather believed God had sent an angel to take care of the little one. We saw the child. She is now three years old and the parents are very happy.

One man had been helping a paratrooper. He hid him in his house and later helped him to escape. The Gestapo arrested him and he was marched into the center of the village to be shot. Kneeling down, with his hands on his head, he waited to be shot. He was a Christian and was ready to die, but committing himself and his family to God he was praying. Then he heard a voice saying, "Run," and he began to run. It seemed, he said, that he had wings on his feet, and could jump over hedges and run very swiftly. They ran after him and a terrible chase ensued. He went around a house and there in the back was a little rabbit cage. He jumped into that cage and pulled the door behind him. They followed but didn't find him. No one thought of the rabbit cage. They left but came again with dogs, those dogs that know how to find a thief. He even saw them through the window. They were smelling all around; but God had His hand over him and the soldiers went away. In a wonderful way, God had delivered another one of His children.

These stories of divine protection and intervention were wonderful, but more wonderful to me was that a revival went on year after year through the war, during all the phases of the war and since, and there in those cities in the north of France, a revival is going on in the midst of the ruins. Some of the churches were destroyed and a number of the Christians lost their homes. The church buildings were very simple. Some have been repaired but some have not. There is no roof, no windows, and no way to heat them. They have to have their meetings in the cold, but even when it is below zero they are faithful to go.

We were thrilled to hear of their convention in France. A number of people told how their hearts had been renewed by the blood of Christ, how they had been delivered from bad habits, transformed by the glory of God, and healed in answer to prayer. Incurable diseases were healed instantly. The Pentecostal churches in France are caring for their aged people and are grateful for the relief that has been sent to them, especially

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The Story of Two Sons

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on National Radio Hour, "Sermons in Song"

SUPPOSE you had two sons; and one had the habit of saying, "All right," but never doing what you asked: while the other son usually would refuse to obey at first but then would repent and obey. Which son would you appreciate the more?

Jesus told the story of two sons who were just like that. "A certain man had two sons," He said. "And he came to the first, and said, Son, go work today in my vineyard. And he answered and said, I will not; but afterward he repented and went. And he came to the second, and said likewise. And he answered and said, I go, sir, and went not. Whether of them twain did the will of his father?" Matthew 21:28-31.

When Jesus had told this parable and put this question to the people, they immediately answered, "The first"—that is, the one who said, "I will not," but afterward repented and went. My friend, have you ever felt the call of God, bidding you to become a Christian? Or, if you are a Christian, have you ever felt the call to devote yourself to some work for the Master? Do I speak to some who, like the first son, have said, "I will not," when Jesus sought to woo you to Himself that you might become a partaker of His salvation or a worker together with Him? And are you now a sad, disappointed soul as a result—disillusioned and bearing in your heart a silent, gnawing regret? If so, this parable should encourage you, for it shows that still it is not too late. If you will now do that which your heart said you ought to do, God will accept you. He will brighten your life, and His approval will be upon you. Don't go on in disobedience any longer. "Turn ye, turn ye, for why will ye die?"

Perhaps I speak to some who readily promised the Lord an obedient life, but never have kept their promise. Are you like the second son, who said, "I go, sir," and went not? Perhaps you said, "Whatever God wants me to do, that I will do," but instead you have gone on doing whatever has pleased you, and you have utterly failed to give God an obedient life. You may even be boasting in your sonship, trying to make everyone think that all is well with your soul. Remember: God searches the heart. He knows if it is loyal and honest, or if it is careless and deceitful. Of this we must know. "Be sure your sin will find you out."

An old writer said, "The first law that ever God gave to man was

the law of obedience; it was a commandment pure and simple. From obedience and submission spring all other virtues, as all sin does from self-opinion and self-will."

You know, God is looking for obedience. Too many of us think that lip service will do. What a world this would be if all who name the name of Christ lived in obedience to the will of God. And what assurance it would give when we pass from this present life into the life eternal.

Whatever may have been your past, will you not make this the hour of decision? Will you not, at this moment, ask God for forgiveness, if you have said, "I go," but have refused to obey? And if you never yet have said Yes to the will of God, will you not do so now, by joining in the old song, "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow"? Remember—"obedience is better than sacrifice." The Lord has said, "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land." God bless you and help you to give your whole life to Him.

A BENGALI PENTECOSTAL HEROINE

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ing questions and explaining this glorious truth which the blessed Holy Spirit had so graciously taught her, that they went away silenced, if not wholly convinced that this thing was of God.

In those early days the Lord used this Orphanage in Allahabad as a veritable "Upper Room" for the many missionaries who were longing for deeper things in God. They came from many parts of the country to "tarry" ac-

cording to the command of the Lord in Luke 24:49; and these two noble ladies entertained them as the Lord's guests, waiting on them with the generous hospitality of the East; while they themselves abstained from pleasant food, feeding on herbs and other edible greens found in their garden, because they felt restrained by the Lord from eating in the ordinary way when there was such spiritual hunger around them. Was it any wonder that many missionaries came through to a mighty feast with the Lord in a full Pentecost?

God worked in the Orphanage in strange ways. A girl had a vision; and while praying she suddenly broke out with, "I see the Lord with a bowl of blood in His hand, from which He is throwing blood in the direction of the door, where a non-Christian is sitting. The Blood as it reaches him turns white, and the Lord is telling me that this, and this, and this sin requires to be confessed and put away." The man, who had entered the room out of mere curiosity, felt so convicted that he fled.

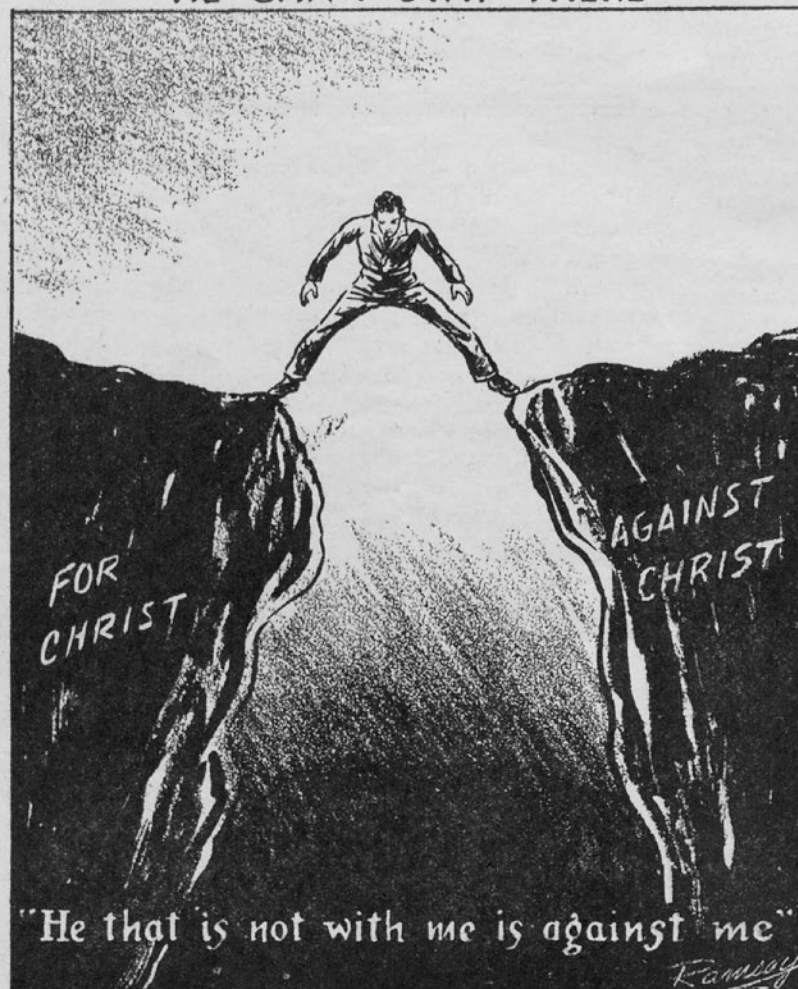
On another occasion a person who was tarrying for the Baptism kept repeating the words, "The blood, the blood." The Holy Spirit filled Miss Chandra with great indignation, and she interrupted her by saying, "You are not claiming the shelter of the blood of Jesus, although you are using those words. The blood of Jesus does not cover unconfessed sin. It exposes it. Repent. Repent." The lady admitted that she had been imitating someone, and was sorry for it. As soon as she put away all sin, the Lord filled her with His Holy Spirit. This is but one example of the many times God permitted the Gift of Discernment to be exercised through this servant of His.

Miss Chandra never worked for a salary. She stepped out, carrying "neither purse nor scrip," knowing that He who had put the urge within her soul would supply all her needs. Thus she lived and worked through her many years of active missionary service. Stripped of all this world holds dear—comforts of home, food, dress, social standing, and worldly reputation—she lived with an eye single to His glory; and the Lord gave back to her in spiritual gain in abundance. Her utter dependence upon Him developed a simple faith such as is seen in a child who is care-free and lives only in the present.

The Orphanage had about 120 to 150 children, and on various occasions the larder was empty. Twice the Lord provided bread just in time for the morning breakfast. Once at about midnight, when Miss Chandra and Miss Chuckerbutty were waiting in prayer for orders for the next day's food supply, someone knocked at the door at that late hour, handed in an envelope, and disappeared into the darkness. That envelope contained money enough for many a meal.

For about two or three years no report about the Orphanage could be issued as there was no money to meet the printer's bill. Later when a report was circulated, and

HE CAN'T STAY THERE



the reason for the silent years became known, several persons wrote confessing that the Lord had laid it on their hearts to send money to the Orphanage but they had failed to obey. How many times we lose God's blessing because we disobey the gentle whisperings of the Holy Spirit!

A friend told us that she remembered when the house was getting some badly needed repairs, and a large amount of money was required. As the workmen went on daily, Miss Chandra and Miss Chuckerbutty kept at their heavier work of intercession for the money. And the Lord, who is ever on time, sent in a money order just before the contractor presented his bill for payment!

When the Lord was closing down the Orphanage, and neither of the women knew exactly what the Lord wished them to do next, He sent Pandita Ramabai all the way from Mukti to give them His word of guidance. The Pandita came, and not having been told just what the Lord wanted her to do and say while in Allahabad, she lingered day after day till a whole week had passed by. Each day Miss Chuckerbutty would laughingly ask her, "Well, Pandita, have you delivered your soul? Have you done the work for which the Lord sent you to Allahabad?" And the Pandita would reply, with a smile, "Not yet. But He who sent me will tell me when the work is accomplished."

For some time Miss Chuckerbutty had been greatly exercised in spirit regarding the great need of the villages; and on Sunday, when the service was over and they were sitting in the drawing-room, Miss Chuckerbutty burst forth with, "Oh, that the poor people in the villages could hear the gospel! This is where India really lives; and there are so few workers for this needy field. If I had any assistants whom I could rouse, I would urge them to go out and preach to these hungry souls, for, as I said before, India lives in the villages, not in the cities."

Quickly the Pandita spoke up. "Sister, why do *you* not go out to the villages?" she asked. Miss Chuckerbutty could not speak. The shaft had struck home. That evening the Pandita said, "I leave tomorrow. My work here is done." And Miss Chuckerbutty, who had been remarkably silent, quietly said, "Yes, the Pandita's work is done. She was sent by the Lord to give me the call to preach Christ in the villages. And I have accepted it."

So the two women launched forth together into the villages. We can only record one incident of their village work, but it is a thrilling one. When camping in a famine-stricken district, distributing famine relief, these dear sisters were faced with an acute problem—lack of water. There was a great dearth, not only in the village but for miles around. While waiting on the Lord for this, as for every need, a place was indicated in a nearby field where water would be found. Digging was begun immediately. But the villagers jeered and mocked: "Silly women, you will find no water there; we have lived here for generations, but you came only yesterday. You are not going to get the better of us. Stop this foolish digging on this spot." But the Lord had spoken, so they persisted. After toiling for some hours in the sweltering heat of June, a spring of sweet water gushed out. How it gladdened their hearts as they sang praises to Him who again had proved Himself their

A WORD OF THANKS

The Editors are thanking the Lord for the many readers who ordered Gift Subscriptions for their friends at Christmas time, and wish it were possible to write each of you a personal letter, expressing our gratitude to you as well. But since time will not permit this, we are hoping you will accept this printed word of thanks instead.

Many of you ordered five, ten, twenty or more subscriptions. Some ordered as many as fifty or a hundred. A few ordered even more. As a result, we have increased our printing order once again, and we now are printing 136,000 *Evangel*s each week. This is the most we ever have printed. Should you have others for whom you would like to subscribe, we will send them the *Evangel* for eight months for \$1.00 (in Canada, six months for \$1.00).

Our earnest desire is that each week the *Evangel* may carry just the message God wants our readers to have for the days in which we live. Will you pray, as the Lord reminds you, for the staff of the *Evangel*—and of all our publications? Pray for all the writers and workers in every department of the Gospel Publishing House, that God's power might rest upon the printed Pentecostal message as it goes out into all the world.

faithful God—while the villagers around were shamed-faced, awed at the wonderful work of the Christians' God, as they enjoyed the supply given in this marvelous way.

Many times they stood in danger. An excited crowd once gathered round these missionaries as women pilgrims in large numbers were buying Gospel portions and listening to the story of Jesus with close attention. Suddenly they were ordered to stop. When they went on, unheeding the interruption, some wicked men took up handfuls of sand and mud to fling in the faces of the missionaries, to blind them. This is a common occurrence in India, when Satan uses such men as these to interrupt God's work. But just as they threw the sand, the Lord sent a strong gust of wind which carried the sand in a different direction. The men were astonished and cried out, "What have you done?" meaning that the missionaries must have cast some sort of spell. Yes, it was a spell, and more: the almighty power of God, who controls the winds, had commanded that they should not be harmed.

Although Miss Chandra was in failing health, she used to spend from four to five hours daily on the Mela grounds distributing tracts and Gospel portions. Sometimes she entered the precincts of the Hindu temple, to preach Christ to the pilgrims. The Magh Mela lasted generally for about five weeks, and from the beginning to the end she was present. Abused, threatened, insulted, yet she continued doing her work fearlessly.

From the age of eighteen Miss Chandra trusted Jesus her Lord for bodily healing, and for fifty-two years she drank from the healing stream of God's power as her only prescription. Once she was attacked by Asiatic cholera, but recovered when prayer was offered on her

behalf. At another time she was laid low by malignant malaria, the fever rising to 105, but she resorted once again to her Divine Physician and He gave a complete recovery. A doctor happened to call regarding some business and found her burning with fever. He examined her and prescribed a remedy. But she threw his paper in the wastepaper basket and called in two friends to pray for her, and the Lord answered their prayer of faith and raised her up.

The fact that she and her companion, Miss Chuckerbutty, trusted the Lord for physical ailments, was well known in the villages where they preached, and many a sick villager obtained relief through their ministry of prayer. Of the many cases known, one rises very vividly in memory. It was a cold winter's night, but shortly after midnight the two sisters were roused by a great noise of weeping and wailing at the tent door. On coming out they saw a crowd of women, chiefly, with a child about five years old. The child's body was quite cold and lifeless. They said, "What can we do? The child is lifeless, dead!" But the crowd replied, "Yes, the child is dead, but you have a God with you. You can restore him to life."

The preachers fell on their faces on the tent floor, with the dead child between them, and cried to God to glorify His holy Child Jesus through the dead baby. The Lord heard their cry of faith and brought the child back to life again. That crowd praised the name of Jesus. They promised to break up their idols and throw the pieces away on the dung heap.

The Lord did work in those days with "signs and wonders," following the preaching of His Word. Why not now? Is it because we have forgotten to live the life of the Cross?

Power to cleanse the leper,
Power to raise the dead,
Power to fill the empty pots with oil,
Is waiting for the worker
Who in Jesus' steps will tread,
And leave a life of ease for one of
toil."

PRESIDENT TRUMAN ON TITHING

President Truman, in a message to the National Stewardship Conference a few weeks ago, compared the regular paying of tithes to the withholding tax. "The government has been obliged, in the exigencies of these war years, to ask not only for the Biblical tithe but for two, three or more tithes," he said. "Some forty million of our wage earners have in recent years had an advantage in the ease of payment through withholding tax provisions. If these same forty million wage earners, together with those who pay their taxes in other ways, would voluntarily adapt such a provision to the practice of laying aside on each payday . . . the stewardship problems would be quickly solved."

It would appear that the President, who is a Baptist, knows something about the paying of tithes. When we get behind in tithing, or try to pay a year's tithe at a time, it becomes a difficult burden to bear; but when we lay aside our tithe for the Lord every week it is a simple, Scriptural custom which is easy to follow and which pays rich dividends.

Report on Relief to Europe

WE are pleased to report that through the kind co-operation of our contributors we are enabled to send a steady stream of food packages to the needy people of Europe.

Letters are coming back to us and to the donors telling of the deep gratitude that is felt by those receiving these packages. The names of the donors are not given in every case. Wherever requested we can ask for a letter to be sent to the one contributing funds for the purchase of these food parcels.

We do not recommend individuals buying large quantities of food in the United States for shipment to Europe unless the shipper has definite knowledge that the country to which the parcel is sent will admit such shipment duty free. In every case it is important that the outside wrapping be marked stating that the parcel is an unsolicited gift.

Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Kinderman have sailed for Europe and will be resuming work in our Basel office. We are happy to report that they have a competent secretary with them to assist in taking care of mail and orders for food parcels, as well as to supervise the general distribution of clothing in the various countries of Europe. Brother Kinderman will have easy access to the other countries of Europe from Switzerland. We are hoping that in the course of time it may be possible for us to have a distributing center in Germany also.

We greatly appreciated the ministry of Leonard Steiner and David DuPlessis, who were in the United States representing the International office that the conference of Pentecostal churches in Zurich, Switzerland, recommended to be set up. We shall be continuing our own office in Basel, Switzerland, to take care of the business of the Assemblies of God until it may seem advisable to make other arrangements.

Clothing

We would recommend that the major shipments of clothing be still sent for European relief in care of the War Relief Commission, 536 West 46th Street, New York, because of the facilities that are there for the baling and shipping of goods.

If any of our friends would prefer to send directly to our own office in New York, this can be done by sending the smaller packages to the World Missions Department, 257 East 10th Street, New York 3, New York. If there are large boxes or bales, these should be carefully sorted and only clothing in good clean condition be sent. These should be boxed tightly for overseas ship-

ment and addressed to the Foreign Missions Department, Assemblies of God, % Neptune Forwarding Co., Pier 6, East River, New York, New York.

Noel Perin

Palestin-ettes

Mrs. George Carmichael, Jerusalem

Porters or professional burden bearers in Palestine carry enormous weights. They have been known to carry as much as 800 pounds, and their only stock in trade is a rope five yards long.

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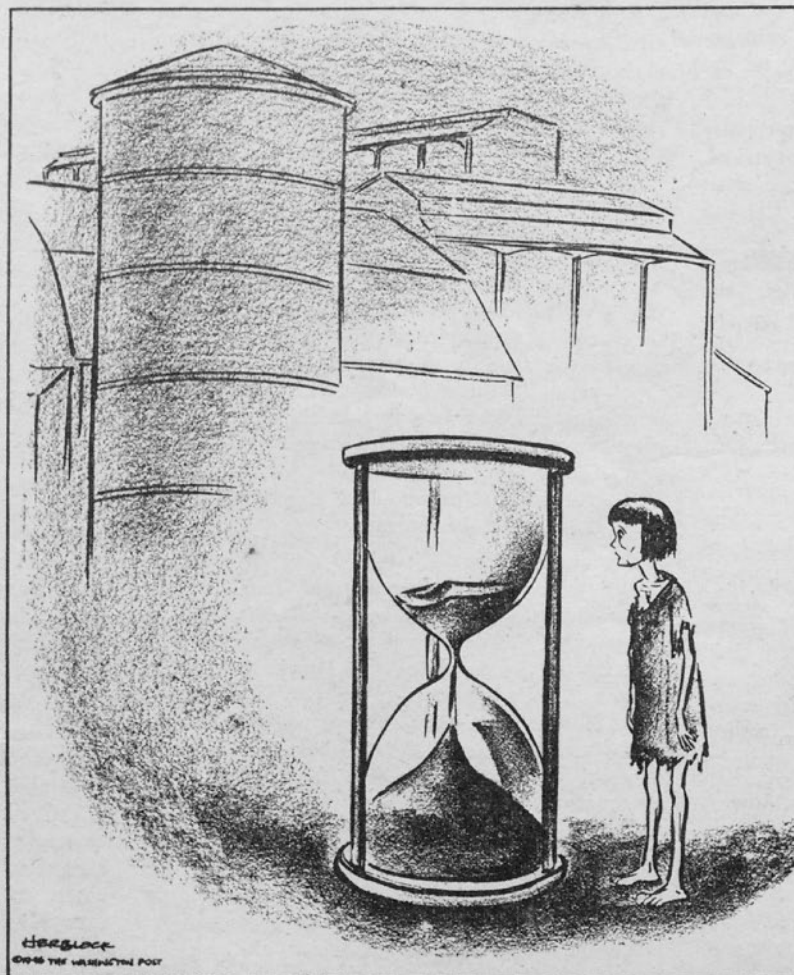
We take off our hats when entering a place of worship, but the Moslem wears his turban and removes his shoes.

Austrian Advances

A LETTER FROM AUSTRIA

RECENTLY in Wels, the brethren of Upper Austria met for their District conference. It was decided to conduct Bible courses in order to give the brethren an opportunity to increase their knowledge of the Bible. Also, it was decided to hold a series of evangelistic meetings.

Grains



VIDA

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Our Spanish Publications Committee has prepared an attractive sixteen-page booklet called **Vida** (Life). Printed on excellent paper and in two colors, **Vida** is designed to present the gospel message to the unconverted by means of true, illustrated stories and testimonies. The way of salvation is clearly and interestingly presented.

Vida is sold at cost—5c a copy or \$4.00 per hundred. Help provide our Latin American missionaries with this excellent literature for free distribution. (Spanish is used in all Latin American countries, except Brazil.) Your order may be designated to a specific missionary, if you so desire. **Vida** is also an excellent medium for missionary work among the Spanish-speaking population of the U. S. A.

Send your order to the Spanish Publications Department, Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Missouri.

As you know our land as gone through severe trials. The horrible war with its heartbreak and terrible devastation is over. Nevertheless, the problems of housing, clothing, and earning a livelihood are keenly felt. The cost of everything is higher today than ever. We take for granted that you will understand us when we refer to our serious and straitened circumstances. We are indeed thankful for every help which you have sent to us for the work here. We are thankful also to the Lord for the gifts of love which we have received through Brother Kinderman.

People here were moved in such a manner that they were unable to utter a word; and could only express their thankfulness by the tears that rolled down their cheeks as they gazed at your gifts of love. We are grateful to the Lord for every heart that was moved upon by the Holy Spirit to help relieve the suffering here.

The work of the Lord is going forward in a wonderful way. People are being led to the Lord, old assemblies are being reinforced and new ones established. During this summer we have been permitted to baptize 167 converts. A number were also baptized in the Holy Spirit and spoke in other tongues. At the same time, we are aware of the fact that the time is very short and that any moment the night in which no man can work may overtake us. Our land is situated in a portion of the world which finds itself in a critical situation, surrounded by many problems.

Who knows how long it will continue as at present or how long we will be able to rejoice in this freedom?

A Mossi Preacher's Appeal

John Hall, Ivory Coast

THE following letter was received by Mrs. Hall and me from Limian Kabore, a student at Kouberi Bible School.

"Pastor John Hall and Madame, my father and mother, my heart is happy today to write you this letter and to greet you with happy greetings. When I heard that Madame had given birth, it was a great joy to me because God has answered prayer and helped her through. I thank God for His help. And my father, I greet you with good fortune, with heart-quietness; may God fill the baby with good sense; may God raise the child for Himself; may He help you to bring up the child for Himself; may He help you to bring up the child with peace. I am praying for you that God will give you strength day by day that you may succeed in doing His work with His Holy Spirit's power. Now I have a matter which I want to tell you. It is true I began last year and up till now I am asking God to send His missionary to a town called Zorogo. There are many villages in that area which have not yet heard His gospel;

beginning with Bougere to Zoungou over to Sapaga it is like that. I beg of you to help me in prayer and intercession that He will send His messengers into these towns. I greet you very, very well. Greet all of your helpers for me. May God help you every day. Amen. Limian Kabore. Sent from Kouberi Bible School."

May God continue to answer our prayers in calling out His own among the Mossi people who have a burden for lost souls and for unreached areas. Thank God we don't have to support these workers. With indigenous principles in operation, these new workers go forth to farm or leather work or to sew for a living, until the tithes of Christians become sufficient to meet their needs. Recognition must be given to the training of prospective Mossi preachers by the Wilsons, Chastagners, Smiths and now the Simmons and Moores. As the twig is bent so is the tree inclined. The type of Pentecostal training given determines the type of ministry we may expect in the future of Mossiland and surrounding tribes.

PERU BIBLE SCHOOL

Herbert Felton, Peru

Forty-two students were enrolled in our school at Lima, Peru and all but four are boarding students. There are twenty-six in the first year class; ten in the second year and six in the third year. Of these, ten are women and thirty-two are men. One is a former Sub-Prefect. Another is a young man who recently escaped from a convent after two years internment. One young man received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit the same night he arrived. The first week we had no classes. Three received the Baptism

during those days of blessing and others are seemingly very near to receiving. We desire the prayers of the home folks for the school staff as well as students.

Anyone wishing to help worthy students should be pleased to know that \$30.00 will care for a student for one school term. Send your offerings designated "For Peruvian Bible School students" to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Missouri.

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News Flashes

On December 8, Mr. and Mrs. Einar G. Peterson of Palma Soriano, Oriente Cuba, announced the arrival of a baby boy, Melvin Lawrence. Congratulations!

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Mr. and Mrs. George Hemminger left the States for Sierra Leone, West Africa on December 8. May God's blessing and abiding presence go with them.

A Miracle of Healing

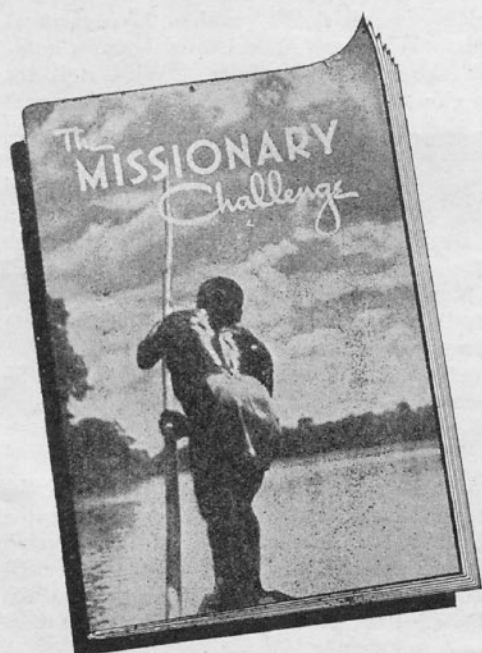
Hilda Wagenknecht, North India

A FEW weeks ago an American Relief Mission sent me three hundred pounds of wheat cereal and several cases of powdered milk for the children. With prices as they are now it has been impossible to give milk to the children. How we thank God for this supply which will last for several weeks. God always has means of providing for His little ones.

Recently we had a wonderful answer to prayer. One of the older girls who was brought up here in the orphanage and who now for several years has been working in another city, suddenly went insane. This girl was a very spiritual girl and loved the Lord with all of her heart. She witnessed for Him at every opportunity. We felt very sad and had special prayer for her. Soon she became so violent that she had to be put into a cell. She would tear her hair and break up furniture. This went on for several weeks and our hearts went out to her. I asked for prayer at different places and I know many people really got under the burden. Our orphan children and the Christians prayed at every opportunity and we felt God would deliver her.

Imagine our surprise and thankfulness to God when one afternoon she walked onto the compound. The children stared in amazement. She had been suddenly healed and consequently released from her cell. She then took the train home. Oh, how we thank God for such a wonderful answer to prayer. She is perfectly normal and sane and praising God for this deliverance. With God all things are possible.

Please continue to pray much for our large family of orphans here, and for the dear Indian Christians throughout India, that they may be kept safe. Above all, pray that they may be true in witnessing for their Lord and Savior until He comes.



THE PASSING AND THE PERMANENT

OPPORTUNITY IN INDIA

Recently a prominent missionary in India wrote as follows: "The greatest hour of Christian opportunity has come to India. I have never had such a hearing in forty years as I have had in these past six months." But Satan will not yield without a battle, though hearts are open. Pray for India.

COMMUNISM IN CHINA

Arleta Miller, writing in the *Oriental and Inter-American Missionary Standard*, says: "Communism in China is no joke, nor the persecution of the church a myth. In North China the Methodist Church has lost five workers, and recently word has been received of the death of one of our own men. Not all the Lord's martyrs lived in the days of the Spanish Inquisition. Men are still dying rather than deny the Lord who bought them."

BIBLES INSTEAD OF BOMBS

Before the end of 1948, the British and Foreign Bible Society hopes to have a million German Bibles ready to distribute throughout Germany. Already an edition of 200,000 is under way, but production has been delayed by a shortage of paper and the fact that the printing plates in Berlin were destroyed during the war. Bombs wrought great havoc in Germany, but Bibles will help to heal the wounds of war by showing the people the way out of all their troubles.

THE MIRACLE OF PALESTINE

Great changes have been made in Palestine in the past fifty years. For 1,600 years Palestine went without the early and latter rains. It lay unproductive and barren, though once it had "flowed with milk and honey." Then a remarkable thing happened. At the beginning of this century, within the memory of some now living, the rains began to fall again. And it is this miraculous change in climate, more than the efforts of men, that has transformed Palestine from a desolate waste into a fertile, productive land.

Another remarkable fact is that the rains were restored very soon after Zionism began its agitation for a Jewish state. It was in 1897 that the first Zionist congress met. For fifty years they have dreamed of a Jewish Palestine, and at last their dreams are being fulfilled. They think it is the skill of their political schemings that has gotten them a Jewish state; but behind the scenes it must be that God is opening the way for the Jews to return to Palestine in greater numbers. There He waits to deal with them, and to pour out His Spirit upon them. In Joel 2 there is the double promise: first the physical outpouring, the former rain and the latter rain (verse 23), and then the spiritual outpouring, the outpouring of His Spirit upon all flesh (verse 28). The transforming of the Jewish land is a great miracle. The transforming of the Jewish people will be a greater miracle—a miracle which God Himself shall perform, perhaps very soon. For He who performed the first miracle shall surely perform the second.

A DESTRUCTIVE INVENTION

Prof. Charles D. Coryell, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is a top scientist, and he believes that atomic energy eventually will be a constructive invention. But he says that a million persons "will be sacrificed in atomic warfare" before science has had time to apply atomic energy to the benefits of mankind.

LOOKING FOR A PROPHET

In a public letter, Lord Beaverbrook of England recently expressed the hope that some "Elijah or Elisha" may arise to reconstitute the British Empire, develop its resources, and expand its prosperity. Those looking for such a prophet had better be on their guard against the "false prophet" who most certainly shall arise to develop the empire of the Antichrist. Revelation 13:11-17.

WHEN LIQUOR TAKES THE WHEEL

At the 45th annual meeting of the American Automobile Association, a resolution was adopted which deplored the growing extent of drunken driving in all parts of the country. "Driving while under the influence of an intoxicant is tremendously more hazardous than the American public realizes," it said. "A driver need not be 'drunk,' in the common sense of the term, in order to be dangerous. . . . A study has shown that drivers having a concentration of 0.15% or more of alcohol in the blood have an accident rate 55 times that of the non-drinker."

RUSSIA AND PALESTINE

As strife rages on between Jews and Arabs in Palestine, the nations anxiously watch and wonder what the final outcome will be. Will the whole Arab world rise in arms? Will democratic nations give armed assistance to the Jews? And how will Russia fit into the situation? An inkling is given by a report that the Mizrahi are anxious to strengthen the religious element in the Jewish state, and Rabbi Meyer Berlin has appealed to the Soviet Union to allow Jews from the U.S.S.R. to go to Palestine. Should the U.S.S.R. grant this a ready avenue would appear to be open for Communist infiltration.

DEPENDENCE UPON GOD

It is good to read the closing words of an address which General George Marshall, our present Secretary of State, gave several years ago at Arlington, Va., at the opening of the first Army Chapel. Said he:

"What our forefathers believed and did when they founded this nation, the succeeding generations must believe and reaffirm if this nation is to survive. It is not names or bodies or riches or talents or honors that make heroes. Only God makes them by the immortal soul which He breathes into them. To every man who enters this house of prayer, God says, 'Without Me ye can do nothing.' To every man who comes forth from this house of prayer God says 'With Me ye can do all things.'"

TRACTS FOR THINKERS

If you are looking for excellent gospel tracts suitable for college students and others who think, you will be interested in a new series edited by Dr. T. Christie Innes. There are seven different booklets, ranging from 8 to 32 pages each. Copies may be obtained from the American Tract Society, 21 West 46th Street, New York 19, N. Y. They are furnished free, as far as funds permit, to those who can usefully distribute them; but we suggest that you send an offering to the American Tract Society when you order, if you are able to do so.

A MODERN ZACCHAEUS

His name was not Zacchaeus, but he was a modern version of that famous little man on at least three points: (1) he was small of stature; (2) he was spiritually hungry; and (3) he accepted Christ when his opportunity came.

He was a midget, performing at the Michigan State Fair last summer. A number of Christian business men from Detroit attended the Fair in order to do personal work, and one of them talked to the midget about the Lord Jesus Christ. The midget said it was the first time anyone had ever told him about Christ! It was not hard to lead the little man to Jesus. He was truly saved, and every day he came into the Business Men's Gospel Tent at the Fair to give his testimony and pass out tracts. He testified to many of his fellow-performers in the dressing rooms. Yes, he was a modern Zacchaeus—once a member of that despised class of publicans and sinners, but converted into a zealous follower of Christ.

No one had ever told him about Jesus before! How many there may be around us who have been similarly neglected, and whom we can lead to Christ, if only we will speak to them about the Savior!

A FALSE HOPE

Writing in *The Evangelical Christian*, Agnes Scott Kent tells how she visited New York recently and witnessed to many Jews. At the headquarters of the American Association for the United Nations she interviewed one of the secretaries, a charming and brilliant young Jewess. Between puffs at her cigarette the young Jewess answered many questions about the work of the United Nations. "It all looks hopeless, does it not?" ventured Mrs. Kent at length. "Hopeless? The United Nations *hopeless?*" she replied scornfully. "Why, it is the most glorious hope the world has ever known!" And she launched into a fervent, impassioned defense of man's latest scheme for peace.

When the opportunity came, Mrs. Kent said quietly, "Well, it is our own firm conviction that there can be no unity, no peace until the Prince of Peace Himself shall come—until the Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ, returns to earth to reign as King." With cyclonic swiftness the interview was terminated. "You forget," declared the Jewess, "that among the 55 nations there are many that do not accept such a belief. You cannot expect to force it upon them."

Poor, blinded Israel! They look to the United Nations as the most glorious hope the world has ever known, blind to the blessed Messianic promises in their own Sacred Scriptures, looking to puny man instead of to the mighty God for the answer to the world's perplexing problems.

Judaism and Christianity, The Bud and the Flower

The Shofar . . .

by Ruth Specter

The Shofar (trumpet) is the ritual ram's horn of the Hebrews which makes a sound like a tuba or clarion. On days of repentance, in order to represent a man humbling himself, a *crooked* ram's horn is used. This is symbolic of a contrite heart repenting on the solemn days of Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement).

Saadya, a teacher of the tenth century, holds that the Shofar reminds Jews of the creation, their duty to God, the revelation on Mount Sinai, the teaching of the prophets, the destruction of the Temple, the binding of Isaac as a sacrifice, imminent danger, the Day of Judgment, the redemption of Israel, and the resurrection.

In Biblical times this pressed ram's horn was used for all sorts of announcements, like that of the New Moon and festivals. (Psalm 81:3), the Year of Release, the call to battle, as a signal of victory (Jericho), and as an instrument in processions. It was the voice of this Shofar at Sinai "exceeding loud" that made all Israel tremble; for, it being the same sound as was heard in their religious services, they recognized it at once as the voice of God in the mount!

In fulfilment of the command of God given them in Leviticus 23:24, Jews gather in the synagogue on Rosh Hashanah (New Year's) where the most prominent feature of the religious ceremonies is the blowing of the ram's horn marking the preparation of the Festival. On this day the purpose for the sound of the Shofar is to arouse Jews to the serious contemplation of their sinfulness and their duty to lead a godly life. (Rosh Hashanah is al-

so called The Day of Judgment because God is said to sit in judgment over individuals and nations at this time.)

O Israel, can you not hear the Shofar sounding forth today a call to repentance for your sin? Can you not hear the voice of the Almighty in this trumpet blast ringing out: "Prepare to meet thy God, O Israel"? Amos 4:12. A warning is being heralded forth not only to the Jew but to all the world as well, that a Day of Judgment is surely coming in which every man shall give an account of himself before his Maker. Will you be ashamed to look upon His face in that day because you have refused His beloved Son?

Christian—soon the Shofar will clearly and thrillingly sound in a triumphant note for you. "For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the TRUMP of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord." Matt. 4:16, 17. "We shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last TRUMP: for the TRUMPET SHALL SOUND, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed." 1 Cor. 15:51, 52. O glorious day when the SHOFAR OF THE LORD OF HOSTS will call us home to ever be with Him who is our Messiah and King—Jesus Christ, the Son of the Living God! Hallelujah!

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

A Scrap of Paper and a Prayer . . .

by Lester Sumrall

THE Pan-American Airways Douglas DC3 airplane roared out of Panama Canal Zone before daylight. Far below were the dense jungles of the Isthmus of Panama. Crossing the Gulf of Darien, I watched with eager eyes the outline of the continent of South America as it came into view. The plane landed in Barranquilla, Colombia, for a rest-stop, and then came down in Maracaibo, Venezuela, where I disembarked.

A missionary whom I had never met had written that he would meet me at the airport. After the government formalities were finished, I looked around for someone to greet me. The passengers and visitors had left the airport; there I stood—in a foreign land. I did not speak the language; I did not know anyone in the entire nation!

I prayed. The Lord had ordained that I be an evangelist to the nations. He had opened door of ministry in many lands. He would surely help in Venezuela. While praying for the Lord to lead me, I took my sun glasses from my pocket, since the sun was very bright.

From the case fell a piece of paper. I picked it up and read: "As thou goest *step by step*, the way shall be opened before thee. For underneath are the everlasting arms."

Who put it there? I have no idea. I know of no person who had my coat or sun glasses. That remains a mystery. However, one who has not been stranded in a foreign land without an acquaintance will never know the comfort of that thought. Audibly I responded to its message: "Lord, I have made a big *step* today—hundreds of miles; now a *way* will be opened!"

I felt the divine assurance that God would undertake for me; my heart was at ease. Suddenly a taximan asked if I wished to go to the city. In a few minutes I was in the taxi and on the way to the home of a missionary.

One feels rather reluctant to knock at a front door when one does not know those behind the door. But I was obliged to do so. A tall, handsome gentleman answered the door. He looked like an American and like a mis-

sionary. Rather reservedly I said, "My name is Lester Sumrall, feeling certain that he had never before heard the name.

The man quickly extended his hand and said, "My name is Dade. Are you the Lester Sumrall who wrote the book . . . ?"

"Yes, I am the man."

"Come in. We were just talking about you!"

"Talking about me? How could that be?"

"Yes, meet our native pastor. He just came over with a magazine and showed us a notice of your coming to South America. He was asking us to locate you and invite you to preach for us!"

"Find me? Preach for you?"

What powers were these so graciously assisting the servants of God! I had arrived in the country an hour previous knowing no one. The same hour a native pastor in the city had gone to the home of the missionary with the magazine article announcing my coming to South America and had asked him how to contact me. The missionary had mentioned a recently purchased book of mine. While they were discussing the subject, I had knocked at the door.

Preaching in the beautiful evangelical temple in Maracaibo under the direction of the Scandinavian Alliance Mission of Chicago, I could not help acknowledging God's loving care of His children.—From *God's Answers*, a book of testimonies to answered prayers. Copyright by Zondervan Publishing House, and used by permission. This book can be purchased from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo., price 50 cents postpaid.

REVIVAL IN EUROPE

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from America. In Switzerland we share in this relief.

In Italy the Pentecostal work is larger than any other Evangelical movement. I read some statistics that were printed in Rome and the Pentecostal movement was listed. It showed that the Pentecostal people had 150 places of worship in Italy, with 100,000 membership. The total number of Evangelicals is 200,000, so half of the Evangelicals are Pentecostal! The Pentecostal work is going on there.

The leaders have been tried in the fires of persecution. Many pastors have been imprisoned, one being imprisoned seventeen times. Sixty people, members of the church, including six pastors, joined in secret prayer in Rome. They gathered in the middle of the night, about eight miles away from Rome. The people had to go a secret path, for fear of the Fascists, but they chose to suffer rather than to give up Christ.

At last the hand of liberation came and a wonderful revival is going on. Even the authorities have taken a favorable hand and are helping. When a preacher comes to preach, he is officially welcomed, and more than once the Pentecostal people have been invited to hold their services in the theater.

A friend described those meetings, bringing an enthusiastic report, stating that there were as many sitting outside as were crowded inside. Sometimes the Catholics try to disturb.



A number of striking testimonies have come to your National Radio Hour office recently.

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but everything done without prayer will only be in vain. Pray for us as we try to organize this agency through our church in Basel, Switzerland. The brethren over there have felt the effect of your prayers many times. May He bless you all.

PALESTINE THE FOCAL SPOT OF WORLD INTEREST

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Nations with the recommendation that it be divided, part given to Jewry and part to the Arabs. Even though not given the city of Jerusalem yet (which is to be a neutral zone) Jewry, believing that half a loaf is better than no bread, has accepted this proposal with alacrity. But the Arabs, who want to possess the whole land, backed by the seven-nation Arab league, representing 33 million, and the Mohammedan world of 350 million, purpose to take up arms and wage a "holy war" to fight to the finish the decision of the United Nations. Both United States and Russia will doubtless be called to enforce the decision of the United Nations. Will this involve a great clash in days to come? What is going to happen? Men are wondering.

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During the past two years of broadcasting, SERMONS IN SONG has been released over a total of 215 radio stations. People in almost every section of the country have had the opportunity to tune in on this full gospel program. Some of these stations, however, have had to be dropped due to a lack of financial support from their localities. In other cases, the stations have found themselves unable, due to network commitments, to continue releasing the program at an hour satisfactory to us, and so we have had to cancel their contracts. We are glad to report that in no case has our broadcast been dropped because of discrimination against it. All the station managers have found it highly desirable, and have welcomed the opportunity to release it. Surely the Lord has helped our staff to produce the quality of program which the public wants.

In many cases we have been able to change from smaller stations to larger ones, and today we are reaching more people than at any time in the past. We are endeavoring to make every dollar count for God. We are not yet covering the entire land with our radio message, however, and that is our goal. To realize that goal we must have an increase in offerings. Will you ask the Lord what He would have you do toward the support of SERMONS IN SONG during the coming year? And will you pray that this may be the most fruitful year yet in our service for God, through the anointing of His Spirit upon the broadcasters, and the working of His power upon the listeners. Kindly address all offerings and correspondence to Assemblies of God Radio Hour, P. O. Box 70, Springfield, Missouri.

"PROCLAIM WAR"

Let us turn to the Scriptures of Truth to see if we have the answer. The last part of Joel 2 tells of God's gracious outpouring of His Spirit. This promise was fulfilled in the early days of the church. But we have seen a similar outpouring of the Spirit since the first days of this twentieth century. Note the significant words which begin the third chapter of Joel: "For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem (and in the coming months hundreds of thousands of Jews will be returning), I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat (the valley of Megiddo, or Armageddon), and will plead with them there for My people and for My heritage, Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, AND PARTED (DIVIDED OR APPORTIONED) MY LAND." Joel 3:1, 2. Note the thrice-repeated personal pronoun *My*—My people, My heritage, My land. Despite what some folks are saying, "God hath not cast away His people, which He foreknew." Rom. 11:2.

GOD'S JUDGMENTS

The United Nations Assembly has been

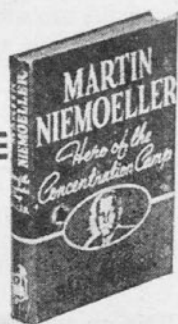
Once a priest asked to be permitted to preach. The pastor said, "Let me preach first." The priest had to wait about one hour and a half. They told him that everything he said had to be proved by the Bible. He had to sit down and close his mouth. At another place the lights went out and everybody began to shout. When the lights came on, the priest was on the platform on his knees calling on God. Some priests in Italy have expressed themselves as being in agreement with the full gospel preaching. There are seventy ready to step out and join the Pentecostal churches. The only thing that keeps them back is their care for material sustenance. The Pentecostal people are poor and cannot afford to pay money to these priests, and so they hesitate and wait in prayer. Pray especially for these priests, and for many other Catholic people who are just kept by fear from making a decision.

I think the most wonderful news today is that in Germany there are signs of a Pentecostal revival. Souls are being saved, sanctified, transformed, filled with the Spirit, and speaking in tongues. The church is being equipped with spiritual gifts. This is a new movement. There was a Pentecostal movement in Germany, and all belonged to that one established church, but that work has been much damaged. In one city in the south of Germany the Pentecostal church has a large beautiful building with a seating capacity of 1,000. It is the only church building there that was not destroyed. The Pentecostal people have opened their church to the Methodists and others. But in many places the buildings are damaged and the congregations scattered. An old pastor from the Russian Zone said, "We have become very poor. Many of my church members are no more. But God is with us and we are rich in Christ." Those who were in old times opposing the Pentecostal testimony, are having today Pentecostal conventions, with spiritual gifts in operation, letting the Spirit have His own way. Preachers of other churches are preaching the same message—the baptism and speaking in tongues. There are signs of a revival.

There is a certain village in a British Zone with 100,000 inhabitants. A revival has come to that place and the whole village has been converted, except one family, and they may have become converted by now. They are appealing for Bibles. Last summer there was only one Bible in that village and that was in the church. People waited day and night to be admitted to the church to be near the Book and to read it.

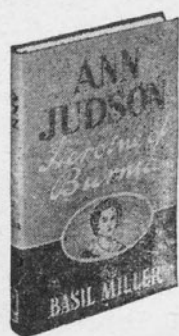
Everybody feels that God is speaking to us. There is a hunger for the Word of God, which has been scarce. We not only send them material relief, but we try to send them the Word of God. It is touching to receive letters of thanks afterwards. They receive this Book, press it to their bosoms, and take it home with them as a precious treasure. We shall do unitedly all within our power to send them every need. We wish to establish as many contacts as possible; to send help, any help, especially spiritual help, into those countries that need our help, considering the needs and what is being done to meet these needs.

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guilty of parting, dividing, apportioning God's land contrary to His will. And there are always dire results when individuals or nations thwart the will of God. It is no wonder that a little later in this chapter we read: "Proclaim this among the nations: *Prepare war*; stir up the mighty men; let all the men of war draw near, let them come up. Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruning-hooks into spears: let the weak say, I am strong. Haste ye, and come, all ye nations round about, and gather yourselves together." In the clause that follows we hear interspersed the plaintive cry of the Jewish remnant, "Thither cause Thy mighty ones to come down, O Jehovah." The Lord continues His message: "Let the nations bestir themselves, and come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat: for there will I sit to judge all nations round about." Joel 3:9-12, R. V. God will bring judgments on all the nations, and it

will be seen that a special judgment is coming upon the outstanding Mohammedan nations: "Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness, for the violence done to the children of Judah, because they have shed innocent blood in their land." Verse 19.

THE FINAL PICTURE

God tells us here the destiny of His own people: "But Judah shall abide for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation." Verse 20. As we read in Ezek. 21:27, God will overturn, overturn, overturn—until He, whose right it is, shall come and accept the crown and scepter, and from the city of Jerusalem shall govern all nations. It is written in anticipation of this event: "And there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of His Christ; and He shall

reign for ever and ever." Rev. 11:15. Hallelujah! As we review the prospects, we sing with the psalmist: "Blessed be His glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled with His glory; Amen, and Amen." Psalm 72:19.

BLESSING OR WRATH

There is a personal lesson for all in the study of Joel's prophecy. We have our choice, to be a partaker either of God's outpouring of the Spirit or of the awful wrath soon to be outpoured. The word of judgment will shortly go forth: "Put ye in the sickle; for the harvest is ripe: come, tread ye; for the winepress is full, and the vats overflow; for *their wickedness is great*." Joel 3:13, R. V. In that day our God shall "roar out of Zion, and utter His voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but *the Lord will*

be the hope of His people, and the strength of the children of Israel." Joel 3:16—S. H. F.

SHOULD CHRISTIANS KEEP THE SEVENTH DAY?

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not at all. . . . But let your communication be Yea, yea; Nay, nay; for whatsoever is more than this cometh of evil." Matthew 5:34-37.

4. The next commandment reads, "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy." This is the only commandment that is not virtually repeated in the New Covenant. Search through every part of the New Testament and you will find no commandment by Jesus or by an apostle to keep holy the seventh day more than any other day of the week.

Those Christians who teach that Saturday, the seventh day, should be kept holy by all Christians, do not keep it in the way that was commanded. They ought to remember that the Law which commands the observance of the

sabbath also gives instruction as to the manner of observing it.

To keep the sabbath, the Israelites were told: a. Not to do any work on that day. Exodus 20:10.

b. To work on the six other days. Exodus 20:9.

c. Not even to gather an armful of fuel on the sabbath; a man who was found doing this actually was stoned to death. Numbers 15:32-36.

d. Not to kindle any fire in the home. Exodus 35:3.

e. To offer two lambs as a burnt offering every sabbath. Numbers 28:9, 10.

If seventh-day people are going to insist on keeping Saturday as the sabbath they ought to observe it according to these commandments.

The Law required that all meals should be prepared on the day before the sabbath, and this day was known in the time of Christ as the Jew's "preparation day" and referred to as such in the Gospels. Those Jews who keep the letter

of the law will not so much as switch on an electric light on the sabbath, for that would be kindling a fire. If we are living under the Law we ought to obey the commandments in all of these respects.

But, thank God, we are not under the Law. We are under the New Covenant, and we are not commanded to keep any day above another. In Romans 14:4-6 the apostle writes: "One man esteemeth one day above another: another esteemeth every day alike. Let every man be fully persuaded in his own mind. He that regardeth the day regardeth it unto the Lord; and he that regardeth not the day, to the Lord he doth not regard it."

Here it says that a man is to be fully persuaded in his own mind concerning the matter: whether or not he regards one day above another, or every day alike, is up to him. Does the teaching of the seventh-day keepers harmonize with this? No, it directly conflicts, for they say that Saturday is to be kept above other days. They would deny the privilege of deciding for oneself in this matter, which is a part of the glorious liberty of the sons of God.

Much is said in the New Testament about the first day, and the Lord's day, but in the light of Romans 14:4-6 we know that the keeping of one day above another was not obligatory but optional in the early church. The Lord's day, or the first day, was observed out of love and not out of regard for a law.

If it be argued that Jesus observed the Mosaic sabbath, I reply as follows: He had to do so for He was made under the law and kept all His Father's commands to the Jew; but in establishing the New Covenant He left us no law concerning the sabbath except that mentioned in Romans 14, already quoted, and another in Hebrews 10:25, which reads: "Not forsaking the assembling of yourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another; and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching." We are told to assemble ourselves but the day of assembly is optional.

5. The fifth commandment reads, "Honor thy father and thy mother." This command is repeated in Ephesians 6:1-4, the difference being that in the New Covenant the command is farther reaching than in the Old, in that it includes the parents' responsibility to train their children properly.

6. In the sixth commandment, the Lord said, "Thou shalt not kill." As Jesus interpreted this, hatred is equivalent to murder. Feelings and words of hatred are as bad in God's sight as the act of killing. What must God think when people come before Him to worship and their hearts are filled with hatred, malice, and envy toward their brethren? See Matthew 5:22; 1 John 3:15.

7. The seventh commandment is, "Thou shalt not commit adultery." This command, like the sixth, was amplified by Jesus to include lust in the heart. Matthew 5:27, 28. God would put the emphasis upon the inner life, for therein is the battle won or lost.

8. The eighth commandment reads, "Thou shalt not steal." Paul repeats the injunction in Ephesians 4:28, adding the thought that instead of taking from others we should give to others.

9. The ninth commandment is, "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor." Here the sin is perjury. Paul gives the same



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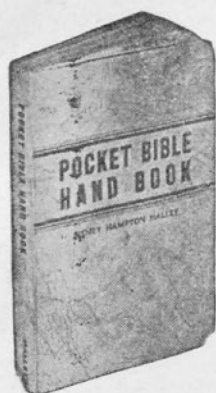
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teaching in the New Covenant. See Ephesians 4:25; Colossians 3:9.

10. The tenth commandment is, "Thou shalt not covet." The New Covenant teaching is plain: "No covetous man . . . hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ." Ephesians 5:5. And Jesus said, "Take heed, and beware of covetousness," telling the story of the foolish rich man to illustrate His command. Luke 12:15-21.

We see, then, that although all of the other commandments are repeated in the New Testament, there is no command for Christians to observe the seventh day.

It is argued that, since we refrain from adultery, lying, stealing, swearing, etc., which are part of the Ten Commandments, we ought not to stumble at the sabbath portion of the law. Our answer is, The reason we refrain from adultery, lying, stealing, swearing, etc. is not because it is forbidden in the Mosaic law, but because these things are forbidden in the Second Covenant, the Better Covenant, mediated by Jesus Christ. We are not without law; we are under law to Jesus.

In the first covenant God made a provision for those who erred therein. It was the sacrifice of

the Levitical Law, found in Leviticus.

In the second covenant God likewise has made a provision for those who err therein. It is found in Jesus Christ, the righteous, who shed His blood for our sins. If we have been guilty of disobeying any of these solemn commandments we can find pardon by confessing it to Jesus.

Seventh-day adherents tell us that Saturday was the sabbath recognized by the Christians until the Emperor Constantine changed it by law in A.D. 321. There are others who say that the Pope changed it. The truth is that the early Christians kept Sunday as their day of rest and worship for several hundred years before there was any Pope officially recognized and even before Constantine was born; history clearly records this fact.

They say that Sunday was named after the god of the sun and therefore, being pagan, it ought to be abhorred. We answer, Saturday is named after Saturn, one of the host of heaven, which was also an object of pagan worship, and if the former reasoning is sound then Saturday should be abhorred too.

More could be written, but a quotation from Galatians 5:22, 23 will be sufficient in closing.

"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law." Here is briefly stated the object of the Christian life—fruitfulness. After listing the fruit of a Spirit-filled life, Paul says, "Against such there is no law." Neither the Mosaic law nor the law of Christ will condemn the life that bears this fruit.

The Old Covenant was the bulb from which the flower of the New Covenant grew. The old, in passing away, has become the new, with many changes and improvements, yet still bearing the intimate relation to the new that a bulb has to its flower. It is this close relationship that has confused our brethren. We have only to note the folly of preferring the bulb to the blossom, or of trying to make the bulb take the place of the flower, in order to see the error in trying to keep the articles of the First Covenant while living under the blessed privileges of the Second.

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If I could hear Christ praying for me in the next room, I would not fear a million enemies. Yet the distance makes no difference. He is praying for me.—Robert Murray McCheyne.

Among the Assemblies

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GLADEWATER, TEXAS—We recently closed a very successful meeting with the Greek evangelist, Wm. Panos, of Ft. Worth, Texas. The Lord blessed from the beginning. Sixteen were saved, and 10 received the Holy Ghost Baptism. Our Sunday School attendance has doubled. Last Sunday there were 119, and this Sunday we had 134 present.—C. U. McMullen, Pastor.

ALBANY, TEXAS—We came here July 3, 1945, and since that time God has blessed in many ways. We now have a nice rock veneer church which we dedicated to the Lord October 6, 1947. Brother Savell and Brother Bates were with us at that time. We praise the Lord, for we know it is only by His help and the faithfulness of the people here at Albany that we now have this nice 36x50 ft. church free of debt. We have resigned the work here and will be open for revivals or a pastorate. We have one boy at home with us, 14 years of age.—Pastor and Mrs. Roy E. Norman, Box 381, Albany, Texas.

PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS—We have just concluded our first revival meeting since our coming to this church six months ago. Alberta Uttz of Ft. Worth came for two weeks, and God blessed in a marked way. Two weeks later, six young men from Southwestern Bible Institute, namely, Bob Bayless, Thurman Thomas, Ralph Dugger, Harry Hodge, Clyde Powell, and Wallace Porter, came to us for a week-end and God gave us a gracious outpouring of His Spirit. In the Sunday night service, while they were here, the power of God fell during the altar call, and 7 came forward for salvation. Last Sunday morning, in our regular service, the power of God fell again in a mighty way, and a number came to the altar and prayed through to a real experience with God. The power of God rested upon the congregation for such a long period that we were not able to preach, receive the tithes and offerings, or take communion. We found that in two services about 17 had come to the Lord. We are happy for this visitation of the Spirit.—Pastor and Mrs. J. E. Inlow, First Assembly of God.

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NEEDHAM, ALA.—Meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. Jack Fowler of Gardendale.—Hubert Loper, Pastor.

JULESBURG, COLO.—Meeting in progress; Bennie Harris of Ft. Morgan, Evangelist.—A. E. Hokanson, Pastor.

CLARINDA, IOWA—Jan. 4—18; Evangelist and Mrs. Vinton Huffey of Waterville.—Fred R. Smith, Pastor.

WINTER GARDEN, FLA.—Meeting in progress; Wesley Goodwin of Oklahoma, Evangelist.—J. E. Winstead, Pastor.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.—St. Claude at Fiscoville Ave.; Jan. 18, for 2 weeks; Stanley and Ethel McPherson, Evangelists.—David Pearce, Pastor.

SAVANNA, ILL.—Assembly of God, Chestnut Park; Jan. 18, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist Helen Early and coworker.—Kenneth Nyberg, Pastor.

TENNESSEE BIBLE CONFERENCE

Midwinter Bible Conference, Covington, Tenn., Feb. 3—5; Bert Webb, Superintendent Southern Missouri District, special speaker. For rooms and information write C. W. Quattlebaum, Host Pastor, Garland Ave., Covington, Tenn.—W. G. White, District Superintendent.

INDIANA MINISTERS' INSTITUTE

Indiana District Ministers' Institute, Covington, Ind., Jan. 26—28. Ralph M. Riggs, main speaker. First meeting Monday evening, then 3 meetings daily. Services in Methodist Church, corner 5th and Washington. Reasonably priced meals and a number of free rooms available. For reservations write B. R. Minton, Host Pastor.—Roy H. Wead, District Superintendent.

FOUR-DISTRICT PRAYER CONFERENCE

Annual Four-District Prayer Conference (Southern Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, and West Central Districts) at Shenandoah, Iowa, Jan. 19—21. First service, Monday night; Bert Webb, speaker. Then services 10:30 a.m., 2:30, C.A.'s 6:30, and 7:45 p.m. For room reservations write A. R. Sorenson, 309 Maple, Shenandoah, Iowa. Brethren of these and other Districts cordially invited.—Stanley H. Clarke, Superintendent, West Central District.

ALABAMA MISSIONARY CONVENTIONS

Alabama District Missionary Conventions, with Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Greenaway of French West Africa, speakers: Jan. 18—20. Enterprise; P. D. Creel, Pastor. Jan. 21—23. West Highlands, Andalusia; W. C. Ward, Pastor. Jan. 25—27. First Assembly, Dothan; Gordon Earls, Pastor. Jan. 28—30. Glenwood; Carnell Bruce, Pastor.

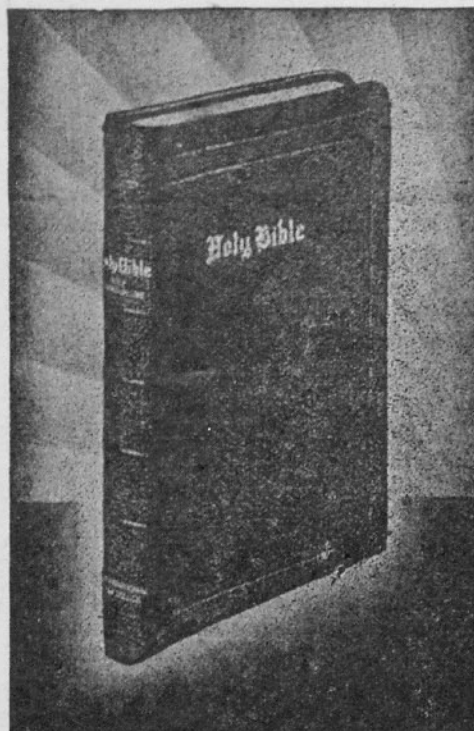
Two services each Sunday; only night services through the week.—Marvin L. Smith, District Superintendent, 55 Chidester Ave., Mobile, Ala.

TEXAS DISTRICT S. S. CONVENTIONS

Texas District Sunday School Conventions: Dallas Section, 210 E. Jefferson, Dallas, Jan. 20—21. Greenville Section, 3033 Cornelia St., Greenville, Jan. 22—23.

Paris Section, Mt. Pleasant, Jan. 27—28. Tyler Section, 4th and Marshall, Longview, Jan. 29—30. Valley Section, 11th and E. Madison, Harlingen, Feb. 3—4. Corpus Christi Section, First Assembly, Corpus Christi, Feb. 5—6. Yoakum Section, First Assembly, Yoakum, Feb. 10—11. San Antonio Section, Feb. 12—13. Houston Section, 204 Clifton, Houston, Feb. 24—25. Waco Section, Feb. 26—27. Austin Section, 501 W. 37th St., Austin, March 2—3. Beaumont Section, March 4—5. Lufkin Section, First Assembly, Lufkin, March 9—10.

All services begin 10 a.m., first day, unless local changes necessary. Notice given in such cases. Loine C. Honderick, National S. S. Representative, main speaker; James McKeehan, District Representative, presiding. For further information write Sunday School Department, 1200 Sycamore St., Waxahachie, Texas.



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God, command that these stones be made bread.

4 But he answered and said, 'It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.'

5 Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a

ship and their father, and followed him.

23 ¶ And Jē'sus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

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CHELAN, WASH.—Revival and Youth Crusade in progress; Irene and Wesley Kaufman of Tacoma, Evangelists.—Kenneth B. Gregg, Pastor.

PORTLAND, ORE.—Bible Conference, Westside Assembly of God Tabernacle, 115 N. W. 14th Ave., Jan. 20—25. District Treasurer Alan H. Banks in charge. Nightly except Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Also studies from Galatians, 2 p.m., daily.—Wm. F. Hageman, Pastor.

OREGON DISTRICT COUNCIL

Twelfth Annual Oregon District Council, Assembly of God, Springfield, Ore., Jan. 26—29. Seven great public services: Monday, 7:30; Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 6:30 and 8 p.m. Three days of Council together: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 9:15 a.m. and 2 p.m. For reservations write Mrs. Ralph Manning, Springfield, Ore. \$2.00 deposit for auto cabins or hotel rooms. Speakers: Gayle F. Lewis and John P. Kolenda, Missionary to Brazil.—Alan H. Banks, District Secretary.

OLYMPIA, WASH.—Jan. 11—25; Ralph Cranston, Evangelist.—E. R. Scratch, Pastor.

COLUMBUS, GA.—12th Ave. and 22nd St., Jan. 4—; O. L. Jagers, Evangelist.—J. D. Stevens, Pastor. BELEN, N. MEX.—Jan. 18—; Margaret Newby of Gallup, Evangelist.—Irvin E. Smith, Pastor.

PACIFIC GROVE, CALIF.—Pine at Grand, Jan. 4—; Ruth Clem, Evangelist.—Oral A. Hart, Pastor.

CHAPPELL, NEBR.—Jan. 4—25; Clinton Thompson, Evangelist.—H. W. Thiemann, Pastor.

GLENDALE, CALIF.—Bethel Assembly of God; meetings in progress; Fox Evangelistic Party.—J. Paul Bruton, Pastor.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—The Missionary Rest Home is now located at 585 E. Washington St., Pasadena 6, Calif.—Agnes E. Jacobson, Matron.