

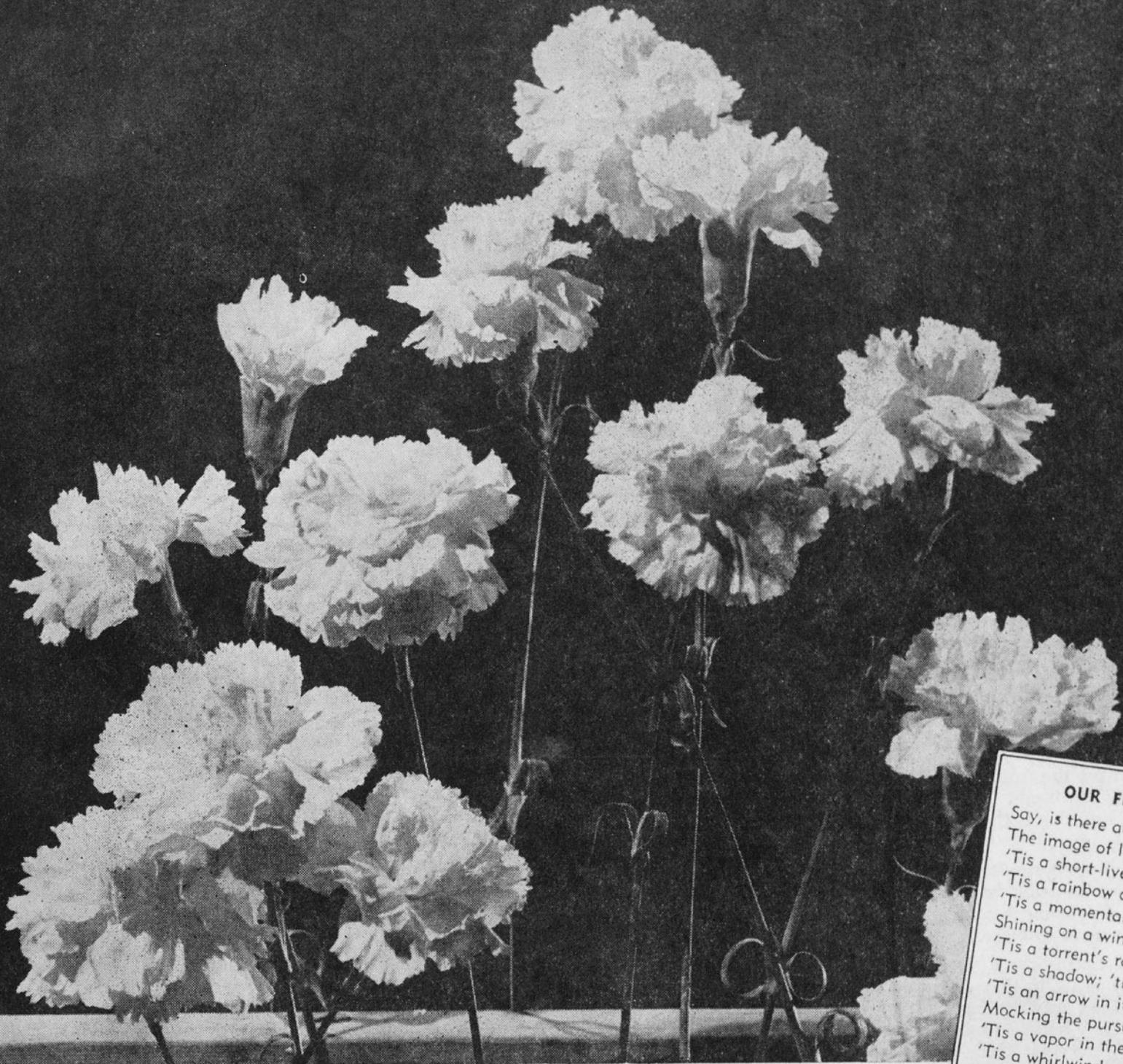
NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD

The PENTECOSTAL

FILE COPY

Evangel

• JULY 10, 1948
NUMBER 1783



Phil Gendreau Photo

OUR FLEETING LIFE

Say, is there aught that can convey
The image of life's transient stay?
'Tis a short-lived, fading flower;
'Tis a rainbow or a shower;
'Tis a momentary ray,
Shining on a winter's day;
'Tis a torrent's rapid stream;
'Tis a shadow; 'tis a dream;
'Tis an arrow in its flight
Mocking the pursuing sight;
'Tis a vapor in the air;
'Tis a whirlwind rushing there;
'Tis the closing watch of night,
Dying at the rising light;
'Tis a landscape vainly gay,
Painted upon crumbling clay;
'Tis a lamp that wastes its fire;
'Tis a flame that quick expires;
'Tis a bubble—'tis a sigh.
Be prepared, O man, to die!

MISSIONS--

A. C. Bates *

Our Heritage, Our Responsibility

THE churches of Texas are catching the missionary vision. We have better than 500 assemblies in the Texas District. For many years we lagged behind in our missionary giving, but in recent years God has visited us and moved upon our hearts. By God's help and grace we are going to do more for missions. God is blessing our churches in Texas, so we should give. We do not want to miss our inheritance.

There is a familiar scripture in Psalm 2 which says, "Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." My father was a poor man. He lost his health, and when he died I had to bury him. Five years before he died he had spent all of his earnings, so I've never known what it is to inherit any earthly holdings; but my father left me a wonderful heritage, and that was a good name. And I want to have another inheritance, and that is in world-wide evangelism. God says He will give us the heathen for our inheritance if we will ask.

I was reared in a communion that did not believe in missions, but God worked me over. When He baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire He defrosted me and gave me a missionary heart. I don't believe any man was ever baptized with the Holy Spirit without receiving in his spirit a love for a lost world, and a willingness to help get the gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth. That's why this Pentecostal movement has always been a missionary movement.

I remember the first General Council I attended. We sang, "Bringing in the Sheaves," and this is the way we sang the chorus:

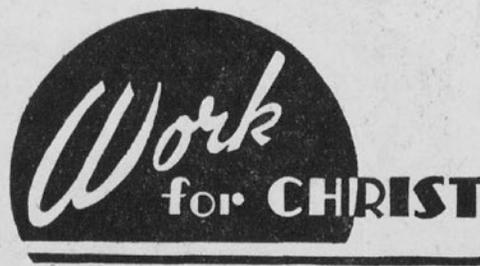
*Giving up your ease,
Getting on your knees,
We shall come rejoicing
Bringing in Chinese.*

That was twenty-three years ago. God stirred my heart in that General Council meeting. God was dealing with me, and He turned my heart to missions as never before. I pray that God will stir all of our hearts in a new way. I thank God for

the souls that have been won. I thank God for the churches that have been raised up in the remote corners of the earth. But we cannot be satisfied. We must carry the gospel into *all* the earth and preach it to *every* creature. There are millions who need to hear the message before the coming of our Lord. May God stir our people, our pastors, our churches as never before.

God will bless the Assemblies of God if we continue to be a missionary people. But if we sit down at ease, and become unconcerned—if we are content to localize, and programize, and lose the burden for lost souls—then we'll be no better than others who have ceased to listen to the voice of the Spirit and have lost the Lord's blessing.

The greatest heritage in all the world is to share in evangelizing the world. There is no better inheritance than the souls of men. God has given us property. He has given us good church buildings, Bible schools, printing equipment, and other things, but all of these fade into insignificance when compared with the value of the thousands who have been won to the Lord Jesus Christ. My heart overflows when I see all these people, who, although



When David Livingstone's body was taken back to England, crowds thronged the streets to pay tribute to the noble missionary. An elderly man among them was heard to sob aloud, and people wondered at his deep grief. It was revealed that he and Livingstone had been friends in their youth, and, as an ambitious young man, he had scorned Livingstone's choice to give his life for Christ in Africa. With a life of selfish interests behind him, the man saw with regret who had made the wiser choice, and he cried out: "I put the emphasis on the wrong world."



deprived of hearing, yet have received into their hearts the gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. They are part of the heritage of the home missionaries. I am a home missionary. I have never been abroad, but from the crown of my head to the soles of my feet I'm a missionary.

I fear that some of us are too unconcerned, too frivolous, too light-hearted when so many are lost and without God in this world. Someone has said, "What would be my wages as a missionary?" Friend, the American Indians might be your wages, or the Alaskans. The Africans, the Chinese, the heathen from the uttermost parts of the earth, might be your inheritance. You missionaries representing Africa this afternoon, your heritage is in those precious African people—those black faces turned up to God, those black hands raised in prayer and praise. Glory be to God!

I remember being in the missionary rest home in New York City one day, where there were a number of missionaries anxiously awaiting their passports and passage to foreign lands. In the prayer meeting there was one precious missionary who attracted my attention through her prayers. I do not like to eavesdrop, but I confess that when someone prays through and gets up near the Throne I sometimes like to listen in; and I was moved as I heard this particular missionary praying, "O God, hasten the day when I may return to the land of my adoption and fulfil my calling." I thought of the American comforts she was sacrificing. There would be no fine cars, no electric lights, no modern refrigerators, no comfortable furniture perhaps in the land of her calling; yet she would rather be over there preaching the gospel, in spite of the sacrifices, in order to claim her inheritance.

I am thinking of the very first verse of the Bible—"In the beginning God." In the beginning of this Pentecostal outpouring was God. He started it, and as long as we retain our contact with Him all hell cannot defeat us. "And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved—and God said, Let there be light." The Spirit that moved upon the chaotic earth, and caused light to come, is the same Spirit that has energized the hearts of our missionaries to carry this glorious gospel to the ends of the earth.

Oh, what a heritage! The psalmist said, "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy." He didn't just say, "They that sow." He said, "They that sow *in tears*." He added, "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." It doesn't say just, "He that goeth forth," but it states a condition to be met—"He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed." In Isaiah 32:20

* Brother Bates is Missionary Secretary of the Texas District. He gave this message at a great missionary rally in Springfield, Mo., on Sunday afternoon, June 13, which climaxed simultaneous conventions of the Foreign Missions Department and the Christian Deaf Fellowship.

we read, "Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters, that send forth thither the feet of the ox and the ass." I am not able to go to Africa, but I am glad I can help the missionaries. I can pray for them. I can give to their support.

Our people are not giving as they ought. One would think they had received their Baptism at the ten-cent store! I believe we ought to give according to the blessing God has given us.

Paul said, "For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming?" 1 Thess. 2:19. Our wages and remuneration are the souls of men. Thanks be to God, who says, "Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you." We'll be satisfied with our wages when pay day comes. We have precious seed to sow. The most precious thing in all the world is the Word of God; and as we bear this precious seed abroad we are assured that we shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing our sheaves with us. Oh, hallelujah! The fruit of the Christian is more Christians. Thank God for such a heritage as the souls of men!

My other thought this afternoon is that missions are our responsibility. Missions are the mission of the Church. No one can wholly follow the Lord Jesus Christ and the New Testament without obeying the Great Commission—without participating in the evangelization of the world. It is not home missions, or foreign missions; it is *world* missions. "The field is the world."

No Christian can escape the responsibility. It is ours. The apostolic pattern is laid down in Acts 1:8. Jesus said, "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." The apostolic pattern is this: we are to witness in our own community, then in the nearby community, then in the neighboring country, and then to the ends of the earth. In Matthew 28:19 Jesus said, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations." Mark 16:15 says, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Luke 24:47 says Christ died and rose again "that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." So we must carry this gospel to the ends of the earth.

Paul was called to go to the Gentiles, to open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they might receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified; and in rehearsing his experience to King Agrippa he was able to say, "I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision." Acts 26:19. Paul was a

As a Missionary Sees It

More and more we are sure that at the home end the emphasis is on the right place, in preparation of missionaries for the field. It cannot be emphasized too much that for a person to be free to tend to the battle without, the paramount requisite is that the battle within be stilled and over. Each one must have a deep settled experience, not necessarily emotional but certainly practical, the experience of knowing that the old self is nailed to the cross. The light on the subject, and ability to talk on it, is not enough. It just washes out in the day of battle. At all or any cost let us know the life. The price cannot be too high to pay, no sacrifice can be too great. Rather the sacrifice lies in refusing, and eternity alone will reveal how great that sacrifice may be. Oswald Chambers says to do so means to "sacredly play the fool with our soul" and, we can add, not only our souls but the souls of those to whom we minister.

Perhaps we ought to remember more that to accept that position of the old man being crucified with Christ, is not the end but the beginning. The road lies

ahead. We find it is not an unbroken panorama of thrills and raptures, but is rather one of conquest, more often in the menial things of life where the band is not playing and there is no excitement of great victories. Here is where one is likely to lose the vision and miss the fact that in such situations lies one of the greatest battlefields and that God is wanting to reveal His power in us right there on that spot.

Above all, let us be genuine. It seems to us there is in Christian circles today a holiness that is not of the Lord, a character made beautiful by natural refinement and training but lacking that keen cutting edge that is so needful in this age. So many whom we thought strong seem to be slipping down to easier plains where the fight is not so strenuous. Let us ever stand for nothing less than the Lord our Righteousness and only be satisfied when we are following hard after Him. He only is our safeguard and He can only become that as He lives and reigns in a crucified life. Efforts toward holiness apart from Him are an insult to God's atonement and defy the Holy Spirit.—*World Conquest*.

Jew, but racial prejudice fades away when we come close to the Lord. In Christ Jesus there is no difference. We are all one in Him. God loves the people in Africa and Asia as well as He loves you and me. God gave His only begotten Son that people of every tribe and nation should not perish but have everlasting life; and, friends, it is our God-given responsibility to take them the message.

I prefer to say it is our God-given *pre-rogative* to share in world-wide evangelism. It is a privilege, rather than a drudgery. It is our right, rather than our duty. Oh, that God would impress upon all the fact that we must answer to Him in this matter. The people of many churches do not yet have their eyes open. You know, there are some animals that don't get their eyes open until about nine days after they're born, and it seems that some of our Assemblies of God churches are still waiting for the day when their eyes will open. I believe it's because of a lack of proper teaching and training. If the missionary cause is properly presented to our pastors and their people, I believe most of them will respond.

There are two things against which

the Bible has much to say. One is covetousness and the other is barrenness. Barrenness always speaks of the judgment of God. I have been on the barren deserts of our nation, and no one cares to remain there. The sooner a traveler can cross the desert and come to an oasis, the better he feels. Oh, friends, there's nothing more pathetic or more tragic than a barren church that can't see beyond the confines of its own walls. God wants us to be fruitful. Peter says that if the Christian graces are in you and abound, they make you so ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. The church is expected to bring forth spiritual children. No woman has a right to call herself a mother that has not borne children. Neither does a congregation have a right to call itself a church unless it is causing people to be born into the kingdom of God.

There are some preachers who don't believe in missions. I would tell them, "If I were you I would take the word 'church' from my building; I'd give it the name of some club, or society, or other organization. I wouldn't dare to write

(Continued on page thirteen)

"Letting Down Our Wings"

Amy Carmichael

WE have a walk here, in this Indian Compound, called the Path of Quietness. It is 200 feet long, and is bordered on one side by mango trees, and on the other side by the backs of rooms which are full of little girls who keep the walk swept and tidy.

At one end of the Path of Quietness is a tamarind tree. Seen as you approach it through a Chinese Moon Gate, it is like a porch to the garden beyond, where palms and lilies grow and the children who have passed over are laid.

Sitting on a piece of granite at its foot, and looking out from under the deep shadow of the tree to the peaceful mountains, many a one has been strengthened and stilled. Things that are seen have slipped out of sight as we sat there, and the things that are not seen have become the real things of life. There are few places in Dohnavur that we should find harder to spare than that quiet place under the tamarind tree.

Among the old books that have drifted down through the ages is one called "True Peace." A copy of it was given to Dr. A. B. Simpson in the midst of his busy life. It had only one thing to say: *God is waiting to speak to us in the depths of our hearts, and He will speak if only we will be quiet enough to listen.*

Twenty years after he had read that book, Dr. Simpson told how he had set himself to be quiet. At first he thought that this would be a very easy matter. But as he tried to still his heart a pandemonium of voices assailed him; questions, cares, his very prayers shouted around him. And there were Satanic suggestions, too, and the voices of the world's turmoil. Never before had there seemed so many things to be done, to be said, to be thought. In every direction he was pushed and pulled, and greeted with noisy acclamations and unspeakable unrest.

But at last, as he listened and slowly learned to obey that quiet word, "Be still," he found that when the other voices ceased, or he had ceased to hear and heed them, there was a still, small voice in the depths of his being that began to speak with an inexpressible tenderness, power, and comfort. "As I listened," he said, "it

became the voice of prayer, and the voice of duty, and I did not need to think so hard; but that still, small voice of the Holy Spirit in my heart was God's answer to all my questions: it was God's life and strength for soul and body, and became the substance of all knowledge, and all prayer, and all blessings; for it was the living God Himself as my life and my all.

"We cannot go through life strong and fresh on constant express trains, with ten minutes for lunch. We must have quiet hours, in secret places of the Most High; times of waiting upon the Lord, when we renew our strength, and learn to mount upon wings as eagles, and then come back to run and not be weary, and to walk and not faint."

It is true. The word of that little book

OFTEN AND LONG ALONE WITH GOD

Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you.
James 4:8

sounds the eternal note, the same that arrested Andrew Murray of South Africa, who quotes Ter Steegen's "Within, within the heart to be with God alone" as the one essential; and he continues, "If you need a friend or a book He sends it."

"If you need a book, He sends it." On a burdened day before His purposes had unfolded as regards this work, He sent to me, by the hands of a friend, George and Lucy Johnson's beautiful book about Josephine Butler, saint and warrior. This powerful paragraph will be found on page 238 of that book:

"It requires much courage to be alone with God, to elect to retire for a time, and even for long times, and to listen to His voice only. It requires more courage than is needed to meet human opposition or to battle with an outward enemy, and is altogether different from worship in the congregation with others around us. Let anyone who doubts this make a trial, saying in humble determination, 'I will not let Thee go except Thou bless me, until Thou admittest me to the inner sanc-

tuary of Thy presence, and speakest to me.' For it is then that the keen searchlight of His presence, reveals the innermost recesses of the soul, so that the creature who has been bold enough to seek such a solitary interview with the Creator shall fall on his face, as Daniel did, in self-abasement: 'I Daniel fainted, and was sick certain days.' It is then that all which is of self, all subtle egotism—the egotism which takes such a multitude of forms—is searched and hunted out of the soul. It cannot live in His presence. The praise of man becomes as dust beneath the feet, and the soul trembles even to receive any honor of men, or to be recognized in this world as of any worth."

We of the Dohnavur fellowship have found that this stillness is not spiritual luxury but *sheer necessity*. We cannot live without it. We may work without it, but there is no breath of life in the work. Our crowded days can be still at heart, and yet there are times when we find we must stop our work for a while, even though to do so is like laying a hand on the rim of a whirling wheel. None of us who shared a time two years ago when we resolutely did just that, will ever forget it. There are activities which can be closed down; villages can be left without teachers, and festivals without witnesses. But you cannot close down babies or tireless boys and girls; and unless you have every corner full already, you cannot refuse guests, whether foreign or Indian. The incomings and outgoings of this place are ceaseless. It seems impossible to call a halt without leaving some plain duty undone, and without disappointing or overtaxing anyone. But the sense of rush and hurry was such then that we had to stop, if we were to go on at all. We could not wait for our usual monthly day of prayer. The very air seemed full of the rustle and the scurry of wings. "There was a voice from the firmament that was over their heads when they stood and had let down their wings." We had to "let down our wings."

Next day everything was different. There was a new freshness and lightness. Duties did not jostle. There was peace. And weeks later we knew that, while we waited before Him that day, a special prayer of eight years was answered. That which no power on earth could have accomplished He did on that day of quietness when we "let down our wings."

But I stop and ask myself, Does all this read too easily? Is it tongue-grace

(Continued on page seven)

Subscription Rates: \$1.50 per year in U. S. A.; Canada and foreign, \$2.00.

THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL

Published weekly by the Gospel Publishing House, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo., U.S.A.

OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD IN U.S.A.

Entered as second-class matter June 25, 1918 at Post Office in Springfield, Mo., under Act of March 3, 1879. Accepted for mailing as special rate provided in Sec. 1103, Act of Oct. 3, 1917, authorized July 3, 1918. Printed in the U.S.A.

What God Has Wrought

James Salter of the Belgian Congo

at the Central Assembly, Springfield, Mo.

It is about thirty-two years since we arrived in the Congo, where we spent our first night on the river. We had gone there to sleep; actually, I didn't sleep. We saw the natives cooking and eating human bodies. I thought cannibals lived in books and never came out, but they did that time. When we saw those bodies stewing and those bones strewn on the ground, I would have moved on had it not been dark!

We often met those folk afterward, frequently going through their villages on bicycles. They'd come along, calling one to the other, "Come on, everybody, there's some white meat here on a bicycle." One of the most powerful chiefs in that district, one who was supposed to be civilized, who boasted of his civilization, after spending three years in a Roman Catholic monastery in Spain, went back and by his own confession had taken part in more than 400 cannibal feasts. Even when he was hanging (suspended from a roof) he grinned devilishly at the white man in triumph at having continued so long before they caught him. Another used to send his soldiers to catch natives and bring their blood in bottles for him to drink!

I mention these things only to give you some idea of the kind of people the gospel had to tackle. At the place where we saw them cooking and eating human bodies there are now twenty-eight Assemblies of God, so that instead of feasting on human flesh you can have your choice of one of those twenty-eight assemblies each Lord's Day morning and have fellowship in breaking of bread.

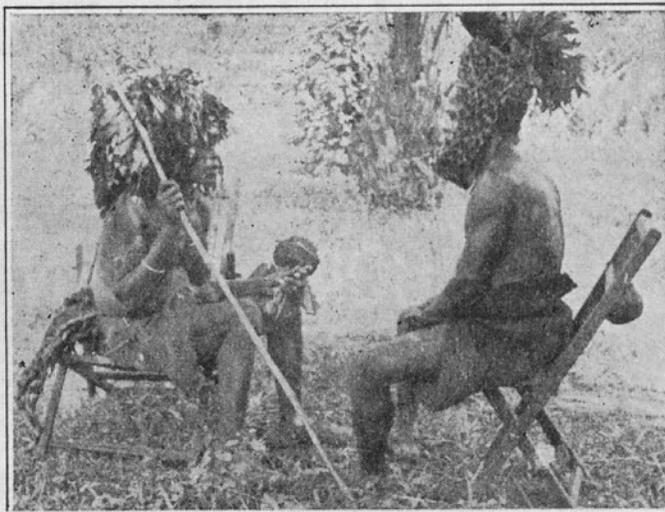
In one visit more than 800 of those folk, individually, knowingly, personally accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as their Savior. Those twenty-eight churches are the core of a district where we have 175 native churches, self-supporting, self-propagating, self-governing; not a cent of foreign money goes to their support. In fact, more than half of our 800 native missionaries are supported not by foreign funds but by their own money. They have made their own bricks, erected their own buildings; they have their own ministers; they govern their own churches. We merely supervise and advise.

There isn't any cannibalism now. We thought cannibalism was very bad. Cannibalism was like a Sunday school picnic compared with what went on behind the scenes.

When the revival power of God swept that district there wasn't an unsaved native left in some of the villages. Not one. Their huts were illumined at night time, they said, by angels. Whatever it was, it had a good effect because it made murderers get out of bed and get right with God. It made men and women who had been demon-possessed get right with God. God saved them; God healed them; God filled them with the Holy Spirit; and God made them mighty messengers for Himself. Who, but God, could do that? It isn't method. It's "not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord."

Yes, that first night on the Congo river gave me a bit of a chill. I got somewhat accustomed to it afterwards and I wasn't affected by it so much. The four of us pressed on and got to a steamer. On that steamer one of our party died. They buried him under a palm tree. I was ill and not at the funeral. While they were having the funeral service I had a visit from Doctor Jesus, the only doctor within four hundred miles, a doctor with a twenty-four-hour service for anybody, any time, anywhere, anything, for nothing. Isn't He a wonderful Jesus?

When they buried that missionary, the



A greatly dreaded pair of men in the Belgian Congo—"Death of men" the witch doctor, and "Terror of men" his accomplice—who now have received the light of the gospel through one of our missionaries.

captain said to the natives who came forward to fill in the grave, "Don't fill in that grave. It will do for the other one." "The other one" is talking to you. The captain came to see if "the other one" was dead. When he saw what Christ had done for me he went back to the graveside and said to those natives, "You can fill it in. He won't need it." Jesus did it. How slow we are to extol our wonderful Jesus.

An experience like this I went through not once but at least half a dozen times. Three times I went down to death's door with black water fever. On another occasion I was left for dead with the sheet over my head, a nervous wreck, absolutely broken, with a broken arm. But He completely healed me. It's Jesus we're talking about, the one of whom it is written, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever!"

We arrived among a quarter of a million people, many of them cannibals. They poisoned our water, though it was bad enough to begin with. It was the village bathtub. Everyone washed themselves and their dirty rags in it, but still they put poison in it. Then they put poison in our food. They shot poisoned arrows at us. Then they tried bullets. Jesus is our Shield.

There were no Christians there. There were no books, no Scriptures. Had they had them, they couldn't have used them, for no one could read. Now they have the whole Bible in the Kiluba dialect. In another tribe the Scriptures have been prepared for them, and school books; we have our own printing equipment, our own Bible school, and God is working among them. There are 35,000 breaking bread every Lord's Day morning. There are another 30,000 waiting to be baptized. Our native elders do not baptize anyone who smokes tobacco or drinks liquor. That is not a white innovation; it is a native church regulation. God has swept and is sweeping through those villages in a marvelous way with His mighty power.

We had seven missionaries and wanted to occupy five stations. A married couple traveled sixteen days northward; God went with them. Two single workers took two other stations. My wife and I stayed at the headquarters station. The fifth station was ten days away, and only one sister was left to take it. I said, "I'm afraid our plan will fail." She said, "Why? Is it because I'm a woman?" I said, "Not exactly, but that is a consideration." She said, "Don't let it be." "But," I answered, "I've just been down there, Sister, and it's terrible country. I had to fight (Continued on page twelve)

The New Birth

Gayle F. Lewis

on National Radio Hour, "Sermons in Song"

IN our Lord's discourse with Nicodemus as recorded in the third chapter of the Gospel of John, He twice makes use of the word "must," a word of great depth and power in both cases. Let us ponder it for a few moments, for though but a word of one syllable it contains a volume of evangelical truth.

Our first "must" is in verse 7, "Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again." Here we have the total setting aside of man in his very best condition. If he must be born again, if he must have a new life, a new nature, then it matters not in the smallest degree what he can or cannot boast of. Man, when he was created in the beginning, was made in the image of God (Genesis 1:27); but man, after the fall of Adam, was born in the image of his fallen parents. Hence Jesus says, "Ye must be born again." It is not said that you must mend your ways, you must try to do better, you must alter your mode of living, or that you must turn over a new leaf—but, "Ye must be born again."

There is great power in this little word "must." It bears upon all alike. It speaks to the drunkard and says, "You must be born again." It addresses the moral man and says, "You must be born again." It speaks to every class, to every shade of character, to men and women in every rank and nation, in every creed and denomination, to the worst and to the best of men—"Ye must be born again." It demands not reformation, but regeneration; not amendment, but a new life, a life that takes us from the likeness of sinful, fallen humanity back to the likeness of God. No wonder Nicodemus asks, "How can these things be?" Had Jesus spoken of reform he would have understood, but this was too great for him.

What are we to do? Whither are we to turn? How are we to get this new life? Our Lord's second "must" furnishes the answer: "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." This makes it all plain. In a word, the Cross is the solution to the difficulty, the Divine answer to the question, "How?" The Son of man must be lifted up. Why? Because I must have new life, and this life is in the Son; but it could not be mine except through His death, so He must be lifted up. The death of Christ is the only ground of life to me.

One look at Christ as lifted up for me is life eternal. The soul that will accept and believe on the Son of God who died for his sins can be "born again," as Jesus said—"born of water and of the Spirit"; he can

pass from death unto life, from the old creation to the new, from guilt to righteousness, from condemnation to favor, from darkness to light, from Satan to God.

Oh, may God unfold to your heart the truth, first, that you must be born again, and second, that this is possible only through Jesus Christ who was lifted up upon the Cross for your sins.

HINDRANCES TO HEALING

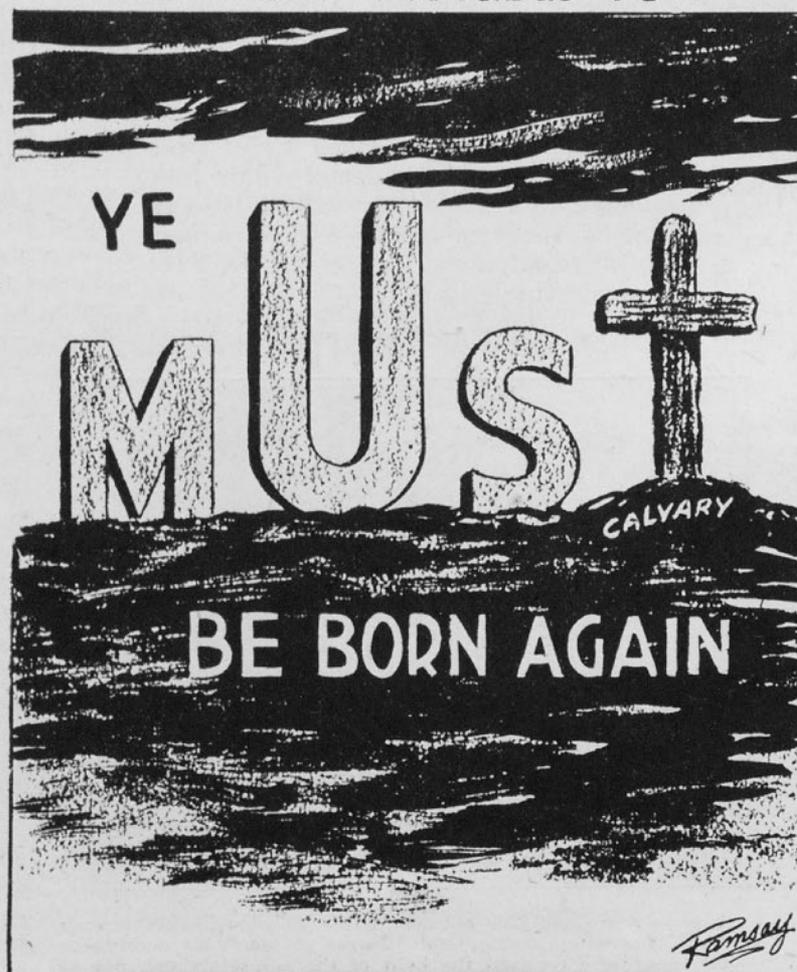
Spiritual conditions are inseparably connected with our physical life. The flow of the divine life-currents may be interrupted by a little clot of blood; the vital current may leak out through a very trifling wound.

If you want to keep the health of Christ, keep from all spiritual sores, from all heart wounds and irritations. One hour of fretting will wear out more vitality than a week of work; and one minute of malignity, or rankling jealousy or envy, will hurt more than a drink of poison. Sweetness of spirit and joyousness of heart are essential to full health. Quietness of spirit, gentleness, tranquility, and the peace of God that passes all understanding, are worth all the sleeping draughts in the country.

We do not wonder that some people have poor health when we hear them talk for half an hour. They have enough dislikes, prejudices, doubts and fears to exhaust the strongest constitution.

Beloved, if you would keep God's life and strength, keep out the things that kill it; keep it for Him, and for His work, and you will find enough and to spare.—A. B. SIMPSON.

THE "MUST" INCLUDES "YOU"—



500,000,000 Souls

John Lindvall

Brethren, the time is short. 1 Cor. 7:29.

SCIENTISTS are speculating on how long the world will continue to go on as it is. Someone recently suggested that we have five years to develop a formula for peace. The question comes to us with terrific impact, "How long do we have to work for God?" Just the other day a worker said, "We may have only four years in which to bring the gospel to Europe." But someone else replied, "Brother, it may be only four months." We do not know how long we have to work, but this one thing we do know—"The time is short."

It seems that the dark clouds foreshadowing the reign of the Antichrist are even now rolling in over the domains of mankind. Country after country is feeling to a greater and greater extent the diabolical power which shall eventually control the earth for a time. Signs of the times clearly indicate the hour in which we live. Sad to say, all too many professing Christians fail to realize the urgency of the situation and their tremendous responsibilities in this eleventh hour of the world's history.

"Occupy till I come," were the words of Jesus Himself. Today the foremost responsibility of the Church and every individual Christian is missions. Missions is the work of the church. It is also the mission of every Christian. Our task is to bring the gospel of salvation to our neighbors. In this era when the earth has shrunk to a fraction of its former size, we are all neighbors in a small world, teeming with millions of souls. When we think of missions we usually think of some far-off place. In this modern day we cannot entertain such an obsolescent idea. Just as modern warfare in its global aspect influences millions and causes hundreds of millions to participate in one way or another, so in our spiritual warfare every Christian is called upon to be a missionary. Each one of us must face our task recognizing that our participation as an active missionary soul-winner is demanded in this last hour.

It is foolish to speak of which need is greater or greatest in this world of ours, because each soul without Christ constitutes a definite challenge. Every lost soul needs a Savior. Certainly when we hear of Alaska we cannot deny the fact that the hundred thousand souls there need the gospel. But let us not forget that Boston, too, with its million inhabitants, must also have the message of salvation. And our neighbors in India, Tibet, Manchuria, Japan, Africa, Latin America, and the islands of the sea, all need to hear the message of Calvary.

But now I want to present the appeal of one of the greatest and neediest (but perhaps the most neg-

lected) of the world's mission fields. This field is Europe. Traveling across America, telling of my desire to go to Europe as a missionary, I met people everywhere who shook their heads and said, "No, that can't be, for we don't send missionaries to Europe. Europe isn't a mission field." But I wish they and you could see the field as I have seen it. True enough, everywhere you turn you find religion; but much of it is pagan.

Europe is truly a heathen continent. Here live one quarter of the entire population of the world—five hundred and fifty million souls. Think of it! Over a half billion inhabitants. Here are a large variety of languages in thirty different countries. Four hundred million people here do not even have a Bible. But, you say, "I thought Europe was Christian." Less than a hundred million people are Protestants. Most of these are Protestants in name only. The figure includes the millions who, although born in Protestant countries, never go to church. Over half of them live in Germany and Scandinavia. How many true Christians are there in Europe? Only a small handful. My good friend, David du Plessis, a native of South Africa and former General Secretary of the Apostolic Faith Mission, maintains that there are twice as many heathen in Europe as there are in Africa today. He states that South Africa, too, should send missionaries to Europe. Africa, also, has a responsibility to dark Europe.

I can take you to a chapel in Belgium where idols are worshiped (and that is true in most European countries) but this is a special chapel for the pigs and cows. Gross darkness covers this land as well as many other lands. You will find a form of religion called Christian that is rank paganism. Recently a Roman Catholic priest was much disturbed when I told him that we send many missionaries to South America. He said that all South America was Christian. When I asked about Spain he maintained that it, too, is completely a Christian land enjoying entire religious freedom. But such propaganda spread everywhere by the agents of Rome quickly vanishes when the true situation is seen. Right now in Spain we have precious believers who are worshipping behind closed doors. Their liberty to worship includes only the privilege to gather in secret! Many believers bear in their bodies the marks of physical suffering they have endured for the cause of Christ. Always when they endeavor to propagate the gospel persecution is their lot. Meanwhile the spiritual darkness around them is intense. When you realize that very few of the people have ever read a Bible or even seen one, you begin to realize the darkness in which they live. This is in modern but pagan Europe.

I have not time to mention the needs of each country; of the darkness of Belgium, the open door in France, the challenge of Germany, the revival in Italy, and our responsibility in every European land. But one thing I must repeat again and again, **THE TIME IS SHORT.** From the east comes the hot breath of a new religion, a doctrine that captivates the minds of people, a gospel that is anti-Christ and anti-God—the red gospel of communism. How long do we have to work? I don't know. Some doors are even now closing. Some doors are already closed. For the most of Europe, however, the doors of opportunity are still wide open. In most countries we have perfect liberty.

Even now in some places revival fires are



burning high. In Germany hundreds and thousands have accepted Jesus Christ as Savior. From eastern Europe come reports of unprecedented interest in the things of God. But we have very little time. Dark clouds are gathering on the horizon. We must work now. We all need to help in this great work. At the present time the Assemblies of God are supporting over 130 national workers in Europe. We need more workers! We need more evangelists! We need more pioneers to go into cities to open new churches. We need money to rent halls, to buy buildings, and to build tabernacles. Our Swedish Pentecostal friends have sent several church buildings to be erected in Germany. However, most groups still have no adequate place in which to hold their services. Less than five percent of our assemblies in France own their own church buildings. The same is true in Switzerland, Italy, and practically every European country. Right now there is a need for twenty-five thousand dollars to build a church in Rome. Plans are under way to build a new church in Brussels. Paris, too, must make a move to accommodate the crowds because the present hall is too small.

The need for printing facilities is great. The hunger for the Word of God is insatiable. Other urgent needs present themselves in every European land. America is sending billions of dollars for material aid to Europe. We as God's people need to institute a spiritual "Marshall Plan" for the sake of the gospel. It takes money, backed by much prayer. Won't you pray and give for this great need in Europe? **FOUR HUNDRED MILLION SOULS IN NEED OF GOD** is the call. The future of this continent will affect your life. *The time is short.* Let us work while it is still day.

BASEL, SWITZERLAND

"LETTING DOWN OUR WINGS"

(Continued from page four)

and paper-grace? "Cause us to be the thing that we appear," is a line from the children's school song which often turns back upon ourselves. And yet we perish if we let our quiet go. And we believe that our Lord can command a stillness within us and about us, which neither noise of words can break nor press of duties shatter. And we believe that He can teach us how to meet each duty with a welcome, and we ask Him wholly to free us from the snare of fuss, and from that kind of occupation which leads to spiritual deafness and throws the dust of earth in our eyes so that we cannot see His face in clearness. Keep us from these hindering things, O Lord, our Strength and our Redeemer.

It may be that these words will find out one who is standing on the edge of something commanded, but as yet un-attempted. And close upon the secret sign which only that one's eyes saw, a veritable whirlwind has swept up and burst upon him like a storm against a wall. What does it mean? Hear this from that same brave woman who spoke before:

"In order to produce a movement of a vital

spiritual nature someone must suffer; someone must go through sore travail of soul before a living movement, outwardly visible, can be born."

"Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die"—it is that word again. "And He, bearing His Cross, went forth." "If any man serve Me, let him follow Me." "I will show him how great things he must suffer." Someone has written: "If there had been anything better or more profitable to man than to suffer, Christ verily would have shown it by word and example."

And then? Then prayer. The day of action may be strangely delayed. There may be a mighty holding fast to prayer, and such burden and such pain in prayer as was not before imagined. Let him who is so mastered yield to that mastery. It is told of George Tankervil, the martyr (he who said, "Although the day was never so long, at last it ringeth to evening song") that, embracing the fire, he bathed himself in it, so ardently did he accept his awful baptism. That spirit must be in us. We too must bathe in fire.

We have it all in the 20th Psalm: "The Lord hear thee . . . defend thee . . . strengthen thee . . . remember all thy offerings, and accept thy burnt-sacrifice; grant thee thy heart's desire, and fulfill all thy mind." Accept thy burnt sacrifice—turn to ashes thy burnt offering!

*But these strange ashes, Lord? this nothingness
This baffling sense of loss?
"Son, was the anguish of My stripping less
Upon the torturing Cross?"*

*"Was I not brought into the dust of death,
A worm and no man, I;
Yes, turned to ashes by the vehement breath
Of fire, on Calvary?"*

*"O son beloved, this is thy heart's desire:
This and no other thing
Follows the fall of the Consuming Fire
On the burnt offering.*

*"Go on and taste the joy set high, afar
No joy like that for thee;
See how it lights thy way like some great star,
Come now, and follow Me."*

DOHNAVUR, S. INDIA

THE WORLD'S LARGEST BIBLE

A man in Los Angeles, Calif., has a Bible containing 8,048 pages. It is 34 inches thick, and is bound in 32 different sections. It stands over 8 feet high and weighs 1,094 pounds. The maker claims it is the biggest Bible in the world. He spent 8,700 hours printing it by hand, using rubber-stamp type. This amounts to eight hours a day, seven days a week, for three solid years. It is a feat almost equal to that of the scribes of old, who copied the sacred Scriptures by hand—but would not these three years have been better spent had he bought a Bible for a dollar and given his time to prayerful reading and studying of God's Word?

The Missionary Conference

OVER one hundred missionaries from all around the world were in attendance at the Missionary Conference at Central Bible Institute in Springfield, Missouri from June 9 to 13.

Close-up views were obtained of a number of the fields as George Carmichael, of Jerusalem, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cummings, field secretary for India and Ceylon, had returned to the States just a few days prior to the Conference.

Three days of the Conference were devoted to seminar sessions, one day was given to personal interviews and on the final day, Sunday, a great United Missionary Rally was held in conjunction with the Christian Deaf Fellowship which was holding its biennial national convention at Central Bible Institute during the same period.

The Conference proved to be of great value in formulating missionary policies and in securing a better understanding by the missionaries of the work that is carried on by the Foreign Missions Department.

One of the missionaries stated, "In discussing the problems of other fields we learn how to meet them in our own fields." Another said, "The Conference has made me more sympathetic toward other missionaries and their fields. The news of God's blessings around the world has been a real encouragement."

A new missionary was interviewed and he said that he had profited from the Conference, stating, "From the standpoint of getting the views and experiences of the missionaries who have been on the field, I will know better how to meet the problems of the field. The fellowship with the missionaries has been wonderful."

Reports were given of the work in Africa, Latin America, India and Ceylon, and in China. H. B. Garlock told of the progress that is being made in the development of the Missionary Transport Flights, a co-operative group working for a unified effort in transporting missionaries to their fields of labor. Another brief report was given by E. L.

Mason, missionary to Liberia, on Missionary Aviation. Special mention was made of the two Seabee planes which had recently been secured for use in Liberia.

The conclusion of the Conference was enjoyed by all the Assemblies of Springfield. A missionary speaker visited each of the ten Assemblies for the Sunday morning service. In the afternoon rally at the Central Bible Institute auditorium a grand processional brought many of the missionaries in costume to the platform along with the workers among the deaf mutes.

A deaf mute choir sang and J. W. Stallings, Jr., superintendent of the Christian Deaf Fellowship, spoke briefly. All the mission fields were represented with a short talk or a song and A. C. Bates, missionary secretary of the Texas District, spoke on the subject "Missions, Our Heritage and Responsibility." The Lord especially blessed in the receiving of the missionary offering and over \$1,500 was given.

One missionary very pointedly stated "I would like to see a Conference like this held every year."

IN MYSTERIOUS WAYS

Earl and Ruby Wilkie, Bolivia

THE Lord moved in a very strange way recently; that is, it might appear strange to some. A young man came to La Paz from Oruro a little over a month ago. Before leaving Oruro, a friend gave him a letter to a party here in La Paz who is one of our Christians.

On arriving in La Paz he could not find the one he was to deliver the letter to. Then one day, some one said, "He attends Templo Betel (our church), you can find him there." So he came to church, delivered his letter, and enjoyed the service so well that he returned the next night.

The third night when he returned, he gave in brief this testimony. "I have been a Protestant for fifteen years, but it was not until last night, that I really got saved. During the service, not through the singing, the preaching, nor even a testimony, I accepted the Lord as my Savior. It was the Holy Ghost that moved upon me, and made me realize what salvation was, and when He showed me, I then and there in my seat accepted the Lord as my all in all."

We want the Holy Spirit in our midst to convict men and women of their sin. At the time, we did not know it, but this brother is a superintendent of schools. He would correspond to a county superintendent at home.

He came to me a few days after his conversion, and said, "I want to be baptized on Sunday." I explained to him that we generally gave the new converts a time of testing before baptizing, about three months as a rule. Mentioning the case of Philip and the Ethiopian eunuch, he said, "Having to wait three months is man made. What doth hinder me? I am saved, and I don't see why I should not be baptized now." He really had us on the spot, but after seeing his life, his splendid testimony, and his zeal, we told him that we would baptize him Easter week when we planned to hold our next baptismal service.

SEEN AT THE MISSIONARY CONVENTION

Top left, Vera Swartztrauber, Ida May Beck, Mrs. George Carmichael, George Carmichael, all from Jerusalem. Top right, Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Cummings, Field Secretary for India and Ceylon. Center left, H. B. Garlock, Field Secretary for Africa, holding a sketching of the C-46 transport plane. Center right, Noel Perkin, Foreign Missions Secretary, commenting on missionary finances at one of the sessions. Bottom left, H. W. Ayers and son, Lonnie, Mexico, Louie Stokes, of Cuba; and Mrs. H. W. Ayers. Bottom right, Carl D. Holleman, South India, and Sydney S. Bryant, North India.



If he had to leave to take over his schools before (his schools are near the Chilean frontier), then we would baptize him before leaving. So on March 20, we baptized him in a river near here. He plans to start a work in one of the towns where he has his schools. Please pray for him, that God will use him in a mighty way there, for it is in that way the work spreads. Pray too, that God will baptize him in the Holy Spirit.

A few days after we baptized him, we had our regular baptismal service. In this one we baptized eleven, and five more were eligible, but due to sickness and other reasons, they were unable to be baptized then, but we will be baptizing them soon. With these last, the Lord will have given us thirty-two baptized, who are still going on faithfully. We praise Him for all.

Saved at Wit's-End Corner

A. M. Heetebry, Fiji Islands

RECENTLY an encouraging incident occurred. A lady, very bewildered and at wit's-end corner, decided to take a little walk to escape from the burdens and troubles of the home. She saw a light in the Mission. Her feet just seemed to bring her to the entrance and before she realized it, she found herself seated in the service. She surrendered to the Lord and felt that now she had found One who cared and on Whom she could roll her many burdens. She said the joy of her heart was full. Will you pray with us for her whole family which needs Christ? They are Roman Catholics.

Before sailing we sold our car in the U.S.A. as the right-hand drive is used in Fiji and it would be awkward driving here with opposite drive. The authorities shut down on importing cars from the dollar area, so it looked as though we would have to pick up a derelict type of used car, as that is about all one can buy here, and that at exorbitant prices.

We prayed and decided to approach the government for an import license for a new Chevrolet car. Everyone said we would never get it. Even firms with a dollar balance in America cannot import. But a license was granted and now every one marvels that we received this license to import a car from Canada (dollar area), where the right-hand drive is manufactured. A local firm will invent one for us. Surely this is an answer to prayer.

50 SAVED IN A MONTH

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Bolton, China

Praise the Lord we can report blessing this last month, with about fifty souls having confessed Christ, and our meetings are full every night. Anita Osgood and our Elsie and Irene are very helpful in the children's work with their singing, playing and flannel board. With the school, Home, and Agency they are kept very busy but happy in the Lord's work.

I go out to the lepers frequently in the Dodge showing them pictures of the Life of Christ. The last time we took out a load of salt which was appreciated very much. We praise the Lord that many of the lepers are now Christians through the efforts of many missionaries who have visited them through the years. I even went with Mr. Wood to preach at this Colony over twenty years ago!



Kenneth Godbey
Nigeria



Mrs. Kenneth Godbey
Nigeria

KEEPING UP TO DATE

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. Godbey and two children sailed for Nigeria on June 22.

* * *

George Carmichael has returned to the States after having visited in India, China, the Philippine Islands and in Hawaii en route home from Jerusalem.

* * *

Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Cummings arrived in New York in the early part of June after almost a year and a half of traveling throughout India and Ceylon.

Japan Responds to the Gospel

Marie Juergensen, Japan

MY first impressions of post war Japan can scarcely be put into words. The evidence of destruction, poverty and struggle is seen on every hand. Most everyone is clad in patched clothes and often in rags. We saw stretches of ruins everywhere as we drove along and many make-shift shacks—some just hovels. One family will often only have a room 6x9 feet in size!

The sights almost break your heart. Men and women carry heavy loads on their backs such as sweet potatoes, etc., which they have gone to the country to secure. The trains and interurban cars are a string of dilapidated cars—seats gone—windows either broken or boarded up. Crowds! Crowds! Every moving thing is packed and bulging with humanity.

Suppose you had to do all your washing without soap for years and had not seen face soap for months at a time—or that it was \$2.00 a bar! Try to imagine if you can, what things would look like. Nothing is white over here! A gift of a bar of soap brings many smiles and bows!

Takinogawa—home—we arrived with mingled feelings as we realize how marvelously the Lord has preserved the church building. But it too had boarded up windows. Forty window panes broke at one time when a bomb fell a block away. The once white walls are black—everything much in need of repair.

The Christian women fixed a simple meal of rice and soup which we ate in a room without heat by a very dim electric light. I felt very far away from all the luxurious life of America! For one week I was without heat of any kind and it was very cold. I put on all the warm clothes I possessed and still I shivered. When my freight came, I put up my little wood stove and burned the wood of my crates. A bundle of a few sticks of wood costs 50 yen—\$1.00. The church has no heat.

After I dressed as warmly as I could, I wrapped a wool robe around me and put a shawl around my shoulders and I still shivered. We could see our breath when we sang. It snowed on March 26. The dampness is very penetrating here. Our Christians, though, gather faithfully all during the winter months and sit for hours without heat. How many of us would go to church under such circumstances? Their faces shine with the joy and peace of the Lord—though their garments are worn and they wear anything they can lay their hands on to keep warm.

To me, at first, each one in his attire looked funnier than the one before but now

I have become accustomed to the sights. It is impossible to tell you how gratefully the relief garments I brought were accepted. If you have men's suits or women's suits, or children's clothing send your package addressed to me and they will be a great blessing to the people.

Most of the churches are filled with young people. How eager these young hearts are seeking the truth. The older folks seem to be weary and worn from the long years of war and the struggle of getting something to eat. There is a hopelessness and an attitude of "we have been told so many things that we do not know what is right"—they are bewildered by all the new ways and are listless. Earnestly pray that the gospel message will reach many hearts.

It has been such a joy to see how faithful our little band of Christians has been and to see fine young people active in the church as Sunday School superintendent and teachers, who when I left were just in their teens in my class. Listening to their touching words of welcome and seeing their shining faces, I have felt that it has been worth every sacrifice. I wish you could attend a testimony service and hear the testimonies. It is not just merely "Praise the Lord I am saved," they have something to tell.

Prices are exorbitant. I have been extremely grateful for every bit of food I brought. I do not know what I would do without it. The other day I had my first fresh vegetable. I have seen no lettuce or celery since I arrived. Meal after meal we eat only canned food. My dear Japanese have come with gifts of eggs and fruit. One egg is 18 yen—36 cents! An apple is 20 yen—40 cents! Here comes a precious young lady—a grown up Sunday School pupil—with a gift of five eggs. If you were the missionary how would you feel? I am surrounded with loving hearts. Willingly and gladly the men folks spent days helping uncrate boxes and the women folks scrubbing and cleaning! A bar of soap and candy has thrilled them!

You will not forget, will you, in the midst of your abundant life in America to pray earnestly for us living in trying circumstances for His sake, that we may win souls who are without hope and life to our Blessed Savior. Your faithfulness is important to victory!

You may send your gifts to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo., marked for Marie Juergensen "Personal" or "Work."

THE PASSING AND THE PERMANENT

"O LORD, DO IT AGAIN!"

Jonathan Goforth said that during the great revival in 1857, no building in America could be found large enough to hold all the people who were pressed by the Spirit to pray, and fifty thousand a week were pouring into the kingdom of God. Let us pray, "O Lord, revive us again."

REVIVAL AND REFORM

Religious revivals have been the source of many great reforms in society in years gone by. The Wesleyan revival in England gave rise to four great philanthropic movements of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries; namely, the Anti-Slavery Movement under Wilberforce, the Prison Reform Movement led by John Howard, the Sunday School Movement initiated by Robert Raikes, and the Foreign Missionary Movement begun by William Carey. In the present world crisis there is no doubt that another great spiritual revival will cure the ills in every land and solve the problems which baffle the politicians.

COMMUNISM CONTRASTED

A correspondent in *The Christian World* draws a striking contrast between Communism and the "all things common" of the Church after Pentecost as recorded in Acts 2:44. "Communism (a) gains its ends by violence, coercion, and intrigue instead of by persuasion and grace, (b) enforces conformity instead of soliciting it by love, (c) annihilates individualism instead of bringing it to its highest level of development in selfless service to others, (d) incites and greedily feeds on class hatred, and (e) is fundamentally irreligious and anti-Christian, holding a soulless state in higher reverence than a Father God."

JEWISH ARMS IN PALESTINE

Arabs are fearful of what may happen when the truce ends in Palestine. Arab refugees fleeing from Jerusalem and Jaffa into Transjordan told newspapermen that the Jews in Europe have at least 200 airplanes which may fly to Palestine soon. They are said to include American P.51's which are superior to any Arab aircraft. The Jews also have hundreds of rocket-firing bazookas which make it possible for infantrymen to repulse armored vehicles. The Arabs may already be wishing they never had started to fight against the Jews.

IN DANGER OF DISINTEGRATION

"This isn't just a psychiatrist's fantasy; it's a brutal fact." Thus did Dr. Edward A. Strecker, Pennsylvania University psychiatrist sum up a stern warning in a recent address. He believes the U.S.A. is suffering from a dangerous increase in emotional immaturity, and stands where the Roman Empire stood in A.D. 300, in imminent danger of disintegration. Ours is the most materialistic civilization the world has ever known, from which most spiritual values have been lost. These are the fears of one of our country's most able educators. There is urgent need of a revival and a return to the faith of our fathers before this bastion of liberty decays.

WORSHIPING GANDHI'S IMAGE

Twelve weeks after his death, an image of Gandhi was placed among the other Hindu gods and goddesses in a Durga temple, reports *Time*. So frantic are the Hindus in their search for soul security that they will grasp even at this "straw" and worship the image of this little man whom they can remember so well as a mere human void of any supernatural power.

THE NEW PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

A new preparedness program like the one which preceded America's entry into World War II is now under way. The Air Force is to be enlarged; a new draft law has been passed; more money is to be spent on the army and navy; and even industry is being mobilized for war.

The U. S. Government now is making a survey of 25,000 industrial plants, representing about 90% of America's industrial capacity, to find out what they can produce for war. Eleven thousand of these industries already have been studied, and are being allocated, according to their suitability, to the different branches of the armed services, which will then make arrangements for actual production in the event of war.

PERSECUTION IN MEXICO

According to *Christian Life*, Pedro Lopez had a price to pay when he left the superstitions of the Roman Catholic Church and became an evangelical believer. "Pedro was a farmer in San Felipe de Santiago, in Mexico. One night a priest-driven mob gathered around his home, beat his wife and children, tortured Pedro, tied his family in the mountains, and left them there to die. But one of the children wriggled loose, untied the rest of the family, and all escaped with their lives that night. A few days later they staggered into Mexico City with their story. Appeals to government authorities were unsuccessful." The lot of God's people in other lands is harder than ours in America—but no doubt their reward in heaven will be greater, too.

THE LORD IS AT HAND!

"The nations are rushing toward destruction, and the time is short!" writes Dr. Paul Hutchinson in *The Christian Century*. "Where are the churches which give the impression of living with awareness that they have no more than a few years, perhaps only a few months, left in which to press on a doomed society their offer of salvation? I am not sure what the significance is, if any, but I must acknowledge that I get a much more sobering impression of the lost state of man and the doom which threatens his institutions from the pages of *The New Yorker* than I do from most of my church contacts. I'd like to see churches and church organizations spend less time celebrating the fact that they have been going for a hundred or two hundred or five hundred years, and more on the prospect that they have only ten or twenty or fifty to go. . . ."

The Lord is at hand. There may not even be five years left in which to evangelize the lost. What we do we must do quickly!

UNCLAIMED FOR CHRIST

Of China's original 188 provinces, one-quarter of the total area still is unclaimed as the field of any mission, while many parts of the remaining three-fourths are yet untouched by missionaries.

TOTAL WAR

Total war cost America about three hundred billion dollars. If a similar expenditure could be made for war against sin, it would put 1,500,000 missionaries in the field for 100 years at \$2,000 each per year. At present there are only 30,000 Protestant missionaries in all the foreign missionary lands of the earth.

A PRIZE FOR PROSPECTORS

The Atomic Energy Commission has offered \$10,000 to anyone who can find a new deposit of high-grade uranium ore (from which atomic energy is obtained) within the United States. The Lord of glory offers a far greater prize to spiritual prospectors. "They that turn many to righteousness (shall shine) as the stars for ever and ever." Daniel 12:3.

ANOTHER PENTECOST?

The first Assembly of the World Council of Churches will meet in Amsterdam, Holland, next month, and the expectations of the churchmen are running high. The Executive Secretary of the American Committee for the W. C. C. says:

"At Amsterdam, the World Council will finally and formally come into being as an expression of that great vision of Christian community, 'That ye may be one.' At Amsterdam representatives of 135 Christian Churches from 39 countries will meet 'with one accord, in one place.'"

"Today the Christian churches need more than ever before a 'sound from heaven' such as came to that first tiny group in Jerusalem at Pentecost.

"This great ecumenical communion will be as creative in the re-birth of world Christianity, we hope, as the original Pentecost was in its beginnings."

Such talk would begin to raise one's hopes that perhaps, after all, there may be a real visitation from heaven at Amsterdam. But a glance at the program shows where the emphasis will be placed. There will be plenty of planning but little praying; plenty of babble but little Bible; plenty of formality but little fervor; plenty of social gospel but little heart-felt religion; plenty of committees but little committing of heart, life and needs to a mighty, miracle-working Christ.

What if the Lord were to take this Secretary's word at face value and suddenly there were to come a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it were to fill all the auditorium where they were sitting? What if cloven tongues like as of fire were to appear unto them, and sit upon each of them; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance? It certainly would upset their carefully-planned programs! It might scatter their highly prized notes and papers! A few might accept the blessing, but the majority would rush home in disgust. The good churchmen really would be quite confused—but such a supernatural visitation of God's power would do more to meet the needs of this perishing world than all the feeble efforts of these sincere but misguided churchmen who vainly strive toward some vague goal of world brotherhood and universal peace.

OUR HOME FRONTIERS

ALASKA...RURAL AREAS...DEAF-MUTES
 JEWS...PIONEER FIELDS...PRISONERS
 FOREIGN LANGUAGE GROUPS IN U. S. A.
 AMERICAN INDIANS

Send all offerings for this work to the
 HOME MISSIONS DEPARTMENT
 Fred Vogler, Director

434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Missouri

GREAT CONVENTION OF DEAF-MUTES

One of the most unusual gatherings ever held in the history of our Pentecostal movement was the second biennial national convention of the Christian Deaf Fellowship, which met at Central Bible Institute in Springfield, Missouri, June 9 to 13. The convention was blessed in a remarkable way with the presence of the Lord in the midst. Ninety-nine missionaries to the deaf, delegates, and visitors were registered for the convention, with an estimated one hundred fifty present for

the services over the week end, coming from nineteen States from the east coast to the west. Representatives were present from five evangelical denominations, and all blended together in a beautiful spirit of fellowship and unity.

An outstanding feature of the convention was a water baptismal service in a stream near Springfield, when eight deaf-mutes were baptized by J. W. Stallings, Jr., Superintendent of the Christian Deaf Fellowship. It was also his joy to baptize his own eight-year-old son. The glory of God came down upon the group at the scene of the baptizing, and also again in the bus as they were returning to the C.B.I. campus.

A great rally was held Sunday afternoon jointly with more than one hundred foreign missionaries who were also in conference on the C.B.I. campus that week. The deaf-mutes contributed to the rally by "singing" in the sign language a lovely old hymn. Of particular beauty was the deaf choir from the Church of the Silent Sheep, Tulsa, Oklahoma, assisted by the two lady workers from Akron, Ohio. To appreciate the beauty and graceful rhythm of sign language singing, one must see it. The blessing of God settled down upon the entire congregation as the

deaf choir sang silently, and many tears and praises to God broke forth spontaneously.

J. W. Stallings, Jr., brought a brief message—"Must We Obey?"—emphasizing the necessity of obeying the command of the Master to preach the gospel to everyone, including the deaf-mutes, who must be taught by means of the sign language.

Perhaps the most important business transaction of the entire convention was the decision to establish a Bible School for the deaf. At the invitation of the Board of Administration of Central Bible Institute, the Bible School for the deaf is to be established at Central Bible Institute. Miss Lottie Riekehof, of the New York-New Jersey District, has been selected as the instructor for the deaf, interpreting Bible classes in the sign language for the deaf students, and teaching sign language to a class of hearing students. Several deaf young people have already applied for entrance into the school. Some of them will come trusting God for the tuition, and we shall be glad to receive offerings to help them. Such contributions should be sent to the Home Missions Department.

One young man who plans to enter the deaf Bible School this fall, was gloriously filled with the Holy Spirit in the car just outside Springfield en route to the convention, and arrived on the campus speaking audibly in other tongues. Another to receive the Baptism with the Holy Spirit was a young lady college student from Gallaudet College in Washington, D. C., the only college in the world for deaf students. In



AT THE NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE CHRISTIAN DEAF FELLOWSHIP

Left, top to bottom: 1) First officers of the Christian Deaf Fellowship—J. W. Stallings Jr., Fern Rolfe, La Vona Thompson, Paul C. Meacham. 2) Four deaf students from Gallaudet College, Washington, D. C. 3) Missionaries, pastors and class leaders of various deaf groups.

Right: 1) Kenneth Courtney, Quincy, Illinois, applicant for the deaf Bible School, who received the Baptism en route to the convention. 2) "Singing" a congregational hymn at the convention. 3) The deaf choir from Tulsa, assisted by two Akron workers, singing, "Open Mine Eyes That I May See" (their hands are forming the word "Spirit").

SERMONS IN CHEMISTRY



Make Vivid The Power of the Blood

Coal black representing sin suddenly becomes clear when blood red chemical is added.



A single glass of water changes color as many as five times driving home vital truths on the "blues," jealousy, cowardice, backsliding, and pardon.

KIT AND WATER IS ALL YOU NEED!
Kit has chemicals for 101 demonstrations.

8 Visual Action Lessons
Complete with 9 chemicals, 8 dropper bottles, and 6 glasses in handy paper kit or leatherette covered kit 3½x4½x4½.

In paper kit\$3.50
In leatherette covered kit 4.50

GOSPEL PUBLISHING HOUSE
Springfield 1, Missouri

this college there are about twelve Christian young people who are living wholly for God, standing together in prayer against strong opposition and persecution from other students. Four of these college students attended the convention, and it was a joy to see their fine young lives consecrated to the Lord.

Officers of the Christian Deaf Fellowship elected for the ensuing two years are: J. W. Stallings, Jr., of Norfolk, Virginia, Superintendent; F. C. Chapman, of Los Angeles, Calif., Assistant Superintendent; Fern Rolfe, Akron, Ohio, Secretary; La Vona Thompson, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Treasurer; Coila Soules, Washington, D. C., Editor of the *Silent Evangel*; and Paul C. Meacham, Kansas City, Kansas, Advisory Member of the Executive Council.

The schedule of each convention day included the prayer meeting which opened the day, Bible study with special visual aid, devotional service and business in the afternoon, vesper service each evening conducted by the young people, and the evangelistic service each night, followed by a time of seeking God.

The Christian Deaf Fellowship was authorized by the General Council Executive Presbyters in 1946. Its officers and leaders are all Full Gospel workers. A number of denominational groups, recognizing the power of the Spirit in this fellowship, have invited these Pentecostal workers to hold classes for them, also, so that the influence and testimony of these Spirit-filled leaders is reaching into many hungry groups of deaf people.

The Christian Deaf Fellowship is also having a ministry of inestimable value in many of the state schools for the deaf, where no provision is made by the state for religious education. Several hundred boys and girls have been won to the Lord. There are sixty-five such schools in the United States.

The convention voted to meet in Los Angeles

in 1950. In the alternate years of the biennial convention, a camp meeting is to be held in each of the districts—East, Midwest, and West. Another item of interest was the election of a committee to study the possibility of work among the deaf in foreign countries.

WHAT GOD HAS WROUGHT

(Continued from page five)

my way through one of the villages." And I told her of my experience.

I had taken my native porters in, and the natives of the village had turned on me in battle, led by a big chief about six foot three. They used arrows with enough poison on each one to make a scratch cause an agonizing death. They used spears and bullets. In Africa, however, you have a better chance of escaping bullets than of escaping spears or arrows. Their bullets are not streamlined. They may be a five-eighths bolt with a nut on it, chopped in three pieces. You can see them coming through the air, generally, and get out of the way.

To my native porters I yelled, "Run," and by that time the "field marshal" of the village was towering over me. I was just up from black water fever, and weighed just a little over a hundred pounds. I said, "Thank you, Lord. My boys are safe. Now, if You ever helped anybody, please help me." Then I did a shocking thing. I hit that chief as hard as I could. (I know my action was out of harmony with the Master's clear instructions in the Sermon on the Mount. But God was very gracious in overruling, and He always is kind enough to forgive us when we repent.) When I struck him, I was surprised at the result. Big though he was, he fell and stretched-out flat. He was out for the count; you could have counted ninety-nine, not just nine. I was so surprised. No more bullets! No more spears! No more knives and arrows! The battle had ended bloodlessly, and their leader was quite out. I said, "Chief, have a good sleep. I'm off." I darted down the grass tunnels after my native porters.

My colleague went down there. He was much bigger and stronger, at that time than I. When this chief saw him, he looked down his nose and said, "You think you're a white man, don't you?" He said, "You're not much of a white man. Send that little man who knocked me down. He's a real white man. I'll give him anything."

That was the kind of territory this sister had to go to, and she knew it. But she went and when she got there the chief looked at her and said, "So, white lady, you want to tell us about God. Look, six huts, and in each hut there's a corpse" "A what?" "A dead body." "Have you had a plague? Are they old people?" she asked. "No," he replied. "What then?" He

ATTENTION, CANADIAN FRIENDS

Brother Alex Bathgate, Manager of the Full Gospel Publishing House, 362 Danforth Avenue, Toronto 6, Canada, would like our Canadian friends to know that all books and supplies advertised in the *Pentecostal Evangel* may be ordered direct from that address in Toronto. The Full Gospel Publishing House carries a full line of our supplies for the Canadian constituency, and some might find it more convenient to have their supplies shipped to them from Toronto to avoid delay with customs clearance.

SPECIAL NOTICE

To Those Ordering Sunday School Supplies

The great volume of business coming into our business office just before the new Sunday School quarter starts has made it necessary for us to change our system of handling orders.

The making of this change has been a big undertaking and has caused some delay in getting Sunday School orders filled as promptly as they should have been.

If your order failed to reach you on time we deeply regret the delay and trust you will bear with us in our seeming slowness in the handling of your order.

In a few more weeks our new system will be operating smoothly, which will enable us to render much more efficient service to our host of Sunday School friends.

We are pleased to report that the Lord is graciously blessing our endeavors along Sunday School lines. We covet your prayers.

J. Z. KAMERER, Manager
Gospel Publishing House

answered, "They're six of my wives. All were all right last night. They're all dead now. Someone had a grudge against me, and that's how they paid me off."

He thought she would turn and run. It was hard for that sister, but she stayed. She had retired one night but had to get up, the noise was so tremendous. By the light of a big bonfire she saw what was going on. Natives who had taken dope and drink (either one of which renders them absolutely irresponsible in the eyes of the government, even of they've committed murder) were dancing around a man who was fastened to a pole, and into his body they pushed knives, spears, arrows, so that blood oozed from scores of wounds. When she saw it she yelled, "What are you doing?" "Hello, white woman. Minding our own business." "What has he done?" "Nothing. You go." She stayed until she got him released, bandaged, and smuggled out of the district.

When the natives recovered from their drink and dope they surrounded her house, and said, "Go, white woman, while you're able. We don't want you or your God. Go." "Did you send for me to come to this village?" "No." "Well," said she, "when the One who sent me here tells me to go, I'll go. Until then I'll stay."

It was a glad day when she sent for us to come down to see that she had some folk ready for baptism. Twenty-two were lined up, and after their baptism we had a communion service with them. Then they said, "We are twenty and two. We twenty want the other two to go back with you to learn how to preach. We'll send them and support them. Ten of us will look after the one and ten will look after the other."

You may think, "Well, Brother Salter, your natives are rich, aren't they?" What would you call "rich"? When a man worked hard, in those days, he had forty-nine cents for a week's

work! They said, "We'll send them and we'll support them." And they did. Those two came, and later went back to preach among their people. There are seventy-six native missionaries there now. They made their own building of bricks and concrete, and then the opening day came. On that day they were thirteen hundred francs short, but they had a march-around offering. They dug their coins up from the floors of their huts, carried them to the church, dropped them on a Testament, and opened their church without debt.

God has enabled us to put two new evangelists into service every month for thirty years, on an average. Two new Assemblies of God have been opened every month for over thirty years. Where there once were no literate people, now we have more than 25,000 going to our native schools every day. We also have our own school for white children. Best of all, the breath of God, the smile of the Master's wonderful face, rests on the work.

The best place for any life is right in the center of the will of God. I don't make a distinction between secular work and spiritual work, as some do. To me, if you are a Christian and sweeping streets in the will of God, you're doing as well as a bishop, and better than some. If you are in the will of God, doing what God wants, you won't do more when you get to heaven. Find out God's will for your life. Nothing more, nothing less, nothing else. And whatever He asks you to do to help spread the gospel throughout the earth, do it.

MISSIONS—OUR HERITAGE, OUR RESPONSIBILITY

(Continued from page three)

'church' upon the building unless I believed in world evangelization." The business of the church is not simply to be a foster mother caring for the converts; she is to be a real mother, bringing forth new converts, traveling in spirit to bring men and women into the kingdom of God. Friends, are you spiritually barren, or are you a fruitful Christian?

I cannot conceive the thought of people refusing to give to missions unless they are covetous. The Bible teaches that covetousness is idolatry. Jesus said, "Take heed, and beware of covetousness; for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of things which he possesseth." *I believe every church should give as much to missions as it spends upon its local budget.* We ought to love our neighbors as ourselves. That is the objective we are endeavoring to present to our people in Texas. We may not reach it in one year, nor even in five or ten years in some churches, but it is the goal toward which we are working. I believe God will send us the revival we're praying for if we will be more unselfish and will think of missions. Many of our churches have one revival meeting after another, and most of them turn out to be seat-warming campaigns. Some churches spend hundreds and even thousands of dollars in special meetings, and yet they have the same number in Sunday School and the same number of members at the end of the year as they had at the beginning. If they could feel their responsibility and would say, "We will go beyond our own local interests and we will give some of our money and comforts to evangelize the world," I believe God would send them a mighty revival.

One church in Texas was taking in about \$3,000 a year, but as the pastor and the people

began to pray they received a burden for missions. They said, "Let us give three times as much to missions as we have been giving." In less than two months that pastor had 200 more in his Sunday School than he had at the first of the year. O friends, when we give to God we find He gives back to us—and He has a bigger scoop than we have! To my surprise, I learned that that pastor has set \$25,000 as their goal, and I'm beginning to believe God is going to give

him that \$25,000 this year, for his church membership is growing by leaps and bounds.

The members, as well as the preachers, need to feel their responsibility. A few months ago we were in a certain church which had never given much for missions, but that Sunday the pastor set a goal of \$500.00 for the missionary offering. It was not a large church; it had only about eighty in Sunday School, and the congregation thought the preacher was beside



By Harry Albus
**An Hour With
Billy Sunday**

By Theodore
W. Engstrom

An Hour
With
John and
Betty Stam



An Hour With
J. Hudson Taylor

An Hour With
Ann and
Adoniram Judson

An Hour With
Jonathan and
Rosalind Goforth

By Basil Holt
An Hour With
General Dobbie

By A. C. Mann
An Hour With
Dwight L. Moody

By Walter McCleary
An Hour With
David Livingstone

An Hour With
Andrew Murray

An Hour With
David Brainerd

By Merritt
and Reade

An Hour
With
Sammy
Morris



By A. Sims
An Hour With
Charles G. Finney

An Hour With
George Muller

An Hour With
Billy Bray

EACH 20 CENTS.

MAN OF LIKE PASSIONS

By Richard Ellsworth Day
The Life Story of
Charles G. Finney

One of the finest biographical sketches of a Spiritual leader yet produced.

\$2.00

GOFORTH OF CHINA

By Rosalind Goforth

"... One of the outstanding missionary biographies of recent years. ... No Christian can read this without being deeply stirred and challenged." Our Hope.

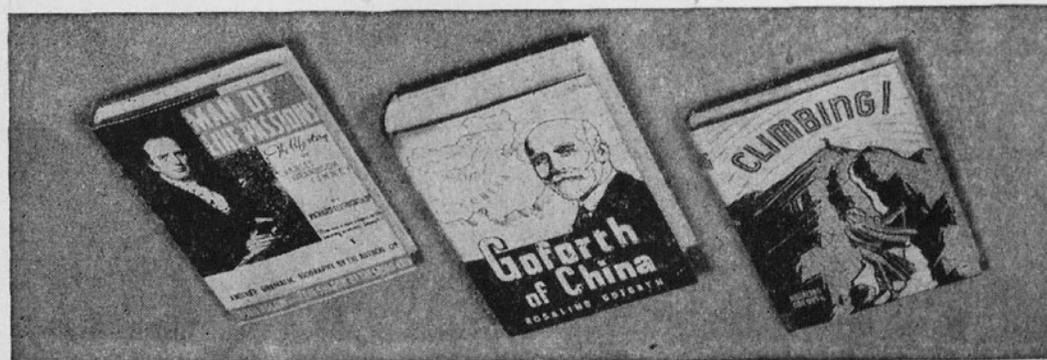
\$3.00

CLIMBING

By Rosalind Goforth

The best writings and most interesting experience in this missionary life lived for the Lord. Beautiful!

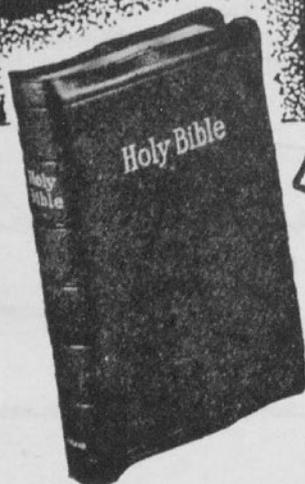
\$2.00



GOSPEL PUBLISHING HOUSE,

Springfield 1, Missouri

VERSE REFERENCE JEWEL BIBLE



saith the LORD; Behold, I
Pha'raoh-hoph'ra king of
into the hand of his ^{1 Jer 46:25,29}
and into the hand of them ^{2 Jer 39:5}
is life; as I gave ^{2 Zed-e-ki'ah}

Indented References

Simplified Pronouncing

THE BIBLE

You've Been Waiting For!

Verse Reference: Each of these 60,000 references are indented in the verse they are intended to serve. Authorized King James Version Simplified self-pronouncing. Large, clear, open, easily read type. All styles contain presentation page, family record, and maps in color. Combined word Concordance and Dictionary alphabetically arranged. Harmony of the Gospels, Miracles and other reference charts in simplified form. Page size 5x7³/₈ inches.

Holman Bible No. 512x \$7.75

GOSPEL PUBLISHING HOUSE, Springfield 1, Missouri

himself in asking for \$500.00 in one offering. Nevertheless, he had prayed and believed God; so I preached in the morning service, and at the close of my message he received an offering. The glory of God was there, and the people began to give. A woman jumped up and said, "I'm sick in body, and I've saved \$75.00 for an operation, but I'll give it this morning." Hallelujah! God healed that woman. Friends, we need to feel our responsibility. God will meet our needs if we will put His kingdom first.

I will quote this one scripture and then I'm through—the red-light signal which Jesus hung out in Luke 21:36 concerning the last days. He said, "Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man." I believe the coming of the Lord is at hand, and I wonder, friends, how many of us are going to be worthy to stand before Him. So many are mercenary, selfish, and covetous. We live for ourselves, spend money on ourselves.

I remember that in the early days of this movement our people did not wear flashing diamond rings and other jewelry such as we see some wearing today. Back there they stripped themselves as a snake in the spring of the year. They brought their jewels, and put them in the offering plates. I believe the same consecration today would be blessed of God. You may not like me for saying these things, but these are the Savior's words: "That ye may be counted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass." Terrible judgments lie in store for this old world at the coming of the Lord, and this scripture infers that some who think they will escape will be disappointed. Only those who are worthy will escape.

I want you to know that when you are seeking the lost, praying for the lost, you are taking part

in this missionary work. The field is the world. When you help to spread this gospel around the globe you are taking part in the biggest business in the world. When you are seeking to lead souls to Calvary you are getting close to the heart of God.

"Freely ye have received, freely give." I believe we should give to missions as generously as God gives to us. I believe thousands of God's people would be out of hospitals and would be spared a lot of other expense if they dared to seek God for His will and to obey Him in helping to send this gospel to the ends of the earth.

A man in California said, "Lord, I'll give thirty per cent of my tomato crop to Thee if Thou wilt bless it," because he felt an urge to give to missions, and the report came to me that he grew more tomatoes per acre than ever had been produced in that valley before. I believe that if we will take God as our partner and share the profits with Him, He will bless our potatoes, He will bless our cattle, He will bless our store, He will bless all that we set our hands to do.

I know a man in Texas who has a large amount of property. A few months ago he said, "Lord, I'll give Thee all that this rental property makes me in commission. I'll give it all to help spread the gospel. If Thou wilt give me strength to work with my hands, I can make a living at the job I have, and all the proceeds from this rental property will go into Thy cause." That man's pastor told me, "Brother Bates, that man is literally walking on air. The house isn't big enough for him to shout in." And I don't wonder. Praise God. The promise is, "Give, and it shall be given unto you." May we feel the need of spreading this glorious gospel to the ends of the earth, and ask God to give us more money so that we might have a larger part in this great task of evangelizing the world.

Among the Assemblies

BROOKSVILLE, FLA.—We have just closed a successful meeting with Nellie Thurmon as evangelist. At least 15 sought the Lord for salvation and 4 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. The revival spirit still prevails in the assembly.—G. C. Blouin, Pastor.

CALDWELL, IDAHO—Evangelist V. A. Harris was with us during April. The Sunday School attendance broke two records, reaching an all-time high of more than 200. The healing of a deaf-and-dumb girl during one of the "deeper life" meetings was miraculous. She both heard and spoke. A number were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. The congregation as a whole was edified and encouraged to press on.—J. E. Shaw, Pastor.

ST. ELMO, ILL.—We have just closed a 4-week revival meeting with Evangelist G. L. McKinney of Siloam Springs, Ark. There was a fine spirit of prayer and fellowship among the saints. Several were saved and many received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. The Lord met with us in a wonderful way. The Divine Healing services were remarkable. Many were healed.—D. B. Jagers, Pastor.

SONORA, CALIF.—We have enjoyed a 2-week revival meeting with Myrtle Wolford as evangelist. The Sunday School attendance broke all records, there being 56 present. What a time of heart searching there was as the Word of God went forth under the anointing of the Holy Ghost! One received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, one backslider was brought back to God, and one was baptized in water. Everyone enjoyed the good ministry of Sister Wolford.—C. Holderman, Pastor.

GALLATIN, MO.—We have had a fine 3-week revival with Evangelists Helen Cox and Mabel Brown of Virginia, Ill., who brought very timely messages from the Word of God. Three were saved and four were filled with the Holy Spirit. A woman who had taken daily treatments for ten years for sugar diabetes was healed the first Friday night. She has not taken any treatments since and feels better than she has for years.—George P. Sutherland, Pastor.

Coming Meetings

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

ST. JAMES, MO.—Meeting in progress; Evangelist Maxine Moore and Coworker.—T. B. Conway, Pastor.

EDWARDSVILLE, ILL.—Tent meeting in progress, North Main and M Sts.; Lonnie R. Mullen, Dallas, Texas, Evangelist.—Ray Willis, Pastor.

IRON MOUNTAIN, MO.—Fellowship Meeting, Flat River Section, July 13. Bring basket lunch. Services 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.—J. W. Allen, Secretary.

ROCKY FORD, COLO.—Eastern Colorado Conference, Latin American District Council, July 28—29.—Joseph Giron, District Secretary.

WICHITA, KANSAS—Tent Meeting, First Assembly of God, July 18—Aug 22; G. B. McDowell, Evangelist; Paul Glover, Song Leader.—Floyd L. Garver, Pastor.

LOUISVILLE, KY.—Calvary Assembly of God, July 13—25; William Devereaux, Evangelist.—Ernest V. Berquist, Pastor.

CAMPBELL, MO.—Tent Meeting, First Assembly of God; July 17, for 2 weeks or longer; Chas. C. Robinson of Texas, Evangelist.—A. A. Bradley, Pastor.

LANCASTER, PA.—Gospel Tent Meetings, opposite McCoskey High School, July 6—August 14. Speakers: E. O. Leeper, John Kolenda, Gay Benson. Auspices, First Pentecostal Church.—Boston W. Turner, Pastor.

OKMULGEE, OKLA.—Revival Tabernacle, July 18—; Evangelist and Mrs. D. C. Ogden, chalk artists, musicians, singers, Covington, Tenn.—Douglas J. Friesen, Pastor.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—William B. McCafferty of Southwestern Bible Institute will conduct a 2-week Bible School, July 25—Aug. 8, at Central Assembly of God, 904 Louisiana St.—Robert C. Sellers, Pastor.

WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT YOUTH CAMP

STORM LAKE, IOWA—Annual West Central District Youth Camp, July 19—23. Ages 13—35. Opening service, July 19, 7:30 p.m.—Gene Bell, District C. A. President.

MEMPHIS, TENN.—East McLemore and Somerville. Dedication of new church building and home coming of nonresident and former members, July 25. Services 11 a.m., 3 and 7:30 p.m. Ernest S. Williams, General Superintendent, main speaker.—James E. Hamill, Pastor.

GRANITE CITY, ILL.—City-wide Tent Meeting, 19th and Adams, on St. Louis car line, July 8—25; Oral Roberts, Evangelist. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate. Sponsored by the First Assembly of God Tabernacle.—Hilliard G. Griffin, Pastor.

ARKANSAS DISTRICT CAMP MEETING

Arkansas District Camp, Ozark-Lithia Camp Ground, 9 miles from Hot Springs, on Highway 7, July 14—23; Loren B. Staats and Howard Carter, speakers. David Burris, District Superintendent.—H. E. Shaw, District Secretary, Box 436, Hot Springs, Ark.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CAMP

Annual Camp Meeting, Southern California District, Pacific Palisades, Calif., July 8—18. Three services daily. Vesper services for young people, special services for children. E. E. Krogstad, main speaker for camp.—F. C. Woodworth, Superintendent, 1429 Paloma St., Pasadena, Calif.

WESTERN SLOPE SECTIONAL CAMP

Western Slope Sectional Camp, Grand Junction, Colo., July 9—18; J. E. Austell, morning speaker; G. R. Kelly, evening speaker. Ralph M. Hutchinson, local pastor, 408 Grand Ave., Grand Junction, Colo.—J. E. Austell, Superintendent, Rocky Mountain District.

MICHIGAN CHILDREN'S CAMP

GRASS LAKE, MICH.—Fa-Ho-Lo Park. Boys' Camp, July 7—13; Girls' Camp, July 14—20. Ages, 10 through 14. Edwina Pollock and Lou Bina Stoner, Directors of religious instruction.—D. G. Foote, District Secretary, 209 N. Wallace Blvd., Ypsilanti, Mich.

SOUTH CENTRAL BIBLE COLLEGE

The Arkansas District Council has organized a Bible College at Hot Springs, Ark. The school will comprise three departments: Bible School, Bible College, and Junior College. School will open September 7. For particulars, write Ottie E. Gaugh, Box 436, Hot Springs, Ark.

NEW ENGLAND CAMP MEETING

New England District Camp Meeting, District Camp Grounds, Auburn Street, Framingham, Mass., July 28—August 8. Albert L. Hoy, Battle Creek, Mich., Bible teacher; Ernest Sumrall, Chicago, Ill., camp evangelist. For reservations write Camp Committee, 7 Auburn St., Framingham, Mass.—Lyle W. Butler, District Secretary.

TENNESSEE DISTRICT COUNCIL AND CAMP MEETING

Tennessee District Council and Camp Meeting, District Camp Ground, 18 miles from Nashville, Tenn., on Highway 31-W, July 13—23. R. M. Riggs, Camp Speaker. For room reservations and further information write W. T. Garner, District Secretary, 2712 Blake-more Ave., Nashville, Tenn.—W. G. White, Superintendent.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY CAMP MEETING

Sacramento Valley Sectional Camp, near Sterling City, Calif., July 5—9. Three services daily. W. T. Gaston, District Superintendent, camp speaker and Bible teacher. Meals served on grounds; camping facilities available. For further information contact Albert Rowley, Presbyter, Willows, Calif.—E. Wm. Anderson, Pastor, Chico, Calif.

LOUISIANA DISTRICT COUNCIL

12th Annual Louisiana District Council, High School Auditorium, Bossier City, La., July 27—29. General Superintendent Ernest S. Williams, night speaker. District Christ's Ambassadors Rally, same auditorium, night, July 26. For reservations or further information write Pastor E. W. Davis, Box 71, Bossier City, La.—L. O. Waldon, District Secretary.

STORM LAKE BIBLE CAMP

Annual West Central District Camp Meeting, Storm Lake, Iowa, July 7—18. T. J. Jones and Wesley R. Steelberg, special speakers. C. A. Vesper services, 6:30 p.m., C. A. President Gene Bell in charge. For rooms and information write Gordon H. Millard, 1301 Third Ave. E., Fort Dodge, Iowa.—Stanley H. Clarke, Superintendent.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT CAMP

Rocky Mountain District Camp Meeting District Headquarters, 5700 S. Broadway, Littleton, Colo., August 3—13. T. J. Jones, principal of NCBI, morning teacher; D. P. Holloway of Cleveland, Ohio, evening speaker.

For room information write R. G. Fulford, Secretary-Treasurer, 5700 S. Broadway, Littleton, Colo.—J. E. Austell, District Superintendent.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—Dedication and Prayer Conference, Tacoma Assembly of God, 2506 Roosevelt Ave., July 11—13. Speakers: Thos. Paino, District Presbyter; W. R. Williamson, Superintendent Illinois District; Roy Wead, Superintendent Indiana District; Lyman Richardson, Fort Wayne; W. C. Richardson, Terre Haute; Glenn Perkins, Newcastle. Convener Sectional Fellowship, P. Barnard; Prayer Conference, A. E. Gidman, Indianapolis. Entertainment provided if requested in advance.—L. Carney, Host Pastor, 2634 Adams, Indianapolis, Ind.

MICHIGAN DISTRICT CAMP MEETING

Michigan District Camp, Fa-Ho-Lo Park, Grass Lake, Mich., July 24—Aug. 8. W. I. Evans, morning Bible teacher; Arthur Arnold, evening speaker. Credentials Day, August 3.—D. G. Foote, District Secretary, 209 N. Wallace Blvd., Ypsilanti, Mich.

OHIO STATE CAMPS

Girls' Camp, July 13—20; Boys' Camp, July 20—27. Ohio Youth Conference, July 31—Aug. 7; Lester Sumrall, main speaker. Write Paul J. Emery, District Secretary, 110 Buckeye St., Dayton 2, Ohio.

GOOD SAMARITAN CAMP MEETING

Good Samaritan Farm Camp, near Hammondsville and Bergholz, Ohio, July 21—Aug. 1. Take highway 164 out of Salineville, look for sign along country roads. H. C. McKinney, Camp Evangelist and Bible Teacher. Lillias Garrett in charge of children. Young People's service, 7 p.m., Carl Robey in charge. Cafeteria on grounds; some rooms, cottages, and tents for rent. For information write Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McCausland, Route 1, Hammondsville, Ohio.

POTOMAC DISTRICT COUNCIL AND CAMP MEETING

Potomac District Council, Potomac Park Camp Grounds, July 13—15. Fellowship Meeting, night July 12.

Potomac Park Camp Meeting, July 17—August 8. Marvin L. Smith, Camp Evangelist; Edgar W. Bethany, Camp Bible Teacher. For reservations write T. B. Pierce, 636 Washington St., Petersburg, Va. Park situated between Hagers-town, Md. and Martinsburg, W. Va., on U. S. Route No. 11.—E. O. Dickerson, District Secretary.

ILLINOIS CAMP MEETING

Illinois District Camp, Old Salem Chautauqua Grounds, near Petersburg, Ill., July 23—August 1. Wm. E. Kirschke, Seattle, Wash, Camp Evangelist; T. J. Jones, Minneapolis, Minn., Camp Teacher. Vesper services daily, 6:30 p.m. under supervision of G. E. Mandel, C. A. President. GLBI Day, July 28; Children's Home Day, July 25; Missionary Sunday, Aug. 1. K. L. Marshall, Carlinville, Ill., in charge of hotel and cottage accommodations. M. M. Brewer, 76 E. Jennings St., Wood River, Ill., Camp Manager. Requests for accommodations should be made early. Everyone taken care of, either on grounds or in Petersburg.—W. R. Williamson, Superintendent.

SOUTHERN IDAHO CAMP MEETING

Southern Idaho District Camp, District Camp Grounds, July 13—22. Location, 5 miles north of Nampa on Franklin Road; or 18 miles west on Boise to Caldwell Highway 20 to Wright's Service Station, and one mile south; paved road all the way. Speakers, Wm. E. Long and other visiting ministers and missionaries. Children's meetings each afternoon. Three services daily. C. A. Rally, evening, July 17. Tents, cots, straw, cooking facilities and meals available at grounds. For information and accommodations write Southern Idaho District Council, 912 Belmont, Caldwell, Idaho.—J. E. Shaw, District Secretary.

LONG ISLAND BIBLE CONFERENCE

Inaugural Long Island Bible Conference, Huntington Conference Grounds on Birchwood Drive, July 18—August 1. Wilfred A. Brown, Evening Evangelist; Ralph M. Jeffrey and R. D. E. Smith, Bible Teachers. July 18, afternoon, Missionary Service conducted by Robt. T. McGlasson; S. S. Rally, afternoon, July 24, under direction of C. A. Denton; C. A. Rally, afternoon and evening, July 30; and MBI Day, afternoon, July 31. For accommodations or further information write L. W. Colbert, Secretary, 115-47 Sutphin Blvd., Jamaica 4, N. Y.

LAKEVIEW GOSPEL CAMPS

TROUTBURG, N. Y.—Lakeview Gospel Camp, New York-New Jersey District summer schedule: Boys' and Girls' Camp, July 24—31; ages 8—13. C. W. Denton, Director.

17th Annual Pentecostal Camp Meeting, July 31—Aug. 15; A. H. Graves, Bible Teacher; Bert Webb, Evangelist. Opening rally, July 31, 8 p.m.; Missionary rally, Aug. 1, 2:30 p.m. Camp Junior Bible School for young people, ages 12—20. Daily vacation Bible School. Concerning accommodations write N. J. Kenyon, 39 S. Grove St., East Aurora, N. Y. Concerning Junior Bible School and Boys' and Girls' Camp write C. W. Denton, Box 22, Dansville, N. Y.—Frederick D. Drake, Camp Committee Secretary.

EASTERN DISTRICT CAMP MEETING

29th Annual Eastern District Camp Meetings open at Green Lane, Pa., with two-day Prayer Conference, July 16—17; meetings continue through Aug. 15. First two weeks: Arthur Graves, Lakeland, Fla., Bible teacher; A. N. Trotter, Muskogee, Okla., evening speaker. Second two weeks: Milton Wells, Newark, N. J., Bible teacher; H. M. Strickland, Martinsburg, W. Va., evening speaker. First period C. A. meetings under direction of Arlene McQuillan and Marie Griffith of Ebensburg; last two weeks, Mr. and Mrs. David Howe of Maryland. Camp Bible Schools and VBS directed by Hilda Simokat of Philadelphia. Home Missions Sunday, Aug. 1, J. Clifford Hall of Reading, speaker. Foreign Missions Day, Aug. 8, John Horn in charge. EBI Day Aug. 7, 3 p.m.

A. Newton Chase, Camp Pastor. Byron D. Jones, Manager and Treasurer. Paid workers wanted, both men and women. Apply by mail to Manager. Write B. D. Jones, 79 Mary St., Ashley, Pa., for Camp Folder.

OKLAHOMA CAMP MEETING

Annual Oklahoma District Camp Meeting, Camp Grounds, 4½ miles north of Oklahoma City, on Highways 66 and 77, July 13—22. First service, afternoon, July 13. G. F. Lewis, morning speaker; H. M. Fuller, evening speaker. C.A.'s and S. S. in charge of services at 2:30 p.m. Meals served at 4 lunch stands on camp grounds. Nichols Hills bus service every hour of the day. For further information write R. E. Goggin, District Secretary-Treasurer, or V. H. Ray, District Superintendent, Box 1341, Oklahoma City 1, Okla.

ALABAMA DISTRICT COUNCIL

Alabama District Council, City Auditorium, Montgomery, Ala., July 13—15. First service, Women's Missionary Council Rally, Tuesday, 2 p.m. General Superintendent Ernest S. Williams, guest speaker for the Council. He will speak at the WMC meeting, also. Minister's Institute, Wednesday and Thursday, 8:30 a.m. Ordination service Thursday, 7 p.m. For reservation write Pastor Carl Perry, 24 Polk St., Montgomery, Ala. Please get your reservation ahead of time.

For information regarding District Council write Marvin L. Smith, District Superintendent, 55 Chidester Ave., Mobile 17, Ala., or Howard P. Trawick, District Secretary, Box 276, Slocomb, Ala.

CO-OPERATING TO MEET A DESPERATE NEED

(Continued from page sixteen)

ize that there is scarcely a gospel project in operation today where a wider range of influence for God and a greater return in souls can be realized than through the ministry of the Gospel Publishing House.

Construction of the new Publishing House has been begun in faith. Now we are looking to you, our friends, our fellow-laborers, to come "to the help of the Lord," and we trust that everyone from the least to the greatest will be as responsive and co-operative as were all Nehemiah's helpers whose names and labors are recorded in the third chapter of the Book of Nehemiah. Mention is made of only one group, the Tekoites, who were indifferent. These are spoken of in the fifth verse where it says, "But their nobles put not their necks to the work of their Lord." Let's not be Tekoites, but may everyone of us out of our substance rise to the service of the Lord.

Won't you sit down today and send in your offering? It may not be large, but every dollar will help. Perhaps there are Sunday School classes, or men's fellowship groups, or missionary bands, or other groups of various kinds that may wish to send an offering. It may be that you would like to dedicate a gift to the publication of the Pentecostal message as a memorial to a loved one. If everyone will get under the burden, and we will all share a portion, it will be only a short time until the Pentecostal message will be flowing forth in a greater stream of life than ever. Dying souls in heathen lands will be reached, the war-ravaged lands will be evangelized, false doctrines will be refuted by truth, and Christ's coming hastened.

Will YOU pause right now? Pray about this appeal, and then send your gift, large or small, to Wilfred A. Brown, General Treasurer, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Missouri, and I know God will bless you.

CO-OPERATING TO MEET A DESPERATE NEED

Wesley R. Steelberg
Assistant General Superintendent

WHEN we pause to meditate upon the goodness of the Lord toward the Assemblies of God over the period since the General Council was organized thirty-four years ago, it elicits an offering of praise from every one of our hearts. So rapid has been the growth and so phenomenal the development of every department of the work that it is a wonder in the eyes of many of other denominations.

Rapid growth usually involves a series of adjustments which can create unpleasant reactions, but these have been conspicuous by their absence as far as our fellowship is concerned. Each time it was necessary to take a new step which involved the increase in personnel or the expenditure of funds, the matter was first brought before the Lord in prayer; then after a careful survey of facts it was presented to the fellowship, and in every instance the constituency has rallied to support the new venture for God. This spirit of co-operation has justified our declaration that we are a voluntary co-operative fellowship. It is because of the determination of all of us that we shall each help the other that we have been privileged to share our blessings, and thus the smallest congregation as well as the largest institution has benefited, and we have been made to rejoice together.

At the time the Gospel Publishing House was inaugurated, the patronage of all our churches was solicited, and because so many of our churches and Sunday Schools responded it was soon possible to realize a margin of profit from the sale of our Pentecostal literature. This profit was reinvested in equipment and stock until it was found that we had sufficient to care for all demands. Realizing that there was a surplus of profit above needs for replacements it was immediately determined that such profits should be disbursed for the glory of God. Accordingly a portion was allotted to mis-



Pouring concrete foundations for the new printing plant of the Gospel Publishing House. (This picture was taken several weeks ago by the staff photographer of the Springfield "News & Leader.")

sions, another portion to our youth department, etc., and a major portion was returned to our districts to be used in the interests of the building of churches, the opening of new fields, and other vital district projects.

Thus through the years several hundred thousands of dollars have been distributed through district and missionary channels, and directly or indirectly every one of us has shared in the returns. Camp meetings have been established, Bible schools have been founded, home mission projects have been launched, and who can tell how many souls have been saved and blessed because we have shared with each other? Through the medium of the various publications sent forth from the Gospel Publishing House, the printed page carrying the full gospel message has circled the globe again and again. Ministers, missionaries, Sunday School children, young people, and literally tens of thousands have been blessed and edified through this medium, and yet the demand increases. This demand compels us to take inventory of our aim and ability and once more to make necessary adjustments so that we may not fail in our mission.

The result of this has been that we find ourselves faced with solemn decisions that require careful consideration. If we are to meet the demands of the hour in which we live, the gospel

must go forth. We cannot afford to slacken our pace a moment. Pernicious propaganda, literature which spreads false teaching, and publications of many types totally unprofitable to readers, are spread on every hand. We must counteract their influence by the help of the Lord. But to do this we must have larger buildings, more modern equipment, and better publishing facilities. This involves the expenditure of thousands of dollars, and **where are these dollars to be obtained?**

You may respond by suggesting that perhaps for a season it may be necessary to divert the funds hitherto disbursed throughout the fellowship into a building program, and we say "thank you" for this suggestion. Our good executive brethren of the various districts have unanimously agreed to do this, and it is certainly appreciated; but the costs of construction almost stagger us and we are made aware that the resources of profits alone will not suffice. To whom shall we turn?

Our only alternative is to lay the matter before those of our beloved fellowship with whom we have shared our mutual joys and burdens through the years. We humbly entreat you to consider the matter; not as another appeal for funds, but, as it is in truth, an investment in God's kingdom and eternal souls. If you will prayerfully analyze it, I am sure you will be made to real-

(Continued on page fifteen)