

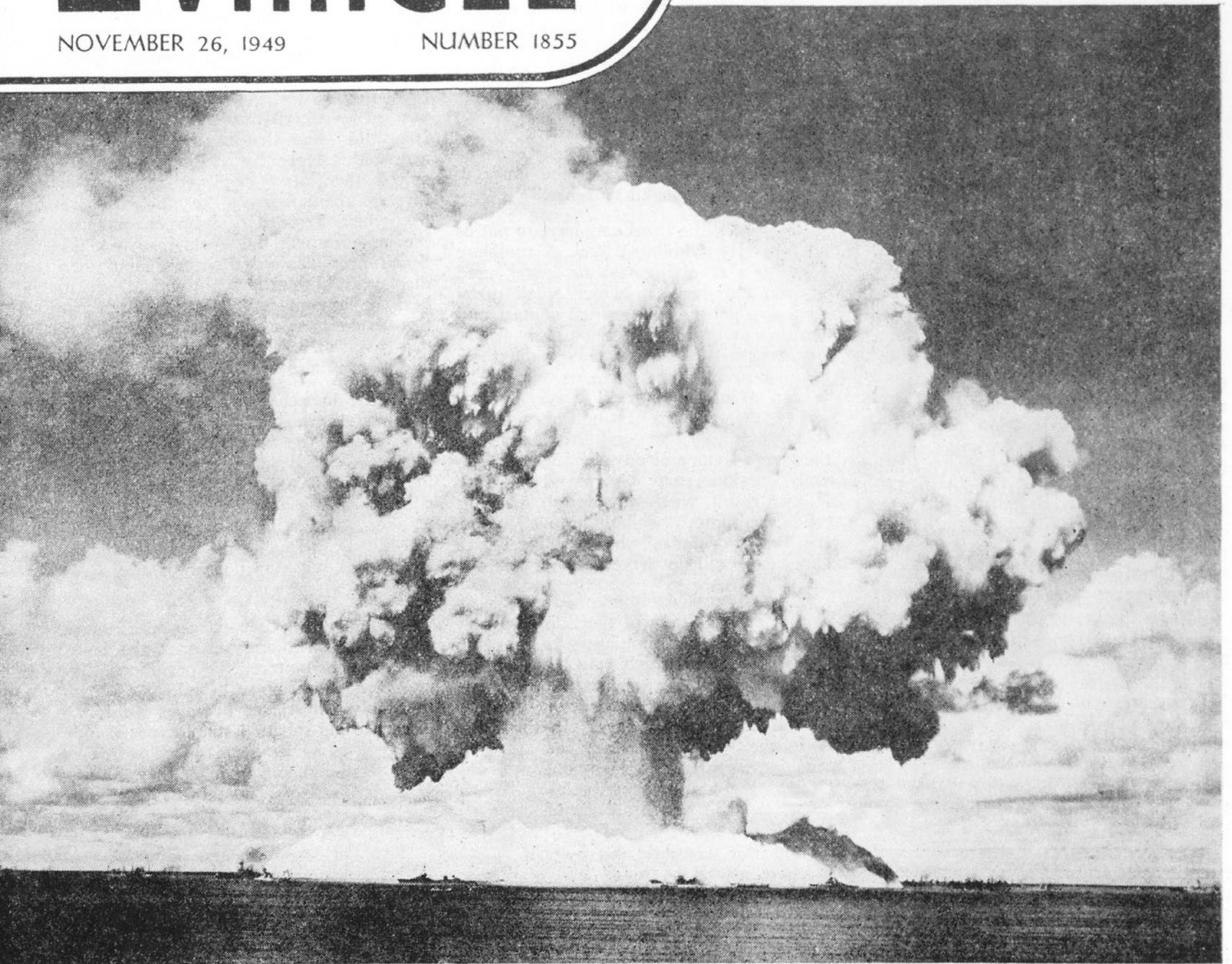
# The Pentecostal EVANGEL

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



*Underwater blast of atomic bomb at Bikini (Ewing Galloway photo)*

## "UPON WHOM THE END OF THE AGES HAS COME"

We are living, we are dwelling  
In a grand and awful time:

In an age on ages telling:  
To be living is sublime.

Hark! The waking up of nations,  
Gog and Magog to the fray:

Hark! what soundeth? Is creation  
Groaning for its latter day?

Will ye play, then, will ye dally,  
With your music and your wine?

Up! It is Jehovah's rally;  
God's own arm hath need of thine.

Hark! The onset! Are ye folding  
Faith-clad arms in lazy lock?

Up! Oh, up, thou drowsy soldier!  
Worlds are charging to the shock.

Worlds are charging, heaven beholding;

Thou hast but an hour to fight;

Now the blazoned cross unfolding,

On, right onward, for the right!

On! let all the soul within you,

For the truth's sake go abroad!

Strike! let every nerve and sinew

Tell on ages—tell for God!

—Arthur Cleveland Cox

# SPIRITUAL GIFTS

A Series of Studies by Frank M. Boyd\*

Are Pentecostal people becoming too "gift-conscious"?

Do the "spiritual gifts" reside in the individual believer or in the church (which is the body of Christ)?

Are there more than nine "gifts" of the Spirit?

How are the "gifts" bestowed?

In this series of studies Frank M. Boyd will deal with such questions as these. Brother Boyd has given his life to the study and teaching of the Word of God. He has ministered in Pentecostal Bible Schools since 1917. At present he is Director of our Correspondence School and an Instructor at Central Bible Institute and Seminary.

You may wish to clip these articles and save them as a valuable aid in studying what the Scriptures teach on this important subject.

## PART ONE

● PENTECOSTAL PEOPLE (that group of God's people who believe in and who have received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, with the accompanying sign of the speaking with tongues) are becoming increasingly spiritual-gift conscious. This is not an unhealthy development and doubtless springs from a sense of the need of the church in this hour of world-chaos, international tension, rampant evil, and religious confusion; and from an increasing sense of the nearness of the end of the age.

The feeling is current among us that the church militant needs and should possess that full panoply of spiritual equipment, which the Lord has provided for her in her conflict with the world, the flesh, and the devil. This very urge, which is seizing many of God's dear Pentecostal people, constitutes a challenge to the enemy, who is quick to throw down the gauntlet when the church makes any aggressive move forward.

This consciousness of the need for the exercise of spiritual "gifts" seems to center about what we have been accustomed to call the "nine gifts of the Spirit," concerning which Paul wrote in the familiar twelfth, thirteenth, and fourteenth chapters of 1 Corinthians. As a consequence numerous questions are arising—Is this list of the so-called nine gifts the complete one? How may they be classified and defined? Who are eligible to receive spiritual gifts? How are they bestowed?

\*The writer of this series wishes to acknowledge at the outset his indebtedness to others of his brethren—Donald Gee, Ralph M. Riggs, J. Roswell Flower—for the use of some of their material in "Concerning Spiritual Gifts," "The Spirit Himself," and other writings, and for counsel and collaboration.

We do well to examine our foundations with the plumb line of God's Word to determine if they are solid, and if not, to find wherein the weaknesses consist, before we proceed with further building, lest schism rend our walls and our spiritual structure totter and fall. There is one pre-eminent virtue of the Christian life that God longs to see in His people—LOVE; and there is an "endeavor" which He desires us all to be vigorously engaged in—the endeavor "to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."

Therefore, the Lord may have to put us all into His tumbling barrel. A tumbling barrel is a revolving cask or barrel, used in iron foundries, in which small metal parts are polished by mutual contact and attrition or by sand friction; or in which *small* castings are put to break out their rough cores. [Lord, make us "small" so we can go into the barrel.] It may be necessary that we go through a vigorous shaking up personally and doctrinally that the rough spots and protuberances, spiritually speaking, may be ground off. But if, as a result, we come through speaking "the same thing," "walking in love" and in the "unity of faith," the tumbling-barrel experience will not have been in vain.

To that end we present a series of studies on the "gifts of the Spirit" which we trust will be stimulating to thought, informative, and which may help lead us ultimately to a crystallization of conclusions, and to glorious victory for the church in these last days. In the Canticles the Bride is revealed as "looking forth, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners." S. of S. 6:10.

[Note that throughout this series we have placed the words "gift" and "gifts" consistently in quotation marks, as an accommodation to our modes of thought and expression concerning these divine enablements, and not as representing the exact sense of "charismata." Were it not too bulky an expression, we would prefer throughout to give the word "charismata" its true significance; that is, "endowments or enablements originating from the divine grace, upon or to His church militant."]

### Observations from the Book of Acts

At the outset may we throw out this suggestion. Let us suppose that we did not have the First Epistle to the Corinthians (which is largely a corrective one) and we were to look into the Acts of the

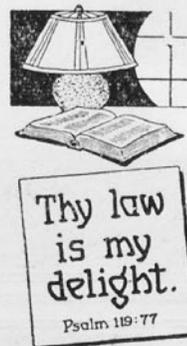
Apostles (or, as it should be called, the "Acts of the Holy Ghost" in the apostolic church), what would we discover about "gifts of the Spirit"? When the early church was "filled with the Holy Spirit," they also received the "power" of the Spirit, and the potentialities resident in Him were displayed as "they went forth and preached everywhere," and the Lord worked "with them confirming the word with signs following." We wonder if even the apostles were gift-conscious at all. (We shall be looking into the whole subject suggested by the word "gifts" later.) They did know, by Christ's own revelation to them, what they could expect, at least in measure. Mark 16:17, 18. It would seem that as the emergencies arose, the Holy Spirit guided and inspired them and displayed His power through them to meet the existent need. So, when Peter and John encountered the lame man at the Beautiful Gate, the Spirit first inspired their faith and then displayed His power through them to heal the lame man. When the church was threatened as to its internal purity, Peter was given discernment to expose the duplicity of Ananias and Sapphira. Acts 5.

As the church grew, one of the deacons named Stephen, "full of faith [literally 'grace,' the root word from which the word 'charismata,' translated 'gifts' in 1 Corinthians 12:9 ('gifts of healing') comes] and power (dunamis) did great wonders and signs among the people." The Lord confirmed the word "with signs following," by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Philip, another deacon, cast out demons, healed the sick, and restored the lame. When he encountered the perfidious Elymas (or Bar-jesus), "Paul, filled with the Holy Ghost, set his eyes on him," discerned his spiritual state, exposed him, and even pronounced summary judgment upon him. Acts 13: 6-12. When the church needed guidance over the critical question of the relation of the law of Moses to the gospel, James was given "the word of wisdom," and when Paul was brought before magistrates and kings (Acts 22, 23, 25, 26) he was given the same bestowment according to the promise of our Lord to the disciples. Luke 21: 15. When disastrous consequences would have resulted in

Paul's case from the bite of the viper (Acts 28:1-5), he had the power, resident in the Spirit within him, to shake off the serpent with no ill effects, according to Mark 16:18.

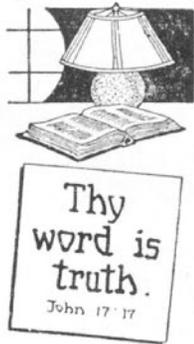
One might question whether in all this record of the Acts there was any consciousness then of specific "gifts" in a rigid category of *nine* or any other num-



ber. The fact is, as we hope to demonstrate later, there are more than nine, and some of them very humble ones, with no apparent glamour at all, but none the less gifts ("charismata") of the Spirit.

**Paul's Message to the Corinthians**

It is obvious that Paul's first letter to the Corinthians is, in nature, largely corrective of misconceptions, abuses, wrong doctrinal conceptions, etc., present among them. One abuse lay in the exercise of the "gift of tongues" and prophecy. This church was "enriched in all utterance" and came "behind in no gift ('charisma')." 1 Cor. 1:5, 7. Their main difficulty seemed to be with the utterance-gifts (tongues, interpretation of tongues, and prophecy) which were more spectacular, as far as the assembly life was concerned. Paul wrote, not only to correct abuses involving these "gifts," but to make clear that there were others with which God had graced His church, for he does not stop with the apparent nine in 1 Corinthians 12, but in writing to the Romans he listed still others. Rom. 12:4-8.



a *dosis* of God is what God confers as possessor of all things; a *dorea* of God is an expression of His favor; a *doron* of God is something which becomes the recipient's abiding possession. *Dorema* is a gift, a bounty, a benefaction, as is *doma*."

Salvation is referred to as the "gift (*doron*) of God." Eph. 2:8.

Paul speaks of the "gift" (*dorea*) of the grace of God bestowed upon him. Eph. 3:7.

Any material substance bestowed upon another is referred to as a "gift," and *doron* or *doma* are usually used to express this thought throughout the New Testament. See Matt. 2:11 (*dora*, plural); Matt. 7:11 (*domata*, plural); Luke 21:1 (*dora*, plural); and Rev. 11:10 (*dora*, plural).

The average person who believes he has received the gift of tongues, or the gift of interpretation, or the gift of healing, has this conception, that he has something tangible, something given to be retained  
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2. Men who exalt human attainment above divine atonement are "clouds without water."

Attainment is possible to man. Atonement is possible only with God. Attainment is what man can do. Atonement is something that God alone can do. Attainment is within man's power. Atonement is in the power of God only. Attainment makes man appear better before man, but atonement is the means by which man may appear before God without guilt or sin. Attainment has for its big word "character." Atonement has for its big word "cross." Attainment makes for education. Atonement makes for salvation. Attainment is for the mind. Atonement is for the soul. Be not a cloud without water!

3. Men who exalt human philosophy above divine prophecy are "clouds without water."

Philosophy is what man thinks he knows. Prophecy is what God foreknows. Philosophy is man's little candle which a gust of wind can blow out. Prophecy is God's lamp, which shines in a dark place until the day dawn. Philosophy is a maze from which man never emerges, while prophecy is light upon every step of the believer's pathway. Philosophy knows a little about the here and now, while prophecy knows about the here-after.

4. Men who exalt human advance above divine advents are "clouds without water."

The world does not advance without Christ. In His absence it takes the down grade, not the up grade. With Christ out of the world there can be nothing permanently better in the world. It is not human advance, but the divine advents that have brought into the world help and holiness for man. Be not a cloud without water. Let God's thoughts be sufficient for you. Think God's thoughts after Him.

The Bible seldom speaks, and certainly never its deepest, sweetest words, to those who always read in a hurry. Nature can only tell her secrets to such as will sit still in her sacred temple, till their eyes lose their glare of earthly glory, and their ears are attuned to her voice. And shall revelation do what nature cannot? Never. The man who shall win the blessedness of hearing the voice of divine wisdom must watch daily at her gates, and wait at the posts of her doors."—*F. B. Meyer.*

Of Hochman it was said, "He remained perfectly silent till he thought there was something to be gained by speech."

"Holiness is God's nature becoming character in us," said A. B. Simpson.

**Exegesis of Words Used Concerning "Gifts"**

Paul introduces the whole subject of "spiritual gifts," as we are accustomed to call them, in 1 Cor. 12:1 with these words: "Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant." "Surely we shall not choose to be ignorant of them and of their significance today! Note that in this verse the word "gifts" is in italics and is not in the original Greek text. The substantive (noun) Paul uses is the Greek neuter plural ("pneumatika"—used also in 14:1) of an adjective which means "of or pertaining to spirit," "emanating from the divine Spirit or exhibiting the effects of that Spirit." It may well be translated "spirituals," and defined as manifestations in the realm of the Spirit, "matters of or from the Holy Spirit." This word gives the key to 1 Corinthians chapters 12, 13, 14. The word "gift" or "gifts" is apt to convey a different thought to our minds than is intended. When one thinks of a gift, the mind naturally comprehends something tangible, something that is given to be retained and to be enjoyed or used by the recipient. There are five words in the original Scriptures which do convey the above idea: *doma*, *dosis*, *doron*, *dorema* and *dorea*.

Joseph H. Thayer in his Greek-English Lexicon distinguishes these synonymous words: "*Doron* is specifically a present, yet not always gratuitous or wholly unsuggestive of recompense; but *dorea* differs from *doron* in denoting a gift which is also a gratuity without recompense, hence of the benefactions of a sovereign;

# "Clouds Without Water"

W. Leon Tucker

● THE BOOK OF JUDE uses more extraordinary, original, and unique figures of speech than perhaps any other book in the Bible. It speaks of "raging waves of the sea," "wandering stars," "trees whose fruit withereth," and "clouds without water, carried about of winds." Jude 12. In these he makes reference to the apostates of his day; they are good figures of speech concerning the apostates of any day. Those men who deny the things which are revealed in the Holy Scriptures are clouds without water. Clouds without water leave nothing. So ministers without the gospel make a desert where faith should blossom like a rose.

1. Men who exalt human reason above divine revelation are "clouds without water."

It is not what man reasons, it is what God reveals. It is not what man thinks, it is what God says. The mind of man can never discover the heart of God. By wisdom this world has never come to know God. God's wisdom is foolishness to men, and man's wisdom is foolishness to God. We are not left to reason, we have a revelation. There are no dark secrets in the gospel. He who runs may read. Christianity differs from world religions in that they seek after God while Christianity is God seeking man.

# "Thou Thinkest, Lord, of Me"

Lettie B. Cowman

"How precious also are Thy thoughts unto me, O God, how great is the sum of them! If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand." Psalms 139: 17, 18.

● IT WAS DURING a hillside vesper service, on a Saturday evening, this past summer, that we heard a wonderful story. The message brought by His messengers during the six consecutive weeks of Bible Conference preceding this special service were on "The Signs of the Times and World Conditions." We were assembled there, as a large group of believers, facing the future—so unseen; so unknown!—facing facts and grim realities. The question uppermost in all hearts was: *How are we, as God's children, to meet the testings that are certain to be ours in the months down ahead?* To be sure, we are living in the end-time and may expect conditions to be changed!—but *how* are we to adjust ourselves to these conditions when God's judgments begin to pour upon the whole world? We cannot be as ostriches, burying our heads in the sand in a refusal to see things as they are. We *must* be prepared to face the issue! But now is it to be done? May God prepare us for the awful days, and make us overcomers!

He said not, "Thou shalt not be tempted; thou shalt not be travailed; thou shalt not be afflicted;" but He said, "Thou shalt not be overcome!"

The story told in the particular service to which I refer was that of a widowed mother with five small children. Suddenly the head of the home had been summoned into His presence, and there was that aloneness that can be felt only by those who have passed through similar experiences. Winter was coming on, and there was no money with which to purchase fuel. Indeed, no fuel was to be had!—the coal miners were on strike. The drought of summer had ruined their small wheat crop, corn fields had withered up in the fierce heat. For lack of water several valuable animals had perished. The future looked dark indeed! It was just as if a deep, black cloud had settled down over that little home and they were enveloped within its fold.

But it was a *Christian* home, where the little ones were gathered daily around a family altar and taught to listen quietly to the reading of God's holy Word. It was the mother's habit always to kneel and pray, committing herself and her little ones to *His* loving care. But now, through the extreme pressure, her faith was fast failing, and tears often fell like rain upon the open Book as she would attempt to read the promises. Discouraged and disheartened, wondering if God would forget to be gracious, the song of faith died out in her heart!

When a Christian loses *heart*, he loses everything! To keep one's heart in the midst of life's stream, and to maintain a front that knows no defeat in the face of its difficulties, is not an achievement that springs from anything that a laboratory



The Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light

Isa. 60:19

can demonstrate, or that logic can affirm. It is an achievement of faith! If you lose your sky you will soon lose your earth!

In the midst of her hopelessness and darkness an evangelist came to a nearby village to conduct a series of services, and one evening the two oldest children wended their way down the country lane to the village church. The small congregation was singing heartily a new chorus. The children tried to remember the words and to join in the singing. Suddenly they left the church, even before the service closed, and hurrying home, rushed into the room, where they found their mother holding in her arms her youngest child, rocking it to sleep. They cried out: "Mother! We have been to church, and we have found out something wonderful—just what *you*

need! There was a man with a shining face singing, 'Put it down! Put it down; Take your burden to the Lord and put it down!'"

After the service the evangelist inquired about these two children who had sat on the back row in the evening service, saying, "I *must* find them!" He walked out of the village and down the country lane and coming to the little cottage, knocked at the door of the widow's home. At once he sensed the true condition of that little family—as once he too had passed through a similar time of deep depression, when he felt that God had forsaken him, but God gave *him* a comforter!

In this home so bare of the necessities of life, he drew from his pocket a copy of God's Word and read from the promises: "Let their widows trust in me." "I have not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread." "In time of famine thou shalt be satisfied." "Bread shalt be given, and water shall be sure." "Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? Are ye not of more value than many sparrows?" "The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want!" "I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord: thoughts of peace, and not of evil." And then he sang, "Take your burden to the Lord and leave it there!" The children's voices were now heard, "Mother! that is the song, 'Put it down! Put it down! Take your burden to the Lord and put it down!'" The little mother did put it down, and then and there laid *all* of her burdens at His pierced feet! And God put within *her* heart a *new* song, that carried her through the future-testing days, and she found that, He lives! He loves! He cares!

Beloved, we are not blind to present world conditions; and were it not for God's sustaining grace, assuring love, and constant upholding, *many* of His dear children would at this time be pressed out of measure and despair of life. Letters are even now lying upon our desk from those who are so fearing the future that they are seeking to drown their worries by drinking, and some are tempted to commit suicide!

We quote a few helpful excerpts from a message given by a minister in Scotland: "Nothing is more beautiful than our Lord's forethought! He was always thinking ahead of the disciples. When He sent His disciples to prepare the Passover there was found an upper room furnished and prepared. He had thought it all

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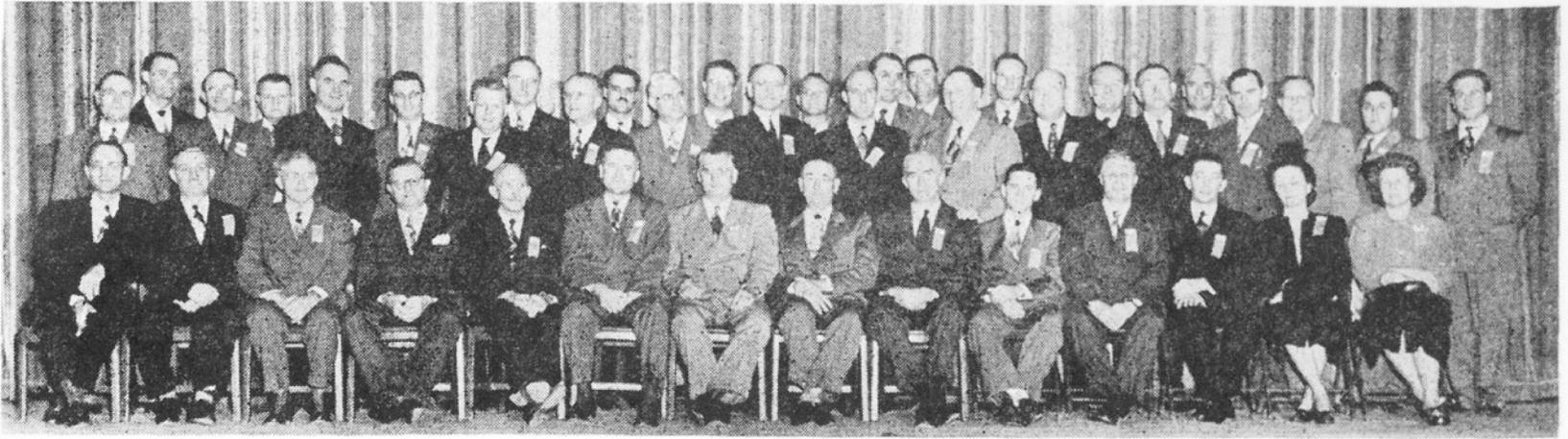
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out! His plans were not made for only *that* day. He was always in advance of time! When the disciples came back from fishing, Jesus was on the seashore with a fire of coals and fish laid thereon. In the morning He thinks of the day, before you are astir! He is waiting long before you are awake. His anticipations are along all the way of life before you!

After the resurrection the disciples were bewildered and the way looked black! But the angel said, "Behold, He goeth before you into Galilee;" He is always thinking ahead! preparing ahead! Take this text with you into the future. Take it into today's experience: "*Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. 'I go to prepare a place for you!'*"

"He is out in the world doing it! He will be there before you! He will bring you to your appointed place, and you will find your *appointed resources!* You will discover *His insight, His oversight and His foresight!* You may not always see Him, but you can walk by faith in the dark if you know that He sees you; and can *sing as you journey, even through the night!*"

J. Hudson Taylor once said: "The Lord is my Shepherd; IS on Sunday, IS on Monday, and IS through every day of the week; IS in January, IS in December, and every month of the year; IS at home, and IS in China; IS in peace, and IS in war; in abundance, and in penury!"

The shepherd is responsible for the sheep, not the sheep for the shepherd! The worst of it is that we sometimes think we are both the shepherd and the sheep, and that we have both to guide and to follow! Happy are we when we realize that He is responsible; that He goes before; and goodness and mercy shall follow us!

Will this be read by someone who is being severely tested almost to the breaking point? Someone wondering about the tomorrows? He knows all about *your* tomorrows, and is thinking in advance for *you!* Yes, *for you!* For *you* He careth! Hide away in your heart the gracious promise: "*How precious are Thy thoughts unto me, O God!*"

"Let shadows come, let shadows go,  
Let life be bright or dark with woe,  
I am content, for this I know—  
Thou thinkest, Lord, of me."

—*Oriental and Inter-American Missionary Standard.*

### THE RESURRECTION

Some years ago, I kept a marine aquarium. As I stood looking at it one summer day, I saw on the surface of the water a tiny creature, half fish, half snake, not an inch long, writhing as in mortal agony. With convulsive efforts, it bent its head to tail, now on this side, now on that, springing its circles with a force simply wonderful in a creature so small. I was stretching out my hand to remove it lest it should sink and die and pollute the clear waters; when, lo, in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye, its skin split from end to end, and there sprang out a delicate fly with slender black legs and pale lavender wings. Balancing itself for one instant on its discarded skin, it preened its gossamer wings and then flew out of an open window. The impression made upon me was deep and overpowering. I learned that nature was everywhere hinting at the truth of the resurrection.—A. Cox.

Our deeds are only our thoughts hung out where they can be seen.

### AN EVANGELIST'S TESTIMONY

Thomas Waugh, the preacher-evangelist, tells in his autobiography how he came to realize his Pentecost: "I saw very clearly that after Pentecost those early Christians had a fulness of divine life and power to which I was a stranger. I realized that while I had the Spirit, I was not filled with the Spirit; that I had welcomed Him as a guest, but not yet as host, in my heart. I also saw that this glorious fullness was as much for me as for Peter, James and John.

"In New Testament plenitude, however, the Holy Spirit could not come until Christ had ascended. Until He was glorified the Church could not have her Pentecost; and what is true of the Church is true of the individual Christian. I saw that some of my ambitions would have to perish, but I could hold out no longer. My whole being looked up to God and said: 'None of self, and all for Thee; I want what those early Christians got at Pentecost. It is my birth-right in Jesus, and for me as for them; I need it as much as they did. I am willing, and claim and trust.'

"I shall never forget that hour. There was no joyous exaltation or deep inrush of emotion but a great calm. I kept on trusting; then the signs and wonders of my longings, hopes, and prayers began to come. Within twenty months I saw 1,800 souls led to Christ, and since then those numbers have reached nearly 90,000 men, women and children."

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# THE RIVER FROM THE ROCK

Gayle F. Lewis

on National Radio Hour, "Sermons in Song"

● IN EXODUS 17:6 we find these words: "Behold, I will stand before thee there upon the rock in Horeb; and thou shalt smite the rock and there shall come water out of it, that the people may drink; and Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel."

The history of the Children of Israel is constantly referred to, in both the Old and the New Testaments, as a type of God's dealings with His people in later dispensations. In 1 Corinthians 10:11 the apostle Paul clearly states that "all these things happened unto them by way of example, and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages are come." The passage before us—Moses' smiting of the rock in Horeb and the gushing forth of the life-giving water—gives to us a most helpful object lesson of the atonement for sin and the consequent gift of the Holy Spirit.

We learn from 1 Corinthians 10:4 (and please note this carefully) that it was not only on the *one* occasion that the Israelites drank of the river from the rock, but it followed them, flowing along the pathway of their march all through those forty years of wandering, as long as they kept in the path where the Lord led them; for "they drank of that spiritual rock that followed them; and that rock was Christ."

It would appear, from what is written in Numbers 20:2, that they wandered out of the will of God and so lost the supply of water; but the rock was still there, and Moses was told only to speak to it (not to smite it again) that the streams might once more flow forth for the people's need. God here teaches us a lesson of the all-prevailing, eternal efficacy of the atonement of Jesus. He is the Rock of Ages, smitten once for all on Calvary's cross, a sacrifice for sin never to be repeated.

But from the smitten rock flowed the life-giving river of the Holy Spirit's fulness. The chief point in this picture, as to its spiritual lesson for us, is the connection between Calvary and Pentecost. Until the great sacrifice was offered for sin, the Holy Spirit could not be given in Pentecostal power; but when our great High Priest entered for us into the heavens with His own blood, telling of a finished atonement, then "having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost," He poured Him forth upon the waiting disciples on the day of Pentecost. From that day to this, the river of the water of life has been the heritage of every true child of God who will walk

in the pathway He leads; and it is *your* blood-bought heritage if *you* are a child of God, for "the promise is unto you" on the basis of the atonement on Calvary's Cross.

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## SPIRITUAL GIFTS

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and enjoyed or used by him. None of these words is used in the "gift" chapters in 1 Corinthians; neither is the word "charismata," translated "gifts" (1 Cor. 12:4, 9, 30), used anywhere to express the meaning of a bestowment of something or of someone gratuitously, to be the possession of the recipient. As used in Romans, "charisma" carries the thought of a free gift bestowed by God's grace.

### The Use of "Charisma" (singular) and "Charismata" (plural form)

The word "charisma" is used in the Epistles only. It does not occur in the Gospels nor in Acts. It occurs five times in Romans and eight times in First and Second Corinthians. It is particularly significant in its use in 1 Tim. 4:14 and 2 Tim. 1:6 where it refers to that bestowment of the divine grace by the laying on of the hands of the elders and by Paul himself. (Who can gainsay that this happened when Timothy was ordained or set apart to his specific ministry?) Thayer comments on "charisma" as used in these verses, as follows: "The sum of those powers requisite for the

discharge of the office of an evangelist." There is nothing here to indicate that this was a bestowment necessarily of some individual so-called "spiritual gift" from among the nine of 1 Corinthians 12.

The word "charisma" is used in Rom. 1:11, where we are informed that Paul longed to see the church at Rome with the intent that he might bestow some "gift of grace" to the end that they might be established. This desire here is toward the whole church rather than toward the individuals in the church.

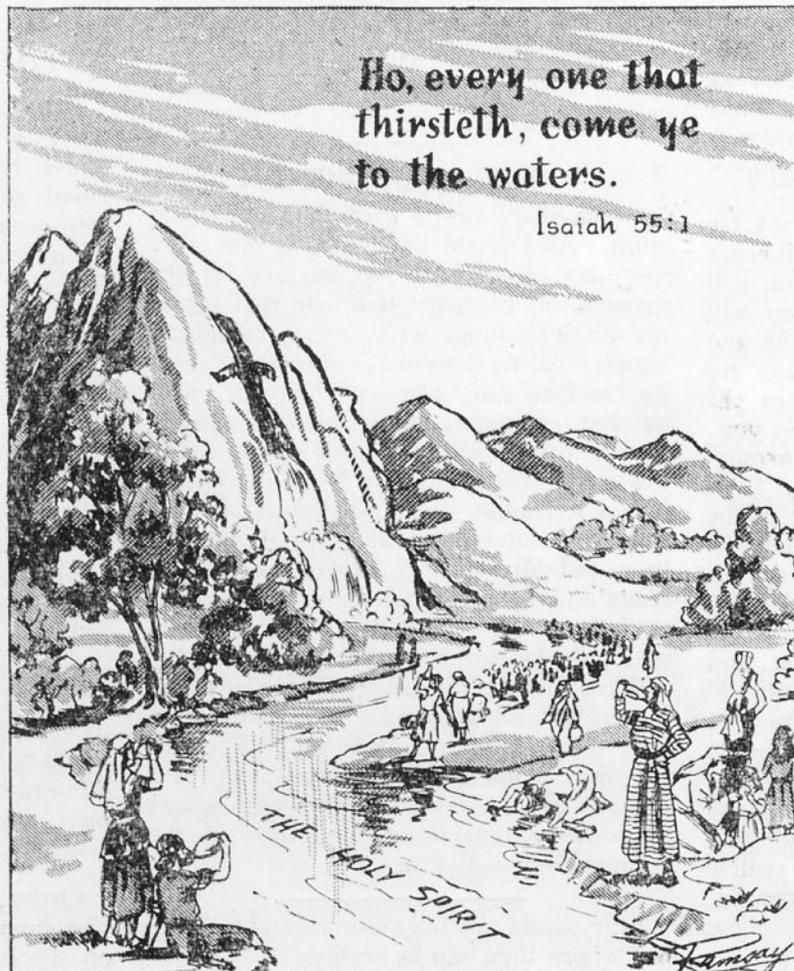
### Specific Use of "Charisma"

This word is used freely in the so-called gift chapters (1 Corinthians 12, 13, and 14) but does not occur as often in the original Greek text as it occurs in our Authorized Version. Note that the word "gift" is in italics in the following passages: 1 Cor. 12:1; 13:2; 14:1; 14:12. The word "charisma" does not occur in the Greek in connection with *faith* in either 1 Cor. 12:9 or 1 Cor. 13:2, neither does it appear in connection with *prophecy* anywhere in the three chapters. It does occur in connection with a list of divine bestowments, which includes prophecy, in Rom. 12:6-8. In this latter passage the so-called "nine gifts" are greatly extended to include ministry, teaching, exhortation, giving, administration, and showing mercy, as well as prophecy. It has been a little difficult to adjust our theology in the "gifts of the Spirit" to include the seven mentioned in Romans, and therefore most teachers on this subject utterly ignore them. But they are definitely classified under the heading of "charismata" (the Greek word is used in Rom. 12:6) and should be positively *recognized* and *included* in the full complement of those divine bestowments of grace which panoply the church for her conflict and work in this evil world.

Let us note also that the word "charisma" is not linked directly with any of the "spirituals," with the exception of healing (1 Cor. 12:9) and of prophecy. (In this latter case as introducing the list of Rom. 12:6-8.) It occurs three times in connection with healing and in these three instances both "charisma" and "iama" (healing) are in the plural—"gifts (or bestowments) of healings." Is it not significant that the word "gift" is absent from the other eight "spirituals" in 1 Corinthians 12 and yet is attached to the word "healings," and then is in the plural in every instance where healing is referred to? This fact would seem to explode the idea that any man can claim a "gift of healing," teaching rather that the Spirit may use some individual in this particular ministry and may grant him gracious bestowments of "healings" for those for whom he prays, as the occasion would glorify God.

There is no such expression found anywhere as the "gift of wisdom," "the gift of knowledge," or even the "gift of tongues" or "the gift of the interpretation of tongues." These are all phrases which we have invented for convenience of expression and have grown, part-

## ENOUGH FOR EVERYONE



ly at least, out of some of our misconceptions. The only place, other than "healings," where the word "gift" (charisma) is directly connected with any other spiritual enablement, is to introduce the list of such in Rom. 12:6, and here again it is in the plural.

However, the full complement of the "spirituals" is designated as "charismata"—gracious enablements or bestowments of the grace and favor of God—in 1 Cor. 12:31, where Paul exhorts the church at Corinth: "But covet (be zealous for) the best (greatest) gifts ('charismata') and yet show I unto you a more excellent way." In this same broad sense "charisma" is used in 1 Cor. 1:7: "That in everything ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge . . . so that ye come behind in no gift ('charisma');" and also in 1 Cor. 12:4, which reads: "There are diversities of gifts ('charismata'), but the same Spirit."

To sum up the whole teaching on the concept of "gifts" it is vital to note the utter absence of any word which carries the meaning of something given by someone to another to be his own possession and to be used by him as he desires. This thought is further amplified by reference to the divine sovereignty in the bestowment, in the service rendered, and in the divine power or energy displayed. This truth is brought out clearly in the following translation of 1 Cor. 12:4-6, which is closer to the original than our A.V.—"Endowments vary, but the Spirit is the same; and forms of service [ministrations] vary, but it is the same Lord who is served, and activities [effects or displays of energy] vary, but God who produces them all, in us all, is the same."

Further, by way of summary, we note that all these "spirituals," including gracious enablements, ministries, administration, and spiritual effects or workings, are presented as "the manifestation of the Spirit," which is given for the profit or edification of all. 1 Cor. 12:7. A. S. Way's rendering clarifies this: "Now, mark, it is for the benefit of the church that the manifestation of the Spirit is bestowed on this or that person."

We come to the conclusion, then, that these "spirituals" (*pneumatika*—1 Cor. 12:1 and 14:1) bestowed upon the church out of the divine grace (*charismata*—1 Cor. 12:31; 1 Cor. 1:7; Rom. 12:6-8) include:

1. Spiritual power to accomplish healings, miracles, etc.
2. Spiritual revelations, such as the word of wisdom, the word of knowledge, discerning of spirits, etc.
3. Inspired utterance, as prophecy, speaking in tongues, interpretation of tongues, exhortation, teaching under the anointing of the Spirit, etc.
4. Spirit-guided administration of the affairs of the church, government, various kinds of service, etc.

[Note that the word "administrations" (1 Cor. 12:5) and "ministry" (Rom. 12:7) are from the Greek word "diakonia," from which in turn we derive our word "deacon," and includes various types of service.]

Stephen was a "deacon" and served humbly with the others chosen with him in the temporal affairs of the early church (Acts 6:1-5); and in addition, being "full of grace [literal] and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people."

5. Spiritually energized giving; ability to show mercy with a cheerful heart.

#### The Inherent Meaning of "Charisma"

We have noted that the root of the word is "charis," translated *grace*. Through its derived word "charisma" (or "charismata") it implies those bestowments or enablements which have their origin in the *grace* of God, upon His church to equip His people for the conflict with the adversary, to extend the kingdom of God, and to edify the church as His body.

God has displayed His *grace* toward us in saving us when we were unworthy, lost, undone, through the marvelous atoning work of His Son. Eph. 2:8-13. He is manifesting His *grace* in sanctifying and transforming us, providing victory in our Christian lives by the power of the Holy Spirit. Rom. 8:2-4.

Spiritual "charisma" is *grace in manifestation* or display. He is revealing His *grace* through His church by the operation of that same Spirit, and has panoplied His people with all the necessary power and enablement to wage her warfare against the world, the flesh, and the

devil—to speak inspirationally, to rule diligently, to render loving service of all kinds (*diakonia*), to perform miracles, to give liberally, and to show mercy.

This conception of the operations of the Spirit will preclude spiritual pride over possession of any "spiritual gift." The believer has been brought into the body of Christ and is now, by the baptism in the Holy Spirit, introduced into the realm of the Spirit's operations. With the recognition of the sovereignty of the Spirit (1 Cor. 12:4-6) in the midst of the assembly, the door is opened for every form of gracious manifestation (*charisma*) of the Spirit.

(In PART TWO of this series, Brother Boyd will deal with the "gifts" of revelation—the word of wisdom, the word of knowledge, and discerning of spirits.)

"Take care of your character, and your reputation will take care of itself."

Attempt great things for God; expect great things from God.—William Carey.

## Reckoning on Christ Will Revolutionize YOUR Life Too!

Reckon yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Roman 6:11.

● YEARS AGO, in the home of my friend Canon Wilberforce, I met a number of earnest men, clergymen and others, and we spent a whole day of fellowship with God.

It was an autumn evening and lights were asked for, but it was urged by those present that they would like to converse in the gloaming. It is easier to talk about the deep things of God when the shadows of twilight are in the room. After one or two had given their experiences, a venerable clergyman from the south of London said: "You have been talking much about giving up for Christ, about surrender to Christ. But my life has been an intaking from Christ."

Canon Wilberforce asked him to explain what he meant. He said: "Some time ago on a summer afternoon I was dealing with a number of

#### GOD SEES THE SCARS

When some friend has proved untrue—betrayed your simple trust; used you for his selfish ends and trampled in the dust the past, with all its memories and all its sacred ties, the light is blotted from the sky—for something in you dies.

Bless your false and faithless friend, just smile and pass along. God must be the judge of it; He knows the right from wrong. Life is short, don't waste the hours by brooding on the past; His great laws are good and just; Truth conquers at the last.

Red and deep our wounds may be—but after all the pain God's own finger touches us and we are healed again. With faith restored, and trust renewed—we look toward the stars. The world will see the smiles we have—but God will see the scars.

children in our Sunday school, who longed to be outside in the lovely air with the butterflies and the flowers. And I found myself becoming very restive under their inattention. Suddenly I saw the Savior standing above me, so placid, so sweet, so lovely, that I looked up into His face and said, "Thy patience, Lord." Instantly there fell upon my heart His own patience: and I could have stood twice as many children, with twice as much noise, because of that infinite intake.

"Ever since then, instead of praying against things, I have always dared to believe that God put me into difficult situations to reveal things in Christ which I was to claim. Thus Jesus Christ becomes the Complement or Completion of a circle. Whatever has been my need, I have taken it as an opportunity of claiming the opposite from Jesus Christ. In a moment of irritation, 'Thy sweetness, Lord.' In moments of weakness, 'Thy strength, Lord.' Always considering that one's need is always God's opportunity of supply."

I remember very well going down to the breakfast room next morning. I was there first. Wilberforce came in and he said, "What did you make of that last night, Meyer?" I replied, "It is going to mean a revolution to me." "To me, too," he answered. I do not think we ever met after that without going back on that episode.

Thus, by faith we not only pray to our Lord, but we reckon upon Him. One of the deepest secrets in the Christian life is not to go through life praying for this and that and the other, but to offer a distinct prayer based upon a promise, and then to claim and reckon upon Him.—F. B. Meyer.



Sunday School at Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Morrison's church in Hawaii on the first Sunday in August. Mr. and Mrs. Morrison, who are near the end on the second row (left), have been engaged in missionary work for a number of years and have opened a number of works.

## Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade Is Given Warm Reception

RUBY M. ENYART

● THE BOYS AND GIRLS Missionary Crusade is meeting with hearty approval on every hand—from the children themselves, teachers, Sunday School officers, pastors, and missionaries. According to those in charge of the detailed operations of the new project everyone who has written in concerning BGMC has been loud in praise of the project. The following comments are typical:

"We received the barrel banks last week, and have distributed them. We believe that they will stimulate interest in missionary giving among the younger folk. May I say we are well pleased with the idea? It is *going over here*."—Sunday School Secretary

"I am much interested in the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade, as described in *The Missionary CHALLENGE*. For some time I have been in charge of the Children's Church in our assembly. Each Sunday some of the children have brought a few cents for the missionary offering. Since they often forget or for other reasons neglect their offerings, I would like to have the missionary barrels. I believe the children would save more of their spending money if the barrels were handy to remind them."—Children's Church Director

"Will you please send me ten more Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade barrels? My, how our boys and girls have fallen for them! They all want a barrel."—Pastor

"Our Sunday School wishes to have a part in the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade, and would like a poster and twelve missionary barrels. Thank you, and God bless this venture. We believe it will be a blessing to the children of our Sunday School."—Teacher

"We will need eighty BGMC barrels. I wish

to thank you for sponsoring what I believe will be a great help to us in our missionary effort."—Department Superintendent

"Have discussed the BGMC with the respective teachers and superintendents. They feel that it is a real crusade. I believe about eighty barrels would start us."—Sunday School Superintendent

"Our boys and girls would like to become members of the Crusade. I have been praying that you would have a part for the children in your missionary program. Please send all information. We have one hundred children enrolled."—Beginner-Primary Department Superintendent

"We have become a member of your BGMC and wish to report that it looks as though it will be a great success. The children are enthusiastic as well as their parents and the Sunday School teachers. We asked for one hundred barrels and you shipped them to us, but we do not have any left for the new boys and girls who will be coming into our Sunday school. We would like for you to send us fifty more. We are appointing a Crusade secretary."—Educational Director

"We are using the barrels for a new work. We feel that this is a wonderful plan to teach boys and girls to save for missions and we will be diligent in caring for the little barrels and sending in the money brought in each month. We want our church to be missionary-minded from the very beginning. We believe the Lord prospers a church like that."—Pastor

### WHAT IS BGMC?

For those not acquainted with the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade, adopted just this year, this brief explanation:

The Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade is the assignment given to boys and girls under Christ's Ambassador age of reaching unevangelized people of the world for Christ with gospel literature. Adults of the fellowship have been supporting missionaries; and Christ's Ambassadors have been supporting a "Speed-the-Light" program, sending planes, cars, jeeps, trucks, bicycles, motorcycles, radio equipment, etc., where needed; but up until the time the BGMC was launched—during General Council at Seattle in September—children under C.A. age did not have a definite part in reaching needy people of the world for Christ. It was recognized that there is a great need for Christian literature in the foreign countries. The people eagerly accept any reading material offered them. It was felt that the failure of our fellowship to provide full gospel literature to foreign fields was a weak link in the fellowship's missionary program; therefore, the boys and girls, through the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade, were assigned the financing of a literature program.

Individual wooden barrels are provided for the boys and girls through the Sunday school. Once a month the pupils return their barrels to Sunday school where they are emptied. The total offering from the barrels is sent each month to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri (with the regular church missionary offering), designated for the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade.

It is hoped that every Sunday school in the Assemblies of God fellowship will cooperate in the great literature program of the BGMC. In the two months since the program was launched 12,144 barrels have been supplied by the Sunday School Department.

Sunday schools wishing to become a part of this great program should write the Sunday School Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri, indicating the number of barrels needed. The barrels will be sent without charge; also, an attractive membership poster will be furnished the Sunday school.

Several have written requesting that the "big barrel" be sent, too. No big barrel is furnished—just the little individual barrels.

### THE NEED FOR THE BGMC PROGRAM

Letters from missionaries substantiate the fact that there is a great need for gospel literature throughout the various mission fields. Gustave Kinderman, Field Secretary for Europe, reports concerning Europe:

"The war has depleted former stocks of religious literature in Europe through bombing and fires; then in most European countries the printing of religious publications was stopped when war began, and even today the output of such publications is restricted because foreign exchange regulations prohibit the importation of paper for religious purposes.

"Sunday school literature is greatly needed here. In some countries of Europe during the war young folk up to the age of eighteen were prohibited from attending any kind of religious services. In Germany and the German satellite countries the youth were drawn into national youth movements. They have never had access to gospel literature. Besides Sunday school literature, tracts and monthly periodicals are also desired for both young and old. Europeans, in general, are hungry for reading matter."

Merlin I. Lund, one of our missionaries to

the Union of South Africa, gives us a glimpse of the need for gospel literature on the African field, and also expresses his appreciation for the new BGMC:

"We were much impressed with the announcement in the current *Missionary CHALLENGE* of the new missionary literature campaign, known as the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade, sponsored by the Sunday School Department. Thank God for such a vision as this that undoubtedly will bring untold blessings everywhere!

"What a challenge there is before us with the people hungry to read, and also with the increasing numbers learning to read! Here on this continent alone several hundred languages and dialects are spoken. Literature should be furnished in each major language and dialect at least.

"We are trying here in South Africa not only to reach the Union of South Africa with the printed page, but also Mozambique and the Rhodesias. In the Rhodesias alone there are sixty languages. We are seeking for translations of tracts in order to reach as far as we can.

"We know that the Lord will prosper and bless every Sunday school that participates in the great missionary literature campaign to get the gospel to every creature."

Finally we want to quote from a folder put out by Andrew Hargrave, missionary-printer in the Assemblies of God Publishing House in Brazil: "As to our work in the shop, I can say it is advancing. We cannot keep up with it. Up to the first of September, which means the first eight months of this year, we had printed the following: tracts, 1,203,000; Sunday School Quarterlies, 134,090; books, 10,000; papers, 542,385. Our tracts are all used up. We will have to put the forms back on the press and reprint. I might say that our money for this work is also used up, but we feel we ought to continue in faith, believing that others will sense the need and help us in this work. Paper is so high here." (The Publishing House in Brazil is engaged in printing literature for the Portuguese-speaking people of Brazil and Portugal. Literature for Spanish-speaking countries is prepared and published in Springfield by the Spanish division of the Foreign Missions Department. The Spanish literature also has been well-received, and has been the means of attracting many to Christ; however, production has been hampered somewhat through lack of finances.)

What is true of the mission fields mentioned is true throughout all the fields—there is a growing and pressing demand and need for gospel literature throughout the world. A large percentage of the world's population has never heard the gospel message. Then there are those to whom the message should be driven home. These people should be reached immediately. Thousands are slipping into eternity each day without Christ. The gospel by the printed page could turn some to Christ while missionaries and trained workers are trying to reach them, and could turn some to Christ the missionaries and trained workers would never reach.

Mr. Hargrave tells of a well-known soft drink bottling company's inauguration of a world-wide program for getting its beverage to the people of the world. The company has opened scores of units outside the United States and expects to increase the number within the next few years. In a convention one of the

executive vice-presidents of the bottling company is said to have expressed himself thus: "May providence give us the faith to serve those two billion customers who are only waiting for us to bring our product to them." Mr. Hargrave adds: "May God give us the faith to serve the millions of people dying without Christ not just merely a drink, but *living water*."

We do thank God for the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade which will attempt to send the message of eternal life. We trust that pastors, superintendents, sponsors, teachers, and parents will stand behind the children, and encourage them in consistent giving each month. The success of the program will depend to a great extent upon the encouragement given the children.

#### MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS

October, 1949

Alabama .....	1,116.04	Nebraska .....	4,411.15
Arizona .....	926.63	Nevada .....	166.79
Arkansas .....	1,723.81	New Hampshire .....	27.57
California .....	23,870.61	New Jersey .....	2,486.70
Colorado .....	2,912.06	New Mexico .....	825.99
Connecticut .....	778.63	New York .....	6,887.13
Delaware .....	721.24	North Carolina .....	265.58
District of Columbia .....	702.78	North Dakota .....	1,676.56
Florida .....	14,699.54	Ohio .....	12,753.46
Georgia .....	781.56	Oklahoma .....	6,147.13
German Branch .....	541.34	Oregon .....	7,158.46
Idaho .....	991.42	Pennsylvania .....	10,780.38
Illinois .....	6,105.92	Rhode Island .....	112.46
Indiana .....	2,197.72	South Carolina .....	110.65
Iowa .....	2,419.82	South Dakota .....	1,867.63
Italian Branch .....	216.50	Tennessee .....	555.69
Kansas .....	4,200.99	Texas .....	11,552.09
Kentucky .....	484.89	Ukrainian Branch .....	61.10
Latin American Branch .....	290.04	Utah .....	19.93
Louisiana .....	796.02	Vermont .....	45.00
Maine .....	202.76	Virginia .....	781.81
Maryland .....	846.56	Washington .....	12,027.08
Massachusetts .....	2,388.15	West Virginia .....	438.74
Michigan .....	4,894.23	Wisconsin .....	4,110.54
Minnesota .....	4,977.26	Wyoming .....	290.83
Mississippi .....	597.72	Alaska .....	83.80
Missouri .....	7,326.43	Canada .....	816.56
Montana .....	3,632.40	Foreign .....	282.80
		Legacies .....	1,747.39
		Miscellaneous .....	22,946.11

Total Amount Reported .....	202,780.18
District Fund .....	10,119.84
National Home Missions .....	1,906.79
Office Expense Fund .....	9,439.77
Literature Expense Fund .....	99.22
Given Direct to Missionaries .....	16,481.51
	38,047.13
Amount Received for Foreign Missions .....	164,733.05
Amount Received for Home Missions .....	8,202.05

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS DISBURSEMENTS

For October, 1949

Belgian Congo .....	\$ 9,368.52	Union of South Africa .....	3,228.43
Dahomey .....	1,729.26	Upper Volta .....	4,166.66
Egypt .....	4,074.02	China .....	12,088.30
French Togo .....	730.70	Ceylon .....	2,045.89
Gold Coast .....	4,900.66	India .....	33,719.01
Liberia .....	7,709.38	Europe .....	4,467.42
Nigeria .....	3,865.53	Palestine and Near East .....	2,389.50
Nyasaland .....	4,781.57		
Sierra Leone .....	674.75		



John Garlock  
Basutoland



Mrs. John Garlock  
Basutoland

In checking we find that to date the Missions Department is far short of the amount required to send each of the fellowship's missionaries (home and foreign) and their children the customary Christmas gift offering this year. There is only enough money on hand in the Christmas Fund to take care of a few families.

It has been the custom in other years to send each missionary, and each child an amount not large by any measuring stick, yet large enough to make him feel that he is appreciated, and large enough to bring joy to his heart. Because of the great number of missionaries and missionary children on the fellowship's list a sizable sum is required to carry through the gesture of love.

If you have an offering you want to put into the Christmas Fund for this Christmas to be divided among the missionaries and their children, we would like to urge you to get your offering to us AT ONCE.

Send the offering, marked "Christmas Fund" to Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

West Indies .....	7,901.93	Fiji Islands .....	496.93
Mexican Work in the United States .....	377.45	Hawaiian Islands .....	1,514.97
Mexico .....	1,042.64	Japan .....	3,483.03
Central America .....	4,981.04	Malaya .....	625.09
Argentina .....	2,548.50	Netherlands East Indies .....	1,665.67
Bolivia .....	1,174.00	Philippine Islands .....	7,172.10
Brazil .....	3,483.01	Samoa .....	169.29
Chile .....	2,634.88	Entertainment of missionaries .....	1,023.01
Colombia .....	436.50	General Transportation .....	48,047.71
Paraguay .....	220.00	Retired Missionaries .....	1,373.16
Peru .....	3,257.03	Spanish Literature .....	131.34
Uruguay .....	511.00	Miscellaneous .....	7,148.65
Venezuela .....	2,029.62		
British West Indies .....	1,878.09		
Burma .....	566.00		

Total Distribution to Council .....	205,832.24
Foreign Missions .....	3,589.53
Non-Council Missionaries .....	209,421.77
Total Disbursements .....	44,688.72
Charged from Hold Accounts .....	
Total Receipts .....	164,733.05

#### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Landrus, missionaries to Liberia, returned to the States October 31.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Garlock sailed for Basutoland October 31.

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Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Griffin, who sailed for Belgian Congo on October 21, have arrived safely on the field.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Gutel, missionaries to Egypt, announce the birth of a son, James, on October 12.

# THE PASSING AND THE PERMANENT

Compiled by Robert C. Cunningham

## NON-JEWS IN ISRAEL

Israel's Ministry of Religion has announced that there are 62,000 Moslems in Israel, 14,000 Druzes and 31,000 Christians. The Christian population reportedly has doubled during the past few months.

## JEWS TO HELP SAMARITANS

Once it was a Samaritan who helped a poor, wounded Jew. Luke 10:30-37. Now it is the Jews' turn to help the destitute Samaritans. There are only about 200 Samaritans left and these are faced with starvation and possible extinction as an aftermath of the recent Palestine conflict. These Samaritans, who live in Nablus, Palestine, will not be neglected by the Jews. They will receive emergency aid from the Joint Distribution Committee, reports *Jewish Telegraph Agency*.

## THE NEGEV AUTHORITY

Although some nations are still contesting its right to certain parts of it, the Israeli Government is proceeding to develop that vast desert area in southern Palestine known as the Negev. The Prime Minister has appointed a Negev Authority to supervise the work of irrigating the Negev.

The same Commission will also submit plans for developing communications systems, agriculture, and fisheries on the Akaba coast in the southeast. This region was highly developed in the days of Solomon.

## JERUSALEM ENLARGED

"Greater Jerusalem" came into existence a few weeks ago when the city administration formally increased its size, adding some 10 communities with a population of 4,800 to its jurisdiction. These communities will now be provided with municipal services such as new roads, bus lines and schools.

According to *Israel Speaks*, Jerusalem's budget for 1949-50 will be nearly five times the current budget of \$1,250,000. The city will spend \$2,160,000 for public works, \$730,000 for education and cultural activities, \$600,000 for social welfare, \$550,000 for public health, and two million dollars on other items.

## JEWS BEHIND THE "IRON CURTAIN"

Soviet Russia does not favor Zionism. Soviet Jews find it exceedingly difficult, if not impossible, to get permission to migrate to Israel.

Rumania and Hungary likewise refuse to let the Jews go. There are 380,000 Jews in Rumania and 150,000 in Hungary.

Poland has been restricting emigration to 200 Jews a month. However, a new program is scheduled to begin soon. For one year the Government is going to permit any Jew to leave for Israel without hindrance provided he renounce his Polish citizenship.

By the end of the twelve months the Polish Government hopes its Jewish minority problem will be settled for all time. Doubtless every Government will find, in the end, that emigration to Israel is the only way its Jewish problem can be solved.

## IN RED CHINA

Communist authorities have banned the teaching of the Bible in China's secondary schools. A civics course in the principles of the "New Democracy" is now a required subject.

## D. P. CAMPS LIQUIDATED

Of the 170,000 Jews who immigrated to Israel in the first year of the new state, approximately one-half (83,000) were D. P.'s from Germany, Austria, and Italy. As a result of their migration some 20 D. P. camps in Europe have been liquidated.

## NO DOUBLE STANDARD WITH GOD

According to Justice I. Montefiore Levy, of the Domestic Court of New York, a husband has the right to expect his wife to be pure when he marries her; but in regard to the man the Justice declared, "It is taken for granted that at marriage the major number of men are incontinent." The occasion was a suit instituted by a wife on the basis of the unchastity of the husband.

This edict recognized the so-called "double standard" in modern society. Let us remember, however, that the law of God never conforms to society. Instead, society must conform to the law of God or suffer the consequences. God demands the same standard of holy living of both men and women. "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." Hebrews 12:14.

## TODAY'S "WORST WEAPON"

"There is something under the sun that may be more terrible than the atomic bomb," some scientists are saying. "It is germ warfare."

"And that," says one commentator, "is not just the old horror story pumped up by the yellow supplements, either. It's official from the War Department. In fact, the United States was all set to shoot with biological weapons if the enemy had started that terror in World War II. Now it can be told that the Allied High Command was even more worried about a germ attack than an atomic raid.

"Germ warfare is the worst conceivable for many reasons. It can spread death even more widely than the atom bomb. It is a more potent terror weapon because the raid is not sudden and soon over. It is an unseen, silent enemy that stalks every home and whose dread effects spread with time—disease and plague going on and on."

Whereas the manufacture of atomic bombs is at present very expensive, "the Merck War Department report points out that preparations for germ warfare can be carried out in small laboratories with relatively little expense and under the screen of legitimate medical research."

Shall it be given to men themselves to fill the vials of the wrath of God which shall be poured out upon the earth, as pictured in Revelation 16? Perhaps so. God often uses instruments of man's own making to punish him for his sins, and germ warfare may be one of these.

## WORLDLY FAME SOON FADES

President Truman said, not long ago: "Most of us who are now responsible for the operation of our Government will be out of business and unheard of ten years from now." Worldly fame soon fades—why lust for it? Better to find God's will for your life and follow it. For "the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever." 1 John 2:17.

## MARTYRS IN BOLIVIA

According to *United Evangelical Action* (Nov. 1, 1949) more lives have been thrown into the flames of religious intolerance recently. "Not content with stirring up hatred against Protestants (in Bolivia, South America) as 'messengers of the devil,' some of the priests worked out an audacious attack. They rounded up some 300 Indians, passed out liquor to them, and on Monday, August 8, directed the drunken mob to a home where Norman Dabbs, a worker for the Canadian Baptist Mission, was conducting a Bible class. As stones began to crash against the house, Dabbs and the converts attempted to escape in a truck. The Indians cut across a dry river bed, and upon intercepting the truck began to beat and stone the passengers. When the violence finally subsided, Norman Dabbs, a faithful evangelist, and nine Bolivian Christians lay dead."

Let us pray for the missionaries and believers in dangerous areas, that they may be preserved (except it please the Lord to make them more fruitful in death than in life). And let us pray for the evil-doers who spitefully use God's people and persecute them; pray that they may be delivered from Satan's snares and saved by the grace of God.

## THE ANSWER TO COMMUNISM

Pastor Joseph Smith of Belfast, Ireland, recently wrote an excellent letter to the editor of one of the daily papers in the North of Ireland. It is on the subject, "Communism and the Vatican." Brother Smith (who recently was elected General Chairman of the Elim Four-square Gospel Alliance) wrote:

"Sir,—We have listened to, and read, during the past few days, the strong words of denunciation which have been issued from the Vatican against Communism, and especially against the members of the Roman Catholic Church who have anything to do with Communism.

"While I have no time for Communism, I do not believe this is the best way to deal with it. We cannot close our eyes to the fact that Communism arose in a country where the Greek Church predominated, and is now spreading fast in countries where the Roman Catholic Church predominates. Why is this?

"I believe that the best way to deal with Communism is not by negative means, but by positive means. Give the people the Bread of Life and they will not want to glean in the garbage bins of Communism. Jesus said, 'I am the Bread of Life; he that cometh to Me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on Me shall never thirst.' John 6:35. Christ, and Christ alone can and does satisfy the deepest needs of the human heart.

The Rt. Hon. W. E. Gladstone, three times Prime Minister of Britain, declared: 'If I am asked what is the remedy for the deeper sorrows of the human heart, what a man should chiefly look to in progress through life as the



The new church and parsonage at Swisshome, Oregon, nearing completion under the direction of Brother and Mrs. Thurman Yaws.

power that is to sustain him under trials and enable him manfully to confront his afflictions, I must point to something which in a well-known hymn is called 'The Old, Old Story,' told in an old, old Book, and taught with an old, old teaching which is the greatest and best gift ever given to mankind. . . . Talk about questions of the day there is but one question, and that is the Gospel. It can and will correct everything that needs correction. My only hope for the world is in bringing the human mind into contact with divine revelation.'

"Paul said: 'For I am determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.' Peter said of Christ: 'Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.'

"Let the Church of Rome get back to the faith of the apostles, and preach Christ in all His fullness, and they will very soon find that when light comes in darkness goes out; when truth comes in error goes out; and when Christ comes in Satan goes out. When Christ comes in righteousness, peace, love, grace, goodness, truth, mercy, justice, and all the other virtues come in as well, for they are all found in Him, and he who enjoys such a life has no time for Communism.

"I would say in closing that Protestant leaders as well as Roman Catholic would do well to consider what kind of spiritual food they are giving to their people. Will it, does it meet their deepest need? There is much Gospel in that little verse of a hymn:

"Now none but Christ can satisfy,  
None other name for me,  
There's love and life and lasting joy,  
Lord Jesus, found in Thee."

#### AIM FOR THE IMPOSSIBLE

You do not test the resources of God till you try the impossible.—F. B. Meyer.

God loves with a great love the man whose heart is bursting with a passion for the impossible.—William Booth.

We have a God who delights in impossibilities.—Andrew Murray.

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### A NEW CHURCH IS BORN

A fine little church with a comfortable parsonage adjoining stands as a lighthouse in the city of Swisshome, Oregon, and as a testimony to what can be accomplished for the glory of God when a group of earnest Christians have a mind to work. Thus begins the good report on home missionary work in the Oregon District, sent in by the District Superintendent, Atwood Foster.

Exactly one year ago Brother and Sister Thurman Yaws came to Swisshome and found absolutely nothing with which to work—except a few hungry-hearted Christians who earnestly wanted a church, a Sunday school and a pastor. The people had very little money with which to help a pastor, and nothing was in sight toward erecting a church building. The Oregon District came forth with a donation to purchase a lot from their home missions fund, which is never adequate to meet all their needs.

The lot was really "in the rough." Removing the stumps and brush was hard work, but "the people had a mind to work." First they built a garage which served temporarily as home for the pastors and their small son. A loan of \$1,000 was obtained from the General Council's Church Extension Fund, and one family mortgaged their own home to secure a loan for the new building.

Just eleven months from the time Brother and Sister Yaws arrived to go to work, the people gathered for the dedication of their fine little church building, which provides an auditor-

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"Phenomenal increases in mail are dismayed the Post Office Department. Service is clogging up at times and excessive delays are officially admitted to occur in scattered instances.

"Parcel post zoomed after the war, to the surprise of the postal service. More than 50 per cent of all mail, by bulk, is parcel post now. Main reason is that express rates went up while parcel-post charges stayed low. Congress just refused again, in this last session, to raise postal rates or lower the size limits on parcel-post packages, and shippers have been quick to grab the new advantage in mail rates."

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Brethren, we have consecrated men and women, willing to labor in hard fields for the Master. We ought to give to home missions and thus back these workers to the utmost.

An old Scot told how, when he was a little boy, a minister came to his home and gave him a piece of wise advice which he never forgot. "When in trouble," he said, "kneel down and ask God's help; but never climb over the fence into the Devil's ground and then kneel down and ask help. Pray from God's side of the fence." And that simply means, don't run into temptation; don't go into temptation of your own accord.

# Satan Has Launched One Last Bold Offensive!

## BEWARE OF THE TACTICS USED IN THE BATTLE OF THE BULGE

Leslie R. Clevenger

● THERE CAN BE NO question in the minds of God's people as to whether or not we are living in the closing days of this age. It is a fact. Our archenemy, Satan, knows that he has but a short time in which to work havoc, and do all the damage possible, before he is to be bound by our Lord Jesus and cast into the bottomless pit.

In the last war there was a period of several months before V-E Day during which everyone knew that victory was assured. Even the Nazi high command knew that they were fighting for a lost cause. Nevertheless, they made a last desperate effort which developed into a powerful attack known as the Battle of the Bulge which drove our forces *backwards* deep into Belgium. The tactics used by the enemy were the most cruel, diabolically cunning methods imaginable. It would seem that Satan today has launched a similar last desperate counter attack against the church in what may well be his final effort before our Lord returns.

Postwar investigation has revealed a great deal of how the enemy accomplished so much at such a late date. In the late summer of 1944 Hitler began to assemble more than 2000 English-speaking German soldiers under a certain S. S. Lieutenant-Colonel named Skorzeny. These men were given an intense training course in special methods of sabotage. They were given special training in the use of modern American slang expressions. They were taught something about the fraternal customs that existed between American soldiers and their officers, as contrasted with their own "heel-clicking" discipline. They were supplied with American money and with letters and photographs from America taken from captured prisoners of war. They were given American identification cards. And finally, just before they were ready to strike, they were given *American uniforms*.

When the Battle of the Bulge began, these specially trained agents were sent ahead into American lines riding in captured American jeeps, trucks, and even tanks. Equipped with radio, they penetrated our lines and messaged back to the enemy the positions of our air strips and supply dumps.

Enemy soldiers actually stood at crossroads, wearing captured American MP uniforms, and directed American reinforcements into wrong positions! Warning signs at mine fields were removed by these fake "Americans" and our own tanks and trucks were destroyed by our mines intended for the enemy.

The battle raged from December 16, 1944, for three full days before our officers became fully aware of the presence of enemy troops among our ranks. Passwords became of no value because they were also used by the enemy.

Desperate and determined military police and counter intelligence officers arrested hundreds of "Americans" in jeeps and trucks, and asked

them trick questions that no man could possibly answer without having lived in America, even though he spoke English fluently. Gradually the imposters were discovered, order was restored, confidence in each other was re-established, and the Battle of the Bulge was won, not by the enemy who began it but by the forces of right.

If the apostle Paul had to contend with false apostles and deceitful workers in his day, how much more in the closing days of this age do we need to be watchful. If Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light we may well expect that his messengers will also transform themselves into ministers of righteousness. Paul warned the Ephesian brethren (in Acts, chapter 20) that grievous wolves would come, not sparing the flock, and that men would arise speaking perverse (wilfully wrong) things to draw away disciples after themselves.

We need not be surprised if enemy agents speak our language, and even don our uniforms, and sometimes go about quite freely before being discovered. Their presence is liable to leave suspicion and mistrust in our own ranks if we are not watchful. Let us remember that we are NOT grieving the Spirit when we adopt an attitude of caution. We are to try the spirits. It is not wrong to exercise care, but rather the men of Berea were commended by the Holy Spirit because they searched the Scriptures daily to see if the new teaching they had heard was true.

Beloved, our "Battle of the Bulge" is on. Let us join hearts and hands in a new loyal co-operation against Satan's forces. Although he is a ruthless foe, and resorts to every foul trick, yet he is a defeated foe. The final outcome was settled on Calvary. If God be for us, *who can be against us?* Victory is nigh!

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## Among the Assemblies

MILTON, FLA.—Evangelist T. A. Wynn, of Alabama City, Ala., reports that God gave them a gracious revival at the Whitfield Assembly of God in Milton. Sixteen were saved and 3 received the Baptism. (L. A. Rathel is Pastor.)

CORTEZ, COLO.—We recently closed a 2-week revival meeting here, with Sisters Jacks and Mills, LaBelle, Mo. Twenty-six knelt at the altar for salvation, and 7 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. The whole church has been edified, and the revival spirit has continued.—Kenneth Crouse, Pastor.

DURANT, Fla.—We have just closed one of the greatest camp meetings in history at Pleasant Grove Camp. Many were saved, healed, and filled with the Holy Spirit. R. A. Sherrill was the night speaker, and P. H. Brauchler the morning speaker. One thousand dollars was raised to put a new roof on the tabernacle.—M. L. Blount, Secretary-Treasurer.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—We have recently closed a 2-week revival with Evangelists Dick and Faye Lockyer and party, of Bell Gardens, Calif. We had a spiritual refreshing from heaven and the church has been encouraged to press on.

We are now having services in our new 80 ft. tabernacle, and expect the work to be fully completed after the first of January.—Burton D. Lancaster, Pastor.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Lord has given us a very successful 7-week revival, closing Oct. 23, with Evangelist W. S. Barham, and wife, of Houston, Texas. Forty or more received the Holy Ghost, 16 were baptized in water, a number were reclaimed and saved, several were healed, and 17 united with the Assembly. The semi-annual building offering was over \$3,000. We thank God for our brother's ministry, and for the Lord's moving in our midst.—Harry V. Schaeffer, Pastor.

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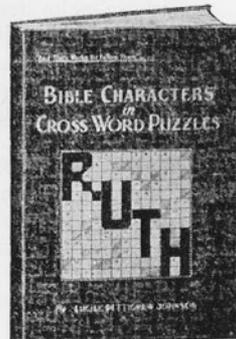
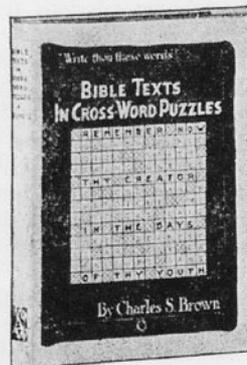
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LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—The Lord graciously met us last spring with a wonderful outpouring of the Holy Spirit; sinners were saved, and believers were baptized with the Holy Ghost. God gave us another wonderful revival in August. For 2 weeks the Holy Spirit was poured out; God honored His Word with signs following. At this time Robert Perryman of Los Angeles was the evangelist.—T. E. May, Pastor.

PELICAN RAPIDS, MINN.—Since coming here in July 1948, the Lord has blessed and we have been able to organize an Assembly of God church and Sunday school. Through His goodness we received a gift of a lovely church, size 30x42, from the Norwegian Free Evangelical people. We have moved it to a fine basement foundation on our own lot in town, and now the building is in the remodeling process. We are trusting the Lord to further the Pentecostal truth with another sweeping revival in this section.—Pastor and Mrs. O. N. Urdahl.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—I have just closed a 13-week revival with Brother and Sister E. Jason Davis at Victoria Hall (Assembly of God), Los Angeles. We had daily prayer meetings which began around 10:00 a.m., and lasted until 3 and 4:00 p.m. It was wonderful how God manifested Himself through the power of the Holy Ghost in every service. Many testified to having been deepened in the Lord. Many made new consecrations to God. Souls were saved, backsliders reclaimed, believers filled, and many were refilled. There were a number of definite healings, a number were baptized in water, and several joined the church.—Lela McGuire, Evangelist.

ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICH.—Our scheduled revival meetings are over; our Evangelist, L. A. Jollay, is again back at his pastorate in London, Ky., but the spirit of revival is with us still. Our hearts are full of rejoicing and gratefulness to our God for His blessing. Such Holy Ghost conviction as was manifested these 2 weeks, we have not seen for many years. Strong men wept as God, through His Spirit, dealt with them. Souls were born into the kingdom of God and backsliders were reclaimed. Surely "the Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."—W. C. Jollay, Pastor.

SHREVEPORT, LA.—We have just concluded one of the most glorious revivals in the history of the church. The power of God was felt mightily in the hearts of those attending.

Many were saved and filled with the Spirit. Numbers were healed and testified to complete deliverance from their afflictions. I had a very painful affliction for 5 years, but after I was prayed for in one of the morning services, God wonderfully and instantly healed me. Praise His name!

Our evangelists were Robert R. Fairchild of Houston, Tex., and Bob Rogers of Waxahachie, Tex. The inspirational preaching by Brother Fairchild was indeed a blessing to everyone. Brother Rogers led the singing and had charge of the music. He also brought the message on youth nights.

All Sunday School records were broken during the revival.—S. A. Rice, Pastor.

BAYTOWN, TEX.—We recently closed our 5th annual Missionary Convention, the greatest in the history of the church. Brother and Sister H. B. Garlock were the main speakers. Others who spoke were Elizabeth Galley, Missions Department, S.B.I.; Anna Stafholt, Liberia; A. C. Bates; J. O. Savell, District Superintendent; Sister Savell; and Maria Rubio, S. B. I.

Last year we raised \$3,566.14 for Missions during our convention. Anticipating a greater victory this year, our pastor, W. S. Graham, set as our goal a missionary offering of \$5,000.00. The Lord has helped us to give more than \$5,000.00 in cash and pledges to swell the total to \$8,059.22.

We have found that going "all out" for missions has caused every department in our church to prosper. All the other needs of our church are easily met because our people have a vision of the world's need of the gospel.—Ruth Mageors, Church Secretary.



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**CHAPTER 34**  
*God is Incapable of Injustice*

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# 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.

LEBANON, ORE.—Nov. 15—; Robert Pruett, Evangelist.—H. D. Robeson, Pastor.

ALTON, ILL.—Edward St. Assembly, Dec. 4—; Jack Holcomb, Evangelist.—J. C. Kofahl, Pastor.

WAXAHACHIE, TEX.—Nov. 27, 2 weeks or longer; Bob McCutchen, Evangelist.—E. Paul Zook, Pastor.

PLANT CITY, FLA.—Nov. 22—; Evangelist T. A. Wynn. (Harry Snyder is Pastor.)

MAUMEE (TOLEDO), O.—Nov. 22—Dec. 4; Virgil and Edythe Warens, Evangelists.—John Blair, Pastor.

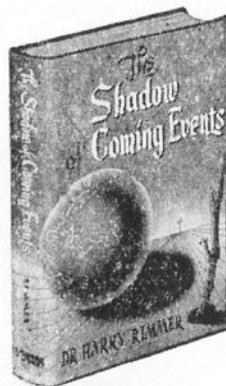
PAONIA, COLO.—Meeting in progress; O. O. Shipley, Clayton, N. M., Evangelist.—Wm. W. Brandt, Pastor.

COFFEEVILLE, KANS.—11th and Beech Sts., Nov. 13—; A. A. Allen, Ingelside, Tex. Evangelist. (Everett Ewing is Pastor.)

REDLANDS, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Orange and Western, Nov. 27, 2 weeks or longer; Kenneth Schmidt, Evangelist.—Paul L. Ferguson, Pastor.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.—Bethel Tabernacle, 612 N. 84th, Nov. 27—; Evangelist and Mrs. Dean Duncan, Denver, Colo.—Paul V. Chamless, Pastor.

WILSONCREEK, WASH.—Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelist Bennie Harris, of Fort Morgan, Colo.—E. M. DeBoer, Pastor.



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EDENTON, N. C.—Meeting in progress, 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. M. W. Richards, Long Branch, N. J.—Levi S. Beiler, Pastor.

STAMFORD, CONN.—Gospel Tabernacle, 247 Main St., Dec. 5—11; Harold Horton of London, speaker.—Richard Fowler, Secretary.

BETHEL, O.—Assembly of God, 321 N. Main St., Nov. 13, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Carey Puckett.—F. O. Coyle, Pastor.

BUENA PARK, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Nov. 8, for 2 weeks, Bill Durbin, of Hollydale, Calif., Evangelist. (J. P. Williams is Pastor.)

SAN DIEGO, CALIF.—First Assembly, 6th and Fir, Nov. 27—; "Deeper Life Convention," Evangelist Clara Grace.—Gene Martin, Pastor.

EATON, O.—First Assembly, Nov. 27, for 2 weeks or longer; Paul A. Evans, Evansville, Ind., Evangelist.—H. Warren Staats, Pastor.

TAMPA, FLA.—Bethel Temple, 2304 Highland Ave., Nov. 27—; Evangelist Wm. F. A. Gierke of Los Angeles, Calif. (Curtis W. Ringness is Pastor.)

FT. VALLEY, GA.—Assembly of God, Nov. 27, for 2 weeks; David Speight and Charles Oswald, of Columbus, Ga., Evangelists. (H. W. Chapman is Pastor.)

### MISSIONARY CONVENTION

FARGO, N. DAK.—Dec. 1—4; Brother and Sister Harry Pennington, Brother and Sister Melvin Jorgenson, and Sister Irene Kallstrom, Missionaries. Services nightly at 7:45.—Milton Barfoot, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Lake View Gospel Church, Thanksgiving Rally, Nov. 24, 25, 27; Evangelist T. J. Jones, of North Central Bible Institute.—D. H. Waltherman, Pastor.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—Grace Pentecostal Church, 205 Atlantic Ave., meeting in progress; Vinyard Evangelistic Party, Overland Park, Kansas.—J. L. Roney, Pastor.

KALAMAZOO, MICH.—First Assembly, 3609 Portage St., Dec. 6—18; Evangelist Harvey McAlister.—Milton R. Searles, Pastor.

HILLSDALE, MICH.—First Assembly, Dec. 4, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist James O. Johnson, St. Louis, Mo.—Faith Brandt and Betty McCray in charge.

SAN DIEGO, CALIF.—First Assembly, 6th and Fir, Nov. 24—27; Home coming, former pastors W. T. Gaston and Ben Hardin to speak. Opening rally Thanksgiving night. Special invitation to all who have attended the church in past years.—Gene Martin, Pastor.

GREELEY, COLO.—First Assembly, 9th St. and 13th Ave., meeting in progress; Hattie Hammond, Hagerstown, Md., Evangelist.—Verne J. Crews, Pastor.

WILLISTON, N. D.—"Old Time Religion" revival in progress in Armory Building, through Nov. 27, sponsored by Assembly of God. Neighboring churches invited. Chas. O. Neece, Evangelist.—C. G. Scharnberg, Pastor.

### MISSIONARY CONVENTION

CAMDEN, N. J.—Calvary Tabernacle, 570 Walnut St., Nov. 15—20; Albert and Mrs. Kehr, Louise Hackert, Margaret Anderson, and W. W. Simpson, speakers.—Harold W. Barnes, Pastor.

JAMAICA, L. I., N. Y.—Bethlehem Church, Corner of Sutphin Blvd. and 120th Ave., Nov. 13—27; Evangelist H. E. Hardt, of York, Pa.—L. W. Colbert, Pastor.

BROKEN ARROW, OKLA.—Nov. 6, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Ossia B. Jones, of Oklahoma City.—James C. Dodd, Pastor.

BILOXI, MISS.—First Assembly, 438 Oak St.; Dec. 4—18, or longer; Evangelist Ira Stanphill, of Springfield, Mo.—A. A. Bradley, Pastor.

BETHPAGE, L. I., N. Y.—Pentecostal Church, Central and Stewart Ave., Nov. 13—27; Margel Spencer, Evangelist.—F. L. Strength, Pastor.

BRANDON, MAN., CANADA—Bethel Temple, Lorne Ave. and 9th St., Nov. 20—Dec. 4; Christian Hild, Evangelist.—Earl Williams, Pastor.

### MINISTERS' PRAYER CONFERENCE

WATERTOWN, WIS.—Ministers' Prayer Conference, Nov. 14—15; services conducted by District Superintendent Robert Spencer.—H. L. Flaherty, Host Pastor.



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TUNKHANNOCK, PA.—Pentecostal Gospel Tabernacle, N. Bridge St., Nov. 27—Dec. 11, or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Paul H. Coxé of Amarillo, Texas.—M. David Bowen, Pastor.

### ANNUAL MISSIONARY CONVENTION

CHICAGO, ILL.—Calvary Tabernacle, 2715 W. North Ave., Nov. 23—27; H. B. Garlock, Everett Phillips, Ruby Nicodem, and others, speakers.—Loren D. Doss, Pastor.

### CHURCH DEDICATION

ROCKFORD, ILL.—804 Second Ave., Nov. 28th, 7:30 p.m. Dedication of new super structure, seating capacity of 400 also new pews and new Hammond organ. Pastor E. C. Sumrall of Stone Church, Chicago, Ill., will speak. District Superintendent W. R. Williamson will dedicate the property. All former pastors, friends, and members urged to be present.—E. L. Stalons, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEXAS—First Assembly, 4305 Lillian St., meeting in progress; The Gardner Evangelistic Party, from Seattle, Wash. (Wilma and Velmer, Eleanor and Norman).—Martin B. Netzel, Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—City-wide campaign, Shrine Mosque, Nov. 13—Dec. 4, with Fox Evangelistic Party. Meetings daily except Monday at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Nine Springfield churches of the Assemblies of God co-operating.—E. A. Balliet, Committee Chairman.

**DEDICATION AND FELLOWSHIP MEETING**

GEARY, OKLA.—All day fellowship meeting and dedication of new church on S. Broadway and Second, Nov. 29; V. H. Ray, District Superintendent, and Olen F. Cossey, Sectional Presbyter, speakers. Former pastors invited. Services, 10:00 a.m., 2:30 and 7:45 p.m.—Matt H. Goss, Pastor.

**THANKSGIVING C. A. CONVENTION**

GREAT FALLS, MONT.—Nov. 23, 24; James Montgomery, Canadian National C. A. Director, speaker. Rooms provided as far as possible. Opening rally, Wednesday evening; Thursday, Thanksgiving service at 10:30 a.m., open forum at 2:30, great C. A. rally at 7:30 p.m.—W. A. Buck, State C. A. President.

**WORLD MISSIONARY CONVENTION**

HOUSTON, TEXAS—Evangelistic Temple, Capitol at Houston Ave., Dec. 4—11. Guest missionaries and ministers: J. R. Flower, General Secretary of the General Council, Springfield, Mo.; Howard S. Bush, Supt. of Southern Fla. District; Howard S. Coffey from S. America; James W. Nicholson from Cuba; Einar Waermo, Swedish singer; Sidney Correll, Director of United World Missions, Inc.; and many others.—Raymond T. Richey, Pastor.

Space for address or church announcement

**SECTIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION**

AITKIN, MINN.—Sectional Sunday School Convention and Round Table discussion, Nov. 21, 7:30 p.m. Delmer Kingsriter, Host Pastor; R. S. Peterson, Presbyter and Sectional Sunday School Promoter, in charge.

KEOKUK, IA.—Three-day fellowship meeting, Nov. 23—25; Love Feast Thanksgiving Day, bring your Thanksgiving dinner and we will share it all together. Breaking of Bread and fellowship, Thurs., 2:30 p.m. Meals and lodging furnished. Wilfred A. Brown, speaker.—Fred E. Hoenes, Pastor.

**NORTHWEST C. A. CONVENTION**

The second Annual Thanksgiving C. A. Convention of the Northwest District Council will convene Nov. 24-25, Stone Church, Yakima, Wash. Speakers, Arne Vick, N. Hollywood, Calif., and Charles E. Butterfield, President, Northwest Bible College, Seattle, Wash.

Services, Thanksgiving day, 2:30 and 7:45 p.m., Friday, 10:30 a.m., 2:30 and 7:45 p.m. District C. A. President, Benny P. Birkeland, in charge.

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This is a last-minute reminder to encourage all of our churches to receive an offering for the Aged Ministers Fund of the General Council.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

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Should it be impossible for your assembly to take up an offering on the designated day, of course another date can be arranged which will fit into the local schedule. Please send offerings to Wilfred A. Brown, General Treasurer, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

GENEVA, O.—Assembly of God, Liberty St., Nov. 22—Dec. 4; The Musical Mandigos of Bismoreck, N. D., Evangelists.—E. F. Ohde, Pastor.

FORT WORTH, TEX.—First Assembly, 1424 Hemp-hill St., Nov. 25—; Harvey McAlister, Evangelist.—Leonard L. Norville, Pastor.

**TEXAS DISTRICT FALL BIBLE CONFERENCES**

Texas District Fall Bible Conferences: Waco Section, Nov. 29—30, Morrow Avenue, Waco, Corpus Christi Section, Dec. 6—7, First Assembly of God, Brownsville. Services: 10:30 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m., first day; 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., second day. E. B. Crump, District Secretary-Treasurer.

**OKLAHOMA SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION**

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—The Annual State Sunday School Convention will convene Dec. 5, 6, at the District Camp Ground 4½ miles north of the Capitol building. First service, Monday, 1:30 p.m., L. C. Honderick and Chas. Ramsay, Springfield, Mo., speakers. Group conferences during convention with various teachers in charge.—W. M. Rumbaugh, District Sunday School Superintendent.

**DEDICATION AND SECTIONAL MEETING**

JAMAICA, L. I., N. Y.—Bethlehem Church, Sutphin Blvd., and 120th Ave., Nov. 13, 14. Guest speakers and program as follows: Nov. 13, 10:45 a.m., T. R. Brubaker, District Superintendent; 2:30 p.m., Karl P. Stefens of Bethlehem Church, Brooklyn; 7:30 p.m., H. E. Hardt, Evangelist of York, Pa. Fellowship Meeting of Southeastern New York Section, Nov. 14; H. E. Hardt speaking in afternoon, T. R. Brubaker speaking in Dedication Service at night. All neighboring pastors and churches urged to attend.—L. W. Colbert, Pastor.

**MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES**

NEW ADDRESS—Springdale, Ark.—Pastor Omer Jarrell.

NEW ADDRESS—981 S. Magnolia, Los Angeles 6, Calif.—Evangelist Lela McGuire.

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