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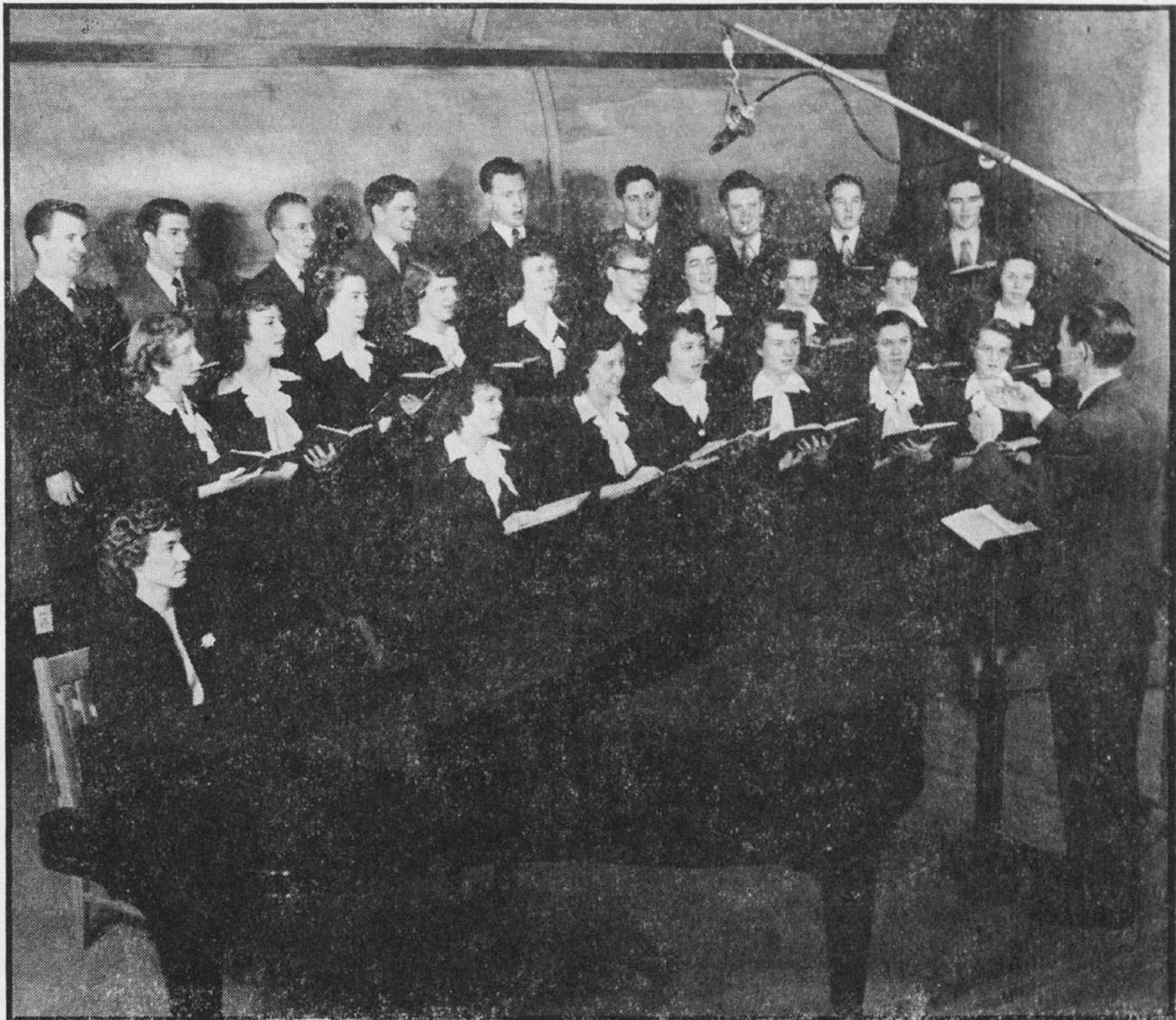
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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD



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The CHRISTIAN Way of Life

Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. Matthew 16:24.

● A PERSON who returns to America after spending the most of his life in a foreign country is particularly impressed to see how abundantly God has poured forth material blessing upon this land. And he cannot help but notice what effect an abundance of material blessing seems to have on the caliber of the human soul. The very phrases that men use in speaking, the very principles upon which their lives seem to be based, are influenced by this abundance on every side.

Again and again there rings in my ears, and I imagine in yours too, one of the phrases which came out of the last war, "The American Way of Life." With what pride we threw those words upon the air everywhere! We wanted people to know that we were proud of our American way of life; we thought it was the best thing in the world, and wanted everybody to live just as we live. We took for granted, I think, that the American way of life was the way of life. But think about it awhile before you carelessly accept this saying and all that it implies.

There is, as well as the *American* way of life, the *Christian* way of life. My question is, "Are the two identical?" If they are not identical then let us be careful that we are not carried away with a wrong. It is impossible in this short space to describe what the American way of life is, but it does stand for four things almost without question.

1. The American way of life is dedicated to material progress. I doubt if anyone could deny that. Because of our democracy, our American way of doing things, material progress has come to us.

2. The American way of life is definitely dedicated to comfort. We as much as say that we desire the entire absence of want and fear. We believe in absolute comfort. We not only believe in it; we practice it whenever we get the time, the opportunity, or the money.

3. We believe intrinsically that the majority is right. That is the thing our whole government is based upon. That is the thing democracy is based upon.

4. Our American way of life exalts the individual as being of utmost importance. We contend that at least in this last par-

A Message by Howard C. Osgood

ticular the American way of life coincides with the Christian way of life in that Christianity also exalts the importance of the individual.

Before we accept these things as being right, they should be examined. I find as I deal with Christian people, even Pentecostal people, that they are definitely influenced by the American way of life. One of the things which has been said to me a number of times when I have more or less objected because people were doing too much for me, is this: "Well, you know, Brother Osgood, nothing is too good for God's people." When someone said that to me recently, I said, "Will you please give me chapter and verse on that?" For that statement is a lie which comes right from the pit. I will say rather that there is nothing that will kill the Spirit of God in a man, in a preacher, in any Christian, more quickly than too many good things.

I

There is no real connection between material progress and the Christian way of life. When you have the Christian way of life, material progress merely comes as a by-product. It follows automatically, because as men gain a finer mind and a better body by following Jesus Christ, they naturally are able with those minds



THE RIGHT ROAD HOME

*"Is this the right road home, O Lord?
The clouds are dark and chill,
This stony path is hard to tread,
Each step brings some fresh hill.
I thought the way would brighter glow,
And that the sun would warmer glow,
And joyous songs from glad hearts flow;
Is this the right road home?"*

*"Yes, child, this very road I trod;
The clouds were dark for me;
The stony path was sharp and hard;
Not sight but faith could see
That at the end the sun shone bright,
Forever where there is no night,
Where glad hearts rest from earth's fierce
fight—
This is the right road home."*

to think out excellent methods, and with those fine bodies to produce what those minds have thought about. You do get material progress. But when we understand that material progress is a by-product, then we see how quickly that very by-product can get in the way of what we really intended to produce.

For instance, I have been in a plant where they produce iron and steel. While producing these products they discovered they had about 117 by-products, as I remember, and some of those by-products were definitely a problem. They had one great big pile of salt standing in the way of everything else and it had to be moved. It is the same with material progress. It does definitely get in our way. It is one of the things which hinders that which Christ wants to produce above all things else, which is a man fit to glorify God and to live for Him. Therefore, when you find everybody around you committed to this idea of material progress, don't be fooled into thinking, "Yes, of course, it just must be that way," because it is *not* that way. There are other things far more important. It is almost a truism to say that spiritual progress is far more important than material progress, and I would add that it is difficult to have spiritual progress together with material progress.

II

The Christian way of life is not a way of comfort. This idea has gotten into Pentecost to such a degree that it really is killing spiritual life in our movement. Jesus said, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself." He did not just mean to say that when some hard or difficult circumstance comes upon you, you should bear it with fortitude. Jesus said, "If a man is going to come after me, let him deny himself—" in other words, let him bring a hardship on himself; not just wait for it to happen but to make self-denial a principle and a way of life. Paul, when he could not find any other way to deny himself, used to have a daily practice, evidently, of buffeting himself. He had to deny himself. He figured that was part and principle of his living. But how many of us go around with black and blue marks that we have inflicted upon ourselves because we felt too comfortable? Not very many of us. But the idea is there in the Scriptures. Jesus said, "Deny yourself." I don't want every comfort—it is too good for me; it hinders me, and I refuse it.

When I came into Pentecost, everybody was taking every kind of ring off his

Brother Osgood, our Missionary Field Secretary for China, gave this message recently at Central Bible Institute.

fingers except a wedding ring and putting them in the collection plate, but now twenty years later many are buying rings out of the jeweler's window and putting them on their fingers again. I was reading the book of Second Timothy and examining all the verbs addressed to Timothy. I found in every chapter except one there was one verb repeated and that was, "suffer hardship." I repeat that this does not mean just being ready to suffer it when it comes your way. It means courting it, asking for it, realizing that suffering hardship is a good thing. It is the thing that you need; you go after it, just as most of us go after comfort and pleasure instead.

Jesus said, "Let him deny himself, take up his cross daily, and follow me." I couldn't help thinking how, when Jesus

was here, apparently there was only once when He rode an animal, and that was when He rode into Jerusalem. The rest of the time He walked. Jesus says, "Follow me," but in our American way of life most of us like to get in our automobiles and follow along pleasantly. It might make our feet hurt too much to really get out and follow Christ, walking after Him!

When I was in China a few years ago I met a missionary whom I admire. He was talking about one of the early experiences he had as a missionary when funds got very low. He and his wife prayed and said, "Father in heaven, you know if we don't get money we are really going to be stranded out here in China, we cannot expect money to come from friends here. It will have to come from abroad." One

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Two Central Truths

By S. D. Gordon

There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus. . . . For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. Romans 8:1, 2.

● IT HAS helped me greatly in understanding the Master's insistent emphasis upon the promise of power to keep clearly in mind that the Christian system of truth revolves around a double center. It is illustrated best, not by a circle with its single center, but by an ellipse with its twin centers. There are two central truths—not one, but two. The first of the two is grained deep down in the common Christian teaching and understanding, "The blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin." But there is a second truth—very reverently and thoughtfully let me say—of equal importance with that; namely, that the Holy Spirit empowereth against all sin, and for life and service. These two truths are co-ordinate. They run in parallel lines. They belong together. They are really two halves of the one great truth. But this second half needs emphasis, because it has not always been put into its proper place beside the other.

Jesus died on the cross to make freedom from sin possible. The Holy Spirit dwells within me to make freedom from sin actual. The Holy Spirit does in me what Jesus did for me. The Lord Jesus draws a check for my use, The Spirit cashes that check and puts the money into my hands. Jesus does in me now, by the Spirit, what He did for me centuries ago on the cross, in His person.

Now these two truths, or two parts of the same truth, go together in God's plan, but, with some exceptions, have not gone together in men's experience. That explains why so many Christian lives are a failure and a reproach. The church of Christ has been gazing so intently upon the hill of the cross with its blood-red message of sin and love, that it has largely lost sight of the Ascension Mount with its legacy of power. That last victorious shout—"It is finished!"—has been crowding out in our ears its counterpart, the equally victorious cry of Olivet—"All power hath been given unto me."

The Christian's range of vision must always take in two hill-tops—Calvary and Olivet. Calvary—sin conquered through the blood of Jesus, a matter of history. Olivet—sin conquered through the power of the Spirit, a matter of experience.

The TEARS of JESUS

By Leslie R. Clevenger

● THE MULTITUDES were shouting the praises of God as the Son of Man rode slowly down the trail toward Jerusalem. "Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord!" they cried. Jesus listened to their shouts and accepted their praises, for He was truly their King; and yet His heart was heavy. As they slowly descended from the Mount of Olives they rounded a bend in the trail and suddenly the great city lay at their feet. He stopped the animal upon which he sat, looked longingly at the city spread out before their gaze, and as He beheld the city He wept over it." Luke 19:41.

There are many weepers described in the Bible. Hagar wept because of great sorrow. David shed bitter tears of shame and remorse. Jeremiah, the weeping prophet, lamented the sins of Israel. But why should He who was King of kings and Lord of lords be moved to weep? What was the secret of His tears on this occasion?

Some might think that He was recalling the past glory of Israel now groaning under the Roman heel. One might wonder if He looked ahead some twenty-five years and wept for the destruction that awaited the city under Titus. Was this the secret of His tears? No, it was something of far greater import than that. He wept because of the present impenitence of that wicked city. He who was Lord of all could forgive and forget the past; He could avert the future, terrible though it be; but He could not help their present impenitent hearts, and it moved Him to tears. Feel the ache in His heart as He cries, "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets and stonest

them that are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not." Here is the secret of His tears.

The tears of Jesus were beautiful tears—beautiful because unselfish. Not once do we read that He wept for Himself. He said, "Weep not for me." But He wept for Mary and Martha! Our tears are nearly always tears of selfishness, tears of resentment, or remorse. Sometimes we fail the Lord, and like Peter we weep bitter tears of regret. The Man of Sorrows often wept on behalf of others but never for Himself.

Would we consider the mystery of His tears? There can only be one answer. We must look deep into the heart of God and catch a glimpse of His great love for man to get even the faintest understanding of such a mystery.

Ought not we to be moved as we remember the tears of Jesus? The same impenitent world lies before us today. They go on rejecting Christ unaware of the fearful judgment that awaits. "If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in *this thy day*, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes." v. 42. The world longs for peace, but continues to reject the Prince of Peace. Ought not we to be moved to tears of compassion as we intercede before the throne of Him who is not willing that any should perish? Our Lord has averted judgment for every sinner who will repent and believe. Let us sow the gospel seed and water it with our tears. "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

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EDITORIAL

Rebuilding the Temple

Menachim Beign, commander of the Irgun in Palestine and leader of the Freedom Party there, has declared that "the Third Temple as outlined by Ezekiel will assuredly be rebuilt in our own generation."

This determination of the Jews to rebuild their Temple may be a further indication that the "times of the Gentiles" is drawing to a close. Christ prophesied: "Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled." Luke 21:24.

In A.D. 363 the Emperor Julian, a bitter foe of Christ, appropriated large sums from the public revenue, and gathered a huge concourse of Gentile and Jewish workmen to the gigantic foundations of the Temple which Chrysostom, alive at the time, says were still standing. Contemporary Christian writers—Gregory, Ambrose, and Chrysostom—all testify to God's miraculous intervention; but peculiarly convincing is the testimony of the best historian of that age, a pagan, and a personal friend of Julian.

"Julian," says Ammianus, "thought to rebuild at an extravagant expense the proud Temple once at Jerusalem, and committed this task to Alypius of Antioch. Alypius set vigorously to work, and was seconded by the governor of the province; when fearful balls of fire, breaking out near the foundations, continued their attacks, till the workmen, after repeated scorplings, could approach no more; and he gave up the attempt."

It is most remarkable that the Christians of the time, including Cyril, Bishop of Jerusalem, warned Julian (who did it deliberately in order to overthrow the Scriptures) that the rebuilding of the Temple before the time of Antichrist was impossible. The two sanctuaries—the Church and the Temple—cannot co-exist (it would seem) in the Gospel era, although they over-lapped in its opening decades.

The Wrath to Come

Two California scientists were discussing the dangers of an atomic war. "I am going to remove my family to the Central States," said one, "that they may be out on the prairies far removed from the devastation which will overtake the cities."

Said the other: "I am going to leave my family right here in the city that they may come to sudden death, rather than have them suffer from radioactivity, for there will be *no escape* wherever they are."

No escape! It reminds us of the solemn words of 1 Thessalonians 5—"When they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh . . . and they shall not escape."

Dr. Leo Szilard, biophysicist of the University of Chicago, warns us that world suicide has become an imminent possibility, and other atomic authorities agree with him. He says that a hydrogen bomb could kill every human being on the earth if the proper chemical elements were placed around it. It would take 500 tons of heavy hydrogen, he said, to make sufficient neutrons to turn the cloud of chemicals into radioactive atoms. These atoms would remain active for five years. They would form a dust of death which would be carried everywhere by the winds, poisoning the air we breathe, and finally settling on the earth to contaminate every plant and everything else that humans use in living.

The outlook is terrifying. The forecasts of science are fully as foreboding as the predictions of Bible prophecy. The only difference is that God promises to temper judgment with mercy for the sake of those who trust in Him. Jesus said, concerning the end of this age of grace, "Then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but *for the elect's sake* those days shall be shortened." Matthew 24:21, 22.

The same difference is shown in 1 Thessalonians 5. The apostle says that when sudden destruction cometh "*they shall not escape,*" but farther on in the same chapter he gives us this blessed promise: "God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ." Thank God for the Blessed Hope. The entire world population will never be destroyed, for His people shall escape. The way is open to all who will accept our Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour.

If you will flee from the wrath to come, do not move to some quiet spot in the country where you think you may be safe. Flee to Christ. Put your trust in Him and be ready for His coming. Then you will obtain salvation from the coming judgments by being caught up to heaven in the Rapture of the Church.

The motto of David Livingstone was in these words, "I determined never to stop until I had come to the end and achieved my purpose." By unfaltering persistence and faith in God he conquered.

The promises of God are certain, but they do not all mature in ninety days.

We live in an age which thinks that being lost in the woods is a new freedom.

Going Back

When Charles Alexander was with an evangelist, holding meetings in a town in Iowa, a very ignorant fellow was among the converts. He could not quote a verse of Scripture, but he made up his mind he was going into Christian work. If ever anybody was unfitted to go into Christian work, he was. He came to Mr. Alexander and said, "I'm going with you." "But Fred, what will you do? You can't go along with us." Fred said "But I am, I'm going with you." "Fred, what will you do? You can't preach. You can't sing. What will you do?" "I can do anything. I'll blacken your shoes. I'll do anything you want me to do, but I'm going along." Well, he went with them. Fred had very little ability, but what little he did have he gave to the Lord wholly, and in five years that ignorant boy was used to lead 1,200 souls to Christ. He had a record of their names and addresses, and he followed them up, at least that many. But he went back on his consecration. He got crazy after money and permitted known sin in his life.

Some of you say, "I am wholly consecrated; there was a time when I gave up all. I laid it on the altar." Have you kept it on the altar? That was what was the matter with Fred. He laid his all on the altar, but he picked it up again, and got into all sorts of trouble.—*R. A. Torrey.*

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Communism Can Be Stopped

By a Church on Her Knees

● SOME PEOPLE seem to think that Communism cannot be stopped because it has seemed unstemmed in its phenomenal onrush in many nations.

However, there is an example in a small weak land where seemingly nothing but an imaginary line until now has held them in check so far as mass progression is concerned. There is a potent factor which has been demonstrated in this land as the only possible barrier for stopping Communism any place on earth.

The "small weak land" of which we speak is Korea. "Sold down the river" by professed friends, her land has been divided and the northern portion handed over to Russia who has made a typical Communist State out of it. The power that has stemmed the tide at that dividing line, the 38th parallel, is that of a church on her knees, all denominations united for the specific purpose of pleading with God to hold the Communists back and drive them out of their land.

Communism as a mass is held back at the dividing line but thousands of them are infiltrating across that border with their pernicious propaganda, and doubtless they will seek to work into the church itself in free South Korea. We call on God's people everywhere now to come to the aid of God's church in Korea and pray earnestly with her in her hour of peril. These Christians must not be deserted for they stand as a bulwark against this arch-enemy of Christianity.

The above was written after reading a portion of a personal letter from a faithful missionary in Korea who gives the following thrilling story of

A PRAYER MEETING OF 110,000 CHRISTIANS.

"A couple of months ago the Christians in and around Seoul were called together in a tremendous mass demonstration in the Seoul Stadium to express their united front against the common foe of Christianity and democracy—Communism. Too, they were gathered there together to pledge a solid wall of prayer in the fight against the Communist push. It was a stirring sight to see, as around 110,000 Christians stood in the blazing sun and sang and prayed; and various church

leaders spoke feelingly for the great cause for which they had come together. Then from the stadium school after school, church after church, bent-backed old grandmothers, tottering old gentlemen with canes; cripples on crutches or canes, tiny children of four and five years, marched through the streets of Seoul to the Capitol, singing their campaign songs of *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*, and *Onward Christian Soldiers*.

"When you realize that the march encompassed about five miles, you know that there was something in the hearts of those people that made them forget the torturing sun and the gruelling miles. When unthinkingly I remarked about a bent-backed, hobbling old woman trying to keep up with the others, that it was a shame that such old folks had to make the march, a person standing next to me replied with a strange light in his eyes, 'That old woman would rather march today and fall dead than let her country die at the hands of Communism!' And then I looked again and saw that the old woman was singing with a fervor matching the rest; painful steps were forgotten.

This story from Korea proves it to be a fact.

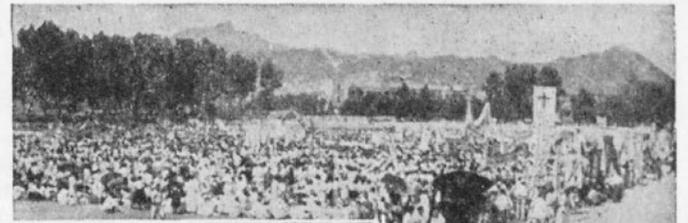
her eyes envisioning only the new nation under God that could some day be her children's (if the Lord should tarry). Perhaps, as some critics said, 'The Korean Church is stepping too far into the political picture by staging such a demonstration,' but I saw in it far more than that; here were people who felt that Christianity is the only real answer to the present world problem, and that a church unitedly at prayer can create the greatest force against evil oppression. Here was no static Christianity—here, as nowhere else I know, was Christianity really on the march!"

Let us not fail to pray for the church in Korea TODAY!

JOHN WESLEY'S PHILOSOPHY

John Wesley, founder of Methodism, was once asked by a lady, "Suppose that you knew that you were to die at twelve o'clock tomorrow night, how would you spend the intervening time?"

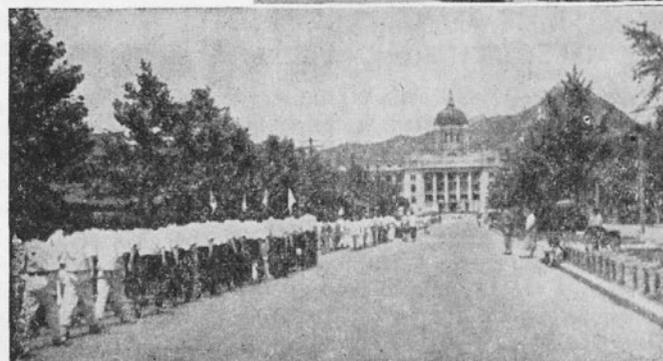
"How, Madam?" he replied. "Why, just as I expect to spend it now. I should preach this night at Gloucester, and again at five tomorrow morning. After that I should ride to Tewkesbury, preach in the afternoon, and meet the societies in the evening. I should then repair to Friend Martin's house, who expects to entertain me, converse and pray with the family as usual, retire to my room at ten o'clock, commend myself to my Heavenly Father, lie down to rest, and wake up in Glory."



UPPER PHOTO: Part of crowd of 110,000 Christians in Korea who attended a mass prayer meeting, praying that Communism would be driven from their shores. God answers prayer! Let us unite with these faithful, believing Christians.

CENTER PHOTO: Another view of the crowd which attended the prayer meeting with their different banners and slogans indicating the church or school with which they were associated. This is unity, not organizational but spiritual.

LOWER PHOTO: A view of part of the crowd as it marched up one of the main streets of Seoul, Korea.



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The pastor of one of our prominent churches, who has heard the new half-hour broadcast of the Assemblies of God, has written the following comment:

"The Radio Department is to be congratulated on its new broadcast—REVIVALTIME. I am thoroughly sold on the idea and the value of the program. Here are some of the reasons why I am enthusiastic:

"First of all, because REVIVALTIME sounds like one of our Sunday night evangelistic meetings. Essentially, we are an evangelistic group. The Assemblies of God fellowship was born in revival, and it is sustained by revival. Hence, whatever contributes toward keeping the fires of evangelism burning among us is of vital importance to us all. I believe that REVIVALTIME will make such a contribution.

"Next, because REVIVALTIME is filled with the uplift and inspiration that all of us enjoy. The increase to a half-hour broadcast will make it easier to present a program filled with spiritual liberty.

"Finally, because of REVIVALTIME'S speaker. Wesley R. Steelberg is one of our most esteemed Camp Meeting speakers. He brings to REVIVALTIME a ministry which has stirred and blessed multitudes throughout our fellowship."

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Pray that God will mightily use this new broadcast to the salvation of souls and the upbuilding of His kingdom. Send all contributions for the support of the radio ministry to: Assemblies of God Radio Department, P. O. Box 70, Springfield, Missouri.

PREACHING CHRIST ON TELEVISION AT DETROIT

Chaplain Dave Martin, who served as an Industrial Chaplain at Ford Motor Company at the personal appointment of the late Mr. Henry Ford, is now directing a weekly "Crusade for Christ" telecast every Saturday night at 7 p.m. on Channel 7, WXYZ, Detroit, Mich. The stack of mail he has received indicates that the telecast is reaching many who otherwise might never be reached with the gospel, and quite a number have been definitely won for Christ thereby.

Chaplain Martin is also the founder and director of the "Christ for Labor and Management Crusade," and has been instrumental in organizing gospel services in factories in many parts of America. He is now available for week-end meetings in Michigan and nearby states, or can come for two to four-day meetings.

Pastors and assemblies which would like to know more about the possibilities of evangelism by means of shop meetings and television will find Brother Martin's ministry most acceptable. He is an ordained minister in the Assemblies of God. His home address is 2732 Queen Ave., Dearborn, Mich.

REVIVAL SWEEPING GEORGIA

The Georgia District concluded its seven sectional councils on February 22. The devotional services and all phases of business were blessed of God. A greater Home Missions program has been outlined for the coming year. The following men were elected to serve on the district board as presbyters: B. W. Flanagan of Columbus, P. Z. Smith of Blakely, L. G. Grice of Moultrie, George Klarman of Waycross, Joseph Westbury of Augusta, Ernest Pruett of Experiment, and Grover Langston of Atlanta.

God has been favoring Georgia with mighty revivals of faith and healing. It seems that the entire district is one great revival. Our pastors, evangelists, and Sunday School workers are seeking the Lord in prayer, fastings, and heart-searching consecrations for God to do wonderful things for this state. We humbly acknowledge our great need of Him.—Robert C. "Keetah" Jones, District Superintendent.

DISTRICT OFFICERS RE-ELECTED IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Leaders of the Southern California District Council were re-elected at the annual convention, which met at Bethel Temple, Los Angeles, February 7—10. F. C. Woodworth is District Superintendent; L. E. Halvorson, District Secretary-Treasurer.

Ben Hardin and Wm. J. Roberts were re-elected Executive Presbyters of the District. Sectional Presbyters are C. S. O'Shields, Paul B. Franklin, R. Dwight Brown, Don W. Throne,

P. L. Trowbridge, L. C. Eldridge, L. H. Hauff, E. W. Odell, T. C. Cunningham, L. B. Reynolds, Clyde Henson, and N. E. Carlson. Attendance at the convention was good with 428 registered.

LOCAL CHURCHES MAY NOW SEND DELEGATES TO N.A.E. CONVENTION

The Executive Committee of the National Association of Evangelicals has ruled that each local congregation of an affiliated denomination may send a delegate to the national convention. This provision was adopted in order to widen the scope of the convention, so that it will be more on the order of a popular meeting than a restricted delegated body. Therefore, any congregation of the Assemblies of God which chooses to send its pastor or other representative to the N.A.E. convention in Indianapolis may do so. Credential blanks should be secured from the national office of the N.A.E., 542 S. Dearborn Street, Chicago 5, Illinois, and be returned to that office prior to the date of the convention, viz., April 18-21, 1950. The church, of course, must be responsible for the delegate's travel and entertainment costs and the registration fee of \$2.50.

Grave issues are confronting the religious world of today. Forces are at work for the forming of a world church, which will be Christian in name but unquestionably dominated by modernist principles. The World Council of Churches is already functioning and is now reaching out to embrace all foreign and home missionary work, Christian education, and other branches of Christian activity. No doubt this convention will be a major factor in the total impact of the evangelicals upon our nation and the world at this time of major crisis.

Representatives of the Executive Presbytery of the General Council plan to be present and they will welcome representatives of local congregations to unite with them in representing the Assemblies of God at this important convention.

BROTHER BOND WITH CHRIST

Earl E. Bond, District Superintendent of the Assemblies of God in Ohio, has gone to his eternal home. A telegram informs us that he departed this life on Tuesday afternoon, March 14, 1950.

Brother Bond was ordained in 1932 in the Central District, as it was then known. He was elected to the office of District Secretary-Treasurer and was the first to serve full time in that capacity. After serving in that office for several years he was forced to resign because of his health. For two years he was pastor in Terre Haute, Ind. Then he was elected Assistant Superintendent of the Ohio District, and four years ago he became District Superintendent to succeed G. F. Lewis.

The life of Brother Bond was an example of genuine humility and full devotion to the service of the Lord. His brethren esteemed him highly for his ministry as a Bible teacher and for the spirit of co-operation, loyalty, and faithfulness which he always showed. He will be sorely missed. He was 42 years of age at the time of his homegoing.

Sister Bond and three daughters survive. May the God of all grace give them comfort and sustain them in their bereavement.

Communing With God

WESLEY R. STEELBERG

on National Radio Hour, "Sermons in Song"

● IF YOU'VE BEEN listening to these broadcasts you have noticed that we always take a moment or so at the end of the broadcast to pray. Maybe you have said, "I wonder how much good that does," or if you are a believer you possibly have bowed your head and reverently acknowledged the act. But let me ask this question, "Do you pray?" and if you do, do you pray in faith expecting an answer, or is it just a religious form you practice? I ask such a question because to know the value and power of prayer is to have fellowship with the eternal Creator and to avail yourself of one of the most glorious privileges that a merciful Saviour and a loving Father ever permitted an earth-born creature to enjoy.

To some, prayer is only the repeating of some well-chosen phrases which acknowledge the dignity and omnipotence of an Almighty Being while confessing the weakness and unworthiness of a mortal creature; such a prayer emanates only from the lips and really means no more than the reciting of a lovely poem, if as much. To such, prayer is only a repetition of words—a litany which is part of a formal religious ritual.

While en route to Europe last year I attended a service where the congregation in unison repeated prayer after prayer during the course of worship, but not once did I sense a spirit of joy as though they had gained any satisfaction. It was purely a cold recitation. My heart went out in pity to that company, for I knew it meant so little to them. Only a sense of duty brought them there. Then I said, "Oh, God, I thank Thee that I know Thee as my Father, and that I can talk to Thee out of my heart, and know that Thou hearest me." And I blessed the hour that I had learned to pray at Mother's knee or by Father's side at family worship.

When Jesus prayed it must have gripped the hearts of all who heard Him. They must have realized that here was one who had audience with God eternal, and it may have been this which prompted His disciples to say, "Lord, teach us to pray." And when He taught them, please note that there was intimacy, reverence, confession, petition, and adoration as well as heartfelt fellowship combined in that precious prayer which began, "Our Father which art in heaven."

Prayer binds the soul to God; prayer pours forth in fervent petition the deep desires of the heart, sometimes in penitence, sometimes in praise, but always in confidence which is assured because Christ died and lives again. Now we may come boldly inasmuch as His sacrifice has paid the cost of sin's demands, and all that remains is for us to ask and receive that our joy may be full.

But prayer is so often neglected; or, if it is considered at all, it is a last resort. This is the very reason why religion sometimes is so lifeless. It is one reason why so many hearts are filled with faithlessness and formality. God be-

comes a legend, worship is but a habit, and unbelief thrives in the prayerless life.

The cause for faint-heartedness also stems from this source. The Word says, "Men ought always to pray and not to faint," and it suggests that unless men do pray they will faint and fall and perish.

We who join in presenting this program believe in prayer, and we are praying that God will send a mighty revival of prayer over our nation until fathers and mothers will establish a family altar where the children will learn the joy of prayer. The mid-week prayer meeting in the church will take on new life; prayer bands will meet to plead with God for souls. Missionaries will feel the mighty support of praying friends at home and be encouraged. Unsaved loved ones will be drawn to Christ away at school in dis-

tant cities, or wherever they are, because Mother, Father, Sis and Brother are praying. Yes, this is what we are praying for, and we are entreating all our friends to join us. We are praying for the many listening to the broadcast who have not yet become acquainted with our Savior.

(All correspondence and offerings toward the support of "Sermons in Song" should be addressed to the Radio Department, P. O. Box 70, Springfield, Missouri.)

"GO," SAID OUR LORD

Go to the unsaved and give them the gospel. If they avoid you, pursue them. If they ignore you, be persistent. If they defy you, be patient. If they smite you, turn the other cheek. If they argue, just preach Christ to them.

Spiritual Awakening in the Colleges

This winter we have had the joy of reporting many wonderful revivals which the Lord has been sending to our own Assemblies of God Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges. We thank the Lord that His working has not been confined to any one denomination but from schools of many ranks and from all parts of the nation we are receiving stories of marvelous outpourings of the Holy Spirit.

At Lee College, a Pentecostal school operated by the Church of God at Cleveland, Tenn., they had the most glorious revival in February that the institution has ever known. For about a week there were no classes. As the students prayed the Spirit moved mightily in true Pentecostal fashion, with the result that 33 students were saved, 40 received the Baptism, many were marvelously healed in body, and far-reaching consecrations were made following humbling confessions.

In Chicago, the revival wave reached North Park College. There was only a nucleus of born-again Christians meeting for prayer at this Mission Covenant college but their prayer bore fruit. The captain of the football team came under conviction of sin and was converted. His testimony launched a chain of conversions that has rocked the entire student and faculty body. Result—200 saved! Word from Bob Jones University, in Greenville, S. C., is that the students there are enjoying continuous revival. During one week-end in February the student preachers reported they had led 554 people to Christ.

Spontaneous revivals are also reported at John Brown University in Siloam Springs, Ark., and at Asbury College in Wilmore, Ky. A newspaper account states that "visitors to the student revival at Asbury College are impressed by the sincerity of the confessions and testimonials and the general religious fervor that characterizes the unusual meeting, now in its fourth day. When the students sing they raise their hands heavenward in supplication. When they pray they go on their knees at the altar, along the front row of seats, and anywhere else they find room to kneel."

The meetings at Asbury lasted continuously for three days and three nights. The students, red-eyed and weary after the long period of

praying, singing, and testifying, refused to go to their rooms for rest. Many were converted. Students and townspeople were praying and finding God in groups met in homes, dormitories, and other buildings all over the campus.

It is reported that the revival at Wheaton College is still going on, though classes have been resumed. The revival fires spread to the high school in Wheaton, Illinois, and to the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary in Chicago, and other schools as well. The newspapers are aware that a religious awakening has come to America, and all over the country they are carrying the revival reports on the front page.

An editorial in the *Oregon Journal* (Portland, Oregon) compares the revival at Wheaton to the moving of God's Spirit on the day of Pentecost. It points out that at Pentecost the Holy Ghost moved the disciples to "speak with other tongues," and adds: "A history of religion and of the Christian church will disclose other instances through the centuries where worshipers were stirred to utterances beyond their normal capacity. The outburst of testimony and confession at Wheaton College therefore has its precedent."

This Oregon newspaperman sees spiritual revival as the remedy for the world's present ills. "Some will say that the student statements, which continued through a night's long hours and on into the next day while a scheduled lecturer waited his turn, are an exhibition of emotionalism. Some will say that religion is exclusively an emotional experience.

"To us this is no more than affirming that faith has its emotional phases and is not thereby to be discounted. Strange impulses well in the human heart seeking release from sin and the repressions upon spiritual development. Such impulses spread not only by the ordinary means of communication but by propulsions difficult to define.

"If the uprising at Wheaton spread to Chicago a few miles away, the cleaning up of that city might well be miraculous; and, if all the people of the United States were to be similarly seized, our capacity as a nation to deal with the issues of international good would produce the miracle of peace."

In the Philippines

Arthur J. Ahlberg, Philippine Islands

● IT HAS BEEN eight months since we arrived in the Philippines. Two two-story buildings for the Bible Institute have been erected during the time. The Bible Institute will now be able to accommodate many more students. The buildings were constructed largely from lumber from dismantled army units. They have concrete floors. The students seem quite proud of their new quarters. Before they were inadequately housed.

Last month a bus was added to the school equipment. It is being used to get the students to Sunday afternoon open-air evangelistic services; to the Youth for Christ meetings on Saturday night in different parts of the city; and to the three radio programs conducted each week by students and faculty.

This is our first experience of living in the tropics. We find the constant heat a great drain on our bodies. Probably we would not wear out so much if we could only learn to move more slowly, but seemingly we are geared only for higher speed. Mrs. Ahlberg and I have been teaching in the Bible Institute besides our other responsibilities.

Before Christmas we took a trip into the mountain provinces. Several missionaries accompanied us. The country is beautiful. Winding roads led through pine forests. We saw giant tree ferns, and tree orchids. Much of our drive was over one-way roads. Cars were held up at gate-houses until signals were given that the road ahead was clear.

We traveled for miles at times without seeing any signs of life. It was interesting to see the various types of houses. Each tribe has its own method of building. Occasionally we would

see someone dart across the road to hide in the bush.

The only churches that we came across on the trip were Catholic. At one school where we stopped one of the teachers begged us to send a gospel worker. She said that all of her more than two hundred students were pagan. We have no gospel worker with enough experience just now to send. The teacher felt that if the pupils were Christians or had more Christian influence they would be easier to discipline and train. The school building was made of logs. Two sessions were held each day to accommodate the large number of children.

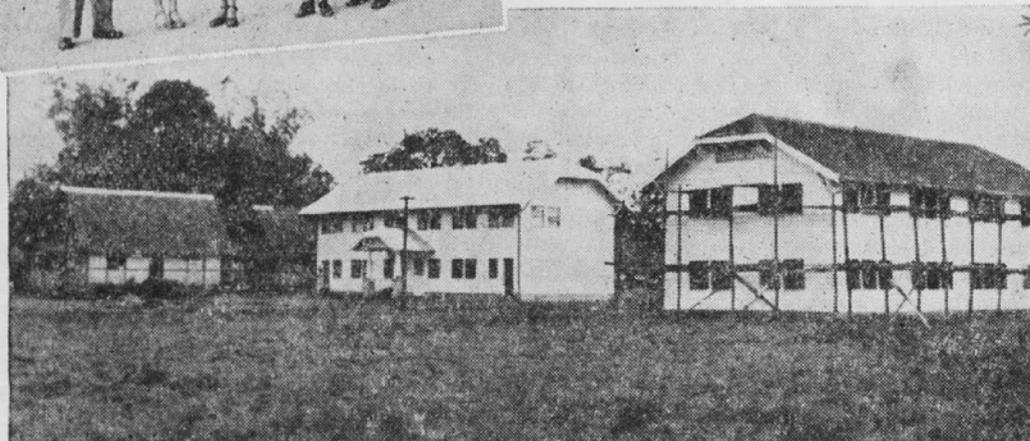
Our trip took us as far as Banaue, in the heart of the mountains. There we saw the world-famous rice terraces, which are said to be four thousand years old. It was a sight we shall never forget.

Traveling back toward Baguio City we suddenly came upon a row of spears by the side of the road. The handles had been thrust into the ground. Our driver stopped and said that probably we could get some good pictures. When we stopped a group of warriors arose from the grass. They were on their way to a *fiesta*, and had fifteen kilometers to walk, so they had been taking a nap by the roadside. We were no more curious about them than they were about us. They came forward with their spears and shields. Our driver asked them to demonstrate how they fight, and we had an opportunity to get some good pictures. We gave the warriors some tracts written in one of the mountain dialects. How our hearts burned as we realized that these people, within only a few hours'



Top: The schoolhouse the Ahlbergs and other missionaries visited in the mountain provinces of the Philippines. Left to Right: Mr. Ahlberg, Evelyn Hatchett, Miss Leggo (a national teacher), Mayme Williams, and Alice Ruth Melching.

Below: Bible Institute buildings, Manila—a shack used last year, the new women's dormitory, and the new men's dormitory.



drive of the great city of Manila, were without the gospel! Let us pray that soon there will be those trained who will be able and willing to go among these people to take the message of salvation.

A few weeks later the two of us accompanied the district superintendent, Rudy Esperanza, into the Pangasinan Province. We traveled in an old army Jeep with just a straight board for a seat, and were on the road six hours. We went through territory that had been raided many times by bands of Huks. In the distance were the mountains where they stay. The people were in the midst of their rice harvest. It was interesting to watch them as we traveled along.

We visited a church pastored by S. M. Obaldo, and held three services. The people came to church on foot, in wooden carts drawn by carabao oxen, in busses, and on bicycles. We were entertained while visiting the church with the best that the people had. The houses were elevated on poles. We crawled up steep ladders, made of crooked poles, to enter them. The floors were made of split bamboo, with wide cracks between the strips. Our beds were made of bamboo slats which felt as hard as iron. There was no give at all to the bamboo. Under the houses were lodged the carabao, pigs, chickens, etc.

Pray much for the work here.

Village Work in Hawaii

The following are excerpts from a letter written by Mr. and Mrs. Glen F. Emberson, who are engaged in missionary work in Hawaii:

"We are now having two services each week in a new village . . . About ninety per cent of the people in the village are Japanese. At present most of our congregation is made up of children and young people. We are hoping to reach the adults too, so the village will have the influence of Christian homes.

"In one of our services twenty children and young folk raised their hands for prayer and remained for prayer. We believe a few of them meant business, and at least the others took a step in the right direction. Please pray with us that the Lord will bring every one of them to a real knowledge of the saving power of God. . . . Also keep praying for the children and youth of the airport village. There also God is moving on hearts.

"We hope to have our bookmobile in operation in about two weeks. More good books are still needed. Even now we are having calls for them."

Harry Mamalis of Greece is in the States and can be reached at: 141-08 Labornum Avenue, Flushing, L. I., New York.

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En Route to India

Mrs. Samuel Beckdahl, North India

(Mrs. Samuel Beckdahl, who was a passenger on board the AMBASSADOR on its recent flight to India, wrote the following description of her trip as far as the Bermuda Islands in a letter to her husband, a student at Central Bible Institute. Mr. Beckdahl will be joining his wife and children, Danny and Esther, in India as soon as his semester is over. As the Evangel goes to press the AMBASSADOR is nearing Athens, Greece on its return flight. It is expected to continue on to Lisbon tonight.)

● "MARCH 3, 1950—It hardly seems possible that such a few hours have put such a distance between us, but it must be true. At least we are in Bermuda. We arrived in Charleston, South Carolina yesterday noon, and were all driven to a restaurant for a good dinner.

"There seemed to be layers of air as we headed out over the ocean. The layer between the ground and the clouds was bumpy—it felt like an erratic elevator. It was fun though, after we got used to it. No one was very sick. We have all been rather good air-sailors thus far.

"As soon as we got through the clouds and up, the weather was perfect, and everything was so beautiful! The sun was just going down when we climbed the cloud-way, and each soft puff of 'cotton' was tinted with pink. As the sun set lower the shade turned into a velvety pinkish gray, but it was when the full moon shone on the thick rolls of clouds that they were the loveliest. I cannot even attempt to picture it in words. There were several on board slightly nervous about going over the water so the

Lord placed that beautiful, heavy blanket of cloud over the ocean to completely obscure it. As for me—I never felt such peace and calm! How good the Lord is to us! I know everyone prayed.

"When we reached Charleston, Danny thought it was India. He naturally concluded when we got back on the plane that we were going home. He clapped his hands and said 'Daddy be there!' I tried to explain that Daddy would come out soon to be with us in India.

"Bermuda is so much like India—banana trees, beautiful flower gardens, verandas, lots of bicycles, nice shops, English cars, palm trees. The roads are narrow and winding and up and down; however, the thing that has struck me most forcibly is the different blue of the water. It is not aqua, nor blue, nor green but a definite mixture of all. Just gorgeous! I've named it *Bermuda blue*. The temperature is about 65 degrees at present.

"After leaving Charleston we had some difficulty with the wheels of the plane. They would not come up. We relanded and were there about an hour, but additional work is being done on the wheels here in Bermuda. We were told to sleep late today.

"We went out to see the town before lunch. The folk all wanted films so we ended up at a film shop. Films just in from the States cost less here than there. We were amazed! But American foods and candy are three times as much.

"Maybe the plane will be ready this afternoon."

Mr. and Mrs. Heath Lowry, who sailed for South India on January 20, have arrived safely on the field.

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James Vigna is in Northwest China, in territory taken over by the Communists. Letters will reach him % Rev. Harland Park, P. O. Box 1724, Kowloon, Hong Kong.

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Miss Marjorie Trulin, who formerly was in El Salvador, is now in Mexico.

The Schoonmakers, Glenna L. Lillibridge, and the McDermids, whose pictures appear above, were passengers on the AMBASSADOR on its recent flight to India. Pictures of other passengers appeared in an earlier issue.

Inquirers of the Way

Elsie Marialke, North India

● RECENTLY a number of inquirers have come to our compound at Purulia, Manbhum District, Bihar, India, asking us to expound the way more clearly to them. I would like to tell you about two of the inquirers so that you can stand with us in prayer for them.

One is a man of considerable formal education, originally from East Pakistan. When he came he admitted that though he had all the comforts of life, means, and position he did not possess peace. He asked if we would show him the way to find peace. It was with great pleasure that we told him of the Prince of Peace. For some time he came each morning for an hour of instruction. He is now ill and cannot come. We have prayed with him, but we feel that he has not as yet found Christ.

The other man is a Hindu. He has been attending the services at the church. Trials have led him to look for spiritual help outside his own religion. His interest in Christianity was aroused several years ago when missionaries visited his village. Just recently his uncle, with whom he is living, discovered that he was attending our services, and reading the Bible. The uncle is doing everything he can to keep him from attending services.

Pray also for the families of these two men.

Martha Schoonmaker is joining me in the work at Purulia, at least temporarily. We want to launch out on an extensive evangelistic program in this area as soon as she is settled. While on furlough she obtained a complete set of felt-o-graph scenes and figures, illustrating all of the important Bible Stories. This means of presenting the gospel has been effective in the villages as well as in the cities. A new Jeep has arrived from the States for us which will make it possible to take the good news to remote villages which we could not otherwise reach. We are indeed very grateful for the Jeep.

The children of our Door of Hope Orphanage are all well. The spiritual tide has been rising among them for which we are very thankful.

NEWS NOTES

Cyril C. Huckerby returned to Jamaica a few days ago after a short furlough in the States.

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All relief clothing, relief gifts, and missionary supplies and equipment should be sent to the Assemblies of God Warehouse, 233 Fifty-Third Street, Brooklyn 20, New York, instead of to the Foreign Missions Fifth Avenue office.

Sunday School Lesson

by Ernest S. Williams

THE RISEN MASTER

Lesson for April 19

John 20:19-29

In verse 23 of our lesson is that perplexing verse concerning remitting or retaining sins, emphasized so strongly by Roman Catholics as proof that their priests have this power. Its kindred Scriptures are Matt. 16:19; 18:15-18. Rather than attempt to explain John 20:23 himself the writer quotes from Adam Clarke, as follows: "It is certain that God alone can forgive sins; and it would be blasphemy to say that any creature could remit the guilt of a transgression against the Creator. The apostles received from the Lord the doctrine of reconciliation and the doctrine of condemnation. Those who believed on the Son through their preaching had their sins remitted, those who believed not had their sins retained." An explanation, in harmony with Adam Clarke's statement above, may be found in 2 Cor. 2:15, 16; Mark 16:16. As Jesus would honor sanctified decisions made by the church concerning an offending brother (Matt. 18:15-18) He would honor the message of devoted followers, making it a savor of life to those who believed, a savor of death to the disobedient.

1. The Importance of the Resurrection of Christ

The resurrection of Jesus was as important as His death. Without it we would still be in our sins. 1 Cor. 15:17; Rom. 4:25. Without it we would have no source of resurrection life (Eph. 2:1-6; Col. 1:27; 3:1-4) or resurrection power. Matt. 28:18; Eph. 1:19-21.

2. His Breathing on His Disciples. v. 22.

Jesus first said, "Peace be unto you." v. 21. Then "He breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost." Is His bringing peace not important here? How some struggle, seeking to be filled with the Spirit. Struggling may be necessary until self is subdued, but the Holy Ghost usually comes when struggling has ceased and the soul is in peace. Jesus would like to bring all His struggling ones into rest and peace, not only that they might receive the Holy Ghost, but also that they might live in spiritual rest in the Holy Ghost. "Let us therefore labor to enter into His rest." Heb. 4:10, 11.

The Lord had breathed life into the first man. God "breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." Gen. 2:7. Through the fall we had become identified with this first man, receiving not "the breath of life" only, but also his fallen nature. Jesus, the last Adam, a quickening or life-giving Spirit (1 Cor. 15:45), would breathe upon believers His life, making them new men, partakers of the Divine nature. 2 Pet. 1:4. With this breathing on them the disciples evidently received a fresh inspiration (the word *inspiration* comes from the thought, "I breathe"). Christ breathed into His disciples a fresh infusion of light and life.

3. His Saying "Receive Ye the Holy Ghost"

Was not His breathing upon them a preparation for Pentecost? Let us see the Scripture. "Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God; who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts." 2 Cor. 1:21, 22. Before this anointing divisions had been among the disciples; afterwards we find them "continuing with one accord in prayer and supplication" until the day of Pentecost was fully come. Acts 1:14; 2:1. As Mary came beforehand to anoint the body of Jesus for the burial (Matt. 26:12), Jesus now inspired His disciples with resurrection life in preparation for receiving the baptism with the Holy Spirit when the day of Pentecost should be fully come. Acts 2:1-4.

The baptism with the Holy Spirit could not be given until Jesus had first been glorified (John 7:39), and I am inclined to believe that He was not fully glorified in the exaltation for which He prayed (John 17:1, 5) until He ascended (John 2:17), being the firstfruits of them that slept (Lev. 23:9-14; 1 Cor. 15:23), to take His place at the right hand of the Majesty on high. Heb. 1:3.

4. His Blessing on Thomas

Thomas has been much criticized, often called "the doubter." A doubter he was. He was the kind of person that, once convinced, is faithful unto death, yet is slow to believe until fully convinced. We might criticize him for "lack of faith," but may we not criticize others for rushing blindly into things without making proper investigation? After all, it is better to be slow and certain than to be hasty and disappointed.

Jesus knew the nature of Thomas and the sincerity of his heart. He knew Thomas was cautious. While there may have been characteristics on which Jesus might frown, there were qualities which Jesus greatly admired. This ought to be an encouragement to all of us. How different were the disciples, from impulsive Peter to calculating Thomas, and how different we are from each other. The careful calculator might become provoked at the impulsive Peter and the impulsive Peter might chafe when he thinks he has to "drag slow Thomas along." But we all need each other. Some of us need stirring up, others need slowing down.

Someone has said that in the Gospels Thomas speaks only three times, "and each

time with a sigh." We have seen others like him. But let us look at his inward worth. He knew the Jews were aiter the life of Jesus, and when Jesus said He was going to Bethany to "wake" Lazarus, it was Thomas who said, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." John 11:16. His words are a little doleful. All he could see was that Jesus was taking His life into His hands, and he had little hope. He was like some of us who incline to see the dark side. Where this is so, we ought to cultivate correcting this attitude for it can become chronic and finally make us a nuisance as well as uncomfortable.

But with all his heart Thomas loved Jesus, and Jesus knew it. His love was whole-hearted and simple. He made no show of bravery. He was not like Peter who took the sword and cut off a man's ear. He made no boast such as Peter when he said, "Though all men should deny thee, yet will not I deny thee." Thomas just said, "Let us go also, that we may die with him." He was willing to share the fate of Jesus.

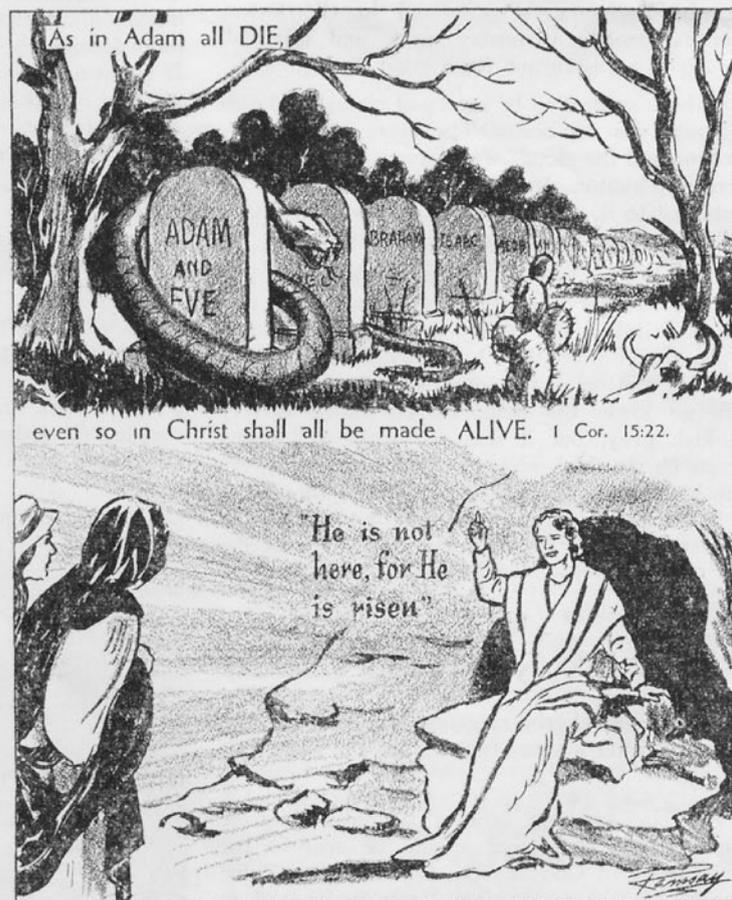
5. His Blessing on Us

Thomas had to see before he would believe. Then Jesus said, "Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed." v. 29. This means that we who have not seen Jesus in the flesh may enjoy His blessings as fully as those who were with Him after He rose from the dead. He is alive for evermore and is our Saviour and Lord as fully as He was Lord to the disciples on the day of His resurrection.

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

The Dying Saviour (Lesson for April 2).
Lesson Text: John 19:16-30.

The more complete thy self-denial, the purer and more abundant thy joy.



AMBASSADORS



ADVANCE!

BERT WEBB

National C.A. Director

Evangelism, soul winning, personal work for the salvation of the lost. Such phrases stir within us memories of great response in the work of God. We are reminded of deep conviction in a regular evangelistic service; we are reminded of a personal word with a friend we chance to meet; we think of the man who in deep distress has turned in despair to that one person who, he is confident, can lead him to the Lord Jesus Christ.

"Christ For All"—the theme of the current evangelism crusade of the Christ's Ambassadors of the world—packs a challenging note. May God grant that a real response shall be forthcoming in the heart and life of every Ambassador for Christ. True, the C. A. age limits are 13 to 35 and these are the ages particularly concerned with the evangelism crusade. The fact is, however, that every true child of God should feel himself thrust forward by the greatest soul desire of all time to win the lost to the Lord Jesus Christ. God grant that "Ambassadors Advance" shall not be a name only but a reality as a mighty army of youth on fire for God shall go forth to challenge the very powers of hell and gain a victory for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Thank God, we do live in a day when the gospel of Jesus Christ is coming into its own, when the power of the living God is triumphing through the people of the Lord.

Even as in medieval crusades, this great 1950 spiritual crusade is calling for consecration and entailing sacrifice. Let evangelism be our watchword; let the saving of the lost be our aim. Let us work and pray together that this shall truly be an evangelism crusade which will bring many, many souls into eternal glory.

THE CHRISTIAN WAY OF LIFE

(Continued from page three)

morning this dear brother went out on the sands by the sea and pleaded with God and said, "Father, if you don't do something for us I don't know what is going to happen to me or my wife and family." He prayed and pleaded with God all morning. Suddenly a great peace came down over him and he knew that his prayer had been answered. He walked back along the shoreland into the town, and his wife met him waving a letter. He said, "I know it, Dear. God has answered prayer and there is enough in that envelope to meet our needs." She said, "Open it and see." "Well, I know it is so anyway." They opened it, and sure enough all that was needed was there. God had seen to that ahead of time.

When I heard him tell of that experience, I

thought it was wonderful; but he went on to say something that surprised me very much. He turned to me and said, "Brother Osgood, we spent miserable times those first years of my ministry in China. I can remember the terrific hardships that I went through, even as a boy." I looked at him and thought, "That accounts for this fine man standing before me," because he is a man of excellent presence, a man who speaks very well in Chinese and in English, one who is a man's man and can do a man's task. But he went on to say this, "Brother Osgood, I have made up my mind that my boy will never have to suffer as I have suffered. I don't expect to ever let him go through what I have had to go through." Well, I closed my mouth and said nothing, but I have had mountains of thoughts since that day. I am sure of one thing, and that is that the boy he is raising will never be the man that his father is if he is protected, given every comfort and every assurance that all of his needs will be met and supplied. Comfort does not produce character. Paul says, "Endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ."

III

The majority is not always right. This goes without saying; and yet, tacitly in our hearts we seem to believe it. Supposing that quite a few begin to adopt a new idea, in boots or socks or ties or anything else, what happens? Everybody does it. When it gets to the place where 50% or more do it, it becomes an absolute *must*. You just couldn't be different and feel right. The majority must be right. This is true among missionaries, also. You may go out to a certain field with an idea that you are going to suffer for God, that you are willing to go through any amount of hardship for God, but when you get to that field and find that all the missionaries there have a beautiful bungalow, equipped with all modern conveniences, and none of them work during the afternoons, what happens! You do the same things they do. You lose your idea of suffering for Christ. You lose your idea of being willing to undergo hardship for Him, and you just accept the old dictum that the majority must be right. I want to say that even in the case of Pentecostal missionaries on the field, the majority are not necessarily right just because they are a majority. Let other men enjoy their beds of ease, but you go and suffer for Jesus Christ.

IV

There is something that is more important than the individual. As a general rule in our democracy you, the individual, are believed to be the most important thing in this world. A great many people have come to think so. They think, "Well, I have this kind of disposition; therefore I have to be treated in such a way." Or, "I was originally gifted with such and such talents and therefore I must develop them." We call it self-expression. It has been one of the most misleading ideas that has ever come into our American system of education, but it gets under our thinking and into our minds. It is definitely anti-Christian although it is the American way of life. Jesus did hold the individual to be important; but you must remember that as far as your own attitude is concerned it is not you as an individual that is important, but it is every other individual that is important. As far as you are concerned, Jesus said, "If thy hand offend thee, cut it off and cast it from thee." You say, "Oh, my beautiful body?" Remember every other body can be beautiful,

but your own body is not nearly as important as your soul. You say, "But Brother Osgood, I just naturally have this ability and I feel I must exercise it for Jesus." Let everyone else exercise his talents for the Lord, but if yours get in the way, you must keep them under where they belong. Jesus says we are to deny ourselves. This is the principle upon which all of Christianity is based. This is the Christian way of life.

More important than the individual is a subjection to the will of God, and a spirit of power, and of love. The idea that the individual is so important that he should be allowed to express himself and to grow as a frail but beautiful flower is false. As a matter of fact, God doesn't want you to grow as a beautiful flower. He wants you to grow as a tree that is planted out there in the good old empty acre where the north wind blows and every limb and branch is tested by the storms until the old tree can stand there and take it. You may not be so beautiful, but you will be strong and fruitful. That is what God wants of every one of us. I am praying that God will give to us a new dedication, not to the American way of life, but to the Christian way of life.

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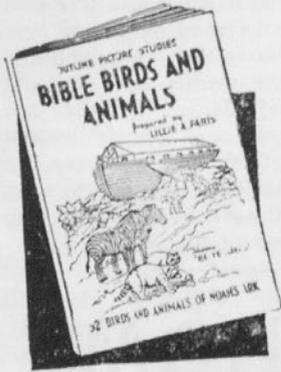
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Upon receiving the above letter, we hastened to send Sunday School supplies for three months. After receiving our first shipment of literature, William responded by writing, "We appreciate your assistance from the very depths of our hearts, and we pray that the literature will help us to lead these boys and girls to Jesus Christ."

On December 14 William wrote us again:

"The time has come again for us of the West Point Sunday School to order our Sunday School supplies for the coming year. We are looking to you for the same assistance that you gave to us during the past quarter.

"You cannot imagine the development that we have undergone since I last wrote to you. Not only has the Sunday School grown along spiritual lines, but also along the material. The Lord laid it upon the heart of one of the Colonels on the post to call the parents of the boys and girls together, and they have donated the money for us to have Sunday School rooms built in the basement of the Cadet Chapel. We are building up quite a large plant, and now we occupy four separate buildings. With the arrival of seventy-five new families this winter, we expect an even greater enrollment.

"I feel certain that one reason why the Sunday school has prospered as it has, is that we are presenting to the children the Word of God. One of the teachers has told me several times that it has helped him grow spiritually, and I am sure that many others of the teachers feel the same. Another said, when we discussed the ordering of supplies, that for the first time in the years that he has been teaching here, he can return to his room and feel that he has really got the lesson over to the children. Speaking for the West Point Sunday School, pupils and teachers alike, I wish to extend to you my most humble thanks for the aid that you have given to us, as certainly we could never have managed by ourselves."

February 19, 1950: "Just a short note to report on the progress we are making in our work here at West Point. We are rejoicing in the Lord for the salvation of several Cadets since the first of the year. One of the boys was able to bring his three roommates to Christ. Also several others have made decisions.

"In the Sunday School we had a decision day, and about thirty or forty made a public declaration of faith at that time. At present we have nearly four hundred enrolled, with the attendance over three hundred each Sunday. We are crowded to the very doors, and need more room.

The Lord has caused several of the officers to take an active interest, and they are able to work out some things that would be impossible for us Cadets to do. There are certain regulations governing Cadets, but the Lord is using the men who make the regulations to do His work.

"Again we thank the Home Missions Department for all their help in supplying our needs."

A GOOD INVESTMENT

These young men are all out for God, and are doing a magnificent job of winning their fellow Cadets to Christ; and no one can measure the far-reaching results of their Sunday School work among the children, as these boys and girls will be taken by their parents to all parts of the States and some to the far corners of the earth. This may be their only opportunity to receive Christian teaching, and the Christian Cadets are burdened to give them all the gospel they can while the privilege is theirs.

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Among the Assemblies

DODGE CITY, KANS.—We recently closed a successful meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. O. E. Gaddis. A goodly number were saved, filled with the Holy Spirit, or healed. Our Sunday School attained a new record in attendance. The revival continues.—G. A. Gaddis, Pastor.

CLANTON, ALA.—We have had a successful revival at the First Assembly of God with Evangelist and Mrs. Robert Bowen of Mobile, Ala. There were 12 saved, four filled with the Holy Ghost, six baptized in water, and eight added to the church membership. It was one of the best revivals that we have experienced in many years. The Sunday School is growing in attendance.—J. H. Aplin, Pastor.

FORREST CITY, ARK.—We wish to thank God for helping us to establish a church here. We have had an increase in attendance and in evangelistic spirit. We had many hindrances and difficulties, but the Lord has given us the victory. We appreciate the ones who stood by us in prayer, and also the Arkansas District Council for their co-operation.—L. C. Ramsey, Pastor.

MIDWAY, KY.—We have had a revival with the Wright-Myers Evangelistic Team of Cincinnati, Ohio. There were around 40 saved, and the Christians were encouraged to go deeper with God. Some testified that this was the greatest revival they had ever witnessed. We have laid the foundation for our new church, and we hope to be in it within a few months.—Raymond Eyer, Pastor.

LAS CRUCES, N. M.—Our church has experienced real showers of blessing from the Lord. Several were saved in our regular services before the beginning of the revival. In January Evangelist Roy H. Stewart was with us for two weeks, and the Lord was present to save and to fill believers with the Holy Spirit. As Brother Stewart had pastoral duties at home he was unable to continue the meeting. A week later Evangelist James E. Hart, Fort Worth, Tex., came to us. Altogether there were 43 saved and several filled with the Holy Spirit. The revival fires continue to burn, and we are praying that God will give us an even greater ingathering of souls.—E. E. Franks, Pastor.

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PONTIAC, MICH.—The First Assembly of God has just closed a profitable revival. Evangelist W. S. Barham of Houston, Tex., was with us for three weeks. There were a goodly number saved, and 40 received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. We also had several outstanding healings. The revival fires are still burning.—A. F. Thornton, Pastor.

OLTON, TEX.—We have had a revival with the Hicks Evangelistic Party, and the Lord surely blessed us. There were a number saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. God delivered a girl who was demon possessed. Our Sunday School has grown from 10 to 52. Many sick people were wonderfully healed. The attendance was larger than it has been for some time.—Eula Trummell, Pastor.

DENISON, TEX.—Our recent revival with Evangelist and Mrs. M. A. Braziel was a time of blessing to our entire church. Several were saved and are bearing a testimony for Jesus Christ. We also appreciated our evangelists' ministry in song.—E. A. Manley, Pastor.

FARMINGTON, MO.—On Jan. 29 we closed a four-weeks' meeting with Evangelist Fred Brand of St. Louis, Mo. This has been one of the most successful revivals in the history of the church. There were 23 saved and 27 received the Holy Ghost. The entire church was blessed and edified.—J. W. Allen, Pastor.

DOUGLAS, ARIZ.—We became pastor of the church at Douglas in 1946. Since that time we have had a number of good revivals that have greatly benefited the work. The Sunday School attendance increased to 110. God enabled us to build a six-room parsonage, and completed payment 19 months before it was due. The past year we purchased a large army chapel and moved it across country 60 miles. We have placed the chapel in a very desirable location just one and a half blocks from the new high school building.

We have now accepted the pastorate in Chandler, Ariz., and we trust that the Lord will be with us as we labor here.—J. R. Daily, Pastor, Box 402, Chandler, Ariz.

NEW YORK, N. Y.—The Polish Full Gospel Church has recently closed one of the most successful revivals in its history. Evangelist Stanley Karolski of Linden, N. J. was with us for five weeks. The Lord gave us a wonderful visitation of His Spirit. Eighteen were filled with the Holy Ghost, and around 13 were saved. A large number were healed, and some have sent in their written testimonies. The entire church was drawn nearer to God.—Kazimer Fugowski, Pastor.

SOQUEL, CALIF.—On Feb. 6 our Sunday School was one year old. We have increased in attendance from seven to around 40; the teaching staff has increased from one to five. We have recently had a four-weeks' meeting with Evangelist C. E. Watkins. There were a number saved, and others were healed. We were also privileged to have Claude E. Wood with us for two nights. He has a special message for the church, and the Lord blessed us in a marvelous way. The place was filled each night. We praise God for all His blessings to us.—E. Mehringer, Pastor.

CRESWELL, OREG.—We have just closed one of the greatest revivals in the history of our church. The anointed ministry of Evangelist Neale Sheneman, Oxford, Nebr., was a great blessing to the entire church. Sister Sheneman's music, singing, and art work were also edifying. In spite of extreme winter weather the attendance was good throughout the meeting. There were a number saved and filled with the Spirit. Our Sunday School received a boost in attendance and previous records were broken. We surely thank God for the spiritual uplift we have received.—Ward Woods, Pastor.

SALINAS, CALIF.—We have just closed a three-weeks' meeting with Evangelist Claude O. Wood. This has been one of the greatest revivals our church has had. The people were united in Christian love and were sorry to have the meeting to come to a close. We had been praying for months for a revival, and God surely met us. Many were healed, some of them while sitting in their seats. Others were drawn closer to God and received a greater determination to serve the Lord.—Vera Gipe, Secretary, Calvary Evangelistic Church, 245 John Street. (J. R. Vest is pastor.)

SHREVEPORT, LA.—The Glad Tidings Assembly of God recently closed a successful meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. John M. Stallings. There were 14 saved, 10 filled with the Holy Ghost, and many healed. The whole congregation was benefited by the meeting.—Charles H. Miller, Pastor.

MOUNTAINAIR, N. MEX.—We are praising God for the good revival we have had with Evangelist N. Nelson Wright, formerly of N. Kansas City, Mo. The church as a whole was revived. Two were saved, one reclaimed, and two filled with the Holy Spirit. Another was delivered from the tobacco habit and refilled with the Holy Spirit.—R. A. Hunter, Pastor.

TARKIO, MO.—We have had a six-weeks' meeting with Evangelist F. D. Barnett of Mexico, Mo. Many were saved and some received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. We broke our Sunday School attendance record when we climbed to 211. We have had an average of 174 from Jan. 1 to Feb. 12. More new people came to the meeting than ever before.—L. V. Coons, Pastor.

MACON, GA.—We have had a meeting with Evangelists Virgil and Edythe Warens of Calif. A number came to the altar for salvation. Children's meetings were conducted in the afternoons. There were 115 children present at the first service; in five days this number grew to 275. The gospel was presented to them in a unique way. Eighty-three children came forward for salvation, many from non-Christian homes. This gives our church a point of contact in these homes. There were about 40 new children in our Sunday School. We are thankful for the way God worked among the children.—Earl A. Crawford, Pastor.

A MIGHTY REVIVAL IN ANSWER TO DEFINITE DAILY PRAYER

GLASSPORT, PA.—We praise God for His visitation to our assembly. Early last October we began daily prayer meetings. Our objective was to see souls saved, and signs and wonders done in the name of Jesus. These prayer meetings continued for three consecutive weeks. God began to move in our midst. Seventeen souls were saved, all in our regular meetings. Among those saved was one entire family of five.

A son of this family was injured in a sled-riding accident about two years ago. This injury developed into tuberculosis of the tissue. The doctors held little hope outside of an operation. At the end of a wonderful missionary convention in October we prayed for the boy. About a week later his mother took him to the specialist for a check-up and all traces of tuberculosis had disappeared. He is perfectly well today.

The week before Christmas we returned to our daily prayer meetings. We had seen God move in our regular meetings. Now with special meetings planned we were determined to have a mighty visitation from God. Day by day God burdened us for souls, and we spent hours crying out to God. On January 1 Howard Hardt began meetings with us and continued for three weeks. Every morning was spent in prayer, and every night there were hungry souls at the altar. There were 52 who found Jesus as their Savior.

On the second night of the meeting a man staggered to the altar. He had been a drunkard most of his life. He was delivered from the drink habit and has been sober ever since, and living for Jesus. A Catholic woman, who had never been in a Protestant church before, came and found Jesus as her Savior. She took her place among those seeking healing. When it was her turn for prayer, she took a pack of cigarettes from her purse, threw them on the floor, stood on them, claiming victory in the name of Jesus. Not only was she delivered from that curse, but she was also healed of a serious ailment in her chest. The next night she brought her husband, and he was also saved. Throughout the meeting there were a number of men and women who laid their pipes, tobacco, and cigarettes on the altar and took deliverance in the name of Jesus.

There were times when conviction was so great that backsliders and sinners could hardly wait to get to the altar. They came running, weeping, and crying to God for mercy. One evening a young man and his wife, both backsliders, wept their way to victory. On Sunday they brought their five children to Sunday School. The husband told me that his oldest daughter could hardly wait to get saved, and asked that she

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.

MODESTO, CALIF.—Airport Assembly of God, Apr. 2—16 or longer; Evangelist C. N. Burns, Oklahoma City, Okla.—by Ernest M. Adams, Pastor.

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Paseo Assembly of God, 3238 Paseo Blvd., Apr. 9—; Evangelist Eugene Smith.—by L. R. Sturgis, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEX.—Glad Tidings Assembly of God, 310 Enid St., Mar. 26—; Evangelist Warren L. Litzman.—by G. Q. Manley, Pastor.

GRIDLEY, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Mar. 19—Apr. 2; Evangelist Austin Shelton, Weed, Calif.—by Charles L. Elmes, Pastor.

LOUISVILLE, KY.—Calvary Assembly, 2735 S. 4th St., Apr. 5—7; Evangelist and Mrs. Arthur Otteson. (Ernest V. Berquist is pastor.)

GLOBE, ARIZ.—Assembly of God, 125 Haskins Rd., Mar. 19—Apr. 2 or longer; Evangelist Myrtle Wolford.—by B. H. Russell, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Calvary Tabernacle, 2715 W. North Ave., Mar. 26—; Evangelists Frank and Gladys Lummer.—by L. D. Doss, Pastor.

MCCOOK, NEBR.—First Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Mathan Musical Evangelists of Kansas City, Mo. (C. T. Beem is pastor.)

YPSILANTI, MICH.—Apr. 9—23; Evangelist and Mrs. Arthur Otteson. (D. G. Foote is pastor.)

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Bethel Temple, Palm at Jefferson, Mar. 26—; Evangelist George Hayes.—by Henry Hoar, Pastor.

CEDAREDGE, COLO.—Mar. 26—Apr. 9, Evangelist and Mrs. Leo Walker, Ft. Worth, Tex. (D. F. Chaffin is pastor.)

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—Grace Pentecostal Tabernacle, Apr. 2—16; Evangelist H. E. Roberson, Olympia, Wash. (J. L. Roney is pastor.)

BELL GARDENS, CALIF.—Assembly of God, 6801 Bell Gardens Ave., Mar. 21—; Evangelist A. A. Allen.—by Elmo Bowler, Pastor.

FORT WORTH, TEX.—Brookside Assembly of God, 4526 Blackstone Dr., Apr. 2—; Evangelist Everett Burns.—by J. L. Rish, Pastor.

PAULS VALLEY, OKLA.—Assembly of God, Apr. 2—16; Eden Evangelistic Party of Coffeyville, Kans.—by E. L. Van Horn, Pastor.

PONCA CITY, OKLA.—First Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelist Ossie B. Jones, Oklahoma City, Okla. (B. L. Keener is pastor.)

WATERTOWN, WIS.—Assembly of God, Mar. 22—; Evangelist and Mrs. Orrin Kingsriter, Paynesville, Minn. (Harvey Flaherty is pastor.)

ELKHART, IND.—Bethel Assembly of God, Mar. 19—Apr. 9; Evangelist Lloyd Christiansen, Minneapolis, Minn.—by Dale C. Zink, Pastor.

PETALUMA, CALIF.—Meeting in progress; Evangelist Claude O. Wood, Cupertino, Calif.—by Wesley G. and J. Irene Kaufman, Pastors.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Southside Assembly of God, 809 Flagler Ave., meeting in progress; Stallings Evangelistic Family, Shreveport, La.—by L. Wayne Pitts, Pastor.

CLARKSBURG, W. VA.—Carmichael Auditorium, 216 N. 6th St., Apr. 16—30; Evangelist Louise Nankivell, Chicago, Ill. Sponsored by Full Gospel Churches. For information write Russell W. Harvey, 227 Ferry St., Clarksburg, W. Va.

SIKESTON, MO.—Assembly of God, Apr. 16—; Evangelist Carl C. Haas, Tallahassee, Fla. (Jesse E. Smith is pastor.)

CORSICANA, TEX.—Mar. 12—Apr. 2 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. R. Von Kemp, Russellville, Ark.—by Bracy I. Greer, Pastor.

MAYWOOD, CALIF.—Full Gospel Assembly, Slanson and Carmelita, Mar. 26—Apr. 9; Evangelist Willa Short.—by Arthur W. Erickson, Pastor.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—People's Church, Columbia Heights; Youth revival, Mar. 26—; Evangelist and Mrs. Paul Hild, St. Paul Minn. (Douglas Henderson is pastor.)

ADA, OKLA.—Assembly of God, 7th and Hope Sts., Mar. 26—Apr. 9; Evangelist and Mrs. Carl Barnes, Waxahachie, Tex.—by Floyd L. Poag, Pastor.

MOBILE, ALA.—Prichard Assembly of God, 168 3rd St., Mar. 26—; Evangelist Carl C. Haas, Tallahassee, Fla. (J. D. Stevens is pastor.)

WINDBER, PA.—Assembly of God, 1305 Midway, Apr. 2—; Evangelist Emma A. Dickerson, Elizabeth, N. J.—by Alfred Coletti, Pastor.

ARLINGTON, WASH.—Assembly of God Tabernacle, 109 Division, April 19—30; youth evangelist Jim Swanson, Toronto, Canada.—by M. F. Funderburk, Pastor.

LAUREL, MISS.—First Assembly of God, Cor. 14th Ave. and Jefferson St., Mar. 26—Apr. 9; Evangelist Marvin L. Smith.—by Nolan D. Lee, Pastor.

HEALDTON, OKLA.—Sectional Fellowship Meeting, Apr. 6. Services 10:30 a.m., 2:00 and 7:30 p.m. Woodrow Clay, host pastor.—by Floyd L. Poag, Sectional Presbyter.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Bethel Temple, Cor. Lavergne and George Sts., missionary convention, week of Apr. 23 (not Apr. 16 as previously announced).—by Guy Phillips, Pastor.

ABERDEEN, WASH.—Calvary Pentecostal Temple, 702 W. Market St., Apr. 4—23; Evangelists Carl and Edna Goodwin, Pomona, Calif. (A. E. Robeck is pastor.)

CLEVELAND, OHIO—Pentecostal Church, E. 55th St. and Lexington Ave., Mar. 19—; the Wm. Andrews and Fred Henry Evangelistic Party, Seattle, Wash.—by D. P. Holloway, Pastor.

FRESNO, CALIF.—Bethel Temple, 725 Clark St., Mar. 27—; Evangelist William E. (Bill) Long. Thirteen Pentecostal churches uniting in Full Gospel Rally.—by Claude Weaver, Chairman United Pentecostal Fellowship of Fresno.

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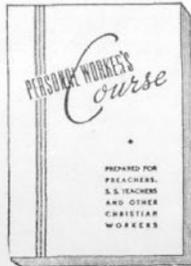


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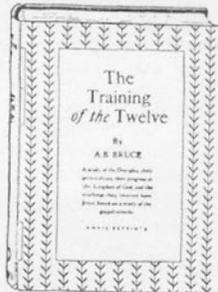


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SOUTH-EASTERN FELLOWSHIP MEETING

A great Fellowship Meeting will be held in the Assembly of God Tabernacle in Pentecostal Park, Abingdon Highway, Bristol, Va. Apr. 11-13. First service Apr. 11, 7:30 p. m. Services 12th and 13th at 10:00 a. m.; 2:00 and 7:30 p. m. Districts participating are: Ala., Appalachian, Ga., Miss., N. Car., S. Car., S. Fla., Tenn., and W. Fla. Students from South-Eastern Bible Institute will sing. A. H. Graves, President of S.E.B.I. superintendents of the various districts, and others will speak. For information write A. L. Chadwick, Box 414, Bristol, Va.—by A. L. Chadwick, Host Pastor.

SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT COUNCIL

The thirty-sixth annual meeting of the Southern Missouri District Council will convene at the Assembly of God, 6th and Summit Ave., Sedalia, Mo., Apr. 25-27. Wesley R. Steelberg, General Superintendent, will speak each evening, beginning with a fellowship meeting Mon., Apr. 24, 7:30 p. m.

The credentials committee will meet all applicants Mon. at 2:00 p. m. Tues. is C. A. Day and all matters of C. A. business will be considered. Opening business session Wed. 9:30 a. m., K. H. Lawson, District Superintendent, speaking. Business to continue through Thurs. Ordination service Thur. 7:30 p. m. For reservations write Pastor George Acree, 1824 E. Broadway, Sedalia, Mo.—by Thomas F. Zimmerman, Secretary-Treasurer.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—Gobel Lawrence, 700 Sierra, Madra, Calif.

NEW ADDRESS—C. C. Wilcox, Box 659, Wolf Point, Mont. "Resigned from pastorate in Appleton, Wis. to enter evangelistic field."

NEW ADDRESS—Homer F. Rugwell, P. O. Box 2620, Ketchikan, Alaska, % Wesley Hanson. "After spending a few months in the States speaking of the great need of Alaska, have returned to carry on missionary and evangelistic work here."

NEW ADDRESS—James M. Reb, Box 280, Biggs, Calif. "Have accepted pastorate of Biggs Assembly of God."

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NOTICE—Philip H. Hawtin, 2607 Santa Monica Blvd., Santa Monica, Calif., is contact pastor in Wadsworth Veterans Administration Hospital, West Los Angeles, Calif., for the Servicemen's Division of the C. A. Department. Parents or other relatives of patients at the hospital are invited to contact Brother Hawtin, should they desire his help in ministering to the spiritual needs of their loved ones.

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CINCINNATI, OHIO—First Christian Assembly, 1224 Race St., Apr. 9—; Evangelists Mark and Huldah Buntain of Canada. (A. B. Crabb is pastor.)

PANAMA CITY, FLA.—Millville Assembly, Apr. 2—; Velmer Gardner Evangelistic Party, Wenatchee, Wash. (J. B. Davis is pastor.)

BUHL, IDAHO—Assembly of God, 703 Locust St., meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. N. D. Shene-man, Oxford, Nebr.— by C. A. Beebe, Pastor.

HASTINGS, NEBR.—Assembly of God, 406 S. Burlington Ave., Apr. 9—; Mathan Musical Evangelists, Kansas City, Mo.—by B. C. Heinze, Pastor.

ALBANY, GA.—Assembly of God, 200 N. Central, Apr. 16-30 or longer; Evangelist Allie Taylor, Plant City, Fla.—by Mrs. J. L. LaGrone, Pastor.

LUZERNE, PA.—Assembly of God, 649 Bennett St., Mar. 26—; Adolphus T. Smith, Eastern District Secretary-Treasurer, speaker.—by J. B. Woolums, Pastor.

EASTERN DISTRICT S. S. CONFERENCES

Williamsport, Pa., Apr. 1, 2. Danville, Pa., Apr. 3-5. Enola, Pa., Apr. 6, 7.

Barnesboro, Pa., Apr. 10, 11; Altoona, Pa., Apr. 12, 13; Lewistown, Pa., Apr. 17, 18. Among the expected speakers: A. N. Chase, District Superintendent; District Sunday School Representative; Sectional Sunday School Representative; Sectional Presbyter; and other ministers of the Section.—Edwin C. Schmid, District Sunday School Representative.

FLEMINGTON, W. VA.—Western Section Potomac District Fellowship Meeting and C. A. Rally, Apr. 3. Services 10:00 a. m. and 2:00 and 7:00 p. m. David W. McCulley, Sectional Presbyter; Louis L. Trotta, C. A. Sectional Chairman.—by Hazel B. OBrien, Pastor.

NEBRASKA DISTRICT COUNCIL

McCOOK, NEBR.—Apr. 4-6; G. F. Lewis, special speaker. Fellowship rally Apr. 3, 7:45 p. m. C. T. Beem, host Pastor. For further information write M. F. Brandt, 1704 W. Division, Grand Island, Nebr.

NORTH DAKOTA S. S. CONVENTION

A state-wide Sunday School convention will be held in Grand Forks, N. Dak. at the Assembly of God Church, Apr. 3-5. W. E. Kirschke, principal speaker. First service Apr. 3 at 7:30 p. m. Services Apr. 4 and 5 at 10:00 a. m., 2:30 and 7:30 p. m. For reservations write R. L. Brandt, 706 4th Ave. N., Grand Forks, N. Dak.—by R. L. Brandt.

SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT COUNCIL

South Dakota District Council will convene in Watertown, S. Dak., Apr. 11-13. W. A. Brown, General Treasurer, guest speaker. Harold Carlbloom, missionary speaker. Services 9:30 a. m., 2:00, 6:15, and 8:00 p. m. daily. Business sessions 10:15 a. m. and 2:45 p. m. daily. For information write G. A. Wacker, host pastor, 201-4th Ave. S. W., Watertown, or W. E. Cummings, District Superintendent, 410 E. 6th Ave., Mitchell, S. Dak.—by W. E. Cummings, District Superintendent.

NEW MEXICO DISTRICT COUNCIL

The eleventh annual New Mexico District Council will convene at Albuquerque, N. Mex., National Guard Armory Building, Cor. 5th and Silver St., Apr. 4-6. Ralph M. Riggs, guest speaker. Opening fellowship meeting Apr. 3 at 7:30 p. m. in First Assembly of God, 1120 N. Second St. For reservations write Paul W. Harrington, 1118 N. Second St., Albuquerque. For information write District Superintendent, H. M. Fulfer, Box 353, Mountainair, N. Mex.—by Irvin E. Smith, District Secretary-Treasurer.

N. Y.—N. J. HOME MISSIONS CONVENTION

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Mar. 31, Faith Pentecostal Church, 105 Market St.

Binghamton, N. Y., Apr. 3, Faith Tabernacle, Conklin and High Streets.

Buffalo, N. Y., Apr. 5, Riverside Full Gospel Tabernacle, 688 Tonawanda St.

Open forum in afternoon, inspirational rally in evening. Robert C. Keetah Jones, Superintendent of Georgia District, special speaker.—by Andrew Rahner, District Home Missions Secretary.