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Editorial

#### Gambling Is Sin

Gambling is morally wrong, financially unsound, and socially destructive. Gambling is sin, for it manifests a desire to profit at the expense of another without giving a return, and therefore it is a violation of the divine law, "Thou shalt not steal."

Is it true, as some would argue, that all business is a gamble? No, business is not a gamble to a Christian who seeks to be a good steward of the Lord's money. He prays for guidance as to how the money should be used, then invests it in an attitude of faith. He trusts in God, not in chance, for a fair return.

Gambling does not pay. Ernest Blanche, a logistics expert of the Army General Staff, has spent a lifetime analyzing wagers. In his new book *You Can't Win* he shows that every system of betting breaks down and fails sooner or later. The mathematical probabilities are always against the better. So-called skill games are really games of chance that even the most skilled players cannot beat.

Dr. Blanche says that gambling always has been and always will be a crooked business. The odds are inevitably against the dice tosser. The roulette operator is ahead of the game before it even starts. Carnival wheels are invariably "fixed." At the race track, only the operators are sure of a gain through the betting. Most of the tickets for the Irish Sweepstakes sold in the United States, he claims, are counterfeit.

Other facts stated in the book are these: The numbers racketeers get from 46% to 55% of the meney wagered by the public. The card "sharper" uses a score of tricks to deceive the amateur. Punch boards pay out less than half of what they take in. You have only 1 chance in 2,000 of getting any money back in a chain-letter scheme or in Pyramid Club participation.

And yet, more than 40,000,000 Americans bet on card games, horse races, slot machines, and other gambling devices. It is estimated that in a single year they spend \$15,000,000.-000 on gambling.

As Christians, should we not warn young people and others against the folly of gambling, and do all in our power to make gambling illegal? Gambling undermines character, and leads to all kinds of crime.

We ought to be alarmed at the recent disclosures of the extent to which gambling has become a commercial enterprise on a national scale. Efforts to legalize lotteries in this country, though unsuccessful thus far, have become more numerous and more insistent.

A bill to permit religious, veterans and civic organizations to conduct games of chance was brought before a special session of the Connecticut legislature recently. We are glad to learn, from *Religious News Service*, that the bill was defeated.

Earlier this year there was a bill before the New York State legislature which would have legalized gambling on major sports. Governor Thomas E. Dewey, in a special message to the legislature, denounced the proposal as "shocking, indecent, and immoral." Said Governor Dewey:

"The entire history of legalized gambling in this country and abroad shows that it has brought nothing but poverty, crime, and corruption, demoralization of moral and ethical standards, and ultimately a lower living standard and misery for all people. I am unalterably opposed." We are grateful for the Governor's courageous stand.

Mr. Dewey said, "These thousands of legal betting rooms scattered conveniently and in large numbers would provide a continuous invitation under the sponsorship of the State to husbands and wives to gamble away money needed for the support of the family."

The gambling bill was endorsed by Mayor O'Dwyer of New York City. The Mayor argued that legalization of betting would open a new source of public revenue; but the Governor said, "It would be an indecent thing for government to finance itself so largely out of the weaknesses of the people."

The Mayor also argued that enforcement of present gambling laws is virtually impossible. That this argument also is untenable is shown by the nation-wide campaign that is now being waged against violators of the gambling laws.

Gambling syndicates reportedly are operating with little interference from those whose duty it is to enforce the laws of the nation, the state, the county, and the municipality. The death of Charles Binaggio and his henchman in Kansas City this Spring helped to turn the spotlight of publicity on the gambling rackets. A special Senate investigating committee has gone into action, armed by President Truman with powers to check the income tax returns of the racketeers. According to the newspapers, the anti-gambling campaign is getting results. Frank Erickson was the first bigtime bookmaker to be brought to trial. He is reputed to be ruler of a gambling empire that takes in \$14,000,000 a year.

Erickson pleaded guilty to violation of the gambling laws. It is significant, in the light of Mayor O'Dwyer's argument that the gambling laws cannot be enforced, to notice that it was in New York State that Erickson has been operating. Let us pray that the curse of gambling will be removed from every part of our land.

#### **Our Cover Photo**

This beautiful church building, located at the corner of Ponce de Leon and Piedmont Avenues in Atlanta, Georgia, was once used by a Methodist Episcopal congregation. It was closed and out of use for six years until Pastor Ralph Byrd and his Assembly of God congregation purchased the building and opened the doors once again for public worship. It was in April, 1935, that Brother Byrd and his family went to Atlanta and sponsored a revival meeting. God marvelously blessed his ministry, saving many souls and dealing with him very definitely to establish an Assembly of God church in Atlanta.

Two successful tent meetings were held, after which a tabernacle was purchased in order to provide a church home for the resulting congregation. The Lord prospered the assembly spiritually and financially. Services were broadcast over the radio each Sunday night. Evangelistic campaigns were conducted during the summer months in tents located in various sections of the city. As a result of these and other efforts, and in answer to much prayer the work kept growing.

In June, 1944, the congregation purchased the Ponce de Leon Avenue church. Since moving into this large building they have completely redecorated the interior, have reconditioned the pipe organ, and have renovated the exterior by steam cleaning process. The last two years have been especially fruitful as the healing power of the resurrected Christ has been magnified. God has shown his miraculous power by giving outstanding healings to scores of sufferers who were afflicted with arthritis, tumors, cancers, and other physical ailments.

As in every Assembly of God church throughout America, the people of the Ponce de Leon Avenue Assembly believe in worshiping God in spirit and in truth. A friendly welcome awaits all visitors. The church is on the air each Sunday night from 9 to 10 o'clock over Station WATL.

Several other Assembly of God churches have been organized in Atlanta since 1935. Six are set in order, as follows:

Bellwood Assembly of God, 689 Chestnut St. N. W. (Clarence Jackson, Pastor).

Grant Park Assembly of God, 318 Cherokee Ave. S. E. (Grover Langston, Pastor).

West View Assembly of God, 2100 Gordan Road (Karl Wooster, Pastor).

Washington Avenue Assembly of God, 478 Washington St. S. W. (Jimmie Mayo, Pastor).

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## The Redeeming Lamb



Harold Lehmann, Missionary to the Gold Coast, West Africa

• IN ISAIAH 53:1-7 we have the Holy Spirit's picture of a redeeming Lamb, the picture of the One whom God was to send in answer to the heart cry of every sinful man and woman. Some people have passed Him by. Some have not seemed to see His grace. Some have looked at the picture and have rejected Him, just as the prophet said they would do. They have shaken their heads, turned away from Him, let Him stand alone. But all the time He was standing there He was bearing their sins upon His own head.

In the past few years I have seen hundreds of sacrifices offered to the fetishes in Gold Coast. I have seen blood flow. Our bungalow is located right next to the fetish grove, a fetish grove just like those they had in the days of Gideon. In there is the sacrificial stone. I have watched as many as 300 people come in one day to bring their sacrifices; have seen the blood poured down over the rock. I have seen the fetish priests stand by with their bloody hands and have seen the people move away with heavy hearts, because the Scripture tells us it is not possible that this blood should ever take away sin.

If there were the barest possibility that the blood shed in the fetish grove would atone for them, or in any way put them in right relationship with God, then you could sit on the veranda watching them go in and go back out again and you could tolerate the practice. But a sword pierces through your heart when you see hundreds of people march in and stand in front of a fetish priest while he takes the offering, stretches the neck of the victim, slashes it and lets the blood run down over the rock while he mumbles out his prayers and calls out the names of the ancestors who have gone. How helpless you feel in an hour of that kind. As a missionary you have tried to declare the presence of Jesus and the preciousness of His blood. You've tried to instill the truth in the hearts of a handful of people, but here are hundreds who have come to offer the sacrifice of

blood. So this thing hurts until you feel you can't stand it any more, until everything inside of you hurts, until it feels as though you are being pressed in, and you wonder what the release of it all will be.

When I get up in the morning and look out the window, I see the fetish grove. When I walk through my yard, there isn't any place on the compound where I can't see the tall trees of the fetish grove. It seems to be a silent reminder right alongside the mission station that there are still people who are shedding blood and getting no remission of sins. Yet God's Word tells us that without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sins. There is an offering for sin and Jesus made it once and for all. I've seen how His precious blood can change and transform the lives of men and women. Oh, I thank God for that tonight. Thank God for the gracious revival that seems to be moving out in certain sections of our field at the present time, particularly in the Ashanti area.

I thank God for the gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Literally hundreds have been baptized in the Holy Ghost in the Gold Coast. The blood of Jesus Christ is a covering over the hearts and minds of people in that area. The precious blood prepares the human heart to



receive the gracious indwelling presence of the Holy Ghost. So, I thank God tonight that there is power in the redemption that comes to us through the bleeding, dying Lamb.

So many things in Gold Coast are much like those in Old Testament days and in Jesus' day. Take, for an example, the people who stand around receiving greetings in the markets. We have people in Africa who spend their whole day in the market greeting other people. The market will go over to another center next day, and if you go over there you will find the same, identical people. They didn't bring anything to sell and they didn't bring any money to buy. They just came over to receive greetings in the market place. It is a nice job, but it doesn't pay very well!

We have strange funeral customs in Gold Coast. I never did understand the funeral customs of the New Testament times until I went to Africa. Remember how a young man came to Jesus one time and said, "Let me go first and bury my father." Jesus looked at him and said, "Let the dead bury the dead; you come and follow me." Down deep in my heart I felt that Jesus was a little severe; surely the least He could do was to let the boy go back and bury his father. I found after I got to Africa that when a man dies they put him in his grave, but they never have his funeral in less than three months, and sometimes it is three years after. Jesus knew that if the young man waited three months or three years he might never follow Him.

Not only that, but in our particular part of the country, after a funeral service the relatives are absolutely bankrupt. Funeral feasts are prepared until everything is gone. Then when all the food is gone, the people go home, and all that is left is the bill of expenses. Usually a son will end up having his father's whole family moving in with him, too. We knew a young man who suddenly, overnight, had over thirty relatives to care for. After you see what a burden a funeral can bring, you begin to understand why Jesus said, "Let the dead bury the dead; you come and follow me." These customs and others have helped me to understand certain truths that are in the Bible.

This message was preached at Central Assembly, Springfield, Mo., on Sunday evening, Dec. 18, 1949. Stenographically reported and revised by Brother Lehmann.



There is one custom with which I want to deal particularly and that has to do with the redemptive lamb. It is a remarkable custom. John the Baptist said, "Behold the lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world." Look at Him! Look at Him while He is bearing away the sin of the world. A few disciples were turned to Jesus as He walked, and they followed Him. They followed Him but misunderstood Him. They followed Him and saw Him heal the sick and heal the blind. They saw Him cast out devils. They saw Him multiply the loaves and fishes. They listened to the gracious words that came out of His mouth. They saw Him command the elements. They saw in Him all of those things which would make Him God. They revelled in the strength and authority and might and power which He was exercising in that day; and yet Jesus' entire purpose in coming into the world at that time was to draw the world back to God.

Christ's mission was not to startle men with His miracles. It was not to heal the sick. He didn't come only to do that. He came into the world to seek and to save that which was lost. His one purpose in entering into the world was to do the thing that nobody else could do. He came to redeem lost men and women. I think we should stop and ponder this once in a while. Sometimes we put this thing last instead of first. Jesus came to the world to do what no religion could do. He came into the world to do the thing that only blood—His blood—could do.

One of our native workers, was raised in the Ashanti area. When he grew up, he went over into a section called Togoland and set up a little store. He prospered until he was able to buy liquor. Then he drank it all away and lived a terrible life. While he was there, word came that his uncle had died. They sent a special message to him and asked him to come back. In this area, if you fail to come back to visit the home, bring a piece of cloth for the widow, a few shillings for all the men in the family, a few pennies for the children of the home, move around among the relatives and show your respect, then you are testifying to the whole community that you have defrauded the person who died, and that you are afraid of his spirit. They believe his spirit will come back and trouble you if you have defrauded him in any way. This young man refused to go home. Finally, his own father sent his older brother with a special message. Again he refused, and said, "I'm getting along all right. I don't need to go home." To do that was to thrust himself out of the family. He had rejected every connection with his own home.

He lost everything and went up into the north. It was there that he was converted. After he gave his heart to God he decided that he wanted to go home. Then he suddenly realized that he didn't have any home or family. He was outside. He realized that he had not fulfilled the custom and it was actually dangerous to go home. He might be beaten and driven out of his own village. And yet he had that desire to go back, now that he had found Christ.

So he returned to his village. Outside of his village he waited until a little boy was passing. He called the boy and asked him to get his elder brother to come out into the bush and meet him. His elder brother came out to meet him, the one who had previously pleaded with him to come back home and respect his father and do the custom of his people. He said to him, "I want to come home again." All his brother would say to him was, "You know the customs of the people. Are you prepared to do the customs of the people?"

He stood there awhile and wondered what to do. Should he do it or not? Then he said, "I'll do it. I'll be here tomorrow morning. I want you to gather my father and his family together and intercede with them. Tell them that I am willing to come back. Tell them I am preparing the custom of our people."

The next morning at the appointed hour he came back to his home village. He had a sheep yoked around his neck and he had hold of the front and the back feet. He dropped down upon his knees and crawled through the village on his knees with a lamb across his neck and knelt outside his father's door. You remember how the Lord said to Cain, "Sin coucheth at the door." Genesis 4:7. Rotherham renders it not "sin" but "sin bearer." This is the very custom in Africa today. The sin offering coucheth at the door.

The young man could hear them talking. The people along the streets of the village had seen him coming on his knees and they knew he was trying to be received back into his home. They were whispering here and there up and down the village. There he knelt outside his father's door yoked with the lamb, waiting, waiting, waiting. Finally, he said he heard them coming out through the gate, past him, out into the street. Still he knelt there with the lamb over the top of his shoulders.

He said, "You will never know what was going on inside my heart. Would they receive the lamb? Would they accept the lamb? Or would they return and fling the lamb from me, and then beat me and drag me out of my village? What would they do? Finally my father returned, stooped over, lifted the lamb off of me and spoke my name. Oh, what a thrill went through my heart when my father took that lamb. It was like a burden that was lifted off of me that very hour. He accepted the lamb in the place of all my transgressions."

I believe this picture shows how Jesus came into the world and died for our "Behold the Lamb of God, which sins. taketh away the sins of the world." God the Father laid upon Him the iniquity of us all. God, looking upon that perfect Lamb, caused all of our sin to be laid upon Him. Now the holy, just God reaches down to sinners and takes the sinless Lamb in the place of all our transgressions and forgives us. Hallelujah! This is the picture of the Lamb of God. This is the way a man is reconciled with his Heavenly Father. This is the way a man is received back into the family of God. This is the reward for coming back yoked to the Lamb of God.

I would like to present Him to you tonight—those of you who have not yet confessed Jesus, those of you who have not humbled to His will. It may mean humility for you to come down to an old-fashioned altar and kneel. Oh, it would be worth it all if you were compelled of the Spirit of God to get out in this aisle and come on your knees every inch of the way until you fell upon this mourners bench tonight, crying before the Lord and pleading nothing but the merits of the Lamb of God.

When the Lamb of God died He effected complete reconciliation and brought me back into the family; back into fellowship with my Heavenly Father. I think you can understand why it is that the Lamb has become the theme of my song. I think you can see how it is that the Lamb of God is meant to be a covering for your sin tonight. Jesus Christ is God's Iamb. He is God's way, God's provision for you.

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# "Lord, You're Hearing a New Voice"

#### SAID STUART HAMBLEN, HOLLYWOOD RADIO STAR

• THIS IS THE FIRST time I've ever been in this kind of meeting. I have been here in California for 21 years and never knew what real peace of heart was until I accepted Jesus Christ as my Saviour on October 18th at 4:30 in the morning.

I have been walking on air, thanks to my wonderful Lord. Our radio program now is different. The morning after I was converted I told my bunch of cowboys, "I want to inform you that we have a new Sponsor. The next man to mention alcoholic beverages on this program will be fired."

We did have a beer account then and realized that we couldn't kick it off. But we gave notice on it immediately and now it is off the program.

God called me to preach when I was 14. I have cheated Christ all these years. feel ashamed when I think of that. Yet I realize that Moses was 80 when God called him to serve Him. On October 20th I was 41 years of age. Today I am less than a month old spiritually; but oh, what a month. The longer you walk with God the more wonderful it is. I don't know where I've gotten all this pep, but there sure has been lots of it. I never lost so much sleep as I have since becoming a Christian. I used to get a little sleep, even when I was nightclubbing. But now I really feel good in the mornings when I get up.

I am selling my horses. If someone had told me a month ago I would be selling my horses, I would have said to him, "You are crazy." But I didn't go near those horses for two weeks after I was converted.

I love everybody in this world now and want Christ to use me in any way He can. When the news spread up and down Hollywood boulevard that I had hit the sawdust trail, the odds were 100 to one that within 30 days I would take a drink or do something else wrong. In a week they were down to 20 to one, then 10 to one. Now you can't even get even money.

I know that many people were praying for me. As I started to attend the revival meetings, I started to feel physically sick. I knew that God was dealing with me about my soul. When it came time for the last weekend of the campaign, I felt that if I could hold out until it was over I'd be okay. The devil was working with me. My voice went bad, and when a friend suggested we go up into the mountains to hunt bear, I accepted right away.

When I left, these friends who were praying for me prayed that the weather would be bad and that I would come back. When I got there my friend did not show up. I slept poorly. I felt sick. I knew that the prayers of those people went right over the mountain to me. I asked God, "Why punish me this way?"

When I was out hunting, a bad storm set in. Snowflakes as big as quarters swirled in on us. Then it started to rain. After doing something I rarely if ever do—punishing my horse by riding him hard—I made it back to the trailer, got the horse inside, and started home. When I got home on Sunday afternoon my wife said, "Has God spoken to you?"

That Sunday night was to be the final night of the campaign. I said to myself, "You can hold out." The devil added, "You'll be okay, just hold out." I never felt so proud of anything in my life. I was going to hold out. That night the music at the tent was terrible. When Billy Graham started to talk, I said to myself, "He doesn't know what he is talking about." I was mad inside at the altar call. But when it was all over I said to myself, "Boy, I made it."

Then they made the announcement one more week. I was sick all over in a few seconds.

That night I stopped at a cocktail place to see a man about some money he owed me. I had cocktail No. 1, then cocktail No. 2. The band in the place sounded awful. Then as I left the place and got into my car an unseen Stranger got in with me. I had told God that if I ever was to be saved I wanted to be shaken from the bottom of my boots to the top of my head. God reminded me in that car through that unseen Stranger that I had my last chance. I began to shake and to tremble.

When I got home, I called to my wife to get out of bed. She called, "What's wrong?" I told her I didn't know, but that I wanted to pray with someone. I insisted on calling Billy Graham, even though it was 3:30 in the morning. My wife said, "He's tired—we can't bother him." But I reminded her that he was responsible for the way I felt, so at 3:30 a.m. we called him. Billy said, "Thank God, come on right down."

When we got there, I wanted to pray right away, but Billy made me promise first that I would give up all of the wicked things in my life. At first I said no. Through my mind went my race horses. When you have won \$50,000 on a race horse in a matter of two minutes, you do some thinking before giving it up. Billy didn't enumerate a thing to me. God pointed them out. When I finally said,

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. . . and now people are hearing some new songs.

• STUART HAMBLEN probably is the best-known convert of the great tent meeting in Los Angeles last fall. His radio program, "Stuart Hamblen and His Lucky Stars," was heard on Warner Brothers radio station KFWB in Hollywood each day from 4:45 to 6:00 p.m.

Not only did he earn a fortune in the radio world. He won large sums on his horses, too. In 1936 he won the Western championship rodeo title before 35,000 people in Gilmore Stadium, Los Angeles.

Since his conversion last October, he has travelled throughout the country speaking to large crowds at revival meetings and Youth for Christ rallies. Hundreds have professed conversion in his meetings. Now his radio entertainment days are over. His final broadcost at KFWB attracted a thousand people to the studios, and left as many more standing outside in the rain singing, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." As many others drove by in disappointment, until there were traffic jams.

Before he was saved, Hamblen wrote hundreds of popular songs. One number, which sold by the tens of thousands, was entitled, "I Won't Go Hunting With You, Jake, But I'll Go Chasing Women!" Now that he is a changed man, he is writing songs of a different kind. Some of the titles are, "Lord, I Pray," "He Bought My Soul on Calvary," and "It Is No Secret What God Can Do." The chorus of one song goes as follows:

"Each year that rolls, I'm nearer to His side: I know that Christ will always be my Guide: I breathe His name each time I see a tree— On one He bought my soul at Calvary."

Stuart Hamblen's address is Arcadia, California. His testimony appeared in **Youth** for Christ Magazine (copyright) and is reprinted here by permission.



Tamil Bible Institute students and faculty, Madura, South India. Members of faculty identified are: R. Stanley Shaw, extreme left; Oliver L. Foth, Brother Benjamin and Sister Benjamin, center, front row.

# For the Tamil-Speaking

#### Mr. and Mrs. Oliver L. Foth, South India

• MADURA, South India, a city of 500,000 people, is known as "India's temple city." In the center of this great metropolis is located India's largest Hindu temple, the famous Meenakshi Temple, to which thousands of pilgrims from all over India flock each year.

Madura itself is situated in an area half the size of California, known as the Tamil country. In this section there are more than 25,000,000 Tamil-speaking people, living in 25,000 cities and villages.

Very little evangelical work is being carried on in the area apart from that being done by Pentecostal missionaries and national workers, and there are only nine Assemblies of God missionaries and twenty Indian Assemblies of God workers at present. Thousands of villages have no witness of the saving grace of God. Only recently the leaders of a near-by village came to us and said, "In living memory no one ever came to us and told us about Jesus Christ until you came." Millions are without any knowledge of our Savior in the Tamil country. Who will take them the message?

We could not begin to send enough missionaries to meet the need. Even if we could the cost would be prohibitive, but we can do something else—national pastors and evangelists can be trained to reach their own people.

The work of training national pastors and evangelists already has been started. Two years ago a coconut grove was purchased as a site for a Tamil Bible Institute. There was an acre and a half in the tract. Since then classrooms and a small dormitory have been built on the land, accomplished through contributions of friends. Two years of Bible School work have now been given. The first year fifteen fine young men and women were enrolled; this past year twenty-five were enrolled.

Tamil Bible Institute is located on the edge of Madura, just two miles from the great temple, and affords unlimited opportunities to the students for practical gospel work.

Soon the first graduating class from the school—we are offering a three-year course will have gone to unevangelized towns and villages, but they constitute only a small percentage of the Pentecostal young people who feel the call of God on their hearts to get Christ to their own people. Lack of dormitory space prohibits our accepting all the would-be evangels of the Cross for training. Two more dormitories are needed.

Will you do your part to help the South Indian young people to acquire the training in God's Word which they need in order to become messengers of salvation to the 25,000,000 Tamils?

Six thousand dollars would finish the Tamil Bible Institute. Since millions may never have the opportunity of hearing the gospel unless more space is provided we are soliciting your help.

Send your offerings designated, "Tamil Bible Institute" to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

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#### FOREIGN MISSIONS DISBURSEMENTS For May, 1950

| Belgian Congo \$ 2,428.66    | Chile 1.320.00              |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Dahomey 4,835.21             | Colombia 1,179.00           |
| Egypt 3,444.95               | Paraguay 230.00             |
| Gold Coast 9,219.33          | Peru                        |
| Liberia                      | Uruguay 571.78              |
| Nigeria                      | Venezuela                   |
| Nyasaland 6,739.83           | American Samoa 253.12       |
| Sierra Leone                 | British West                |
| Union of South               | Indies 4,468.44             |
|                              | Burma                       |
|                              | Fiji Islands 1,318.75       |
| Upper Volta 11,576.78        |                             |
| China 8,152.04               | Hawaiian Islands 2,085.54   |
| Ceylon 3,066.40              | Indonesia 1,864.77          |
| India 24,026.81              | Japan 4,479.59              |
| Europe 6,198.43              | Malaya                      |
| Palestine and                | Philippine Islands 5,678.83 |
| Near East 953.74             | Entertainment of            |
| West Indies 6,623.05         | missionaries 859.26         |
| Mexican Work in              | General Trans-              |
| United States 1,221.79       | portation 11,326.78         |
| Mexico 1,751.08              | Retired Mission.            |
| Central America 5,777.81     | Retired Mission-<br>aries   |
| Argentina 1,801.03           | Spanish Literature 225.04   |
|                              |                             |
| Bolivia 1,337.83             | Miscellaneous 10,858.97     |
| Brazil 3,180.56              |                             |
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| Council Foreign Missions     |                             |
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| Total Disbursements          | 172,139,49                  |
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| Total Receipts               | \$171,535.00                |

### The True LIGHT

In a letter written from the Woodstock school in India, Mrs. S. T. Beckdahl tells of a Hindu boy being saved: "Praise the Lord for a little Hindu boy who gave his heart to Jesus two days ago. It was some time after *lights out* that I felt led to talk to him. He is seven years old, but cried so, as together we knelt by his bed and asked Jesus to come into his heart!"

# Converts Winning Others

#### From a letter from Alice F. Stewart

Alice F. Stewart writes from Central China: "The Lord has encouraged our hearts of late as we have seen souls drawn to Him. The farmers are in their wheat harvest at the present time and I am reminded of what Jesus said, 'Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.' It is surely harvest time in the spiritual in China.

"We turned our living room into a chapel a few weeks ago. The interest and attendance has been increasing all the time. Last Sunday we had about 80 out. We have 52 applications for water baptism, but have only passed 41 of them. Last Sunday we had three meetings especially for the benefit of the baptismal candidates.

#### EXTRA! PATRON SAINT STOLEN! EXTRA!

#### Mrs. Walter H. Haydus, Costa Rica

"Why are the soldiers registering all the cars at the bridge?"

"Haven't you heard?"

"Heard what?"

"Our patron saint was stolen from her pedestal last night."

"She was? But why would anyone steal her?"

"No doubt because of her gold and jewels."

"I suppose you know that she was not originally crowned with gold and studded with jewels—not when a little child found her centuries ago at play. The child played with her new-found 'dolly' until she was tired. Later when she would have picked her up again she had miraculously disappeared. When the great cathedral was erected in the 'dolly's' honor she again appeared—this time, however, with the crown of pure gold, and the precious jewels which she now wears."

"Yes, I know that. Once before a man tried to steal her, but as he carried her, it is said, he sensed that she was becoming heavier and heavier. When he could no longer carry her because of the weight, he placed her at a church door. She is surely alive and must have great power!"

Three weeks after the idol disappeared this time, the thief was found. Costa Rica, which does not appear on the surface to be religious, was greatly perturbed. Many wanted the criminal killed, though capital punishment is not practiced in the country.

Can we stand idly by when such idolatry exists?

"You may wonder how it is that we have so many new converts in such a short time. Here is the secret-the young converts are bringing others to the Lord. Our hearts have been made to rejoice as we have seen them work. Two who have been especially active are tailors. Usually tailors in China slave away at their work both day and night. These men, however, not only come to the Sunday service and the week-night meetings but of their own accord they have started cottage meetings on Thursday and Saturday afternoons. They testify to their people and pray for the sick. God graciously healed a woman through their prayers even when she did not know that they were praying for her, and now she and her husband have turned to the Lord and are among those who are to be baptized. Do pray that the Lord's hand will continue to rest upon the two tailors, that He may be glorified.

"We do not have any place to baptize the folk so Nathan Ma will be baptizing them for us at his baptismal service on Saturday.

"Shortly after we started using our living room for a chapel we had to open the sliding doors leading into the hall. At the rate the attendance is increasing now, all available space will soon be filled, and what then? Do pray that the Lord will give us a proper building to accommodate these hungry souls, and that we may be able to feed them the spiritual food that they need.

"We would like you especially to remember our Chinese co-workers. Pray that God will move in their hearts, also in ours, so that the Holy Spirit can have His way and there will be nothing to hinder His working in the hearts of the lost.

"We praise the Lord for the health and strength that He has given us, and for the privilege of working for Him at this time in China."

Progress Seen

#### Paul R. Weidman, Gold Coast

• WE ENJOYED our trip back to Africa on the AMBASSADOR. It was indeed a privilege to be able to come back by *our* plane.

Since being back we have been inspired with seeing how the Christians at Bawku have carried on during the two years we have been absent, when they have been without a missionary. We found a large increase in the attendance at services. The new church at Bawku has been dedicated since we returned to the field. The nationals built the church without any prompting by missionaries. They were so proud of their





Mrs. S. Wendell Cole S. Honduras

S. Wendell Cole Honduras

product, and so pleased that we approved of their work !

At the beginning of the Bawku dedicatory service we heard singing in the distance and in a few minutes quite a group came in sight. They were believers from a town six miles from Bawku where we had started an outstation. The people had walked all the way to be with us for the service and to add their testimonies to those of the local Christians.

The chief of the Bawku area who had persecuted the believers is now dead. The present chief is a good friend of the Mission.

We will not be working at Bawku this term, but will be taking up work at Accra. There is much to be done there in the local church and in the surrounding villages.



Mr. and Mrs. S. Wendell S. Cole, missionaries to Honduras, have returned to the field.

Raymond I. Sanders, missionary to Upper Volta, French West Africa, is critically ill. Prayer is requested for his recovery. The Sanders have just returned to the field.

Alice Ruth Melching, missionary to the Philippine Islands, returned to the States in June for a furlough.

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Mr. and Mrs. Arnold C. Weston have returned home on furlough. Their field is Gold Coast, West Africa.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Flattery, W. Franklin McCorkle, Leonard M. McNutt, and Henry I. Dahlberg are attending the Summer Institute of Linguistics at Norman, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Maynard L. Ketcham, son, and daughter, have arrived in the States from North India.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Gutel, missionaries to Egypt, are on their way home.

Send all foreign missionary offerings to FOREIGN MISSIONS DEPARTMENT 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo. **Comments on Next Week's** 

Sunday School Lesson

#### GOD'S PROMISE TO DAVID

#### Lesson for July 16

#### 2 Samuel 7:4-9, 12-16

Today we have for consideration one of the greatest and most far-reaching promises in the Word of God. Before considering the same, let us take a look at him to whom the promise was made.

We find David in full possession of the Kingdom, his enemies subdued. v. 1. This gave him time for meditation. How much we miss by not taking time for meditation. Many are too busy. There is little time for quiet in which God might bring to our attention thoughts which are from Him.

As David sat at rest in his own house, he thought of the "house of God," the sanctuary, which continued in its tent as it had ever since it was erected by the people during their wanderings in the wilderness. David thought, "If I have a good house, why should not the Lord have a house fitting for Him?" As he thought, he communicated his desire to Nathan the prophet. Nathan agreed, saying, "Go, do all that is in thine heart; for the Lord is with thee." v. 3. Here we have an example of natural reasoning. Nathan was speaking after the natural man. It sounded well, but it was not the mind of the Lord.

#### I. Nathan Is Set Right

Nathan had advised David in what seemed to be exactly the proper manner. Then during the night something happened. How often the natural activities of body and mind crowd out the will of God. Busy Nathan had given encouragement as seemed good to the natural man. God had to communicate truth to him in the night, when He could find Nathan quiet, relaxed, and receptive. v. 4.

When the word of the Lord came, it revealed the humbleness of God. Israel had been pilgrims in the wilderness, living in tents, and God had been happy to go along with them, dwelling also in a tent. "I have not dwelt in any house since the time that I brought up the children of Israel out of Egypt, even to this day, but have walked in a tent and in a tabernacle." v. 6. From this let us learn that God is with us wherever we are, whether our lot is one of poverty or plenty. He loves to dwell with His people, to share their lot with them. Would that we realized this more.

#### 2. God Appreciates Consideration

God is the embodiment of humility. Let us remember that the greater we are the less we care for show and the exaltation of self. It is the small person who is vain.

At the same time, God appreciates consideration. He inhabits the praises of His people; He is grateful when He sees them

#### by Ernest S. Williams

show an interest in His cause. Whatever we do for God will not go unrewarded. When David desired to build a fitting house for God the Lord gave Nathan His thought in the matter. It was no longer Nathan's human judgment. It was now a "thus saith the Lord." How much higher is God's thought than our best human opinions. David wished to enter into a covenant to establish a permanent home for the ark of the covenant; therefore God wished to reveal a covenant that He would enter into with David.

#### 3. God's Covenant with David

The remainder of our lesson will be devoted to this covenant. We find the covenant to be unconditional. That means that nothing can prevent its final fulfillment. The kingdom of David would be established forever before the Lord. v. 16. In Psalm 89:35-37 the covenant is confirmed.

When Solomon became king, his enjoying the covenant was conditional. "If thou wilt walk before me as thy father David walked . . . then I will establish the throne of the kingdom. . . . But if ye . . . turn from following me . . . then will I cut off Israel." I Kings 9:4-7. We find the kingdom divided soon after the death of Solomon. I Kings 12. Then the ten tribes were taken into captivity. 2 Kings 17:6. Later Judah also went into captivi-

ty. 2 Kings 25.

#### Promises of the Kingdom Renewed

Through Isaiah the Lord promised the kingdom to one who would be David's son according to the flesh, but the Son of God in deity. "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder . . . upon the throne of David." Isaiah 9:6, 7. In Isaiah 11 the prophet sees the glory of the kingdom, as he does in Isa. 2:1-4. Jeremiah speaks of Jerusalem as "the throne of the Lord" (Jer. 3:17) and describes this blessing as coming under "The branch of righteousness to grow up unto David." Jer. 33:14-26. See also Amos 9:11-15; Hosea 3:4, 5.

#### 5. Promise of the Kingdom in the New Testament

Gabriel, in announcing the birth of Christ, said, "The Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David . . . and of his kingdom there shall be no end." Luke 1:32, 33. When the King came, riding on an ass into Jerusalem, He was rejected (Matthew 21) and crucified as "King of the Jews." Matt. 27:37. The King, however, still lives. He is "the root and the offspring of David" (Rev. 22:16) and is coming again. Acts 1:11.

During the time of the king's rejection, Jerusalem is to be trodden down of the Gentiles. Luke 21:24. Does it not appear that the time for the King's return is near at hand? Do the Jews not again have their capital at Jerusalem? They do not as yet have possession of the site of the ancient temple, this being in the hands of the Moslems. How soon they may secure this site, no one at present can say. They need it in order to restore their sacrifices. Israel is but one of the many signs now present that indicate the soon return of the King.

#### 6. When the King Comes

When our Lord Jesus comes to reign, He will come first to the Mount of Olives, at a time of great Jewish distress (Zech. 14:4), accompanied by "all the saints." v. 5. Is this not further re-vealed in Rev. 19:11-20? And what about the time? It takes place after the marriage supper of the Lamb. Rev. 19:6-9. The dispensation of the Church will then have come to an end. The rapture and the wedding will then have taken place. 1 Thess. 4:13-18. Jesus as King of kings and Lord of lords, followed by the saints, comes to put down the rule of Antichrist, to bind Satan (Rev. 20:1-3), to establish the kingdom, and to reign in righteousness. It is at this coming that the Jews shall look on Him whom they have pierced, and receive Him as Savior and King. Zech. 12:9 to 13:1. "Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

#### THIS WEEK'S LESSON

The Ark Brought to Jerusalem (Lesson for July 9). Lesson text: 2 Samuel 6:3-12.

#### A GREAT DAY COMING



THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL



Our older boys smile for the camere over their dessert. (Below) Up early in the morning to milk the cows, for children need plenty of milk. Carolyn and Dale wistfully plead, "You will keep this nice home open for us, won't you? We have no one else to love us."

# Our Family of 73

Our National Children's Home is a beehive of activity these days, with school out and children romping over the hillsides of the campus. We believe we have the finest group of boys and girls to be found anywhere—bright, beautiful children, just brimful of friendliness and gratitude for this lovely home and the workers who make it "home" to them.

"Where did these 73 children come from?" you may ask. They have come from some of the most heart-breaking circumstances one could imagine. The Lord has given them to us to rear for His service, and our hearts yearn to do our best for them. You would want to help, too, if you knew the needs of the children.

For instance, what is your reaction toward the little boy who saw his mother murdered by his father? His mother dead—his father in the penitentiary—doesn't your heart go out to the little fellow that he might be given a chance in life? And outside a place like our National Children's Home, where could he be given the loving care and Christian understanding his little heart needs? Here he is being loved by godly workers, educated in public school, well clothed, fed and helped to overcome the handicap which blights so many children who faced tragedy in their tender years.

This story in variation could be repeated over and over again as we review the circumstances which have placed the 73 children in our National Children's Home.

Then there are the winsome, pink babies, cooing their satisfaction with life at the home, who will never know their own Mother and Daddy. One wonders how parents could part with the smiling cherubs, but some have been deserted. Others have been orphaned. In either case, they are ours now to rear in the love of God.

We wish you could meet our older boys and girls—those who have been in the home for several years—saved, filled with the Holy Spirit, and who are developing beautifully in the Lord. Greater strength of character and Christian poise could scarcely be expected in children of our best Pentecostal families. Every dollar invested in them is already bringing its gain, and only God knows the fruitfulness of these lives in years to come.

We are sure that our Sunday Schools and C. A. groups would like to become acquainted with some of the individual children. Would you like to "adopt" one of them, to feel that "Jimmy" or "Jean" is your particular friend? Twentyfive dollars a month will provide for a boy or girl in the home. You would be delighted to have a large picture of a child, knowing that you were responsible for that boy's or girl's care, sending a gift on his or her birthday, at Christmas and other occasions. There are endless ways in which you could take one of these children to your heart, and find a new thrill and joy in doing it. For a picture and full particulars, write directly to the National Children's Home, P. O. Box 1017, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

These children love to attend church, and would appreciate it so much if they could be in the Sunday evening evangelistic service at the local assembly. But when Sunday evening comes, they and the workers remain at home because there is no transportation. The home, about three miles out of Hot Springs, is served by the Sunday School bus Sunday mornings, but there is no way to take the children to church at night. A station wagon would be the solution, but no money is available to purchase one.

The minimum budget is over \$2,000 a month for food, clothing and current operating expenses, and less than this amount has been coming in lately, so that there is a real financial crisis at the home at this time.

Another special need is a dairy barn. Four

fine cows have been given to the home, but there are no funds to build a barn. This is absolutely necessary in order that the children may have wholesome milk. Will you please pray earnestly about these needs and let the Lord direct you in your giving. Used clothing is not needed at the home just now, but offerings are desperately needed to carry on the work.

Send your offerings "For the National Children's Home" to the Department of Benevolences (Fred Vogler, Director), 434 W. Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri. PLEASE HURRY!

#### NEWS IN BRIEF

The sum of \$1,300,000 which was earned by conscientious objectors in public service camps during the war, is still in the Government's "frozen fund." A bill to give the money to the CARE program of sending technical books to libraries overseas was defeated in the House of Representatives.

The famous missionary airplane *St. Paul*, a C-47 transport, has been sold by the National Lutheran Council because of the occupation of China by the Communists. Almost all the missionary agencies of China benefitted by this plane's years of service.

Argentina formed a national Youth for Christ organization in April. It is the fifteenth country to form a national organization as a part for Christ International, which now sponsors rallies in 61 countries.

Two Evangelical pastors in Dusseldorf, Germany, have recently returned from the USSR after being granted unexpected pardons from sentences of 25 years hard labor. To mark their return, their parishes held services of thanksgiving.

Dr. William Evans, author and Bible teacher of international repute, died at his home in Los Angeles on May 21 at the age of 80.

Percy Crawford's weekly television program, "Youth on the March," is now seen by between five and ten million people over 17 television stations. It costs approximately \$5,000 each week for this half-hour gospel telecast.

Geographical boundaries between the Northern Baptists and Southern Baptists are fading out. The Northern Baptist Convention has broadened its scope by changing its name to the American Baptist Convention.

The Southern Baptist Convention has not changed its name. However, it has been infiltrating the Northern ranks. There are now a number of Southern Baptist churches in what was formerly considered Northern Baptist territory, and in May the Southern Baptists invaded the north 10,000-strong to hold their annual convention in Chicago.

A ten-million-dollar memorial is to be erected in Washington, D. C. It will consist of four buildings in a quadrangle; there will be three distinct chapels, one for each faith (Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish), and a fourth building to contain offices of the Military Chaplains Association.

The Protestant Voice (Fort Wayne, Ind.) has been sold to the newly organized Protestant Publishing Corporation which plans to publish a weekly newspaper on a national basis. To be known as *The Protestant World*, the new paper will be published in New York City after August 1.



#### By Charles E. Robinson

Any of these books may be purchased from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield 1, Missouri. Kindly order by number and title.

#### THE LITTLE WORLD OF HOME

By Wilfred and Frances Tyler (Broadman Press, price \$1.50). Number 3EV1938.

This book describes the ideal home, and how to approximate it with God's help. It would be invaluable for close study for those forming a new home or those planning for one. It is wise, spiritual in its application, and very readable.

#### KOKO AND THE ESKIMO DOCTOR

By Basil Miller (Zondervan Publishing House, price \$1.00). Number 3EV1876.

This story of adventure of a doctor and Christian worker is set in northern Greenland. While the characters and their names may be fictional, yet the setting, conditions, and reactions of the Eskimos to the gospel of Jesus Christ are evidently true.

This book would be good for either boys or girls from early teen-age on, and should have a place in the Sunday School library.

#### THE TABERNACLE

By Edmont Hains (Zondervan Publishing House, price \$1.50). Number 3EV2649.

I believe this is the best account I have ever read of the Tabernacle and its spiritual teaching in an abbreviated form.

It would be splendid for devotional reading, for any Christian desiring to be more appreciative of Jesus and the plan of salvation, and for ministerial students, pastors, and evangelists. It would be a valuable addition to any home library.

#### SUNRISE IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL

By Dale Crowley (Van Kampen Press, price \$2.00). Number 3EV2634.

This is a collection of many radio messages that the author gave from two large radio stations in Washington, D. C. They are really sermonettes, unusually splendid.

Many ministers, knowing their time is short and the message large, try to "pack" in a few minutes so much truth that the result is an outline difficult for an uninformed listener to understand. This author avoids that. The Scripture from which he speaks is fully dealt with, yet in a manner that will grip the interest and heart of the hearer.

On the other hand, he does not confine his remarks to only one phase of the subject, thus presenting a distorted view.

The book could be well used as devotional or inspirational reading by any adult.

#### ROMANCE IN THE JUNGLE

By Ethel Matson (Zondervan Publishing House, price \$2.00). Number 3EV2392.

This novel is set in Brazil. It makes clear the way of salvation and surrendered life by relating in detail the lives of the heroes and heroines.

It is interesting geographically and commercially, as well as spiritually. It would be a valuable addition to either a home or a Sunday School library.

#### SPEAK FOR YOURSELF

By Jessica Somers Driver (Harper and Brothers Publishers, price \$2.75). Number 3EV2552.

The author gives guidance for speakers in social situations and on the platform. The instructions deal with physical and mental poise, as well as the manner of expressing ideas.

While it is in no way a religious book, it could be studied by any speaker to advantage.

The fact that the speaker is not, primarily, to put forth the idea, but to let it come forth through him after "listening" to it, can be applied to a Sunday School teacher or minister, especially, as *he* would be "listening" to the Holy Spirit.

#### YOUTH PROGRAMS FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS

By Ruth Schroeder (Abingdon-Cokesbury Press, price \$2.50). Number 3EV2941.

This book contains thirty-five inspiring and dramatic programs for worship services for the church young people.

The programs are varied and the instructions are given in detail. The subject matter and its treatment are on a high spiritual and intellectual plane.

A wide-awake, deeply spiritual leader of the young people's groups would doubtless prefer to use the book as suggestive, adapting it to the local group and its needs. Too, they would wish to add that which would reveal the person and presence of the Holy Spirit more clearly.

#### BIBLE STORIES FOR LITTLE FOLK

Author unnamed. (Universal Book and Bible House, price \$1.25). Number 3EV2962.

This book consists of stories from both the Old and New Testaments, plainly written for young people just prior to and in early teen-age. The numerous small illustrations are quaint and instructive but without artistic value.

While it clearly teaches the Scriptural moral, yet it is not too "preachy." It could be read to younger children and would be a useful addition to the library.

#### UNTIL THE DAY BREAK

By Sallie Lee Bell (Zondervan Publishing House, price \$2.50). Number 3EV2797.

The scene of this highly interesting novel is laid in the days of John the Baptist. It tells of the death of both John and Jesus.

The story forcibly brings out the kind of man Jesus was in a way that strongly increases the reader's love for Him.

Interwoven with this story is a closeup of the life of a beautiful high-minded girl who was sold by her father as a slave to Herod. It is a love story in which the lovers are subjected to indignities and griefs that make the reading of it very thrilling. There is a plot against the lovers, to have them thrown to the lions.

The book will have a strong influence for good on young people who read it.

#### OLD TESTAMENT STUDIES

#### Volume 1

By William R. Newell (Moody Press, price \$3.00). Number 3EV2160.

It is difficult to write a worthy review of this book. To give a correct idea of its extraordinary excellence cannot be accomplished in this short space.

It is definitely a study book. It has made me determine to rearrange my busy schedule to find time to study the Bible under the guidance of this book. The author tells of such explicit and attractive ways to study it that, after reading the Bible for over sixty years, I can see



(and ) I have

Brother Robinson served as Associate Editor of The Pentecostal Evangel for twenty-two years. He retired from office duties on October 1, 1947, but he still reads books for the Publishing House at his home in Springfield. On August 2 this honored servant of the Lord will be eighty-three years of age.

how little I know about its deep and amazing message.

Here is a quotation from the book: "Lesson on chapters 37-50. Read all of these chapters at least 12 times, till you know them." The author wants the readers to study the Bible as they have never done before, and what he says will make them eager to do so.

#### FRUIT FOR TOMORROW

By Francena H. Arnold (Zondervan Publishing House, price \$2.00). Number 3EV1490.

This is really a great story that can be recommended in the highest terms to unmarried people of teen-age and older. It could easily have been entitled, "The Conquest of a Soul." It is homey and pictures the situation in a family where God is really served in the beauty of holiness by every one.

It is as full of eager interest in wondering how matters of the greatest moment will come out, as any detective story. It is, I think, fully as interesting and holds the attention as well as the most popular novel Grace Livingstone Hill ever wrote.

### The Lord's Healing

#### ASTHMA AND MISPLACED VERTEBRA HEALED

In February, 1944, I became ill and was under a doctor's care. I had spells when it seemed I would lose my breath. The doctor finally told me that I had asthma. Then I had gallstone attacks. I was given shots to relieve pain and to help my breathing. I went to the University Hospital in San Francisco once a week for three or four months to find the cause for my sickness, but they were unable to find anything.

I was unable to do much work, and at times had to be dressed as my breathing was completely shut off if I raised my arms. One morning in the summer of 1947, I started to prepare breakfast but I had a severe attack of asthma. I sat in a chair from 8 a.m. until 1:30 a.m. the next morning. My husband was working on an evening shift, and about 8:30 in the evening I thought every breath might be the last. My two oldest children became frightened. I told them to call the doctor, but he was not in. My son rode his bicycle to the church and requested prayer for me. After the service our faithful pastor, George W. Clements, and his wife and another lady came and prayed for me. I received some relief but was still unable to lie down. When my husband came home he called the doctor, and he said that all he could do would be to give me a shot to relieve my breathing.

In my heart there was a praise for what the Lord had done, and every day there was something more for which to thank the Lord. I began to gain strength, and my neighbors marveled that I was able to do all my work.

Later I began to work in a cannery. One day while sorting tomatoes, something seemed to say, "Do you know what has happened to you?" I said, "Yes, the Lord has healed me, and made me able to work. Lord, you are so wonderful!" That has been over two years ago, and I am still well and able to work.

Just a year ago the Lord healed me of a misplaced vertebra while I was being prayed for. Oh, it is wonderful to know God!—Mrs. Alice East, Route 1, Box 351, Pittsburg, Calif.

(Pastor George W. Clements of Pittsburg, Calif., states that God undoubtedly performed a wonderful work in Mrs. East's body, and that her back does not give her any more trouble.)

#### HEALED OF GALL BLADDER TROUBLE

In January, 1949, my husband contracted mumps from our son. The disease caused an inflammation of the gall bladder. He had not believed much in healing by faith, but one Sunday night as we were sitting in the service our pastor's wife felt led to call for those who were sick to come forward for prayer. My husband jumped up and went forward, and God really touched his body. He had some trouble after that, but he was prayed for again and has had no more trouble. Praise the Lord!

God also healed me of gallstones after I had vomited for ten days.—Mrs. Earl R. Ellis, 1550 Victoria, Highland, Calif.

(This testimony is verified by Pastors George D. and Sara L. Scott, 1749 E. Baseline, Highland, Calif.)

#### HERNIA OF LONG STANDING HEALED

I suffered intense pain from a twelve-inch hernia. After 18 years of suffering I was operated on, in 1931. The doctor had to take 19 stitches. In three months' time the hernia tore loose again. At times I thought I would lose the use of my right leg.

I went to Tolleson, Ariz., to a revival that Evangelist Richard E. Jeffrey was conducting. I had been prayed for before but only received temporary relief. But this day I felt that God had given me the assurance that I would be healed. When I was prayed for the hernia disappeared. The next day I helped my husband load  $2\frac{1}{2}$  yards of sand. I threw in a shovel full of sand every time he did. That proves what God can do.

I had to wear glasses in order to read, but the Lord healed my eyes also.—Grace Wall, Box 1026, Wickenburg, Ariz.

(Pastor O. W. Killingsworth of Tolleson, Ariz., verifies this testimony.)

#### LIVER DISORDER AND ABNORMAL APPETITE CORRECTED

I had a stubborn liver disorder and excessive gaseous condition. My afflictions resulted from habitual overeating, especially of sweets. I tried my best to cut down my eating, but I would become so ravenously hungry I would break away from my good resolutions. My physician gave medicine to reduce my abnormal appetite, but this brought only temporary relief. About every six weeks I would suffer a severe bilious attack. I had pains under my shoulders and through my chest. My eyes felt as though they would pop out of their sockets from the pressure in my head. My whole body, mentally, physically, and spiritually, was affected.

In November, 1949, Evangelist Harvey Mc-Alister was holding a meeting in the First Assembly of God in Fort Worth, Tex. Prayer was offered in my behalf. From that time I would go to the table feeling just as hungry as before, but after eating moderately, I would feel satisfied. Very little food, with scarcely any sweets, satisfies me now.

In December I was prayed for again and all hurting in my chest and shoulders ceased instantly. The excessive gaseous condition has completely cleared up. Brother McAlister suggested that I spend one hour each day alone with God in prayer and meditation upon His Word. This has proved a source of inspiration and strength to me.—Mrs. Lottie Chenault, 515 Flint, Fort Worth, Tex.

(Pastor L. L. Norville of Fort Worth says, "Sister Chenault's testimony is true to facts and still holds good. She is working hard every day and she informs me she is feeling just fine. She has had no attacks since she was healed three months ago."

#### CANCER HEALED

Cancer had spread through my entire body. The doctors said there was no cure, and that they could do nothing for me as it had gone too far. Praise the Lord, nothing is impossible with God. On December 4, 1949 I was prayed for in the William H. Freeman meeting in San Francisco, Calif. Eight weeks later I went back to the same doctor for a check-up and he said every trace of the cancer was gone. He also said that only God could do a thing like that.

My husband was also healed of stomach trouble and sinus. He has not had a sign of it since. We are thanking God for healing us.— Mrs. Mavis Graham, Box 51, Port Chicago, Calif.

(Mrs. Graham's father, Jens C. Jensen, Pastor of the Assembly in Napavine, Wash., verifies this testimony. In his letter written almost five months after his daughter was healed, he states that she is still well.)

#### COLLAPSED LUNGS HEALED

In 1942 I was in an automobile accident, and my chest hit the steering wheel. I did not have very much pain at the time and did not know that my chest was injured. About six months later I had acute bronchitis and had much difficulty breathing. I could not breathe while lying down. I went to the hospital for X-rays and skin tests. They said I had bronchial asthma and gave me serum to use, but this did not help me.

I went to another doctor, and after X-rays were taken, he told me I had four ribs loosened from my backbone, and a few of the knuckles were out of place. One of the knuckles was pressing on the nerve leading to my lungs. This caused the upper part of my lungs to collapse.

In January I was prayed for in the Mal Kerr meeting in Kitzmiller, Md., and the Lord wonderfully healed me. I went home from that service and threw all my medicine away. It has been several weeks now and I still retain my healing.—Thomas Beeman, St. Mary's Terrace, Lonaconing, Md.

(This testimony is verified by Pastor Harold Kohl of Kitzmiller, Md.)

The famous author and brilliant editor, H. L. Mencken, a confirmed skeptic, made the following statement: "All I desire to point out is that the New Testament offers precise and elaborate specifications of the events preceding the inevitable end of the world, and that a fair reading of them must lead any rational man to conclude that these events are now upon us."

### The Pentecostal Work in Canada

#### A brief sketch by David J. du Plessis, Secretary of the World Fellowship of Pentecostal Churches

Last summer it was my privilege to spend almost two months in Eastern Canada. I shall never forget the glorious old-fashioned evangelistic camp meetings at Braeside (near Paris, Ontario). From very small beginnings this camp has grown until now thousands gather there for the week-end services. More souls were led to the Lord in 1949 than in any previous meetings on these campgrounds.

About 150 miles northeast I came to the other great Ontario camp at Cobourg. It is beautifully situated on the shore of Lake Ontario, and when one sees the multitudes gather in the fine new tabernacle which seats 1600, and which is situated within a stone's throw of the lakeshore, he cannot help thinking of the days when Christ walked on the shores of Galilee and taught the multitudes. While Braeside Camp excelled in the number of souls saved, the Lakeshore Camp was outstanding for the scores who were baptized in the Holy Spirit. The Pentecostal Assemblies of God have a dozen such camps in their fellowship, and last summer every one reported greater revival and more glorious results than in any previous year.

There are over 400 independent assemblies and 100 branch assemblies in the voluntary cooperative fellowship of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. This great Canadian fellowship operates through eight District Councils. There are over 450 ministers and almost 100 foreign missionaries supported by these assemblies. For the past year the Home and Foreign Missions Department handled just under \$300,000. This is four times as much as the offerings were ten years ago. Praise the Lord! The Full Gospel Publishing House at Toronto did over \$100,000 worth of business and this is more than four times as much as in 1929.

Besides the five Bible Schools in Canada, the Canadian brethren have an interest in schools in British West Indies, Argentina, South Africa, Liberia, and Kenya Colony. The missionaries sent out from the Canadian assemblies can be found in all these fields and also in China, India, Mozambique, and Southern Rhodesia.

Foreign-speaking groups in Canada have not been neglected. The number of workers in these fields is as follows: German 20, Slavic 16, French 15, Finnish 10, Italian 5. The Frenchspeaking work in the Province of Quebec is rapidly developing into a strong District Council but they still operate under the supervision of the Missions Department. Since most of the schools in Quebec are definitely Roman Catholic, the Montreal Christian Academy has been opened for the Pentecostal children. Berea Bible Institute takes care of the training of French-Canadian workers.

C. B. Smith, a very humble man of God, is General Superintendent of the Canadian Assemblies. He is very ably assisted by C. M. Wortman who is Secretary and Treasurer. The active Missionary Secretary is George R. Upton.

The devoted Director of the Sunday School and C. A. Department is James Montgomery. In the Full Gospel Publishing House the congenial Manager, Alex Bathgate, is always ready to serve. These splendid brethren have their offices in the Headquarters Building at 50 Euston Avenue, Toronto, Ontario. May God bless all the hospitable saints in Canada.

CAMP MEETINGS IN CANADA THIS YEAR June 30-July 16, Braeside Camp, Paris, Ont. July 4—16, Sylvan Lake Camp, Sylvan Lake, Alta. July 9—23, Manhattan Beach Camp, Ninette, Man. July 16-30, Kirkland Lake Camp, Kirkland Lake, Ont.

Ont. July 18—30, Living Waters Camp, Watrous, Sask. July 23—Aug. 6, Lakeshore Camp, Cobourg, Ont. July 25—Aug. 6, Camp Evangeline, Truro, N. S. July 30—Aug. 13, Manitoulin Camp, Manitoulin Island, Ont. Aug. 1—13, Nelson Camp, Nelson, B. C.

#### OUR COLORED PENTECOSTAL BRETHREN

David J. du Plessis writes : "Recently I visited the great annual convocation of the Church of God in Christ, which is a Negro Pentecostal Movement. They claim to have over a million members in the United States. It is the largest Pentecostal group in the world as far as I know. At the head of this work is Elder Charles Mason, who received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit in the early days of the revival in Los Angeles.

"These dear people are holiness people and are very strong on their standards of holiness. They have their own peculiar method of church organization. Their headquarters are at Memphis, Tenn.

"After I had explained to them the idea of a spiritual Pentecostal world fellowship, the brethren asked Elder Mason what he thought of it all. The dear old black face lightened up with a smile and he said, 'Many years ago the Lord promised me this would happen. Now the man of God has come to bring us the message that it is taking place. This is from the Lord.' I expect that at the next World Pentecostal Conference we shall have quite a large delegation from these colored brethren.'

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#### THE REDEEMING LAMB

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While I was pastor of the First Church of Oakland, California, I was called to the room of a man who was dying and who didn't know he was dying. I talked to him and he said, "Oh, I'm all right. I know all about this." He was 68 years of age. He said, "Don't get overwrought, young man. I used to play the organ in Nova Scotia in the old church. I know all the old hymns and I know the prayer book. I'm all right." I didn't tell him he was dying, but I kept trying to press the claims of Christ upon him. I finally knelt in prayer with him and we sang,

"Abide with me, fast falls the eventide. The darkness deepens, Lord with me abide."

#### WITH CHRIST

Sister Waldon, wife of L. O. Waldon, went to be forever with her Lord on Saturday night, June 10, 1950, following a very brief illness. Sister Waldon was State President of the Women's Missionary Council in Louisiana. Her husband is pastor of Central Assembly of God, Monroe, La. and Secretary-Treasurer of the Louisiana District Council.

I got up and went out, a little defeated. The next day I thought, "He may die. He doesn't know he is going to die and I must go back." He was surprised to see me come the second day. He looked at me and said, "You act as though you are worried about me." I said to him, "Mr. ----, did you know that it is essential for you to turn your eyes upon Jesus and really look at God's dear Son, look to the Lamb of God, believe on Him in your heart?" He said, "I've known those things all my life." That day I asked for the privilege of prayer and he said, "If you want to pray, all right; I don't care." I got down on my knees and prayed for him. Then I began to sing,

"Turn your eyes upon Jesus;

Look full in His wonderful face: And the things of earth will grow strangely dim.

In the light of His glory and grace."

Two days later I came back. He had suddenly changed. He was going out of this life and he knew it. I went to his bed and he could hardly whisper any more. I went up close and said, "Mr. ---, how is it?" He looked at me for a moment; then he smiled and said, "The things of earth have grown strangely dim." All he could remember of my visit were just those words. I said to him, "Mr .----, is there anything I can do?" He looked at me for a moment and said, "I've believed on Him. Will you sing,

'Just as I am without one plea,

But that Thy Blood was shed for me, And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee,

O Lamb of God, I come.'

I can't sing it myself, but I'll say it while you sing it."

One thing I can remember clearly is that man reposing his faith during the last breaths of his life in the Lamb of God which took away the sin of the world. You don't have to wait that long. The Lamb of God has already been offered. He is presenting Himself to The precious blood has already been vou. presented before the Heavenly Father and we have the assurance that He will accept it. The Father will accept the Lamb. Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved. Come to the Lamb and let His blood speak for you. My wife sings a song they used to sing in Texas years ago:

When called to the Judgment at last, And life is all ended and past,

Oh, what will my answer then be

With no one there pleading for me? But I have an Advocate pleading for me

'Tis Jesus, the Christ, who died on the tree. And when I stand there I'll make but one

plea. "Lord Jesus, you answer for me."

Will you let Him answer for you? When He speaks, He speaks forgiveness. When He speaks, He speaks eternal pardon. When He speaks, all is blotted out. Let Him speak for you.

#### "LORD, YOU'RE HEARING A NEW VOICE"

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"Okay, I'll give them up," down on our knees we went. Billy prayed, Grady Wilson prayed, and my wife prayed. When it came to my turn, the first words I said to my Lord were,

"Lord, you're hearing a new voice."

And then I heard the heavenly switchboard click!

When I was through praying, it seemed as though I heard God say, "Yes."

I phoned my friends and told them what had happened to me. I called my mother in Abilene, Texas, and told her, "Mama, I've been converted." A few days later, that 73-year-old woman who had feared airplanes flew here to her son to tell me how happy she was.

Sacrifice? There's no sacrifice at all! Since I gave my heart to Jesus Christ I haven't wanted to go to the race tracks. I have no more desire for those things. I go to bars, but only to witness to people. I love those people, and am so burdened about the people in Hollywood and Los Angeles.

In one bar an announcer said to me, "Still got the sawdust on your knees, Hamblen?"

God led me to say, "I sure have, and I'd like to die with sawdust on my knees."

I don't know, a lot of religious words. In my life I have done practically everything that everybody else has done. I've been a sinner But a man can be born again. I know, for it happened to me at 4:30 a.m. on October 18, 1949, in Los Angeles.

And now, Alcoholics Anonymous is a flashlight battery compared to the dynamo I'm hooked up with. It's Boulder Dam.

#### OUR COVER PHOTO

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Assembly of God Tabernacle, 301 Capitol Ave. S. W. (Paul F. Cook, Pastor).

Scottdale Assembly of God, Ponce de Leon Ave. and Aldridge St. (Hubert Brown, Pastor).

Three other churches that have been started more recently are the Sylvan Hills Assembly of God, 1630 Evans Drive (Calvin Acreman, Pastor), the Lakewood Assembly of God, 2129 Bicknell Drive (J. C. Ellis, Pastor,) and the College Park Assembly (S. W. Skelton, Pastor).

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### Among the Assemblies

SALEM, ARK.—Some of our people have prayed for the last several months for God to send a revival. Recently God changed the plans of Evangelist James T. Anderson of Seymour, Ind. and miraculously sent him our way. We sensed that it was of God, so started our meeting at once. God richly blessed. A few were saved or reclaimed, and the saints were built up in the Lord. Several had a real touch in their bodies. Some were also delivered from the tobacco habit. We are thankful to God for His moving in our midst.—Mrs. Glenna Byard, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEX.—For the past four years and nine months it has been my privilege to pastor the Airline Assembly of God. The blessing of God has rested upon the church in a marked way. The parsonage has been completely rebuilt and enlarged, a two-story 15-room educational building has been erected, opera seats have been bought and the church auditorium has been improved. The Sunday School is completely departmentalized. The attendance in Sunday School and the church membership has tripled. The church is in good spiritual condition, and new people are seen in almost every service. I humbly thank the Lord for the work that has been accomplished. God has laid on my heart the burden for the evangelistic field, and I have resigned my pastorate and am entering the field June 18th.— James W. Drush, Pastor. ROUND MOUNTAIN, CALIF.—We are thanking God for the privilege of taking over the Sunday School here. The Sunday School has been carried on faithfully for five years. We have an average of 45 in attendance. We are expecting great things from God, including a new church. —Kenneth and Marjorie Holaday, Pastors.

TULSA, OKLA.—We had a four-week revival with Evangelist J. B. Oaks of Oklahoma City, Okla. There were between 35 and 40 conversions, and a number received the Baptism. Each message was mightily anointed by the Spirit of God. The church has been greatly blessed and encouraged. The revival fires are still burning.— J. R. Keith, Pastor, North Utica Assembly of God.

McALESTER, OKLA.—Evangelist and Mrs. Phil Johnson of Tulsa, Okla. conducted a threeweek revival. There were blessed results. Eleven were saved 7 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 8 baptized in water. Fourteen were received into the church. Our evangelist's ministry was a blessing to every department of the church.—L. H. Arnold, Pastor.

WATERTOWN, S. DAK.—Evangelist W. B. Leonard of Yakima, Wash. recently concluded one of the most successful meetings we have ever had. Approximately 28 came to the altar for salvation. A number were wonderfully filled with the precious Holy Spirit. Our evangelist's dynamic ministry came forth without fear, favor, or compromise.—Grant A. Wacker, Pastor.

PELICAN RAPIDS, MINN.—We are happy to report the Lord's blessings upon our labors. We had our opening campaign in the City Hall in July, 1948. Over 25 years ago the Pentecostal work began here, but no church was established. The saints were praying for their own church home and the Lord graciously answered. The Free Evangelical people made us a gift of their vacant church building 12 miles out in the country. We purchased a lot, built a basement foundation, and moved the church on it. We are now in the process of remodeling. The church has been set in order by the Assemblies of God, and the Sunday School has been in operation for over a year. The Women's Missionary Council is progressing.

We are resigning the work here, effective about June 1st, for full time evangelistic work.—Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Urdahl.

SAN DIEGO, CALIF.—We have been blessed with the ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. Ralph Wilkerson in a special "Ambassadors' Advance" campaign. Although special emphasis was laid on youth, people of all ages attended. There were at least 18 young people who sought God for salvation, besides those of other ages. Many of these young people had not been in our church before the revival. Every night our evangelists had some special feature for youth, including their singing, and Sister Wilkerson's piano solos. On Saturday nights we had a great street meeting, followed by a rally for the Navy men.

We are also delighted with a recent Sunday School attendance of 1016, which is almost twice any previous record. We are grateful to God for His glorious blessings.—by Gene Martin, Pastor. FT. WORTH, TEX.—We had a meeting with Evangelist Everett Burns of Fort Worth, Tex. This was one of the best revivals our church has had in many years. Fourteen were saved and 6 received the Holy Ghost. Our Sunday School reached the highest attendance that we have had since I have been pastor.—Leo A. Chappell, Pastor, Holton City Assembly.

CAIN'S CHAPEL (near Quinlan, Tex.)—We had the Franklin Evangelistic Party with us for a few nights. Several were saved, and three received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. The church in general was built up by our evangelist's straightforward messages. His children's singing and music was an inspiration to us.—W. L. Cain, Pastor.

Near HOUMA, LA.—We thank the Lord for the 10-day revival with Evangelist O. W. Newman of Durant, Okla. There were several saved or reclaimed, and the people have been drawn nearer to God. The communion service near the close of the meeting was a great blessing to all; there were 65 present. J. F. Jett is pastor.—by Lydia Authement, Church Secretary, Bayou Blue Assembly.

OSKALOOSA, IOWA—We had a successful revival with Evangelist Eugene Smith of Cheyenne, Wyo. A goodly number were saved, and 26 were filled with the Holy Ghost. The revival is continuing, and people are being saved in our regular services. The ministry of our evangelist was a great blessing.

We closed our V.B.S. June 9th. The total enrollment was 225. Over 20 were saved, quite a few of whom were teen-agers. Mrs. J. O. Howard of Knoxvill, Iowa, supervised the school.—Max Johnson, Pastor.

SUNRAY, TEX.—We had a successful revival with Evangelist Louie Shultz of Blytheville, Ark. There were 29 saved, 23 received the Holy Ghost, and 36 were baptized in water. Many of those saved were new people who had not been coming to the church. Many were healed of various afflictions. We are thankful for what the Lord has done.—W. F. McCleskey, Pastor.

MARION, ILL.—We had a revival with Evangelist W. Leo McClure of Georgia. There were two outstanding conversions. One was a man 75 years old who had never been saved. He was a murderer and had served 14 years in prison. The other was a blind lady who has been searching for real salvation for over 20 years. The revival continues in our assembly.—Howell Kelly, Pastor.

WINCHESTER, VA.—We are praising God for the revival fires that are burning in and around Winchester. We are in the fourth week of meetings with Evangelist Leroy K. Dodge of New York. God has been blessing in a marvelous way. A goodly number have been saved, several reclaimed, and 36 filled with the Holy Spirit. Several have been healed. Our Sunday School has increased, and our record attendance is 130.—T. J. Kerfoot, Pastor.

BAGDAD, FLA.—Our Christ's Ambassadors had a four-night youth meeting, and the Spirit of God began to fall. Evangelist Robert Rogers, a Baptist minister whom God gloriously filled with the Holy Spirit, felt an urge to continue this meeting for 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> weeks. Wonderful things took place. There were 41 saved, 16 received the Holy Ghost, 29 were baptized in water, and 25 united with the church. Most of these were C. A.'s. Our Sunday School broke all previous records with 184 in attendance. We are now erecting a new Sunday School building.—T. E. Gilbreath, Pastor.

FARGO, N. DAK.—Since we came to Fargo nearly five years ago, we have seen a fine increase in Sunday School. We had a record attendance of 330 on Mother's Day. Our church attendance has also increased. Last fall we had a four-week meeting with Evangelist W. B. Leonard of Yakima, Wash. God blessed in every service. Some were saved, healed, and baptized in the Spirit.

In April, the American Soul Clinic of California was in our city. Several of the evangelical churches cooperated. Ten of the meetings were held in our church. Many were saved at this time.

Recently we had a meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Eddie Lother of Winnipeg, Canada.

During the three weeks several were baptized with the Holy Spirit, and some were saved.

Our broadcast, "Gospel in Song," is heard daily, Monday through Friday, at 9:45 a.m., and on Sunday at 9:00 a.m., over station KFGO, 790 kc. This program is a great blessing to the people in this part of the country, and also to our own church.—Milton Barfoot, Pastor.

VICTORIA, TEX.—"And there was great joy in that city." The city of Samaria was made joyful over the same things which recently caused hundreds of people to flock to the large tent here. Evangelist Charles B. Dobbins, Fort Smith, Ark. was with us for 4½ weeks of meetings. Scores were saved and 45 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Many were wonderfully healed of various afflictions. Outstanding, undeniable miracles of healing occurred. One woman received perfect hearing after 18 years of partial deafness. A two-year-old girl, whose body had not functioned properly for six months, was healed. One man had a cancer drop from his body after he was prayed for. Many were delivered from sinful habits. Several Catholics surrendered their hearts to God. Our church has been greatly blessed by this campaign.—Willis E. Berry, Pastor.

WESTWEGO, LA.—We have just closed the first revival in our new church that God has so marvelously helped us to obtain. This building was estimated by the engineers as of \$100,000 value. There is only a small indebtedness on the building and it is about 75% complete. We are trusting that we will be able to complete it in the near future.

Evangelist Gayle Jackson was with us in this meeting, and God gave us one of the most glorious revivals that has ever come to this part of the country. Approximately 450 people went to the prayer room for salvation. Night after night God's power was present to heal the suffering and diseased people. Many miracles of healing were performed in cripples and in those who had crossed eyes, heart trouble, and numerous other afflictions, of which we have personal testimonies.

Among those healed was a 67-year-old man who was partially lame for eight years. He had to be assisted into the church, and almost lifted up to the platform. God instantly touched his body when he was prayed for, and as he walked from the platform you could definitely see his steps getting better. The next day he was able to walk without a cane or assistance, and also to ride a bicycle. He hitch-hiked about 70 miles back to church to give his testimony. A two-year-old baby was healed of an enlarged heart. The doctor's X-ray showed that the baby's heart was perfectly normal after prayer had been offered.

One of the high points of the revival was the night a 102-year-old man was gloriously saved and healed. He is now a regular attendant and member of our church. Several who found God during this meeting have gone on to be with God.

During the entire meeting, 150 or more received the Baptism. We received 84 members into the church. This doubled our church membership, and our Sunday School attendance was also doubled.

This city is 92% or more Catholic, according to statistics recently given us. We believe this to be the beginning of a great move to spread the Pentecostal message in the vicinity of New Orleans. -L. D. Wells Jr., Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEX.—The South Houston Assembly of God held its annual business meeting in May. S. W. Williams, who has been serving as pastor for the past 15 months, was elected for three years. Church and Sunday School officers were also elected.

The membership has grown and the building program has advanced. The Sunday School attendance has increased from an average of 118 to 283. Recently we purchased a Sunday School bus. The past year we completed a large Sunday School building, as well as enlarging the church auditorium. God has blessed the church financially, and our offerings for foreign missions have increased.

We have had a number of revivals the past 15 months and the Lord has blessed in each. In the last meeting 18 were saved and 25 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Wm. Edwin Miller, Secretary-Treasurer.

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REEDLEY, CALIF.--We recently had a blessed meeting with Evangelist Thomas B. Don Carlos of Petaluma, Calif. A goodly number were saved, healed or filled with the Holy Spirit. The last Sunday of the meeting 20 followed the Lord in water baptism, and 20 came into our church fellowship. We feel that this meeting has been a reaping time. In previous meetings we have had Sermons in Science, a union meeting with Dr. Bob Jones, Sr., and campaigns with Evangelist Kenneth Schmidt and Evangelist Cyrus Johnson. We praise God for this wonderful time of re-freshing from the Lord.—A. H. Drake, Pastor.

### **Coming Meetings**

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

FREDERICKTOWN, MO.-July 9-; Evan-gelist James Eastman, Springfield, Ill. (Odis Virgin is pastor.)

LONE PINE, CALIF.—Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelist William T. Hol-comb. (M. H. Rogers is pastor.)

FORT WORTH, TEX.—First Assembly of God, 1424 Hemphill St., meeting in progress; The Musical Eskelin Family.—by Leonard Norville, Pastor.

CENTER, TEX.—Assembly of God, 419 Car-roll St., July 23—Aug. 6; Evangelist Hardie Weathers, Houston, Tex.—James P. Wood, Pastor.

SISSETON, S. DAK.—Assembly of God, July 5—26 or longer; Evangelist John F. Hauck. (D. H. Waggoner is pastor.)

BEDFORD, PA .- Bethel Pentecostal Church, meeting in progress; Skondeen Evangelistic Party, Olympia, Wash.—by W. C. Burr, Pastor.

LOVELAND, COLO.—7th and Washington Sts., July 5—16; Evangelist and Mrs. Bennie Harris.—by R. G. Gilbert, Pastor.

ELKHART, IND.—Bethel Assembly of God, tent revival, 1231 Cassopolis St., July 9-Aug. 6; Evangelist A. A. Allen. (Dale Zink is pastor.)

PANAMA CITY, FLA.—Millville Assembly, meeting in progress; Evangelist Harvey McAlister. —by J. B. Davis, Pastor.

COLUMBUS, GA.—Bealwood Assembly of God, 3913 Hamilton Ave., July 9—23 or longer; Evangelist Tom Gray, Modesto, Calif.—by B. W. Flanagan, Pastor.

IRON MOUNTAIN, MO.—Fellowship Meet-ing, Flat River Section, July 11. Services 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.—by J. W. Allen, Sectional Secretary-Treasurer.

WORTH, TEX .- Annual Riverside FORT FORT WORTH, TEX.—Annual Riverside Camp Meeting Revival, corner Maurice and Eagle Dr., July 9 for one month, in open air; Evangelist Harvey Mitchell of Oklahoma. Spon-sored by Bethel Tabernacle and Riverside Assem-bly of God.—by Russell Michener and Elbert Wilkingen Pasters Wilkinson, Pastors.

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