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#### UNITY-FALSE AND TRUE

According to Bible prophecies concerning the end of this age, we may expect to see federations of every kind. In Matthew 13 Christ taught us that the weeds are to be gathered together and bound, and in every realm the bundling is going on today. In the industrial world we have the great corporations bundle. In the labor world there is the powerful trade-unions bundle. In the international realm we see the bundling going on through military alliances and the United Nations. In the religious realm it is the church federation bundle, which may eventually include Romanism and every false cult. Our Lord said that the bundling would be for the burning.

If the bundling is going on now, we must be very near the time of harvest; for it is at harvest that the bundles are gathered, and according to the Scriptures the harvest is at the coming of our Lord. You remember the story. Jesus said that the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, but the enemy came while men slept and sowed weeds among the wheat. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. The servants said, "Shall we go and gather them?" The Master said, "No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. Let both grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'

A significant event occurred a few days ago in Cleveland, Ohio. Representatives of most of the large Protestant denominations met for the constituting convention of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. The new organization includes 25 Protestant denominations and four Eastern Orthodox bodies, with a combined membership of 31,183,227

Eight large interdenominational agencies, including the Federal Council of Churches. the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, and the International Council of Religious Education, have submerged their separate identities in the one new superbody.

Among those who refrained from joining the new National Council were the Pentecostals, the Holiness denominations, the Southern Baptists, a large section of the Lutheran Church, and a number of other evangelical groups. The Pentecostals are not opposed to Christian unity. We believe in the basic unity of all true Christians and we see the need of demonstrating that unity to the world. We are as anxious as anyone to see the prayer of our Lord Jesus Christ, "That they all may be one," fully answered. However, we do not believe that the National Council's plan is the answer to that prayer.

Our Lord did not pray for an outward

unity expressed in an imposing organization. He prayed for that spiritual unity among believers which is the expression of their common love for Him. His illustration of the unity He desired is that relationship which exists between Him and His Father. This unity can only be experienced by regenerate believers, and not by a great sprawling worldly organization composed of believers and unbelievers, the regenerate and the unregenerate, spiritual worshipers and ritualists.

Donald Gee has pointed out the fact that

## A Call to Prayer

As we go to press on November 30, the international outlook is very dark. The possibility of averting another world war, a holocaust which may be more widespread and more terrible than any conflagration mankind has ever known, appears to be exceedingly slim.

Telegrams are pouring in to President Truman urging him to proclaim a National Day of Humiliation and Prayer. We fervently hope he will do so. America is in dire need of divine help, and God has promised: "Call upon Me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Me.

But first there must be repentance. We must humble ourselves, and pray, and seek God's face, and turn from our evil ways, before He can heal our land. That is why the Day of Prayer must also be a Day of Humiliation.

It is the recommendation of the Executive Presbyters that Sunday, December 17, be made a Day of Humiliation and Prayer in every one of our Assemblies. The God of all grace, who spared the wicked city of Nineveh in Jonah's day because the rulers and people repented, will yet have mercy upon America if only her people will turn to Him with all their hearts.

> Our father's God, to Thee Author of Liberty. To Thee we sing; Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light; Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King.

unity is a personal matter. "When our Lord prayed 'That they all may be one' He meant individual disciples-not denominations and churches. The apostolic exhortations to unity are to personalities. My ultimate unity is with my brother, irrespective of whether we belong to the same, or different, outward communions. We do not come together (in World Pentecostal Conferences) to 'make' unity, for it already exists by the grace of God. It only needs to be cherished. Its test is mutual acceptance of the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Its energy is in the one baptism in the

Holy Spirit that He bestows. Its aim is 'that the world may believe.' Its supreme secret is participation in what our Lord called 'the glory.' "Lord, send the glory!'

Unity does not require a man-made union. It is Christ who is building the Church and He is building a united Church. It may not appear to be united. Outwardly it may appear to be divided, for the members worship in churches of various names and differ in certain interpretations of the Scriptures; but inwardly there is a basic unity of the Spirit which is recognized and demonstrated by all spiritual believers. If there are suspicions, dissensions, and quarrels among Christians this is a sign of carnality, as Paul told the Corinthian believers, and such carnality should be shunned.

Unity does not require uniformity. The Lord is not insisting that His people be carbon copies. He has made us to be individuals and He deals with us in a variety of ways according to our several temperaments. Indeed, the strength of the body of Christ lies in the diversity of its members. What makes us fellow-members of that mystical body is our personal relationship to Jesus as Lord and our acknowledgment of His Lordship by our submission and obedience to Him as our living Head.

When a spiritual awakening comes to a community it is surprising how quickly the denominational differences melt away. Roy Thompson, editor of The Evangelical Beacon and Evangelist, wrote as follows concerning the great evangelistic campaign which stirred Minneapolis this fall:

"Ten thousand people pack a city auditorium night after night. Thirty thousand people fill the grandstands at the state fair-(Continued on page eleven)



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# Israel, God's Last-Day Miracle

#### Jimmie Mayo

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee. Psalm 122:6.

DURING THE PAST SUMMER, on our trip to the country formerly known as Palestine, we saw many things which made us realize that the coming of the Lord must be very near. I say "formerly" because there is no longer a land called Palestine. Since the Iews declared themselves a nation about two years ago and they became recognized by the United Nations, the country has been divided. One portion has been given to the Arabs who have inhabited the land for centuries, and that portion is called the Hashimite Kingdom of Trans-Jordan. The other portion occupied by the Jewish people is known as Israel.

There are no Jews living in the Hashimite Kingdom. However, over 100,000 Arabs are living in Israel.

Officially, Israel and the Arabs are still at war. A cease-firing truce is in effect and they are not actually fighting; however, soldiers are still guarding the borders and no one is permitted to pass from one country into the other.

On our trip to the Holy Land, we went by the way of Egypt, where we spent several days and saw much of the country. I could well understand why the Children of Israel wanted to leave the country. Although they had been there all their lives, yet they had never really become a part of Egypt. They had lived with the hope inbred in their hearts of returning to the land of their fathers, Palestine. We flew over much of the country in which they wandered for forty years. Only God could have sustained such a large group through that desert country.

When our *Ambassador*, the first fourmotored plane ever to land at this new airport, set down on the Arab side of Jerusalem, we received a great welcome. An Associated Press photographer and a fine reception committee were there to greet us and give us an official welcome to Jerusalem and Trans-Jordan.

An Arab guide said, "You are now in the city recognized by three great religions (Jewish, Moslem, and Christian) as the most beloved city in the whole world. We wanted to go up to Mount Zion, the place where Jesus ate the last supper with His disciples and to the tomb of David, but Arab soldiers on guard refused to permit us to go up. It was too dangerous, because the place was being guarded by both Arab and Jewish soldiers. I could not help but think of the words of my text, "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee."

While in Hashimite territory I saw a little novelty shop in which there were beautiful gold and silver bracelets with the word "Jer-USA-lem" on them. The three middle letters were in large capitals, making USA the outstanding letters in the word Jerusalem. I could not help but think of the glorious history and prosperity which the United States of America has enjoyed, and I wondered if a lot of it had not been because of open hearts to the Jews who have been the most persecuted people the world has ever known.

It is impossible to talk about the *Miracle of Israel* as a country, without talking about the *Miracle of Israel* as a people. I am aware of the fact that you will find the Israelite, better known to you as the "Jew," among some of the

leaders of Bolshevism and anarchism, sowing discord in and among the nations. You will also find Jews as leaders in atheism, infidelity and socialism. In everything, destructive as well as constructive, you will find a Jew-vet everything we enjoy religiously, we owe to the Jew. The Bible was written by Jews. Peter was a Jew; and so was John, the beloved disciple. Luke the physician was a Jew. Mary the mother of Jesus was a Jewess. The Gospel you and I enjoy today was preached to the Jew first, and then to the Greek (Gentile). The glorious church God founded on the Day of Pentecost was not a Gentile church. It was a Jewish church, and later on we Gentiles as wild olive branches were grafted into the good olive tree. Rom. 11:17-24.

According to Rom. 11:25, "Blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness (full complement) of the Gentiles be come in." In verse 26 we read, "And so all Israel shall be saved; as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn ungodliness from Jacob." Verse 27 reads, "For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins." Please note that clause in verse 25, "Until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in." Personally, I believe that

Here are some of the Jewish refugee children at a religious settlement in Israel, engaged in early morning prayers. Orthodox Jews never pray without hats and prayer shawls. They take Deut. 6:6-9 quite literally, as shown by the binding for a sign upon their arms, and the symbols on their foreheads as frontlets between the eyes.



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The rebuilding of Israel according to Bible prophecy proceeds at never-slackening pace. These pictures were taken at the founding of an orthodox settlement in the rocky hills west of Jerusalem. At left, a

veteran settler leads in prayer as the work begins. At right, Jewish men work with a will as they assemble a prefabricated building. (Photos by courtesy of United Jewish Appeal.)

the mighty revival that is sweeping the world today is helping to make up that fulness of the Gentile number mentioned here. So is the great gathering of the Jews to Israel helping to fulfill the prophecies, and it may not be long until a regenerate Israel will be the leading nation-not the tail any longer, but the head again. Deut. 28:13.

I want you to read the entire twenty-eighth chapter of Deuteronomy. Note in the first verse God says to Israel, "If thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all His commandments which I command thee this day, the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth." He continued, then, by telling them of the great blessings which should be theirs if they would obey Him.

However, beginning with the fifteenth verse, we find the curses that shall be added to them if they disobey and cease to follow fully after God. One of the curses is stated in verse 37. "And thou shalt become an astonishment, a proverb, and a byword, among all nations whither the Lord shall lead thee." Anyone who knows one iota about history and the Bible, knows that this plain statement made by God over 3,400 years ago has been literally fulfilled. The Jews failed to keep the commandments of God, and through these centuries have certainly been an astonishment, proverb, and byword among all the nations of the world, as God said. It is interesting to note that "byword" is from the Hebrew word "sheniynah" (pronounced sheeneenaw) and is the root from which the gibe or taunt—"sheeny" (which, as boys, we often flung at the Jewish peddler)is derived.

Though God did tell Israel how they would suffer as a nation if they disobeyed Him, vet He also had given them the assurance in Gen. 12:3: "I will bless them that bless thee and curse him that curseth thee." Hatred against the Jews started in Egypt. The first anti-Semite was Pharaoh, and you know how Pharaoh ended. It did not pay old Pharaoh to persecute the Israelites and it has not paid anybody since. God is still dealing with them as a nation, and every other nation on the face of the earth that has persecuted and mistreated the Jew has had to pay for it. Spain, Turkey, Rus-sia, and lately Germany, persecuted them. And how they have paid!

Jewish history is a miraculous history. Frederick II, King of Prussia, who was an atheist, got into an argument with his court preacher about the existence of God, and the inspiration of the Bible. The King asked, "How do you know the Bible is the inspired Word of God? Prove to me that there is a God." The court preacher said but one word-"ISRAEL." The existence of the Jew is the infallible proof that there is a God and that the Bible is the inspired Word of God.

When Napoleon Bonaparte reached Italy and camped near the city of Milan, he called the Archbishop to him and said. "Give me proof that there is a God : and prove to me that the Bible is the inspired word of God." The Archbishop pointed his finger to Gen. Messona, a Jew, the greatest soldier in Napoleon's army. The very fact that any Jew had survived all the persecutions that had been heaped upon this people was proof positive that God and His Word can be trusted.

According to the estimate of the American Jewish Committee, there were close to seventeen million Jews in the world in 1939, while in 1947 the number had decreased to eleven and a quarter million. Hitler was responsible

for that great reduction in number. Every one of these eleven million Jews is a proof of the existence of God. As a race, they have kept physically clean. Theirs is the purest racial blood on earth today. Their average life is one third longer than ours. The Jew as a race has not degenerated.

In Deuteronomy 28:49, 50, God told them what was going to happen fifteen hundred years before it was fulfilled. Rome is the nation whose symbol was the "eagle," the far-off nation of iron and of fierce countenance. The prophecy was given before there ever was a city of Rome or a Roman empire. God said. in substance, "I will send the Roman into your country, a fierce nation whose language you shall not understand, and they shall be swift as the eagles." The Romans got into the country all right, and they were there when Christ was born. Deut. 28:33 tells us, "And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters. which the Lord thy God hath given thee. in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee."

That prophecy was given in the wilderness, but it was fulfilled when the Romans captured the city of Jerusalem in the year A. D. 70. Josephus says:

"There was a certain woman that dwelt beyond Jordan; her name was Mary, her father was Eleazer, of the village of Bethezod, which signifies the house of Hyssop. She was eminent for her family and her wealth, and had fled away to Jerusalem with the rest of the multitude, and was with them beseiged therein at this time.

"During the straitness of the siege of Jerusalem she attempted a most unnatural thing, and snatching up her son. who was a child sucking at her breast.

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# Duet in the Dark

#### Wesley R. Steelberg on REVIVALTIME

I WISH that you had your Bible open, and could read with me out of the Word of God. I would like you to turn to the sixteenth chapter of Acts, and read the story of two men who were cast into prison. Their names were Paul and Silas.

They were put in prison because they were preaching the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, which sets men free from the bondage of sin, delivers them from evil habits, and causes them to receive a new life and to rejoice in the knowledge of God. They were in the city of Philippi, and this is what happened:

As these preachers were proclaiming the power of the gospel, they came across a young lady who was possessed of an evil spirit. Her masters were making a gain of this young lady. She would prophesy in whatever manner the evil spirit worked within her, and would tell what was in people's minds, and even foretell future events. Her masters would exact much money from those concerning whom the girl would prophesy. When Paul and Silas met this young girl and found that she was controlled by an evil spirit, they commanded in the name of Jesus that the evil spirit should come out of her. God heard their prayer and certified that they were His servants by causing their prayer to be answered.

When the girl was restored to normalcy, her masters became fearfully angry, for they had lost their source of revenue. They caused Paul and Silas to be arrested, and to be beaten, and to be thrown into prison. The jailor thrust them into the inner prison for safe keeping, and made their feet fast in the stocks. No doubt it was dark in there, and perhaps it was damp and dirty, but I want you to notice the attitude of these two preachers. Their backs were raw and sore, and a lot of people would have moaned and grumbled in such circumstances, but not these men. They didn't complain. They didn't whine. They began to sing!

The Bible says: "At midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them." In the natural I can think of nothing that would seem as ludicrous as this: two men, suffering intense pain, shut up in a dark prison, their feet fastened in the stocks, and yet they were singing praises to their God. At first the other prisoners must have thought these men were very queer indeed. But God heard their prayer and their praise, and do you know what He did? He came down and He shook that old prison. He caused the foundations of that building to quake so that the doors were all open, and the bars were shaken out of their sockets, and all the prisoners were loosed.

The earthquake awakened the jailor, and he saw the prison doors open. "The prisoners are gone!" he thought, and he drew out his sword to kill himself. For he was under bond to the Roman government, and the law said that if he allowed a single prisoner to escape he would have to fulfil that prisoner's condemnation himself. But before he could commit suicide a voice cried out, saying, "Do thyself no harm: for we are all here."

The jailor was so moved by the behavior of these preachers and by the thing God had done that he decided they were indeed the servants of the true God. He came trembling and said to Paul and Silas, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house." And they taught him the Word of the Lord. The jailor then washed their stripes, and then took them into his house, and set meat before them. That same night he was baptized, and all his family as well; and oh, how happy he was!

This is a remarkable story of an incident that happened many, many years ago; but it is an illustration of what God can do today. God can turn that which seems to be a serious and difficult situation into a glorious victory. In other words, God can make stepping stones out of our stumbling stones. Here were two men who were doing their best to



"The silent shadow cries against delay"

serve the Lord. The enemy laid a snare for them, caught them, and apparently brought them to defeat. It might have been disastrous, had they not learned to triumph in the Lord Jesus Christ.

My friend, do you know that even though you may have a difficult situation in your life, God can so lead that the thing which appears to be a loss will become a glorious gain? He can turn your troubles into stairs by which you can climb up into the very heights of glory. But there are some things that you must do. You must believe on the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior. It is faith that wins. Perhaps you say, "I have no faith; I don't know how to believe." Listen: that is only a trick of Satan to defeat you. You can cast yourself upon the Lord right now and say, "Lord, I believe; help Thou my unbelief."

Then, too, you must call on the name of the Lord. You may say, "How do I know that God will listen to my prayer? What proof have I that when I open my mouth the sound of my voice will be carried to the ears of God?" Only that God has promised to hear you. That is your assurance. That is sufficient, and you will readily ascertain whether or not your prayer was heard by the results that are forthcoming.

Third, you must be born again. You must be transformed into a child of God if you would have fellowship with Him. Jesus said to Nicodemus, "Ye must be born again." Nicodemus answered. "How can these things be?" Perhaps you too are puzzled concerning the New Birth. Well, it is not a physical birth. It is a spiritual birth, yet it is as real and as definite as physical birth or even more so. It is as mysterious as physical birth. too. The miracle of being "born of the Spirit" cannot be explained or defined. but through this spiritual birth we acquire a spiritual understanding, a spiritual apprehension that we did not have. We know when we have been born of the Holy Spirit because all of our spiritual faculties are brought into being, so that we are able to worship God in spirit and in truth.

This is the solution to your problems and difficulties. If you are in the prison of sin, do as Paul and Silas did. In the darkness and hopelessness of their situation they prayed and sang praises unto God, and He delivered them. He will deliver you, too, if you will let Him. I want you to bow your head with me and to ask God to give you victory.

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## These Signs Shall Follow

#### W. F. P. Burton Answers a Critic

MY DEAR BROTHER, you did not mention the other signs but singled out two. In Mark 16, verses 17 and 18, Christ also speaks of immunity from snake-bite and poison, and the casting out of devils. Thus, while we are dealing with this subject, I would like to give some testimony regarding these, for all the five signs stand or fall together.

#### Snakes

I live in a country of snakes. We have found a snake under the table where we were eating. Snakes sometimes lie across our path. A big slate-colored snake, which can squirt its venom several feet, often gets into our chicken pens. A great poisonous mamba entered the bedroom where my wife was lying ill. Snakes large and small get into the house, lie motionless in our fruit trees, hide in the dead leaves beneath our trees. I have killed two great fat Gaboon adders the same day in a kiln from which I was unpacking bricks. Thus in 33 years I have naturally had some experience of God's protection.

One morning I was going down a trail ahead of Mrs. Burton, when she shouted, "Come and look here!" I turned back to find that without even knowing it, I had trodden on an adder as it lay across the path in its characteristic way, and had broken its spine through the middle. It still writhed and hissed, but God had fulfilled His promise in Psalm 91:13: "Thou shalt tread upon . . . the adder;" and of Luke 10:19: "I give unto you power to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall by any means hurt you."

On another occasion as I was doing a repair job in the workshop a snake fell from the roof and coiled on to my arm. I shook it off and killed it with a hammer.

The wife of my head school teacher recently returned from the forest with a bundle of firewood on her head. She had walked over a mile with it. As she set it down a deadly poisonous snake glided out. Similarly on several occasions, at our campfire services, snakes have come out of the bundles that were being thrown on to the flames.

One afternoon, as we were returning, rejoicing in the Lord, from a particularly good village meeting, and were following a narrow little footpath, the ejaculation from one of my native companions caused me to look round, and there was a hooded cobra, erect beside the path, its spoon-shaped head extended as it swayed, ready to strike. I had walked right past it.

I could give many more such experiences. There are deaths from snake-bite every year in the villages around us, yet we believers walk the forests constantly under the protection of God with absolute immunity.

#### Poison

The native witch-doctor and sorcerer fraternity are our relentless enemies. We expose their frauds, deliver their victims, and rob them by our gospel of both income and prestige. These men are expert poisoners. They think nothing of putting their opposers out of the way by a concoction of kimpengele or mwavi bark, or by any one of a dozen less-known deadly roots and fruits that grow everywhere in these forests.

We have evidence that they have tried repeatedly to poison us. One day my chum and I were enjoying a delicious plate of palmnuts that had been brought to us as a gift. We had about finished them when a young man ran up excitedly and whispered, "White man, on no account must you eat those palmnuts; they are poisoned." We had already eaten them, however. So we knelt and committed ourselves to God, claiming the promise of Mark 16:17, 18, "These signs shall follow them that believe; if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them." We felt absolutely no ill effects from the palm-nuts. For years I hesitated to speak of the incident, lest there had been some mistake, and the nuts had not been poisoned. Then I became very friendly with an ex-medicine man and spiritconsultant. He opened his heart to me with unusual freedom, and when I remarked, "You know that your poisons could not harm us." he laughed and replied, "Yes, we (witchdoctors) have all found that out. I was the one who sent you the poisoned palm-nuts from Kanguba, but our poisons which kill other people have no effect on you Christians."

#### The Casting Out of Devils

Vou have only to read *Pastor Hsi*. One of *China's Christians*, to realize that this is not out of date, and that the demon world is just as much under the power of the Name of the Lord Jesus today as when He was on earth.

Here are one or two of the many cases in my own experience. Our evangelist Ngaiusa had been preaching in a village of timeexpired workmen. These were more inteligent, more used to white man's ways than the average native, so that after years of service for the State they were given a place near the Government Post in which to spend their last days.

The wife of one of these men was deeply moved by the gospel and she wished to make a public confession of her faith in Christ, but her husband forbade her becoming a Christian. Then suddenly she went mad. At least, that is what the world calls it. The whole village was soon upset by her paroxysms of rage. Generally at night she would rush up and down the village screaming, using filthy insults at everyone, breaking food store-pots and even setting fire to huts. She had superhuman strength at such times, throwing down, mauling and tearing to ribbons the clothes of any who attempted to stop her. The husband blamed Ngaiusa for it all. When she was not in these intense rages she would sit moping, silent, neither eating herself nor preparing food for her family. She was put down at the evangelist's door and he was told, "Henceforth whatever damage she does, you and not I must pay the costs."

Poor Ngaiusa! He was greatly disturbed and came to ask us what to do. The whole of the local church went to prayer and fasting. I pointed out that we must act in faith on the promise of Mark 16:17, relying on the power of the Name of Jesus. This was done. The demons were expelled, and the whole neighborhood saw the woman delivered, saved, clothed and in her right mind.

A few months ago I stopped in a village where a poor man sat in a chair with his neck fastened in a forked pole by an iron bar behind, and his hands and feet made fast to the same pole by a stout wire. I went and spoke to him, though his relatives warned me not to approach him as he was dangerous. I told him of the power of the crucified and risen Christ, and then commanded the demons, in the Name of the Lord Jesus, to leave him.

Several days later, returning by the same road, we overtook a happy, smiling man, walking along singing to the accompaniment of a little native musical instrument. It was the same man, and he was completely delivered.

Now brother, these things are happening now and not only in the first days of the dispensation. I could multiply such testimony a hundredfold.

One of the features of the last days is that men shall have a form of godliness while denying its power (2 Tim. 3:1 and 5). Nevertheless in these very last days of God's dispensation of grace we are entitled to believe in, and to enjoy, precisely what they enjoyed on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:16), for Peter declared. "THIS (this speaking in tongues which we are experiencing) is THAT. which was spoken by the prophet Joel, 'In the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit . . . prophesy . . . visions . . . dreams.'" Do you say, "These things are not for today"? I reply that they are to continue right up to the last days. If Pentecost was already classed as "the last" then we must be in the last of the last days, and how preeminently we have a right to enjoy these things.

Does not 1 Cor. 1:7 suggest to you that all the gifts were expected by Paul to be in evidence until the return of the Lord Jesus in the clouds of glory, to take to Himself His own? It says ". . . so that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

In any case, dear brother, you have both Scriptural evidence and pages from my own experience as to the reality of present-day signs following. I can only ask God to give you grace to take an honest right-about face, to admit your mistake (we all make such mistakes), and to realize that we who stand for divine healing and tongues are neither deceivers nor deceived.

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1. Now we see not yet all things subjected to him: but we see Jesus. Hebrews 2:8-9.

2. If ye shall ask anything of the Father, he will give it to you in My name. John 16:23.

3. This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased: hear ye Him. Matt. 17:5.

4. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, yea and for ever. Heb. 13:8.

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That the Son of God came to visit us in great humility.

That God reveals to babes the things that are hidden from the wise.

That the kingdoms of the world shall become the Kingdom of our Lord.

CONFESSION

That the church too often accepts the standards and values of the world.

That we are not meek and lowly in heart, like our Saviour.

Of the offences in the world and unfaithfulness in ourselves which cause others to stumble.

PRAYER

That God will raise up leaders and statesmen with childlike faith.

That He will teach the church to follow the way of simplicity.

That men may give glory to God, that He may give peace on earth.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Matt. 2:1-12; 1 Cor. 1:26 to 2:5; Phil. 2:5-11.

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1951 (Nazareth) THANKSGIVING

That Christ was content to be the child of a poor man's home. That He did not grudge thirty years of preparation for three year's ministry.

For the influence of Christian homes in the world today.

CONFESSION

Of the lack of discipline and of the sense of responsibility in family life.

Of denominational, class or race distinctions which hamper cooperation in education.

Of the failure to show Christian compassion and care for broken homes.

PRAYER

For an increase of family worship and personal Bible study.

For wider appreciation and promotion of true Christian education.

For renewed zest and wisdom in presenting the call of Christ to the young.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Luke 2:40-52; John 8:2-11; Eph. 5:25 to 6:4; 2 Tim. 3:10-17.

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1951 (Galilee)

THANKSGIVING

That Christ taught men to see the love of the Father in the birds and flowers.

For His loving ministry to the sick and sinful.

For the Scriptures which enshrine His words of life and healing. CONFESSION

Of failure to see God in all His works and glorify Him.

Of the materialism which accepts the good gifts of God and exploits them for selfish ends.

Of the loss of sense of vocation in life and work.

#### PRAYER

For the spiritual interpretation and use of the wonders of science.

For a spirit of reverence and brotherly love in husbanding the resources of land and sea.

For the raising up of Christian leaders in all departments of public life.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Mark 6:34-44; Luke 12:13-27; Rom. 1:16-25.

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1951 (Jerusalem) THANKSGIVING

That Christ set His face steadfastly away from the peace of Galilee to the conflict of Jerusalem.

That He endured the gainsaying of sinners against Himself.

That, though rejected then, He is the King that cometh in the name of the Lord.

CONFESSION

Of the love of ease and comfort which shuns the dark and difficult way.

Of all refusal to take up the cross and follow Christ.

Of indifference to the needs and problems of big industrial centers.

#### PRAYER

For courage to face ridicule, persecution and suffering for Christ's sake.

For all who have to live and work in unhealthy or sordid surroundings.

For the peace of Jerusalem, and that all Israel may be saved.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Exod. 3:1-10; Matt. 21:1-17; John 1:22-39; Heb. 12:1-11.

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 1951 (Calvary)

THANKSGIVING

That Christ died for our sins, and for the sins of the whole world.

That by His death and resurrection He triumphed gloriously over the powers of evil.

For the Lord's Supper, as the sacrament of our redemption and fellowship in Christ.

CONFESSION

That the word of the Cross is not always preached faithfully.

That we often think and speak of the Cross without wonder and without shame.

That the conduct of Christians lags so far behind their creed. PRAYER

For the spiritual renewal of the whole Christian Church.

That the redeeming love of Christ may constrain us to greater loyalty in witness and service.

For all who are preparing to be ministers of the gospel.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Isa. 53:4-12; 1 Cor. 1:18-31; 2 Cor. 5:11-21; 1 Peter 2:19-25.

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 1951 (Olivet)

THANKSGIVING

For the glory of our risen and ascended Lord.

For the gift of the Holy Spirit, and the promise of Christ's coming again.

For the assurance that there shall be no end of His Kingdom. CONFESSION

Of our slowness in responding to the commission to evangelize the world.

Of lack of faith in the power of God to change men's lives. Of unwillingness to let God have entire control.

PRAYER

That God will send forth more laborers into His harvest.

For the growth of unity and fellowship in His Church.

That we may become more like Christ, until we see His face.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Acts 1:1-11; 2 Corinthians 3; 1 John 2:18 to 3:3.

If you plan to have a Week of Prayer, clip this page and take advantage of some of these suggestions.



Malcolm Blakeney North India





Harold H. Landrus Liberia



P. Henry Hall Peru

Mrs. P. H. Hall Peru



Marian N. Midgett North India

## NEWS NOTES

Noel Perkin, Foreign Missions Secretary, returned a few days ago from an 18-day visit to the Caribbean fields. He left Springfield on November 11. The Convention of the Pentecostal Fellowship of the Caribbean area was held at San Juan, Puerto Rico on November

# Healing Campaign in Peru

#### By Walter E. Erickson, Peru\*

FROM THE VERY BEGINNING of the Pentecostal witness in Peru, divine healing has been preached and practiced. Peru received the first outpouring of the Spirit in 1928. There were also healings at that time and since, but not on any large scale. Accounts of miracles in the United States and other countries have thrilled those of us who have labored in Peru through the years, but we wondered if God would ever reach down and pour out such blessings here. Now we can say that He has.

A few weeks ago we received word from Evangelist Clifton O. Erickson of Minneapolis saying that he could visit us here in Peru. We invited him to come. He arrived on October 10, preceded by Gordon Lindsay, who came down to prepare our hearts for the campaign.

From the very beginning there were outstanding miracles as the evangelist prayed for the sick. After several services the tabernacle was packed. We then rented a colosseum with accommodations for 5,000. Later 500 chairs were added, but everyone could not be seated. Some came out of curiosity, some seeking healing for their bodies, and multitudes for salvation. There were some from the highest social brackets in Peru.

At least five medical doctors attended one service. We had unusual manifestations of God's healing power that night. The physicians must have been satisfied, because they did not come around to challenge the statements and testimonies.

Repeatedly during the campaign we asked the people if they thought the thing was a mere farce, some kind of hypnotism, or autosuggestion. Hundreds of voices shouted that it was the power of God. We were amazed

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22-24, during his stay. He was one of the convention speakers.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil F. Smith of Brazil

have returned to the States on furlough. \* \* \*

Mr. and Mrs. P. Henry Hall sailed for Peru a few weeks ago.

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Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Blakeney and Marian N. Midgett, new appointees, left the States for North India on November 14.

\* Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Landrus sailed for the Liberian field on November 17.

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. John J. Friesen, missionaries to Belgian Congo, on November 22, a daughter, Lois Jeanne.

at the way the people, few of whom were Christians, stood behind us. Each night as we asked how many wanted to give their hearts to the Lord, after the way of salvation was carefully explained, score after score of persons lifted their hands and expressed a willingness to abandon sin and serve the Lord Jesus in newness of life. We believe that there will be lasting results from this great revival. Many will never again be satisfied with what is offered by the Catholics. The big difficulty is that our churches will not hold the people who have been attracted by the full gospel message.

Of the many outstanding miracles of physical healing we can relate here only a few. but hundreds have been healed of just about every imaginable disease or ailment. Many have come with doctor's certificates to prove their healing to the authorities and to anyone else who would care to inquire.

The newspapers in this Catholic-dominated country, with a few exceptions refused to give much credit to the healings. Reporters from several of the leading dailies of the country visited us. Finally a reporter from the fourth-largest paper gave us a splendid writeup. Little by little other newspapers were forced to give some credence to the stories coming out of our services. Persons healed of cancer, tuberculosis, and other ailments went to their physicians of their own accord and were examined. Then, armed with irrefutable proof that we have a God today who lives and heals, they stormed the newspaper offices.

Among the outstanding healings was a woman who had at least four cancerous tumors on her breasts. She was healed while sitting in the congregation. She has given her heart to the Lord, and she was one of those who went to the newspaper office with a doctor's certificate.

A contractor, who had suffered for 14 years since a partly-completed structure fell on him. was healed. A woman with cataracts on both eyes was prayed for, with no immediate results, but when she returned for another service her eyes were clearing. She now has normal vision.

One woman had been in an automobile accident and her right arm was broken. The arm had been improperly set and she was unable to raise it. After prayer she lifted her arm and we heard the bones snap as they went back in place. The arm is now all right.

A girl, the sister of one of our local national pastors, had a tumor on her lung. She had been spitting up blood and pus and the doctors had advised an operation, but Jesus was her surgeon. She has been pronounced sound by the earthly physicians.

A boy of perhaps 12, son of another pastor. had a twisted leg as a result of some kind of disease. I knew him, and had watched him dragging the leg with the toes turned out. He was healed in his chair, and came up to the

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platform, and leaped and ran before the crowd as a testimony of God's power.

After two weeks in the colosseum the crowds increased until there were close to 7,000 trying to hear. The Catholics finally awakened to the fact that they were not getting their usual following in their processions, as too many were going to our meetings, so they had the colosseum closed to us. After that we held two services in the tabernacle and then went to Trujillo.

We were denied the right to hold services in the Trujillo colosseum; nor were we permitted to hold them in a theater, but we were granted freedom in Frank E. Isensee's church in that city. By the second service the crowd on the street, trying to get inside the church, had increased to several thousand. Twenty regular policemen and a number of police officers were required to care for the crowd.

In Trujillo the Lord performed several outstanding miracles. The police, newspapermen, and detectives got hold of some of those who were healed and convinced themselves that the healings were not fakes. They gave us a good story in the local paper.

After four services in Trujillo, the police there were notified that we were wanted in Lima. An investigator took us back to Lima, but God intervened and allowed us to have a service on the way. The Christians in Chimbote, between Trujillo and Lima, had been oraying that we would be able to visit them to pray for the sick among them. Just as we were entering Chimbote the front spring of the car in which we were riding broke. We had to go to a garage. The investigator gave permission for us to have a service while we were waiting. A number gathered at the church and there was opportunity to pray for perhaps 50 persons.

We arrived in Lima at 8 p.m. and were taken to the police station, and from there to the foreign office. It was too late to see the chiefs so we were detained. Meanwhile, David T. Scott, P. Henry Hall, and Arthur H. Bauer, also missionaries, got in touch with the American Embassy to see what could be done to release us. At about one o'clock the following afternoon it was decided that since I was in Peru on a permanent residence permit that I was acting within my rights, but that Clifton O. Erickson, as a tourist, should have spent his time in visiting and traveling over the country. He was asked to leave the country on the first plane. He was to have been held until the plane left, but the American Embassy guaranteed for him so he was released to us until that time. The charges against us were instigated by the Catholics.

I was a first-hand witness of the campaigns, as I served as interpreter for both Gordon Lindsay and Clifton O. Erickson in every meeting from the beginning. I saw the miracles, as I stood on the platform at their side as they prayed. The miracles were of God, and to Him we give all the praise and glory in the name of Jesus Christ His Son.

## Among the Nomads

#### James Vigna, Northwest China

Shortly after our return from our district conference, held at Minhsien in June, the Lord opened the way for us to go camping for six weeks among the Sokwo nomads. Some 15 years ago I spent a summer among them; and during the past few years Chinese Christian workers have lived and traveled with them, witnessing of Jesus.

We were well received as teachers of religion and for the most part were given respectful hearings wherever we chanced to be. We used tracts and a picture roll of the life of Christ in presenting the Word. Many marveled and said they believed, and some were quite willing to accept Christ as another Savior; but we are sorry to say that after being brought to a point of decision, and having understood their responsibility to repent, none were willing to step out for Christ. None were willing to confess Him alone as their Savior, forsaking Buddha.

As we prepared to leave many asked when

we would return, but we told them that we were servants of the most high God with orders to take the message to those who had not heard, and that unless He should lead us back to them we would not be back.

On our way home we committed that section of the Tibetan nomads to God to deal with in His own way. We look to Him now to lead us to Tibetans in other areas where the name of Jesus and His power to save to the uttermost is still unknown.

### HER NAME?

#### By Florence V. Christie and Karlene M. Burt, Egypt

MORE THAN FORTY YEARS ago the first Pentecostal missionary came to Assiut, Egypt. Through his labors a young man and his bride found Christ as their Savior, and received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.

Some time later the husband and wife moved to a hamlet about fifty miles from Tahta, where we are stationed. A daughter was given them and in the course of time she too, with others of the hamlet, found Christ and received an upper-room experience.

A short time ago our mission colporteur stopped at the cluster of houses to sell Bibles, New Testaments, and gospel portions. At the home of former, residents of Assiut he asked as is his custom, if the salvation of Jesus Christ was known. To his astonishment the above account was given. "Forty-one years ago we found Christ and He baptized us with the Holy Spirit," they said.

Our colporteur was delighted at finding the isolated Pentecostal group. He repeated their story to us and we arranged to visit the man and woman who had been so faithful in carrying their Christian testimony with them. As we were talking, praying, and weeping with them over their experience, a three-year-old girl came running toward us, the third generation, the child of the daughter mentioned. We asked her name. Imagine our joy when they answered, "Her name is PENTECOST."



CROWD AT LIMA COLOSSEUM DURING CLIFTON O. ERICKSON MEETINGS

The above picture was taken in the open air colosseum during the Clifton O. Erickson meetings in Lima, Peru in October. It was estimated that close to 6,000 were in attendance at this particular service. Our missionary, Walter E. Erickson, served as interpreter in these meetings.



### THE VISIT OF THE WISE MEN Lesson for December 24 Matthew 2:1-11

Jacob, in pronouncing his blessing on Judah, said, "The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be." Gen. 49:10. Shiloh as a city is mentioned many times in the Bible (Joshua 18:1; Judges 21:19; 1 Sam. 1:3), but the reference in Gen. 49:10 evidently refers to a person. Government was not to be entirely taken away from Irsael until Shiloh had come. Foreign powers had conquered the land, but had set up as the rulers those who were representatives from Israel. 2 Chron. 36:10, 22-21. Now the land was entirely under the rule of Rome, an appointee of Rome being in power. It was time for Shiloh to come.

#### 1. The Visit of the Wise Men

There are differences of opinion as to who the Wise Men were. Dr. Adam Clarke gives reasons for supposing that they were descendants of Abraham through Keturah. The Pulpit Commentary suggests that they were probably of the Median priestly order; it says, "The origin of the Magi was probably Babylonian, and to have primarily meant one who is deep whether in power and reputation or in insight. The term Magi was, perhaps, at first used with special reference to astrologers and interpreters of dreams; and passing from Babylon to Media, it became the name of the Median priestly order."

It is well that we are not required to know everything about everybody in order to know the Lord. The important thing concerning the Magi is that they were anxious to see Jesus, that they might worship Him. This is better than all philosophical knowledge and all hair-splitting concerning times and events. "This is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent." John 17:3.

#### 2. The Star Seen in the East

When the Wise Men arrived in Jerusalem, they inquired, "Where is he that is born king of the Jews, for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him." v. 2. Is this star connected with the prophecy of Balaam? Balaam said, "I shall see him, but not now: I shall behold him, but not nigh: there shall come a Star out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite the corners of Moab, and destroy all the children of Sheth." Num. 24:17. Since the Wise Men were astrologers, or students of the heavenly bodies, the Lord revealed the birth of His King to them by means of a star, a luminous body in the heavens.

While the Lord made announcements to the Wise Men through the star, He made announce-

ments to the shepherds through the angel. Luke 2:8-15. Thus we learn that God reveals Himself to mankind in ways that they can understand. Experiences differ because of differences of temperament, custom, education, and other contributing factors. That which is important is a love for, and a desire to, worship our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

#### 3. The Birthplace of the King

Jesus was born King of the Jews. In announcing His coming and birth Gabriel said to Mary, "He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: and he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end." Luke 1:32, 33. God repeatedly promised a King and a kingdom to Israel. As definitely as He warned of their judgment and dispersion, He promised their restoration and blessing in their "latter end." Jer. 29:11, R.V. He also promised a king to sit on David's throne. Isa, 9:6,7. While Micah 5:2 foretold where the King should be born, Isa. 2:3 foretold the place from which He would reign. Zechariah 14 and Matt. 25:31 tell of His coming to reign, while Zech. 12:8 informs us that He will rise to the defense of Irsael. Zech. 12:10 to 13:1 reveals that the Christ, now rejected by Israel. will then be received by Israel with brokenheartedness and repentance.

#### 4. Gifts of the Wise Men

"And when they had opened their treasures they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh." v. 11. The Wise Men probably attached no

spiritual significance to their gifts. They gave because they loved. Let us, however consider how appropriate their gifts were. They brought gold, befitting His kingship, for gold was a gift bestowed upon royalty. The gold to us represents our Lord's deity. It is seen in the vessels of the tabernacle which were of shittim wood overlaid with gold-the shittim representing the humanity of Christ, and the gold His deity. The King of Israel is Emmanuel, meaning "God with us." Matt. 1:23.

The Wise Men also brought frankincense. In the offering of Israel, frankincense was wholly for the Lord, typifying that the life of Jesus was entirely devoted to God. Jesus could truthfully say, "I do always those things that please Him." The frankincense speaks of that in the life, service, and death of Christ which was entirely "an odor of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable . . . unto God." Of the other offerings man could eat, since he was to be benefited by them, but the burnt offering and the frankincense bespoke God's portion resulting from the work of Christ.

The third gift was myrrh, which was used for embalming the dead. Little did the Wise Men realize that before the King should reign He should become the "man of sorrows and acquainted with grief," the Savior who should be wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities, the bearer of our chastisement, by whose stripes our sinful wounds should be healed and provision made for the repair of our mortal bodies. Without knowing it, the Wise Men had come beforehand to anoint His body to the burial as Mary did later on. Matt. 26:12.

What may we give to Jesus? We may give Him the gold of devoted, heartfelt faith, the frankincense of pure, unselfish worship and appreciation, the myrrh of a consecration that is willing to suffer with Him. If we do this, when He comes as King of kings and Lord of lords we will have an abundant entrance into His everlasting kingdom. 2 Peter 1:11.

#### THIS WEEK'S LESSON

The Transfiguration (lesson for December 17). Lesson text: Mathew 17:1-13.

#### A Great Preacher's Method

It is no loss of time to pray, as I know very well by my own experience. If I am to preach, with only two hours for preparation, I give one hour to prayer.—Charles G. Finney.

WISE MEN FOLLOW THE STAR



If one of Brother Ramsay's cartoons appeals to you more than others do, send us a card about it. The cartoon getting the most votes will be reprinted as "Cartoon of the Year."

#### UNITY-FALSE AND TRUE

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grounds for a gospel service. The strange thing is that you can't tell the Lutheran Christians from the Pentecostal Christians, nor the Methodists from the Presbyterians or Baptists. The Nazarenes, the Friends, the Congregationalists, the Covenanters, and even the Free Church people forget their 'labels' and think of themselves as just Christians. They sit together, they sing together, they pray together, they come to the same altar together, and they kneel together with sinners pointing them to the one Saviour who is concerned only with drawing sinners to Himself regardless of their denominational backgrounds."

That is Christian unity. It is not organizational unity but spiritual unity. It is not based on complete doctrinal agreement but on a common experience of the new life that is in Christ. True Christians are finding that it is possible to co-operate in many worthy projects without compromising on those truths which distinguish them from other Christians and which are dear to their hearts. It is on this basis that our Assemblies of God fellowship is able to function as a member of such organizations as the National Association of Evangelicals and the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America. All of the members in these two organizations have a great deal in common. Particularly is this true of the latter, in which all of the members believe in the Pentecostal baptism with the Scriptural evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. All of the members do not agree as to certain principles, doctrines, and methods but they are agreed on the fundamentals, and there is a blessed unity of the Spirit which enables us to worship together and to work together without compromising our position in any way.

On the other hand, we do not have much in common with the so-called "modernists" in the new National Council. The leadership in this new organization, for the most part, is the same leadership as has existed in the Federal Council. One of the leaders has stated that the one great purpose of this merger "is to accept more and more a responsibility in the field of social action." We recognize the social needs of men, but we differ with the modernists as to the means of meeting those needs. We believe that the first and fundamental method for securing moral conduct and proper social action is not by outward compulsion, numerical strength, or political force but by the New Testament principle of individual regeneration and the impartation of a new life in Christ.

We hold that the church is a company of redeemed people. The modernists believe in taking unsaved people into the church on the theory that after they are members of the church they can be gradually raised to a Christian level: it is a system of reformation rather than regeneration.

We believe in the complete inspiration of the Bible. We believe in the unique deity of Christ, and in the atoning power of His shed blood. We believe in the miracles and we expect God to do the supernatural today in answer to prayer. The YOU'LL HAVE TO HUNRAN

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writings of many of the modernists in this new church federation indicate that they have abandoned these "narrow" and "outmoded" beliefs. For us to unite with them would be like yoking the ox and the ass together, which God's law prohibits—"How can two walk together except they be agreed?" The Word also commands, "Be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers," or, as the American Standard Version has it, "Do not be mismated with unbelievers." 2 Cor. 6:14. Any believer who is united with an unbeliever, whether in marriage, in business, in a fraternal order, or in church membership surely must find himself mismated, as the Scriptures say.

M. E. Dodd says: "The New Testament program is expansion, and not concentration. It is a definite fact that every case of union has reduced the total number of people they win to Christ."

The danger we see is that in the National Council of Churches, social work probably will take the place of soul-winning, medical missionaries will take the place of missionaries of the Cross, and secular educators will take the place of Bible teachers. Anyone who expects the National Council to contend for the faith once delivered to the saints will undoubtedly be greatly disappointed. It is more likely that the new organization will seek to broaden the way to life, which Jesus said was narrow. An example of what we may expect was furnished some time ago in Michigan. According to news reporter Robert C. Kelvin of the public press of March 31, 1945, a strange meeting was held. "Clergymen of three different faiths, Protestant, Russian Orthodox and Jewish, joined in a common service last week at Flint, Michigan, to celebrate together 'the blood and wine sacrament.' The First Baptist Church was the host to the inter-communion service. It was designed as an educational program with each spiritual leader presenting the service of his own faith, together with the chants and prayers. The latter were interpreted by the host pastor.'

It was Bishop Ryle who said: "Peace without truth is a false peace. Unity without the gospel is a worthless unity. Let us never be ensnared by those who speak kindly of it. Never let us be guilty of sacrificing any portion of truth upon the altar of religious unity." Yet the modernists are searching for a common ground with the Jews, who reject Christ, and with the Catholics who hold the traditions of men above the teachings of the Scriptures.

Parallel with the federation of the American churches is the development of a larger liberal organization known as the World Council of Churches. There can be no doubt that this is a trend that fulfills Bible prophecy. A year ago the Pope, in his Christmas broadcast, expressed the fond wish that all Christian believers would return to the "one true Church," meaning of course the Roman Catholic Church. The Protestant church leaders of Pittsburgh felt that the Pope's appeal should be answered, so they drew up a statement which was published in the newspapers. They said that while they loved unity, they loved truth and freedom more. They pointed out that the way to unity, according to the conditions laid down by the Pope, demanded a total surrender and submission to the teachings and authority of Rome. and they said this was unthinkable.

However, the time will come when, because men have refused to love the truth and so be saved, God will send a strong delusion upon them and they will believe what is false. The Word of God clearly shows that there will be ecclesiastical union in the end time. (See Revelation 17 and 18.) But what a union it will be!

"Unless there is some guard as to the nature of the union, steps may now be in the process of being taken which will lead to the unholy and illegitimate pseudochurch which some of us believe is mentioned in prophecy" (William Culbertson).

Bishop Oxnam, a leader in the World Council, made a startling statement to the Methodist General Conference ("Watchman-Examiner," Nov. 18, 1948). He envisioned the day when there would be only two groups, the Protestant and Catholic, and that they would unite to form the Holy Catholic Church."

We may look for just such a union in the last days—not a unity of the Spirit but a mechanical unity. It will be the final great counterfeit of the body of Christ, and it will come to its end under the reign of the Beast—the consummation of a vast organization with whom the kings of the earth have long committed spiritual fornication, a church "drunken with the blood of the saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus." Rev. 17:2-6. "She shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord who judgeth her." Rev. 18:18. Thus will the bundle of weeds be burned, as taught in the parable in Matthew 13.

But what of the wheat? The Lord said that at harvest the wheat should be gathered too-not to be burned, but to be placed in His barn. Today the wheat also is being gathered. The Holy Spirit is drawing together into spiritual fellowship those of all denominations who love His Word and who look for His appearing. These are the people who preach Christ and Him crucified. They are the Lord's saints who have made a covenant with Him through sacrifice. They are the "little flock" to whom the Lord is going to give the kingdom. They are drawing closer to the Lord, and as they draw closer to Him they find themselves drawn closer to one another. even as the spokes of a wheel come closer together the nearer they get to the hub. Christ is the center. He is the Head of the body and He is the Lord of His Church. Let us be more and more active in pointing people to Him as the Saviour, the Healer, the Baptizer, and the coming King-and let us pray constantly that all born-again Christians may recognize their oneness in the Spirit and may demonstrate their love one for another, that the world might believe.

#### ISRAEL GOD'S LAST-DAY MIRACLE

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she said, 'O thou miserable infant! for whom shall I preserve thee in this war, this famine, and this sedition? As to the war with the Romans, if they preserve our lives, we must be slaves. This famine also will destroy us even before that slavery comes upon us. Yet are these seditious rogues more terrible than both the other. Come on; be thou my food, and be thou a fury to these seditious varlets [referring to the quarrelsome Jewish factions in the city] and a *byword* to the world, which is all that is now wanting to complete the calamities of us Jews.'

"As soon as she had said this, she slew her son; and then roasted him, and ate the onehalf of him, and kept the other half by her concealed. Upon this the seditious came in presently and smelling the horrid scent of this food, they threatened her, that they would cut her throat immediately if she did not show what food she had gotten ready. She replied that she 'had saved a very fine portion of it for them'; and withal uncovered what was left of her son. Hereupon they were seized with a horror and amazement of mind, and stood astonished at the sight, when she said to them, 'This is mine own son, and what hath been done was of mine own doing. Come eat of this food; for I have eaten of it myself. Do not pretend to be either more tender than a woman, or more compassionate than a mother ; but if you be so scrupulous, and do abominate this my sacrifice, as I have eaten the one-half, let the rest be preserved for me also."— Josephus, Wars of the Jews.

In Deuteronomy 28:64 we read, "And the Lord shall scatter thee among all people from the one end of the earth, even unto the other." Did God do it? We know He did. For information showing just where the Jews are, consult the latest edition of the *World Almanac*. Over one third of the Jews of the world live in the United States of America, the largest Jewish city in the world being New York City, but the remainder of the Jews have been scattered among all the nations just as God said would happen.

Now please note Jeremiah 31:10: "Hear the word of the Lord, O ye nations, and declare it in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattereth Israel will gather him as a shepherd doth his flock." This and other verses are being fulfilled today before our very eyes. They have to do with modern Israel as I saw it on my recent trip.

Note also Isaiah 60:4, 5. Moffatt's translation of these verses is striking and beautiful: "Look around you, look! How all are flocking in. your sons from far away, your daughters carried on the arm. With radiant face you see them, your heart a-thrill and throbbing: for the rich sea-trade shall flow to you, and the wealth of nations shall be yours." Can you keep from shouting, "Fulfilled! Fulfilled!"

During the latter part of World War I, Great Britain was in a pretty tight spot, before our American boys got over there. A certain chemical called acetone was essential in the making of cordite for the manufacture of ammunition. Britain's supply of this chemical was running dangerously low. She could not produce it in sufficient quantities and it was extremely difficult to get it from America.

Here was where a little Jew, exiled from Russia, came into the picture. His name was Chaim Weizmann, and he is now President of Israel.

Let Mr. David Lloyd-George, late Prime Minister of England, tell the story from his memoirs:

"I was confronted by a serious crisis. It became clear that the supplies of wood alcohol for the manufacture of acetone would prove quite insufficient to meet the increasing demands, particularly in 1916. The matter was urgent, for without the acetone there would be no cordite for our cartridges, for either rifles or big guns."

At that time Lloyd George told the late editor of the *Manchester Guardian* of his difficulty, and said he was looking for a resourceful chemist who would help to solve the problem. The editor said to Lloyd George: "There is a very remarkable professor of chemistry in the University of Manchester who is willing to place his services at the disposal of the State."

The Minister of Munitions lost no time in getting in touch with this chemist. Lloyd George tells of their meeting:

"I took his word about Professor Weizmann, and invited him to London to see me. I took to him at once. He is now a man of international fame. He was then quite unknown to the general public, but as soon as I met him I realized that he was a very remarkable personality. His brow gave assurance of a fine intellect, and his open coun-

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tenance gave confidence in his complete sincerity.

"I told him we were in a chemical dilemma and asked him to assist us. I explained the shortage of wood alcohol and what it meant in munitionment. Could he help? Dr. Weizmann said he did not know, but he would try. He could produce acetone on a laboratory scale, but it would require some time before he could guarantee successful production on a manufacturing scale.

"'How long can you give me?' he asked. "I said, 'I cannot give you very long. It is pressing.'

"Weizmann replied, 'I will go at it night and day.'

"In a few weeks' time he came to me and said, 'The problem is solved.' (He had discovered a way to make acetone from horse chestnuts.)

"When our difficulties were solved through Dr. Weizmann's genius, I said to him: 'You have rendered great service to the State, and I should like to ask the Prime Minister to reccommend you to His Majesty for some honor.'

"He said, "There is nothing I want for my-self."

"'But is there nothing we can do as a recognition of your valuable services to the country?' I asked.

"He replied, 'Yes, I would like you to do something for my people.' He then explained his aspirations as to the repatriation of the Jews to the sacred land they had made famous."

Lloyd George goes on to say: "As soon as I became Prime Minister I talked the whole matter over with Mr. Balfour, who was then Foreign Secretary. As a scientist he was immensely interested when I told him of Dr. Weizmann's achievement. Dr. Weizmann was brought into direct contact with the Foreign Secretary.

"The cutcome, after long examination, was the famous Balfour Declaration, which became the charter of the Zionist movement. So that Dr. Weizmann with his discovery not only helped us to win the war, but made a permanent mark upon the map of the world."

The English began to manufacture the explosive according to the formula of Prof. Weizmann. They packed it in cans, loaded it upon ships to be sent across the English Channel to France—but every ship blew up. At first it was thought that the German submarines were to blame, but it was discovered that as soon as the ships began to roll on the choppy waves of the channel, the powder exploded. Dr. Weizmann was asked for a reason. He could not answer, but said, "Til ask God about it." While reading the Old Testament, his mind was directed to Job 38: 22-23: "Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow, or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?"

"What does this mean, O God?" Weizmann cried; and God showed him. After that they packed artificial ice, snow and hail around the tin cans filled with the explosive, loaded them upon Allied ships—and not another ship blew up!

On December 9, 1917, Jerusalem was captured by General Allenby. (Incidentally, one of the main streets now in New Jerusalem is Allenby Road.) God said in Isaiah 31:5, "As birds flying, so will the Lord of hosts defend Jerusalem; defending also he will deliver it; and passing over he will preserve it." When Allenby and his English troops came to the city of Jerusalem, he was afraid to fire on it. He knew that the whole Jewish, Christian, and Moslem worlds would object. He sought advice from his superiors. They told him to use his own judgment, so he prayed; and while he prayed about it, English scout planes began to circle the city. The Turks, who then held the city, were terror-stricken and raised the white flag of surrender. God had kept His Word. "As birds flying," so He had delivered it; and "passing over" He had preserved it. Jerusalem was delivered from the Turks, but it was seen that the Jews were in no position to take over and defend the country from aggressors; so the Allied Nations gave Britain a mandate to govern Palestine and they ruled the land for thirty years.

Britain found herself caught between two fires. While Balfour had promised the Jews a national home in Palestine, another British leader (Col. Lawrence) had promised Palestine to the Arabs as a reward for the aid they had given him during the war. Britain therefore allowed only a restricted immigration of Jews into Palestine. Many feel that Britain failed to keep faith with the Jews. However, it is questionable whether the Jews were ready to leave their homes in very large numbers and go to be pioneers in the rugged land of Palestine. Just as it had taken World War I to prepare the promised land for the Jewish people, it took World War II to prepare the people for the promised land, and to make them anxious to have a country of their own.

The Lord sent hunters and fishers to seek out His people, as He said He would do. Jer. 16:16. Over five millions of them were slain under the cruel hands of the Nazis. They were robbed, insulted, tortured, until they longed for a new land which they could call their own, where they would be free from persecution. So when World War II ended, the Jews laid their case before the United Nations. At the same time, they persisted in swarming into Palestine illegally until Britain grew weary of coping with the problem. At length the British declared their intention of giving up their mandate. The Arabs, meanwhile, turned down the United Nations plan to divide the land. On May 15, 1948, the moment the British soldiers left the country, the Jews immediately declared themselves a nation. The Arabs then tried to drive them out by force of arms, but failed. As a result, we have one of the most thrilling stories in history of the rebirth of a nation-a nation which has continued to prosper and grow from that day to this.

We spent several days in the Hashimite territory. We traveled from early morning till late at night, visiting places of Biblical interest. We found the country rugged and primitive. There was hardly any vegetation to be found anywhere. Arab shepherds with their little herds of goats could be seen here and there trying to find enough pasture to keep the animals alive until they could be slain for food. Poverty is seen on every hand with very little being done to help the situation. Such a life seems to be taken as a matter of course. Men, women and children bear burdens which animals and machinery should be bearing. The camel and little burro bear seemingly unbelievable loads on their backs and are about the most popular methods of hauling supplies of every kind.

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Sanitary conditions among the Arabs are very poor. I was surprised to hear that TB and other diseases are very rare. However, it is because the climatic conditions are so very healthy. I have never known a place where the atmosphere was so invigorating and ideal as right around Jerusalem.

When we left the Hashimite Kingdom for Israel, we had to make a trip by plane and bus of 665 miles. We could easily have walked to our destination in 15 minutes. However, because the war is officially still in progress between the Jew and Arab, we had to go to Cyprus and enter Israel through that neutral country! It took us from seven o'clock in the morning until seven o'clock in the evening to make the trip. I was reminded over and over of the long way round which the Jews had to take on their trip from Egypt to Palestine many centuries before.

Going from the Arab territory into Israel was like going out of darkness into light, or from a hovel to a palace. We were met in New Jerusalem by a Jewish Rabbi, who was also a high public official, having charge of all tourists coming into the country.

One of the first words one hears on entering Israel is "SHALOM"—meaning "peace." They say *Shalom* for "hello," "good-bye," or "how are you?" They are talking peace, praying peace, singing peace. But I am afraid they will never know real peace until the Prince of Peace comes.

The country of Israel is no larger than the state of New Jersey, and yet in its first two years as a nation, more than 400,000 Jews have poured into it from all over the world.

While in Israel, we visited a Yemenite camp, which is a settlement of 50,000 Jews, who had been slaves in central Arabia, but within the past few months had been brought back to their national home by plane. Though they had been in the Yemen for two thousand years, they had never lost their identity and had never given up the hope that some day they would be free people again and return to their promised land. They told us that they had never slept on a bed or worn shoes. They were almost starved to death, but now in such a short time the smile has returned to their faces and they are as happy and proud as any group of Jews in the Holy Land. They are now plowing the fields, paving roads, building their own houses and teaching their children a new way of life in their promised land.

Read Ezekiel 36, beginning at verse 6, which has to do with the LAND itself. "Prophesy therefore concerning the land of Israel, and say unto the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I have spoken in my jealousy, and in my fury, because ye have borne the shame of the heathen. . . . But ye, O mountains of Israel, ye shall shoot forth your branches, and yield your fruit to my people Israel; for they are near at hand to come. For behold, I am for you, and I will turn unto you, and ye shall be tilled and sown; and I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel, even all of it; and the cities shall be inhabited, and the wastes shall be builded: and I will multiply upon you man and beast; and they shall increase and bring fruit; and I will settle you after your old estates, and will do better unto you than at your beginnings: and ye shall know that I am the Lord." This entire chapter is literally being fulfilled before our very eyes today. While perhaps half of the original land of Palestine is still held and occupied by the Arabs and is nothing but desolate, barren, rocky hills and valleys, the portion now held by Israel is seeing the rebirth which God described in this chapter. I thought so many times while comparing the two sections of the land of Palestine, "Oh! if the Arabs would just turn the whole country over to the Jews, their own living standards would be raised many hundred per cent."

Jewish immigrants are pouring into Israel from every part of the earth. I have seen them and talked to many of them. Every one of them is as proud of his country and as anxious to show it to you and tell you about it as a young mother is regarding her newborn baby. It is startling to think that 400,000 Jews have come into this small country within two years and still an average of 12,000 to 30,000 more are coming each month. This would be equivalent to bringing 80 million foreigners into America in that period of time. Can you imagine what we would do with them? One would expect to find a great unemployment problem, yet everywhere you look the people are working as if they had a tremendous job to do and only a short time in which to do it. You might ask, What are they doing? Well, they are helping God fulfill the prophecies. The mountains are seeing their rocks gathered up and beautiful fences and houses being made on them. Fruit trees, olive groves, and everything that will grow on the mountains are being planted there. Roads are being built. Pipe lines are being laid to carry water for irrigation and consumption. The desert country which has been lying waste for centuries is getting water sprinkled on it, and in return it is producing all manner of fruits, vegetables and grains. As you ride along the highways you see on every side large and beautiful fields being sprinkled as you would sprinkle your yard. Large orchards of banana, orange, and other kinds of fruit are seen along the highways.

We passed a most desolate strip of land which was nothing but sand dunes. Our bus driver and guide told us that forty years ago Tel-Aviv was just such a place as that, but now it is a most beautiful city of around 200,000 population. The buildings in Tel-Aviv as well as in Jerusalem, Haifa, and the other fine cities are as modern and beautiful as anything you will find in America.

The Jews are proud of their land and buildings, but do you know the first place to which the Jewish Rabbi took us when we landed in New Jerusalem? He took us down a long hill and up a very steep climb to Mount Zion. As the darkness was settling down, our guide pointed out the site where it is believed Jesus ate the last supper with His disciples, and where it is supposed the one hundred and twenty received the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost. What a joy filled our souls as this group of Pentecostal people lifted their voices to God in thanksgiving and prayer in this ancient building. The guide explained that at least parts of the building were of the original materials.

A short distance from here we looked in the gathering dusk through a window at the tomb of David. We were vividly reminded of David's greater Son, who also died but rose triumphantly and is alive forevermore.

As some of us wended our way back across the Valley of Hinnom to the King David Hotel and the Y.M.C.A., and some to the beautiful Assembly of God parsonage where different members of our party were staying, the Jewish Rabbi was asked the question, "How do your people feel now about the coming of the Messiah?"

Without a moment's hesitancy, he replied, "We are praying for His return; and now, since Israel has become a nation, the hope of His coming has been accelerated."

Yes, His coming is very near, and when their Messiah returns they will discover that He is the very Christ whom they rejected two thousand years ago.



#### PASSING OF A PIONEER

H. G. Rodgers, one of the earliest pioneers in the Pentecostal movement, has gone home to Glory. He died at Hohenwald, Tenn., on November 11, 1950.

Brother Rodgers was born in 1864 and began his ministry as a farmer-preacher. Later he became a full-time evangelist and gave 53 years of his life to the preaching of the gospel.

It was under the ministry of G. B. Cashwell that Brother Rodgers received light on the Pentecostal baptism, and he received the experience at Memphis, Tenn., in May 1907. His passing recalls an interesting chapter in the early history of the Pentecostal movement.

In 1909 Brother Rodgers was the convener of a convention at Dothan, Ala., at which time a number of Pentecostal ministers were licensed and ordained under the name, "The Church of God' (although this group had no connection with the Church of God over which A. J. Tomlinson was the overseer). In 1912 this group in the southeast combined with the group in Texas which had been operating under the name, "The Churches of God in Christ," and the combined ministerial list of the two groups in the year 1913 contained the names of 352 ministers.

According to our General Secretary, J. R. Flower, it was this group which became the

nucleus of the Assemblies of God. The ministers of the Churches of God in Christ were absorbed into the Assemblies of God when the General Council of the Assemblies of God was organized at Hot Springs, Ark., in April 1914.

H. G. Rodgers had a long and fruitful ministry among our assemblies, and his passing is the loss of one who was an Assemblies of God minister from the very beginning of our Fellowship.

#### ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF SIX SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICTS TO MEET AT HOT SPRINGS

The Southwestern Prayer and Bible Conference will be held at Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas, January 16 to 19, 1951. This Conference, which has been an annual event for a number of years, is sponsored by six southwestern Districts: Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas, West Texas, and New Mexico.

It is something out of the ordinary, in that no program is planned, no speakers are announced, and no offerings are taken in the meetings. It is simply a time when God's people can meet together to seek His face and to study His Word.

The meetings will be held in the First Assembly of God Church, South Avenue at Seventh, in Hot Springs (G. E. Chambers, Host Pastor). They will begin Tuesday night, Jan. 16, and end Friday night, Jan. 19. For further information write Curtis A. Price, Arkansas District Secretary, Box 436, Hot Springs, Ark.

#### AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

CHAUTAUQUA, KANS.—We had a meeting with Evangelists Lloyd Long and E. E. Hoffman and assisted by Harry Dummond, all from Caney, Kans. Two were saved, and nine received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Two were healed of cancer. The church was stirred and edified.— R. C. Shannon, Pastor.

BRATT, FLA.—We recently closed a blessed revival with Evangelist and Mrs. W. C. Land of Mobile, Ala. God met us in a special way every service. There were 25 saved or reclaimed, and nine received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The church was greatly encouraged. We believe this has been one of the greatest revivals our church has known.—Charles E. Wilson, Pastor.

WILMINGTON, DEL.—The Lord sent us an old-time, Holy Spirit led revival at the Calvary Pentecostal Church with Evangelist Daisy Gillock of Tulsa, Okla. The meeting was extended two weeks longer than previously planned because of the blessing of God. This was the most gratifying campaign held in our church for a long time. We did not keep actual count, but we know that at least 16 were saved and 13 were filled with the Holy Spirit. One lady who was seeking the Holy Spirit, received the fullness of the Spirit on a ferry boat while crossing the river on her way home. Fleming S. Van Meter is Pastor.—James E. Cole, Church Secretary.

#### COMING MEETINGS

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

ST. JAMES, MINN.—Gospel Tabernacle, Dec. 6—17; Melvin Hanson Evangelistic Party. —by R. Rudell, Pastor.

NASSAU, BAHAMAS, B.W.I.—Evangelistic Temple, Dec. 17—Jan. 1; Evangelists Stanley and Ethel MacPherson. (E. D. Davis is Pastor.)

GALLUP, N. MEX.—Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. Bob McCutchen, Austin, Tex. (A. A. Price is Pastor.)

DALLAS, TEX.—Maplewood Assembly of God, Maple at Lucas Dr., meeting in progress; Eskelin Evangelistic Party, Detroit, Mich. (Ray Soper is Pastor.)

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BOISE, IDAHO-Garden City Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelist B. R. Harris, Sr. of Ogallala, Nebr.--by J. H. McClure, Pastor.

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