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

MOTHER'S DAY CARDS

"When I was just a little boy
I used to seek your arms
For refuge from my little woes
In childhood's small alarms.

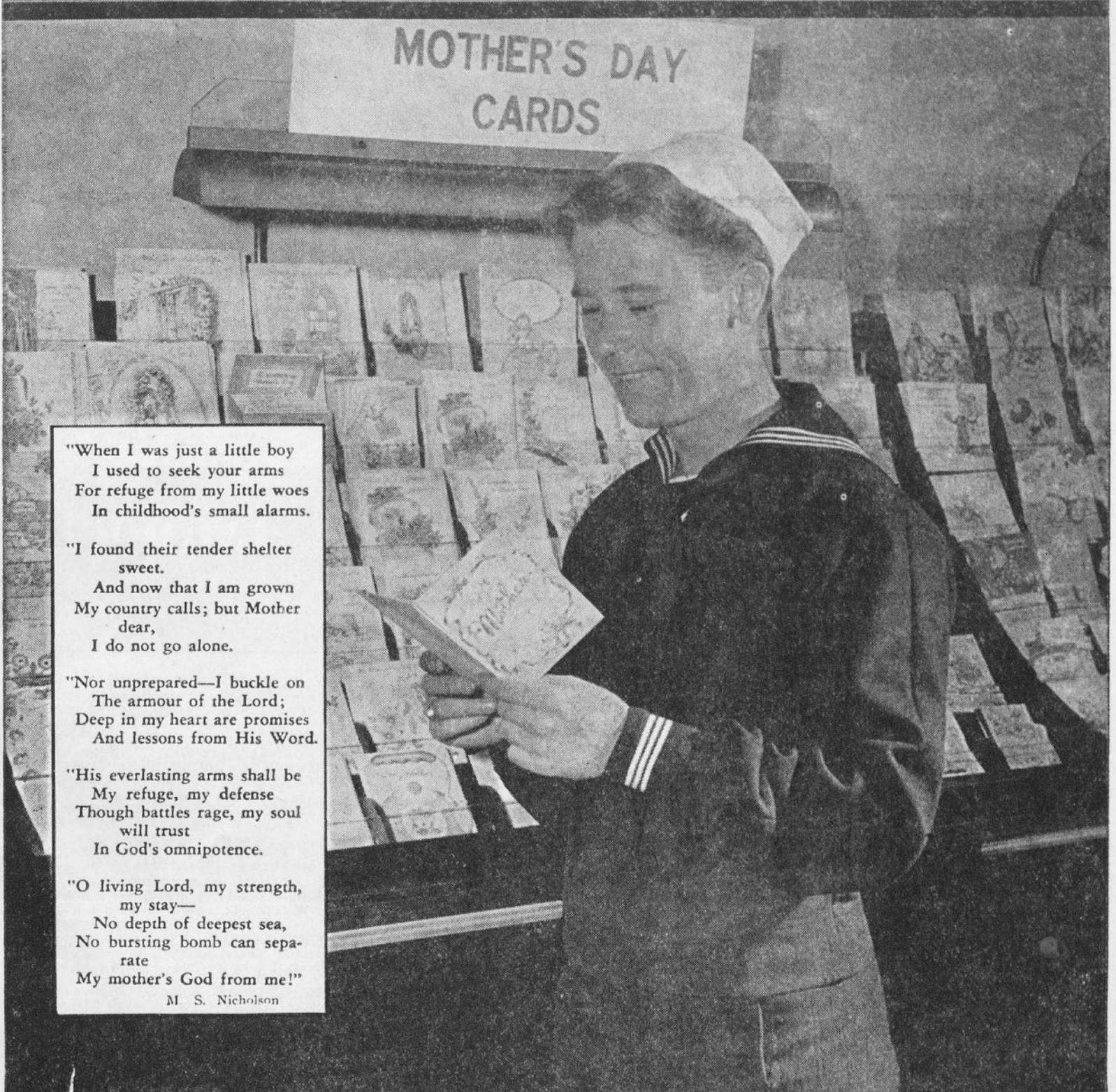
"I found their tender shelter
sweet.
And now that I am grown
My country calls; but Mother
dear,
I do not go alone.

"Nor unprepared—I buckle on
The armour of the Lord;
Deep in my heart are promises
And lessons from His Word.

"His everlasting arms shall be
My refuge, my defense
Though battles rage, my soul
will trust
In God's omnipotence.

"O living Lord, my strength,
my stay—
No depth of deepest sea,
No bursting bomb can separate
My mother's God from me!"

M. S. Nicholson



EDITORIALY

Praying Mothers

The story is told of a minister who was making calls. When he rang the bell of a certain home, a little girl opened the door. He asked for her mother, and she said, "Are you sick?"

"No," he replied. Then she asked, "Are you hurt?" "No." Then she asked if someone else was sick or needing help. When he said he did not know of such a need, she said, "Then you can't see Mama, for she prays from nine to ten o'clock."

It was then twenty minutes past nine, but the minister sat down and waited forty minutes to see her.

At ten o'clock she came into the room with the light of glory on her face; and the minister knew why that home was so bright. He knew why her two sons were in Bible School and her daughter was a missionary. Billy Sunday told this story and he said, "All hell cannot tear a boy or girl away from a mother like that."

Thank God for praying mothers. They have wielded more power for good than will ever be known this side of eternity. They are the Lord's best helpers and the nation's greatest treasure.

Nearly every man whose life has been a blessing to humanity has had a godly mother. Think of Moses, who grew up in a heathen court: his mother's influence upon his life was so great that he turned his back on all the royal pleasures of sin and became a mighty leader of God's people. Think of Samuel; he was but a small child when his mother brought him to the temple and left him to live with Eli and his wayward sons: yet the influence of her early training and her daily prayers kept him pure and upright all the days of his life.

The world has heard a great deal about John Wesley and Charles Wesley, the founders of the Methodist Church, but how many have heard of their consecrated mother? It was she who trained the boys and fitted them for their great work. Suzanna Wesley was the mother of nineteen children. She must have been a very busy woman, and yet she found time to give each child individual attention and to bring it up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Speaking of Mrs. Wesley, one has written: "This wonderful woman wrote three elementary books on Christian theology for the instruction of her children. She taught them together as a

class, and once a week had a private conference with each child."

John Newton, the hymn writer, attributed his salvation to his praying mother. He was a very wicked, debased young man engaged in the slave traffic. He was a blasphemer, and a drinker. But his mother prayed for her son before she left this life, and Newton said that he never forgot her prayers. One day when out at sea, he was missed from the crew. He was found down on his knees praying and saying, "O Thou God of my dead mother, have mercy on my soul!" God heard his prayer, and Newton gave us some of the most beautiful hymns that we have.

The mother of Charles Spurgeon said: "Now, Lord, if my children go into sin, it will not be from ignorance that they perish, and my soul must bear swift witness against them at the day of judgment if they lay not hold of Jesus Christ." God heard that mother's prayer and saved young Spurgeon, and he became one of the greatest preachers of all time.

We could go on and on mentioning the saintly mothers, themselves little known, who have given to the world its most illustrious sons. One mother whose children had grown into outstanding Christians was asked the secret of her success in training them. She said:

"This was the secret. When, in the morning, I washed my children, I prayed that they might be washed in the fountain of a Saviour's mercy. When I put on their garments, I prayed that they might be arrayed in the robe of a Saviour's righteousness. When I gave them food, I prayed that they might be fed with manna from heaven. When I started them on the road to school, I prayed that their faith might be as the shining light, brighter and brighter to the perfect day. When I put them to sleep, I prayed that they might be enfolded in the Saviour's arms."

In other words, her heart was going out to God in prayer for her children continually, even while she did her work. You may be sure that if this mother lived in such an attitude of prayer, the Lord helped her to set a godly example before her children each day, and He gave her wisdom to know how to instruct them properly in all the things which they needed to know.

Like the virtuous woman described in Proverbs 31, the children of such a mother would surely rise up and call her blessed. D. L. Moody paid an affectionate tribute to his mother at her funeral. Holding in his hands the old family Bible and the worn book of devotions, he stood by the form of the departed one, and said:

"It is not the custom, perhaps, for a son to take part in such an occasion, but if I can control myself, I should like to say a few words. It is a great honor to be the son of such a mother. I do not know where to begin. I could not praise her enough. In the first place, my mother was a very wise woman. In one sense she was wiser than Solomon: she knew how to bring up her children.

"Whenever I wanted real, sound counsel, I used to go to my mother. She never complained. It is a great thing to have such a mother, and I feel like standing up here today to praise her."

May the Lord give us more Christian mothers like these to salt the earth and to uphold the ways of righteousness. Praying mothers are sorely needed in this day of shaking faith and crumbling morals. They are God's best gift to the world, outside of His own beloved Son. "Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised."

If we abide by the principles taught in the Bible, our country will go on and prosper, but if we and our posterity neglect its instruction and authority, no man can tell how suddenly a catastrophe may overwhelm us and bury all our glory in profound obscurity.—Daniel Webster.

It is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness.—Chinese proverb.

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"Receive Ye the Holy Spirit"

Marie E. Brown



TODAY IS PENTECOST, the anniversary of the gift of the Holy Spirit. The word Pentecost means "fifty," and it took place fifty days after the resurrection. "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them" (Acts 2:1-3). Peter explained this to the people around by saying, "This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we are all witnesses. Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, He hath shed forth this which ye now see and hear" (Acts 2:32-33). What was it they could see and hear? They could see the tongues of fire and hear the wind and the speaking in tongues.

Now what did this manifestation mean, and what are we to learn from it? Pentecost stood for lives consecrated to God, lives set apart for a purpose and lives endued with power forcefully to witness to an adequate way of life. The Church seems today to be living between the resurrection and Pentecost. If she would only move up to Pentecost,

nothing in this world could stop her.

Imagine the Early Church without Pentecost: those men going out with that wonderful message and they themselves not possessing the power of it. Pentecost made the men and the message one, hence their power. The Cross was the birth-pain of the coming Church, and the resurrection heralded the coming birth; but Pentecost was the time that the Church was born. Here men were commissioned to proclaim a crucified Jesus as Saviour and Master, to establish the new world order of the kingdom of God. But this was to be done in the face of the spirit of enmity, and without Pentecost it would have been impossible. It was not enough for them to see Him and hear Him say, "Peace be unto you. As My Father hath sent Me, even so send I you." No, not even His presence and commission were enough, for up to Pentecost the whole thing was on the outside of them, objective, something spoken and acted before them. It was not IN them. Pentecost then was the power that came WITHIN and possessed them. Hence they became irresistible disciples of a great passion.

The Church has shied away from Pentecost. She is afraid of it. Teaching concerning the Holy Spirit is the most vague and uncertain thing in the life of the Church. Arthur Hurd says, "It is the undiscovered country of Christianity, the dark continent of Christian life, the land where our spiritual resources lie undeveloped." There was a time when the Christian Church celebrated Whitsunday, the anniversary of the coming of the Holy Spirit, more than it did Christmas. Did she find it was easier to celebrate Christ's birth, to commemorate His coming into the world, than it was for her to go with His message to the world? Did it cost less to give gifts at Christmas than to give herself at Pentecost? Christmas is the festival of God WITH us; Pentecost is the festival of God IN us. Is He more with us than in us?

Two things remain in Pentecost as permanent: power for living and power for life-giving. Only prayer can keep this life-giving Spirit alive in us, for prayer is the breath of life in every Christian. Thus it is befitting that it

should be made the first step in receiving the Spirit. PRAYER precipitated Pentecost. Those ten days in prayer brought the disciples face to face with themselves and with their resources.

The second step is SELF-ABANDONMENT. In John's Gospel it is said that the reason the Spirit had not yet been given was that "Jesus was not yet glorified." When He went to the throne the Spirit was given. It is not different today. There is only one thing that keeps us from receiving the Holy Spirit—Jesus is not on the throne of our lives. Another master is there. It is only empty hands that can grasp Christ. When we are sure that we are withholding nothing, we may then be sure that God is withholding nothing. The gift of the Holy Spirit may then become ours.

The third step is FAITH. Many fail to go boldly in and possess the land, but they could if they talked faith with God. The promise is to all. Note the Lord said, "Receive ye the Holy Ghost." The word "receive" is active voice, so that it might be translated, "Take ye the Holy Ghost." We are not to wait passively; we are to reach out and take the offered gift. Faith is the venture that dares; it is simply taking what in all sincerity God offers. But faith is not merely an act that takes. It is more; it is an act and an attitude. When one has this faith-attitude there sets in what may be called spiritual initiative and things will happen in such lives.

Pentecost is not the end: it is just the beginning. The spiritual life is both a gift and a growth. As the Holy Spirit was given after ten days of prayer, so the spiritual life must be maintained by prayer. By watchfulness and careful living we are to guard the gift that was committed to us, the blessed Holy Spirit.

If we do not receive the Spirit, then we deliberately cancel the divine program for us. If we have not the baptism in the Holy Spirit, it is because we do not want Him, or perhaps I should say do not want Him sufficiently to go through the necessary steps. Only those who bring to Him the price of their all, and believe His Word, shall receive. God has no favorites. That power can be yours, for the Holy Spirit is given to them that ask. "If ye then, being evil,

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know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?" (Luke 11:13).

Pentecost is not a spiritual luxury; it is an utter necessity for victorious, Christ-like living. The human fails unless the Holy Spirit fills. The Sermon on the Mount is beautiful; but without Pentecost and the power of the Holy Spirit it is impossible of achievement. We cannot go further until we go deeper, nor can we go further until we receive our Pentecost.

For a testimony as to the blessedness of this gift, I would like to say that forty-four years ago last October I received my Pentecost just as did the hundred and twenty in the upper room in Jerusalem. I am sure that I would not have been this long in Glad Tidings Tabernacle were it not for His abiding presence and power. This path was His choosing for me, and it has been with great joy as well as suffering and trial that I have walked it as a co-worker with Him. The Holy Spirit has made the Lord Jesus Christ a living reality, and together our fellowship has been most precious.

And the promise is unto you. Receive ye the Holy Spirit.

"I would urge that we seize every possible opportunity of getting into the company of those who care for Christ, who love to think and speak of Him. For it was to the hearts that loved and longed for Him that He appeared in the days after His resurrection, and that He has been wont to appear in all the days since."



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Two Witnesses Required

"He (the Spirit of truth) shall testify of Me," said Jesus, "and ye also shall bear witness."

W. W. Simpson

WHEN CERTAIN DISCIPLES came to Jesus privately on Olivet and asked, "What shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the age?" our Lord replied, "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." Matt. 24:14. This was a clear, definite answer to a plain question.

The fact that our Lord has not yet come proves conclusively that the gospel has not yet been preached as a witness to all nations. Our Lord is not slack concerning His promise to return, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering to usward (2 Pet. 3:9). He has finished His task of preparing the place; He apparently had it finished before 96 A. D. for John saw it then, but we have not yet finished our task. He was ready and eager to come in 96 A.D. (Rev. 21:7, 12, 20), but we are leisurely muddling along, half asleep, taking it easy! How long shall we delay?

Our Lord provided that there should be two witnesses in order to establish the truth of the gospel (John 15:26-27). He Himself was subject to this law (John 8:17, 18). Acts 5:29-32 shows clearly that this plan was carried out by the apostles. Acts 7:51-60 shows how this law operated at the martyrdom of Stephen. He first testified, then was filled with the Spirit who gave His testimony of the exaltation of Jesus. That rejection of this two-fold testimony by the Jewish nation through its High Council sealed its doom. Paul's effort to change its fate was utterly futile and was forbidden by the Spirit (Acts 21:4). In the same way this two-fold testimony must be given to all nations ere our Lord returns, just as it was given to the Jewish nation.

Most people, even missionaries, suppose all that is necessary is to preach the gospel to the people so that they understand it. That is necessary. It is the witness of men—one witness. But it is insufficient. There must be two witnesses—"In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established" (2 Cor. 13:1). It is absolutely neces-

sary that all nations have a chance to hear the testimony of Spirit-filled men and also of the Holy Spirit. "If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater" (1 John 5:9). And this is why our Lord has sent the Spirit now, in these last days, as at Pentecost I know it is true; I have seen it work.

All who have worked among Moslems admit they are the most difficult in the world to convince of the truth of the gospel. But the double testimony avails. In July 1914 I was preaching in Nanking. I noticed a young man who came three nights in succession and gave close attention as I preached that Jesus was crucified for the sins of all people. When I invited all who believed to remain for prayer, the third night he remained and knelt with several others. The Spirit led me to lay a hand on his head. He began to tremble. I knew the Lord was dealing with him. Later when others arose he stood and said:

"I am a Mohammedan. I have read the Koran. My father is a Moslem teacher. From childhood I have heard that Jesus was not crucified, but ascended alive to heaven, and that another was crucified instead. Having believed that teaching I could not believe your preaching these nights. But tonight as I knelt here I saw the cross. Though my eyes were closed I saw distinctly Jesus really nailed on the cross. Now I know He was crucified for the sins of the world, including my own, and now I believe in Him and accept Him as my Saviour."

My testimony had been insufficient, but when the Spirit added His testimony He was convinced. The Spirit demonstrated the crucifixion, and the young man's faith rested not in the wisdom of men but in the power of God (1 Cor. 2:5). Sad to say, this young man soon disappeared, doubtless slain by zealous Moslems, perhaps by his own father. We never heard of him again.

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During a summer vacation from Truth Bible Institute, Peking, I was in Shanghai getting the Assembly of God hymnal printed. Some Cantonese women asked me to conduct some meetings. For one week I preached in the Baptist church. Some sick were healed and those women learned about the Baptism of the Spirit. They arranged to have some tarrying meetings. In the first meeting the Spirit led me to lay hands on Mrs. Cheng. She was filled with the Spirit, spoke in an unknown tongue, and then in the Malay language. Some present had lived in Singapore and understood.

She went home and told her brother, Dr. Y. W. Wang, Editor in Chief of the *Commercial Press*, largest publishing house in China. He was puzzled, amazed! She had worn glasses ten years and could not read or write without them. Next morning, she dressed and came into the dining room, having forgotten her glasses. Mail being delivered, she picked up a letter and began reading. Since she saw clearly it did not occur to her that she was without her glasses. Her brother came, heard her read, and seeing that she had no glasses, exclaimed, "What have you done with your glasses?" She felt of her face, found she had no glasses, and exclaimed, "Why, praise the Lord! He has given me perfect eyesight! I can see perfectly without glasses!"

Her brother asked for full particulars. She told him that I had simply laid a hand on her head and that she had received the Spirit, but that her eyesight had not been mentioned. The Spirit had done a miracle.

Dr. Wang told her to invite me to attend his father's birthday feast a few days later. She told me the date and instructed me to come early as her brother wished to talk with me. I went in; he took me into his big library which was stacked with books of five nations—China, Japan, Britain, France, Germany. Then he said:

"I have read all these books; I am over forty years old. In all my reading and all my life I have never known anything that required the existence of a God to explain it, until you prayed for my sister. She spoke in the Malay language, and she now can see perfectly without the glasses which she had used ten years. These two things, speaking the Malay language and the healing of her eyes, have convinced me there is a true and living God."

He had heard and read many human testimonies of the true God, but not until he came face to face with the work of the Holy Spirit was he, a pronounced atheist, led to acknowledge, "There is

a true and living God." A two-fold testimony is TRUE!

In January 1926 in Taochow, Kansu Province, West China, Mrs. Song Siang-siang became sick. Her father, Chow Feng-gang, being a doctor, had her brought to his home for treatment. He did all he could for her but in May he saw she was dying. Her burial robes were put on her. Then she knew she was dying. In mortal fear she begged him for some word of cheer, but he had no word of hope. In agony she implored him to send for his brother, Chow Feng-ling, a preacher of the gospel. Though he hated his brother for accepting a foreign religion he could not deny her dying request.

When the brother (her uncle) came to her side she told him, "I am dying! What will become of me? It's all dark! I'm afraid, I'm afraid to die! Is there no hope for me?"

He said, "Yes, there's hope! Believe in our Lord Jesus who put away all your sin when He died on the cross."

In a few words he told her of Christ and His great salvation, the first time she had ever heard. Her father had forbidden all his family to ever hear the "foreign religion," as he called it. She said, "I believe," and her uncle prayed the Lord to save her and receive her spirit at its departure. Then he left, because he knew his brother hated him.

The dying woman soon was too weak to talk, then peacefully ceased breathing. Her father examined her and pronounced her dead; then he ordered the coffin to be carried in and prepared to place the body away.

By this time friends and relatives came, and there was much weeping, for the Chow family was very prominent. They placed rugs and cushions in the coffin and were on the point of laying the body in it when suddenly her uncle rushed in. Filled with the Spirit, he laid hands on the dead body. Instantly a

Voice came from the dead lips, calling her father and saying, "Unless you believe in Jesus your daughter cannot live."

Knowing it was God speaking, Dr. Chow dropped to his knees and cried for mercy. Then the Voice called the husband saying, "Unless you believe in Jesus your wife cannot live." He too knelt and cried for mercy. Then breath came into the body and Siang-siang lived again. The Spirit spoke through her lips these words: "She was dead; is now alive; will stand today; sit up tomorrow; walk the third day!"

Instantly, without human assistance, though wasted by four months' serious illness, the Spirit lifted her. She stood and for three hours poured forth a prophecy covering most of the Book of Revelation. Her uncle, well-educated, familiar with the Bible, stood amazed that one who had never heard a word of the Bible could thus speak! Wonderful Spirit of the living God, he who dares to speak against Thee shall not be forgiven!

The Spirit finished by saying, "Unless this city repents and believes in Jesus it will be destroyed!" Then she lay down. Next day she dressed and sat up; the third day she was entirely well and walked. She still lives, a mighty witness!

Three years and three months later (in August 1929) the Moslems at night massacred all Chinese and Tibetans in and around the city. Chinese and Tibetan armies came, defeated the Moslems and exterminated them; then burned the city, sparing only the house I built for the Mission. Only the Christians, warned by the Spirit, escaped. Two Moslem girls who fled at night I rescued months later; I took them into our Orphan Home, where they were saved and filled with the Spirit. One of them is now Mrs. Lo Siu-lien who is preaching the gospel in Tientsin. Thus the prophecy was fulfilled.

The Spirit has told me many times to relate this event wherever I go, because what occurred in Taochow is a sample of what will soon take place in all the cities of the whole world. First the two-fold witness, then the Tribulation of the time of the end! "For the time is at hand." Rev. 1:3.

Give us clear vision, that we may know where to stand and what to stand for—because unless we stand for something, we shall fall for anything.—The late Peter Marshall, Senate Chaplain

"It is not by understanding God, but by trusting Him, that we have victory over sin."

The Waves of Wrath

The waves of wrath which I deserved

Passed over Jesus' soul;

The stripes I earned were laid on Him,

To make me, sinner, whole.

He took my place of guilt and shame

And drank my cup of pain,

That I, a pauper, might be made

A partner of His gain.

—Max. I Reich

Paths to God

Wesley R. Steelberg on REVIVALTIME



THE PATH that led up to the little cottage was overgrown with weeds and vines, and though lovely roses still rambled over the porch roof there was something that tugged at the boy's heart as he stumbled up the path. He was thinking of Mother and of those days when his bare feet had run up that path—and now it was overgrown. There was a catch in his throat and he said to himself, "Is it true that my mother no longer lives here?"

He hurried to the door and knocked. Hearing a faint voice within, he opened it quickly. There he saw his precious mother sitting in a chair. She was now crippled, unable to walk down that path; and seemingly the neighbors had forgotten that the little gray-haired mother lived in that cottage where the lovely roses rambled over the porch. The boy picked the little body up in his arms and caressed his darling mother with kisses. His heart was moved as he realized that even though the path was overgrown, Mother was still there.

This pictures to me a situation that may be found in many lives. Oh, maybe it is not the path to Mother's old cottage that is overgrown, but the path to God has somehow become overgrown with the cares of life.

The prophet Jeremiah knew that such things would occur. Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, he said, "Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls." Oh, friend, this is the entreaty of the Spirit. This is the cry of God to wanderers over the path of life—those who go on and on, and yet reach no objective.

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A friend and I were driving from Los Angeles to San Diego when we came to a shabbily dressed old man walking along the highway. We thought we would do the old gentleman a favor so we stopped and asked, "Would you like to have a ride, sir?"

He shrugged his shoulders and said, "Oh, no. Don't think I would."

We said, "If you have a distance to go, we will be very happy to take you. You needn't be afraid."

"Oh," he said, "I have no particular place to go, and when I get there I don't know but what I will have to turn around and start right back." That was his way of indicating that he was a wanderer with no goal, no particular objective before him,

I believe there are people who are doing that same thing in their Christian experience; that is, they do not know the way to God, or if they once knew it they seem to have forgotten the old well-worn path. But I would entreat you to do exactly what the prophet said—"Stand in the ways, and ask for the old paths." Ask whom? Ask God, for He is the only one who really knows the way that leads home, the way that leads to peace, the way that leads to hope and joy and victory over all of those things which prey upon the mind and lead men to discouragement and despair.

The old paths are paths of prayer. We may not understand all of the wonderful things of God; we may not be able to expound every doctrine or express the elation or that inner sense of joy which we feel, but I'm sure that every one of us can understand what it means to have communion and fellowship with God. We must find the place of prayer, for we know God is listening to us and that He is ready to answer the plea of our heart. If you have lost that path, then I entreat you that you will bow your knees before the Lord, and call upon Him today.

The old paths are paths of confession. Oh, we need again to know the path of repentance, the path that brings us down in submission and contrition before God. Pride has overtaken this generation. They lift their heads haughtily and say, "No man is going to compel me to get down on my knees. I'm a free man. I will do as I please." Yes, you can do as you please, but some day

you will bow your knees. Even though you do not want to bow your knees now, you will bow your knees in that day of judgment and you will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. But then it will be under compulsion (Phil. 2:9-11). It will be because of the divine edict, and it will do you no good to pray then. But if you will bow your knees now and confess your faults to God, you will find that He is there in the path waiting to forgive you and restore you to the way of righteousness.

Listen to what He says in Jeremiah 3:14—"Turn, O backsliding children, saith the Lord; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion." That is the promise of God to those who will walk in the path of confession of sin.

I repeat: the old paths are paths of humility. If you will humble yourself before God, He has promised that He will exalt you. The path that God wants you to take is a path of earnestness, a path of holiness, a path of sacrifice. Oh, yes, it is an old path, and there are many who say, "Oh, let us walk down *this other way*. It is so much more appealing. It is so much more popular." But it is only the old paths that lead to God. Oh, that you might find Him and know the blessedness of forgiveness, and the peace that passeth understanding, and the joy that knows no bounds! We are so desirous that you shall truly be saved and know Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour. Will you not bow your knees, or at least bow your head, and pray to Him now?

Giving Up Their Idols

I remember once going to a meeting at which they were going to have an exhibition of idols. I was always glad to see anything of a missionary sort, so I went to see those idols. I thought they would be the hideous idols of India or the South Seas. Six young men went to the rear to find them, and brought two great sheets of cardboard. On one were dog whistles, and tobacco pouches, and pipes, and cigarettes, and cigarette holders; and on the other were ribbons, and feathers, and sham jewelry, and all the things that women wear. As they brought these things in, a man behind me said: "That's my pipe." A woman said, "That's my feather." These people thought that before we sent missionaries to the heathen, we ought to put away our own idols.—F. B. Meyer

What sunshine is to flowers, smiles are to humanity. They are but trifles, to be sure; but scattered along life's pathway, the good they do is inconceivable.—Addison.

PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Dangerous Days

Every 5 minutes during 1950 someone in the United States was feloniously assaulted or killed, reports the F.B.I. During each average day 146 persons were robbed and the cars of 468 others were stolen. With the passing of each day 1,129 places were entered by burglars, and in addition every 30 seconds on the average a larceny was recorded.

New Church in Ireland

Visitors from all parts of Northern Ireland thronged the village of Crossgar, County Down, for the opening of the newly formed Free Presbyterian Church of Ulster. The division resulted when the Presbyterian Church refused to sanction "an old-fashioned gospel campaign" in the Crossgar church. "Modernism in the Irish Presbyterian Church" was also blamed. According to the seceding elders, other congregations of the Free Church are being formed in various parts of Northern Ireland.

New Moslem Organization

Even the Moslems are following the trend of the times and are setting up a permanent world organization, with headquarters in Karachi, capital city of Pakistan. Delegates from around forty nations attended their world convention in Karachi late in February. The purpose of the international convention was to deal with common problems confronting Mohammedanism in various lands today, but students of Bible prophecy will see in the new world organization a step toward that final apostate church which will unite all the religions of the world in the end-time to follow the False Prophet of Revelation 13:12.

Russia and Religion

"The world is left to draw its own conclusions from empty chairs reserved for Russia and her satellites at two recent international religious conferences," says *Moody Monthly*. "One of the conferences marked by the absence of delegates from Iron-Curtain countries was the meeting of the executive committee of the World Council of Churches in Paris. The other was the world conference of Moslems in Pakistan. The latter conference was told that Moslems in Russia had not been given permission to attend, even though both the Soviet foreign minister, Andrei Vishinsky, and the Soviet Ambassador to Pakistan, had been approached on the matter."

Six Millions for Missions

More than six million dollars was raised during 1950 by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptists, an increase of \$695,000 over the previous year. The Southern Baptists have nearly a thousand foreign missionaries and they are increasing the number each year.

Praying for the President

When Robert A. Cook was in Washington, D. C. last month conducting an evangelistic campaign, he was introduced to President Truman along with other ministers. He said, "Mr. President, I'm Bob Cook, president of Youth for Christ International. I'd like to tell you that a million kids in Youth for Christ remember you in prayer each week."

"Thank you, Dr. Cook," said the President. "Tell them to keep it up."

Solomon's Temple

The Jews are talking of rebuilding their Temple in Jerusalem. When they do, it is not likely to equal Solomon's Temple in magnificence. Someone has calculated that a duplication of Solomon's Temple today would cost over eighty-seven billion dollars! Here is the break-down:

Gold, silver and brass—\$34,399,110,000; jewels—about the same; vessels of gold—\$1,876,481,515; vessels of silver—\$3,246,720,000; robes and vestments—\$10,385,440; trumpets—\$1,000,000; food for workmen—\$344,385,440; rough material—\$12,726,685,000.

Miseries of "Skid Row"

Roy Ringer, a Los Angeles *Daily News* staff writer, dressed as a bum, was sent to Skid Row to live among the drunks, beggars and thieves and then to write a report of what he saw and heard in the flophouses, bars and back alleys. He says:

"It was the first time I had seen thousands of human beings living like animals, digging in garbage cans for their food, and stealing their clothes off one another's back. It was the first time I had slept in a flophouse, in a bed crawling with vermin, in a room with twenty men sick and insane with wine. It was the first time I could believe one man would kill another for the gold in his teeth. But life is cheap on Skid Row; gold is worth more than \$35.00 an ounce.

"For thousands of human derelicts, young and old, it is the end of the line.

The road back to self-respect is too long and all uphill. Not one in a hundred will leave it alive; not one in a hundred cares. I found no hope on Skid Row, only despair, anger and bitterness. Fully eighty per cent of Skid Row's inhabitants are chronic alcoholics running away from life through the neck of a bottle. Former doctors, bankers and lawyers share the same bottle with petty thieves who steal only to stay drunk. I met and spoke to scores of alcoholics. Not one in five believes in God, not one in fifty believes in himself, not one in 500 believes there is a way out of Skid Row."

It is an extremely sad picture, the result of sin of various kinds, especially of drink.—Frank E. Allen, in *Covenant Witness*.

Tempting Beer Ads

It is reported that a large Brewing Company spent over five million dollars in advertising during 1950. According to the National Temperance and Prohibition Council, the largest portion of this advertising budget went into radio and television, and another large portion was spent on billboards and magazine ads.

By eye gate and ear gate the minds of the American people are being attacked day and night with exaggerated claims as to the merits of this brewer's product. With some the advertising only creates disgust. With others, however, it creates desire, with the result that this firm sells more beer than any other brewer. It is time our country was rid of this plague of beer ads, or we will become a nation of drunkards.

The eye gate is especially effective, particularly with children. One child who had never seen beer in her life, when she saw a glass on the television screen, said, "O Daddy, I'd like to taste that; it looks so good." Just one of the temptations of television!

Dredging the Dead Sea

"Picking up our paper the other day, we noticed that the dredging of the Dead Sea was under way again," says Stewart G. Billings in *World-Wide Christian Conservative*, "and that by mid-summer of 1951 the reclaiming of the mineral wealth of the Dead Sea should be well under way. We know that the wealth of the Dead Sea has long been the goal of the great dictators of the world, and we believe it will be the goal of the Antichrist as he attacks the Holy Land. It has been said, and probably true, that the nation which controls the wealth of the Dead Sea can rule the world. The mineral wealth of the Dead Sea has been estimated to be of greater value than all the other treasures of the world combined."



THE CONGREGATION AT SAN JOSE (ANTIQUÉ) IN THE PHILIPPINES

The congregation at San Jose (Antique) in the Philippine Islands, over which our missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Warren B. Denton, have supervision. The congregation's new "nipa" (bamboo and palm) church building was dedicated a short time ago.

—Picture by Mr. and Mrs. Warren B. Denton

Field Secretary and Mrs. Robert W. Cummings minister in

INDIA, CEYLON, AND PAKISTAN

Mrs. Robert W. Cummings

THIS YEAR HAS BEEN quite full for Brother Cummings and me. As Field Secretary for the Middle East, Brother Cummings has been visiting all three of the fields under his supervision. We have been on the road almost constantly, both of us filling speaking engagements at conventions and various stations, churches, and Bible Schools.

The last of December we returned to Calcutta, our headquarters at that time, after a very delightful Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John M. Lewis, who are laboring at Jubbulpore. The trains were all crowded, but we were able to secure a "military only" compartment for the overnight journey. We had been informed that we would have to give place to the military if they needed the space. Fortunately we were able to keep the compartment all the way. How often as we have traveled has God done for us "exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think. . . ."

In Calcutta Brother Cummings spoke at a Youth-for-Christ meeting which was held in the Thoburn Methodist Church. He also spoke in the Bengali Church, pastored by one of our Indian brothers.

We found, to our great joy, that for our trip to Ceylon in January we could take a boat, instead of a train and plane as we originally planned, and with no additional expense. We had a restful trip on the freighter *S. S. Durham*, and arrived in Colombo on January 16. Brother Cummings had several periods of Bible study with the students of the Ceylon Bible School during our stay.

After three days in Colombo we drove to Kandy, a distance of seventy-two miles. Kandy is a charming little town with a beautiful lake almost in the center, fringed with the most luxuriant vegetation imaginable.

We participated in a gospel tent campaign held in Kandy. Students from Colombo and various Pentecostal groups co-operated. The meetings were carried on in three languages; English, Tamil, and Singhalese. Choruses were printed in the three languages and placed where all could see. About fifty came forward for salvation. The way the Bible students dealt with the inquirers was especially praiseworthy.

The last week end in January we spent in and near Jafna, speaking before several groups. One day we went to Nuwara Eliya, which is the hill station of Ceylon. I think it is one of the loveliest spots in the world. Our car passed many tea estates and we took time while our engine was cooling to visit a tea factory. The best tea is grown in the higher hills, and factories located high in the mountains seem to put out a better brand of tea. Our missionaries carry on missionary work on some of the estates. It is a wonderful opportunity!

We came by train from Colombo, Ceylon, to Madura, South India, on the return trip to India. We were ferried across the water. It was a trip we will not soon forget. When we got on the train at Colombo we found that our accommodations had been made right in the midst of a coach of pilgrims. They were preparing food and visiting during the entire trip. I noted one woman, perhaps seventy years old, in the aisle near our quarters pounding out her spices.

We arrived at the ferry at 5:30 a.m. It was raining. After convincing the authorities that we had no tea, coconuts, or coconut oil, we were allowed to proceed, but were no more than settled down on the ferry when a man came to tell us that our passport was not in order. Actually our visas had ex-

pired a few days before, but we were not aware of it, as we had been given permission to remain in Ceylon a month. When we finally disembarked on the shores of India the passport officer kept our passport to send to have our visas renewed, and gave us a receipt.

On February 22 a spring convention opened at Shencottah, Travancore, South India, where Brother and Sister R. W. Edwards have been laboring for nearly three years. The convention lasted four days. At the time it opened the Edwardses had perhaps thirty *born-again* Christians in their church. Those not born again, but who lean toward Christianity, are known as *name Christians*, which corresponds to our term *nominal Christians*.

On the first night of the convention there was considerable coming and going by spectators, but after that the attention was very good. The people sat on the floor on mats. The back beam of the church had a number of heavy ropes dangling from it, and a hammock had been fashioned there. On the hammock the small children were placed. If one of them began to cry someone would give the hammock a swing and silence would return.

The response during the convention was remarkable. We have not been in such services for years, if ever. Close to fifteen were saved, and seven were baptized with the Holy Spirit. It means something for these people to accept Christ! On Sunday afternoon, the closing day of the convention, fifteen were baptized in water.

After the convention at Shencottah we returned to Calcutta to get ready for the Biennial Convention of the Assemblies of God of North India and Pakistan, being held in Chapra, Bihar.

As I write we are attending the convention in Chapra. We have had four days of spiritual meetings and are now having business sessions. Brother Cummings has been the evening speaker. Last night he spoke on "Christ's Love for the Church." It was an especially blessed service. There have been excellent Bible studies in the mornings. Four have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit during these meetings.

After this convention we will be returning to South India by way of Calcutta, for the South India Assemblies of God Annual Convention. There will be meetings in Bangalore before we return north.

We expect to spend May and June at our Childers Missionary Rest Home in Landour, Mussoorie. Brother Cummings will have charge of the spiritual activities there during the time. It will be a relief to be settled for a while.

We plan to leave for the States in July

Eric M. Johnson has been re-elected as superintendent of the Gold Coast field in West Africa.

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Two Missionaries Called Home

Two of our fine young missionaries, Raymond Ira Sanders of the Upper Volta, French West African field, and Frank Eugene Isensee, Jr., of the Peru, South American field, have been called home within a week's period.

Raymond I. Sanders became ill on the field and was returned to the States the first of April for medical attention. He was hospitalized in New York. On April 16 he passed away. We do not as yet have complete information on the cause of his death. Funeral services were held for him in Jefferson City, Missouri, on April 20.

Brother Sanders was born in Kansas City, Missouri, in February, 1917. He received ordination in June, 1943, in the Georgia District; and missionary appointment came in June, 1945. The interrupted term was his second on the mission field. He went out in May of last year. Before he reached the

field, and for a short period afterward, he suffered a serious illness, but apparently was healed.

Mrs. Sanders was with him at the time of his death. They have a six-year-old son, Charles Edward.

A cable from Walter E. Erickson, missionary to Peru, on April 18 advised: "Frank Isensee killed. Accident. Evangelization trip. Details follow." We await further particulars of the death.

Brother Isensee was born in Long Beach, California, in December, 1919. He received ordination in June, 1945, in the Northern California-Nevada District; and missionary appointment in November, 1945. He was completing one term on the foreign field.

The Isensees have two children, Kenneth Eugene, age four; and Marguerite Ethel, born in January of this year.

Two true soldiers of the Cross with splendid missionary records!



Sunday School on March 4 at Ikuta section, Kobe, Japan.

Testimony of a Japanese Convert

The following is the testimony of one of the young men won to Christ through the efforts of our missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard M. Nipper, in the Ikuta section of Kobe, Japan. The young man speaks very little English so the testimony is broken.

"Since I accepted the Lord Jesus Christ, Lord has been doing wonderful things to me. I can say that it is countless. When I was saved, first of all my character had change great deal.

"In before I was so short temper and so pessimistic about everything, but after I accepted the Lord Jesus, I became so cheerful and always my heart is full of joy. Since then I never get angry at all. My parent also recognize about these fact and so surprised.

"I never anxious and I can go on with confident because Lord is with me always. Now I am so optimistic and happy, because I know that when I pray to the Lord, no doubt Lord give me the good answer.

"Between last two years I had been many trouble and difficult things in our family and private life; for instance, my father got sickness and about my job, so on—

"But always Lord has been answer to my praying and meet my needs.

"The other day I got Holy Spirit, and I was 'fulled' with Holy Spirit. I am praying with holy words in my private praying life every day, then now I have great peace and joy in my heart, though our society is struggle and containing many dark points. Now I can stand as a witness of the Lord.

"Only I can say is this: Lord is wonderful!"

A NEW CHURCH?

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard M. Nipper,
Japan

In October, 1950 we began working with five adults and three children in the Ikuta section of Kobe, Japan, with the hopes of eventually having a church in that area. A young couple opened their home for services on Wednesday evenings.

After several weeks we found that it was possible to have Sunday services as well, so we began having Sunday School, morning worship, and evening Bible study and prayer.

Today we are averaging more than 100 children in Sunday School. They crowd into a room approximately ten by fourteen feet. New pupils are coming every week.

The adult group also has grown. We now have close to thirty adult Christians. Others who attend are interested, but have not broken entirely from their old religion. Since the first of this year seven persons have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.

These people have been saving toward the building of a church. We have been encouraged with their sacrifices, and thankful for the amount they have been able to save, but it is only a small portion of the amount needed.

Two weeks ago the young man, in whose home we have been meeting, was examined and found to have tuberculosis in an early stage. He was saved only a few weeks after he opened the home to us for services. We have prayed for him, and we trust that you will pray for him, too. His condition, and the growing congregation, make it imperative that we have another building soon. We have looked for one to rent, or a larger home in which we could have services, but have not found any place where we can go.

A church building loan fund was established some time ago here in Japan to help groups build their churches. Loans to the churches from the fund are paid back in installments to our headquarters offices in Japan. The money is then reloaned to other groups. At present, however, we are unable to secure substantial help from the loan fund.

Two thousand dollars would build our church. Will you help us? All money received would be considered a part of the church building loan fund of Japan and would be paid back by the church to the fund in monthly payments.

Send your offering to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri, designated "Ikuta Building, Kobe, Japan."

SUNDAY'S LESSON

A PREVIEW OF NEXT WEEK'S LESSON BY E. S. WILLIAMS

COURAGEOUS MISSIONARIES

Lesson for May 20

Acts 14:1-2, 6-18

Before considering our lesson let us think a little concerning Jupiter and Mercury, deities which the Lycaonians thought had come to them in Barnabas and Saul. The gods Jupiter and Mercury were the two deities that were supposed most often to appear in human form. Jupiter was considered the supreme deity, Mercury the one that Jupiter took with him on his expeditions. Mercury, being the god of trade or of eloquence, was supposed to be much younger than Jupiter. From this it has been conjectured that Barnabas was probably some years older than Paul, and larger of build.

1. Barnabas and Paul at Iconium

The first thing that we note in our lesson is the unity among the workers. "They went *together* into the synagogue." Where there is unity there is strength. Would that this unity had never been broken between Barnabas and Paul, but it was—and the cause of it was the conduct of a young man who failed as a missionary when with them. How sad that the conduct of one who might have been a great blessing to both of these men proved to be the occasion that rent their fellowship asunder. Too often good people are separated in spirit by the failures of others. Let us pray that we be not the cause of such a calamity through our failure to follow God.

At Iconium the ministry of Barnabas and Paul was meeting with success. They were so effectively speaking in the synagogue "that a great multitude both of the Jews and also of the Greeks believed." The fact that the missionaries had their ministry in the synagogue would lead us to believe that the Greeks mentioned in our lesson were proselytes to the Jews' religion, and were present at the synagogue for the purpose of worship. They had "turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God" as He had been presented to them by the Jews. Let us rejoice for every place where God and our Lord Jesus Christ are held up, and where instruction concerning them is given. Though *perfect* light be not there, thank God for the light that does shine.

As is always the case where God is working, there were those at Iconium who immediately set about to hinder and to prejudice the minds of the people against the messengers of God. Unfortunately, these were not of the heathen Gentiles, but were Jews who had some light and felt themselves custodians of "the oracles of God" (Rom. 3:2). It is too bad when they who

are looked upon as the defenders of the faith, turn to become fighters of the truth.

2. A Miracle at Lystra

Leaving Iconium, Barnabas and Paul went to Lystra and Derbe—"and there they preached the gospel." If the door closed in one city, they would go to another. At Lystra they found a man who had been a cripple from birth. The lesson says he heard Paul speak, and Paul perceived that he had faith to be healed. This faith without doubt came as he heard the message of the apostle, for "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Rom. 10:17). Every Christian minister should preach a message that inspires faith. If it is not faith for salvation or healing, it ought to be faith for living. No message should be given that does not inspire renewed faith in God.

The healing of this lame man was not dependent on his faith alone. Paul added his own faith and boldly said, "Stand upright on thy feet." While the minister should labor to inspire faith in others, he must also act by his own faith. As "faith cometh by hearing," faith comes also by ministering—not by ministering theoretically, just to be heard, but ministering from the heart, because the ministry of God's Word is a ministry of truth. Responsibility must not be thrown on the sufferer alone; it must be shared by those who minister to him.

3. An Attempt to Deify the Apostles

When the people of Lystra saw what Paul had done, they thought the gods had come down to them in the likeness of men and prepared to worship Paul and Barnabas (vv. 11-13). The heathen priesthood joined in the effort to show them honors. This brought on a sharp conflict. The people were determined to worship the apostles; the apostles were determined they should not. With all that the apostles were able to say "scarce restrained they the people, that they had not done sacrifice unto them" (v. 18). What a lesson for men of today. If God grants them a little success, how many like to be treated as if they were gods, and if proper homage is not given to them how unhappy they feel! Lord, fill Thy people with Thy Spirit, that, if used to effect great things, they may give the glory to Thee!

The people of Lystra thought their heathen deities had come down to them, when they saw the great miracle of healing. This error the apostles would correct. Rending their garments they ran among the people, protesting any worship of themselves, assuring the people that

they were men just as all the rest were. Paul and Barnabas besought them that they should turn from all such vanities as the worship of heathen deities and turn unto the living God "which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein" (v. 15).

They sought to show them that it was this true God who was the supplier of their every need—who did good, sent rain, provided fruitful seasons, and filled men's hearts with food and gladness (v. 17).

4. An Attempt to Destroy the Apostles

How vacillating human beings are. How foolish are we if we live with the praises of men in view. They who would worship us today, may be the ones who would destroy us tomorrow. Only as we keep the Lord always before us and live to do His will are we safe.

When Jews from Antioch and Iconium came to Lystra they soon persuaded the people that, instead of trying to worship the apostles, they should destroy them. Having stoned Paul, they drew him out of the city, supposing he had been dead. Thus came to an end at Lystra, as far as earthly glory is concerned, the ministry of two faithful men of God who had performed a mighty miracle, who had been desired that they might be worshiped, and who were then humbled to the uttermost. But in relation to God, Paul's stoning had resulted otherwise, for while men sought to destroy him, Paul quite possibly was having visions of the glories above (2 Cor. 12:1-4).

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

The First Missionaries' Work (lesson for Sunday, May 13). Lesson text: Acts 13:1-13

MAN WORSHIPPERS TODAY



Run - Away Son

D. L. Moody

I want to tell you a little of my own experience. My father died suddenly when we were little children and my good mother had a hard time with her large family of boys and girls. After a while one of the older boys decided that he could make his fortune all by himself. So he ran away.

For years and years we heard nothing of him. Sometimes it seemed as if my mother's heart would break. We used to sit around the fire on stormy winter nights and listen to the stories which Mother used to tell us about our father; about what he said, how he looked, how he was kind to a friend and lost a great deal of money by him, and how our home was mortgaged and we were poor. But if anybody happened to speak the name of my runaway brother a great silence would fall upon us.

After we got to bed we would lie awake and listen to the roaring of the wind and storm, thinking perhaps he was out in the cold somewhere. Maybe he had gone to sea, and while we were snug in bed he might be keeping watch on the storm-beaten deck, perhaps climbing the mast in such darkness and storm. Now and then, between the gusts, we would hear a sound like the wail of the summer wind when it used to make harp strings of the leaves and branches of the great maple tree in the dooryard: now soft and gentle, then rising louder and louder. How we would hold our breath and listen! Mother was sitting up to pray for her lost boy.

One summer afternoon long years afterward, when our mother was growing old and her hair was turning gray, a dark sunburned man with a heavy black beard was seen coming in at the gate.

He came up under the window first and looked in, as if he were afraid there might be strangers living in the house. He had stopped at the church yard, we learned later, on his way through the village, to see whether there were two graves. Then he went around and knocked at the door, and Mother went to open it.

Years of hardship and exposure to sun and storm had made him strange even to his mother. She invited him to come in, but he did not move or speak; he stood there humbly and penitently; and, as a sense of ingratitude began to overwhelm him, big tears found their way over his weather-beaten cheeks. By those tears, mother recognized her long-lost son. He had come back at last. There was so much love of the old home in him that he couldn't stay away.

"Oh, it is my lost son!" she cried. "My dear son." She entreated him to come in. He would not cross the threshold until he confessed his sin, and heard from the lips which had prayed so often and so long for the sweet assurance that he was forgiven.

"No, no," said he: "I cannot come in until you forgive me."

Do you suppose that Mother kept her boy outside until he had gone through a long list

of apologies, a long list of penances, and ever so many prayers? Not a bit of it. She took him to her heart at once; she made him come right in; she forgave him all, and rejoiced over him more than all the other children who had not been away.

And this is just the way God forgives all the prodigal souls who come to Him. The promise is: "Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out." John 6:37. (Reprinted from *Power*, 434 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago.)

WHAT BEING FAITHFUL MEANS

A converted cowboy once gave a very sensible definition of faithfulness: "Lots of folk think that bein' faithful to the Lord means shoutin' themselves hoarse, praisin' His name. I'll tell you how I look at it. I'm workin' for Jim. Now, if I'd sit around the house talkin' what a good fellow Jim is, and singin' songs to him, and gettin' up in the night to serenade him, I'd be doin' just what some Christians do. But I wouldn't suit him and I'd get my discharge. But when I buckle on my straps and hustle among the hills and see that Jim's herd is all right, and not sufferin' for water and feed or bein' branded by cattle thieves, then I'm servin' him as he wants to be served. That's what I call bein' faithful to Jim!"—C.B.M.C. *Contact*.

NOTICE

To Bundle Roll Subscribers

Some complaints are being received from time to time concerning the late arrival of the EVANGEL bundle roll papers which have been ordered for churches and Sunday Schools.

We wish to explain that these papers are being mailed from Springfield from nine to twelve days before the date of issue—the date on which they should be given out.

This should be ample time for these papers to reach the most distant points in the United States on time. However, owing to the fact that the EVANGEL is mailed out under a second-class permit, distribution is not as fast as first-class mail, and occasionally there is a hold-up in some of the mailing terminals.

We have laid our complaints before the postal officials, but little has been accomplished in the way of better service.

We are planning to install a new press in the very near future which will help us some in making an earlier delivery.

We ask that our good friends kindly bear with us for a little while longer; we are confident there is a way in which we can render better service, and we are determined to find it.

We are now printing 140,000 copies of the EVANGEL each week, and over 100,000 of these are being sent out on the Bundle Roll plan.

The MANAGEMENT



Dorothy C. Haskin

Lady Grizel Hume Baille said the best years of her life were the ones she spent in Holland. She lived during the seventeenth century and her family were Covenanters. When she was in her teens her family fled from Scotland to escape religious persecution.

In Holland, the family lived in extreme poverty. Every morning before six, Grizel lit the fire in her father's study, woke up the family and prepared breakfast. Then while her father taught the younger children she went to the market, took the corn to the mill to be ground, cleaned house, mended clothes and cooked dinner. Her older brother had only one change of linen and she often stayed up at night to wash and iron it for him. They were the best years of Grizel's life because they called forth the best that was in her.

Others, too, have found hard times, yes, even handicaps, the very thing which brought out the best that was in them. Helen Keller was born a bright and normal baby. When she was eighteen months old, she took the dreadful scarlet fever which destroyed both her sight and her hearing. She soon forgot the few words she had learned and tried by means of signs to tell her mother what was going on in her mind. When she was hungry, she stood at the table and pretended to cut bread and spread butter on it. She grew lonely and became like a wild, caged animal.

When she was six years old, her father took her to see Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor, who was teaching the deaf and dumb. He suggested that the father hire a teacher from the School for the Blind in Boston. Anne Sullivan came to teach Helen, and slowly Helen learned to spell out words, to read, and even to talk.

She graduated from Radcliffe College and became internationally known, travelling in this country and many others as a lecturer. She has brought help and courage to the blind throughout the world. And she herself says, "I thank God for my handicaps; for through them I have found myself, my work and my God."

It was when the apostle Paul was in a Roman prison, when he was stripped of his liberty, when he was chained to a Roman soldier, that he wrote the Epistle to the Philippians which rings with joy. Paul had triumphed over his hardship.

"Kites rise against, not with, the wind."

Mother's Practicing

A student was about to enter Bible School "Through what minister's preaching were you converted?" he was asked.

"Through no man's preaching," he replied, "but through my mother's practicing."

A HEALING TESTIMONY

On December 3, 1950, my husband was shot while hunting, and I was with him. I had just stepped from in front of him, when he grasped his leg and said, "They shot me!" We fired a shot into the air to let them know that we were there. I called to the men and they came down and carried my husband out. I prayed every step of the way, and he did not lose too much blood.

It took three hours to get to the hospital. He seemed all right and was not in much pain, so the doctor cut the loose flesh away and wrapped up the wound. The next day he had a temperature of 103½ degrees, so the doctor could not sew up the wound. Three days later when the bandages were removed they discovered gas gangrene had set in. He was immediately isolated because of the seriousness of the situation. He was not expected to recover—but they did not tell us this.

One evening when I went to the hospital to see him, he looked well and he said he felt fine. However, when I got home the Lord told me to fast and pray, or he would die. I was frightened. I did fast and pray, and God spared his life.

Not until he was almost ready to come home, however, did we know how serious his case had been. It was then the doctor told us he had expected my husband's pulse to quit at any moment. He also said that very few come through alive after gas gangrene sets in.

I certainly thank God that He still answers prayer: He heals and He saves. Since this time my husband has knelt at the

altar for salvation.—Mrs. W. F. Burkshire, R. 1, Walla Walla, Wash.

(Pastor Dave Carlson, Walla Walla, Wash., verified this testimony.)

Someone asked a man of wisdom when the education of a child should be commenced. "Twenty years before his birth—by educating his mother," was the reply.



F.B.I. AGENT RESIGNS TO ENTER MINISTRY

Oliver D. Collier Follows in His Father's Footsteps

On April 15, Oliver D. Collier, a former agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and an expert on fraud inquiries, preached his first sermon as Pastor of the Calvary Gospel Tabernacle, Assemblies of God, 90-10 168th Street, Jamaica, N. Y. The news was carried by the *New York Times* (which published a two-column picture of Brother Collier and his wife) and by the Associated Press.

Brother Collier served in the F.B.I. for sixteen years. For the past ten years he was head of the accounting division of the New York office of the F.B.I. His decision to switch from chasing criminals to preaching Christ came "after long and careful thought," he said. "It was the result of a conviction in my own soul that God has called me, and when I was offered this post (the Jamaica church) I could not refuse."

In his first sermon in his pastorate he described his call as "a strong inward compulsion," adding: "You will never find peace until you answer the call. This morning I know

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God will direct my future. I thank Him for the opportunity to preach the gospel."

He has been a lay preacher for many years, but now he has given up his well-paying position with the F.B.I. to devote his full time to the ministry. J. Edgar Hoover, director of the F.B.I., sent him a letter expressing "sincere good wishes for success in the service of God." Friends at the New York and Washington offices of the F.B.I. sent congratulations, gifts, and flowers for his church.

In consecrating his life to the Pentecostal ministry, Brother Collier follows in the footsteps of his father, the late Harry L. Collier, founder and pastor of the Full Gospel Tabernacle in Washington, D. C.

CHAPLAIN LINDVALL ARRIVES IN JAPAN

John A. Lindvall, an Assemblies of God minister serving as Chaplain in the U. S. Army, has arrived safely in Japan. A brief account of the voyage across the Pacific is given us in a letter from Pvt. Kenneth F. Berry, the Chaplain's Assistant.

"It was a weary Sunday morning, April 1, when the chapel service began," writes Brother Berry. "The main lounge of the *General Stuart Hentzelman* was filled to capacity when the new Chaplain stood to begin the service. Our seasick stomachs were turning flips, and our hearts were weary because of leaving the States; nevertheless the many fellows of our regiment began to sing 'Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine.'

"We began to feel the presence of the Holy Spirit much more real than usual. In fact, we began to feel right at home when Chaplain John A. Lindvall began to bring the morning message. Hearts softened under the Spirit-anointed preaching and a huge number of our G. I. pals raised their hands for salvation. Yes, by that time we knew that our new Chaplain was Pentecostal.

"By the time our other good Chaplain, John K. Wisheart, gave the benediction it seemed



NEW ASSEMBLY OF GOD DEDICATED AT REDWOOD CITY, CALIFORNIA

It was as far back as 1944 when the congregation of the Redwood City Assembly, under the leadership of Pastor Edward R. Gomes, realized that their old church would soon become inadequate for the growing Sunday School and church. They therefore bought a lot near the center of the city, and started a building fund.

By March 1950 the building fund had grown to an appreciable amount and construction on the new building was begun. Allen Carter, one of the members, supervised the construction. The new church is 52x100, and will seat 400 or more people. It is finished with acoustical plaster inside, and is equipped with indirect lighting and forced air heating. The congregation hopes

to build a spacious Sunday School annex and prayer room in the near future.

Many neighboring ministers and other friends attended the dedication services on Monday, February 12. W. T. Gaston, District Superintendent, officiated at the ceremony, and Claire Britton brought a stirring message on Bible prophecy.

Since 1931 the Assembly has had only three pastors, all of whom were present at the dedication—William Savidge, Paul Radley, and the present pastor, Edward R. Gomes. The members are grateful to God for the fine new church He has given them, especially since their Sunday School and Sunday services have been so crowded for over two years.

that we had really been to our own home church.

"After this service we fellows began having a Bible Study every day on the ship, until we reached Japan. I was privileged to take charge of this study and was amply rewarded after we arrived in Japan when a fine young man who had attended the studies said, 'That Bible Study caused me to meet Jesus as my Saviour.'

"So thankful are we that this good Chaplain was sent to our regiment. Chaplain Lindvall spent some time in Europe after World War II serving as a missionary of our Assemblies of God churches. In the future I am expecting a great harvest of souls through the work of Chaplain Lindvall and the other men."

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

NEWTON, KANS.—Evangelist and Mrs. O. E. Gaddis of Arkansas City, Kansas, were here for two weeks. Four were saved and eight were filled with the Holy Spirit. Several received healing.—C. G. Rose, Pastor.

MILLEDGEVILLE, GA.—Last July we started a tent meeting here and when the weather grew cold we built a small tabernacle. We began a meeting in March. A number were saved and 15 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.—S. Frances Allen, Pastor.

STUTT GART, ARK.—We had a three-week revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Emerald Wray and Miss Mathilda Olson. Twelve were saved and one received the Baptism. The Sunday School attendance record was broken for three Sundays in succession. We praise the Lord for His abundant blessing.—W. H. Richardson, Pastor.

PAWNEE, OKLA.—We had a four-week revival with Evangelist Park Reed of Canton, Okla. Thirty-one were saved and 14 were filled with the Holy Ghost. A number reconsecrated their lives to the Lord. The Sunday School reached an all-time high.—W. A. Martindale, Pastor.

REPUBLIC, MO.—At present (April 15) we are in a meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. O. K. Stephenson. Three have been saved and one has been filled with the Holy Spirit. The Sunday School reached a record attendance of 125. Two months ago the average attendance was 86; now we are averaging 111.—Paul J. Young, Pastor.

CHARLESTON, MO.—We praise the Lord for the meeting we had in April with Evangelist Earla McKinley. The attendance was good. One night the local newspaper sent a man to take a picture of the crowd and it was published. This meeting was a help to our church.—E. E. (Ted) Smith, Pastor.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—The first Indiana District Missionary Convention under the auspices of the W.M.C. was held Apr. 2 and 3 at the West Side Gospel Tabernacle. The speakers were Kenneth Short of Borneo and Mrs. George Carmichael of Palestine. The convention opened Monday evening with a colorful parade. On Tuesday evening a film, "I Was a Witch Doctor," was shown. Our hearts were moved as never before to share in the responsibility of praying, giving, and going. A missionary offering of \$641.73 was given during the convention.—Mable Collins, W.M.C. Secretary.

MALVERN, ARK.—Under the able leadership of Pastor O. M. Montgomery every department of the church has increased. Approximately \$22,000 worth of improvements have been added to the church, including 14 new Sunday School rooms. We have completely remodeled the educational building, redecorated the auditorium, and purchased a new Sunday School bus. All of these improvements are clear of debt. We are now a Gold Crown school and we are having the highest attendance in the history of the church. Easter Sunday we had a record attendance of 635.

Brother Montgomery has accepted the pastorate of Hope Gospel Tabernacle, Hope, Ark.—Paul E. Bowdle, Church Secretary-Treasurer.

HEREFORD, TEX.—The Assembly here has enjoyed a steady and healthy growth for the past several years. On the first of January we held the formal opening and dedication of our enlarged, remodeled, and redecorated church. At the same time we began special services with Evangelist and Mrs. Jay B. Oaks of Oklahoma City. A good number were saved and some received the Baptism.

On April 8 we concluded another good meeting with Evangelist Eugene Smith of Cheyenne, Wyo. A number were saved and 14 received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

In February we concluded our seventh year as pastor of this church, and we appreciate the privilege of working with such a fine group of loyal people.—S. E. Eldridge, Pastor.



SPEAKERS AT N.A.E. CONVENTION

Three of the speakers at the recent annual convention of the National Association of Evangelicals, Chicago, are shown above: Frederick C. Fowler, President of the N.A.E.; Hon. Charles W. Tobey, Senator from New Hampshire; and Clyde W. Taylor, N.A.E. Secretary of Affairs.

In his address Senator Tobey reviewed some of the findings of the Kefauver Committee, of which he is a member, and told how citizens in various parts of the country are beginning to stamp out gambling and other evils.

"Rise up, Christian men and women," he said, "and create a great body of public opinion which will move to make America a nation wherein dwelleth righteousness.

"Cry out against the apathy and indifference of people to things which are pure, and lovely, and of good report.

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and infirm ministers and missionaries.

May 27 has been set aside as a special *Memorial Sunday* when, with generous gifts, we will show these who have fought the battle so valiantly that we care. Ask your pastor when your church is giving, so you can come prepared. Or you may send your gift to the address below.

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NEW SMYRNA BEACH, FLA.—We are praising the Lord for the uplift we received during the meeting conducted by Evangelists Kenneth and Esther Solberg of Duluth, Minn. Some were saved, and the Lord visited us with outpourings of His Spirit as we prayed around the altar. Many new people attended the services. Ronald L. Bayless is our Pastor.—R. H. Greenwood, Church Secretary.

GOODING, IDAHO—We are happy to report an outpouring of God's Spirit in a four-week meeting with Evangelist D. B. Sala of Modesto, Calif. Some 25 received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and a number of others were refilled. A goodly number were saved, and new families were brought into the church.—B. B. Robeson, Pastor.

CORPUS CHRISTI, TEX.—We just closed our Easter revival with Evangelist Victor H. Smith of Houston, Tex. The last night of the meeting eight young people answered the invitation for salvation. Several received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost and the Christians were greatly strengthened by the Word. In spite of the rain at Sunday School time we had 408 in attendance on Easter. Extra chairs were brought into the auditorium to seat the people in the morning service.—Warren J. Piersol, Pastor.

HUNTINGTON, ARK.—We had a five-week revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Ray Rush. A number were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost and several others were reclaimed. Several were healed, and some were delivered from the tobacco habit.—J. F. Hughart, Pastor.

KEYSER, W. VA.—Evangelist Anna B. Lock was with us for three weeks in March. A great number were saved, 24 filled with the Holy Ghost, and nine were refilled. We broke all records in church and Sunday School attendance. The church was filled each night of the meeting. On Easter Sunday we had 202 in Sunday School. We thank the Lord for this visitation. The "revival fires" are still burning.—H. W. Fry, Pastor.

WINTERS, TEX.—We are praising God for a marvelous outpouring of His Spirit in a meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Bobby Ray of Fort Smith, Ark. The Lord confirmed the Word with signs following. A number were saved. A lady from our Assembly testified to being healed of a heart disease which had been pronounced incurable by physicians. The Sunday School record was broken twice, and attendance was excellent throughout the meeting.—C. A. Oliver, Pastor.

CHILLICOTHE, OHIO—We had a successful meeting with Elnora Williams of Springfield, Ohio. Old-fashioned Pentecostal liberty was enjoyed, and many were revived. One young man, who has a call to preach but was away from God, came back to the fold.—Robert C. Dalton, Pastor, Everybody's Tabernacle.

TEXARKANA, ARK.—We are rejoicing in the wonderful three-week meeting we had with Evangelist and Mrs. Thurman Fountain of Columbus, Ga. Fifteen were saved, six were filled with the Holy Ghost, and 14 followed the Lord in water baptism. All were blessed and several gave testimonies of healing. Mrs. Fountain's work among the children certainly was a blessing, and many of the children accepted Jesus as their personal Savior. The Sunday School record was broken with 251 present.—A. C. McGaugh, Pastor.

COMING MEETINGS

Notices should reach us three weeks in advance, due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 18 days before the date which appears upon it.

GENERAL COUNCIL—Atlanta, Georgia, August 16—23, preceded by C. A. Rally on Wednesday night, August 15.

WEST MONROE, LA.—May 13—27 or longer; Evangelist C. I. Myers, Wesson, Ark. (A. B. Downs is Pastor.)

ROODHOUSE, ILL.—Assembly of God, May 9—; Evangelist Ernest R. Driver, Nashville, Tenn.—by Mrs. May Blaney, Pastor.

SPENCER, IOWA—Assembly of God, May 8—20; Evangelist and Mrs. William E. Varney. (C. B. Bell is Pastor.)

DETROIT LAKES, MINN.—Assemblies of God Church, meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. Merwin Price, Willmar, Minn.—by K. M. Freiheit, Pastor.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Tent meeting in progress; Evangelist Homer Peterson, evening speaker, and Jonas E. Miller, day speaker.—by L. Wayne Pitts, Pastor, Southside Assembly.

LOUISVILLE, KY.—Calvary Assembly of God, 2735 S. 4th St., meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. W. A. Hines, Toronto, Canada.—by W. Howard Roberson, Pastor.

NEBRASKA S. S. CONVENTIONS—Services 2:30, 6:30 and 8 p.m. May 22, Grand Island; May 23, South Sioux City; May 24, Bassett; May 25, Burwell; May 28, Scottsbluff; May 29, North Platte; May 30, Nebraska City.—by B. H. Armes, S. S. Director.

SALIDA, CALIF.—Assembly of God, May 27—June 10 or longer; Evangelist Tom Gray.—by Dan Robinson, Pastor.

ALEXANDRIA, LA.—First Assembly of God, May 20—; Evangelist Leona Sumrall, Springfield, Mo.—R. F. Gottas, Pastor.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—Broadway Tabernacle, May 6—; Evangelist Fulton W. Buntain. (Walter E. McAlister is Pastor.)

ROCKDALE, TEX.—Apr. 29—; Evangelist and Mrs. H. M. Wisenbaker, Sulphur Springs, Tex.—by C. C. Gee, Pastor.

SEATTLE, WASH.—Brighton Gospel Tabernacle, 44th S. and Graham St., Apr. 29—; Evangelist Hattie Hammond.—by Robert B. Tangen, Pastor.

SAN FERNANDO, CALIF.—May 6—; Sapp Evangelistic Party.—by George C. Klassen, Pastor.

RAPID CITY, S. DAK.—First Assembly of God, May 27—June 10; Evangelist Martin Luther Davidson.—by Bernard Ridings, Pastor.

GRADUATION EXERCISES, Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo.—Baccalaureate, Wednesday, May 23, 2:30 p.m.; Alumni banquet and business, 6 p.m.; Commencement service, Thursday, May 24, 7 p.m.—by Bartlett Peterson, President.

LUXORA, ARK.—Meeting in progress; Evangelist L. Austin Shelton, Weed, Calif.—by E. Maxwell, Pastor.

TYRONE, PA.—First Pentecostal Church, May 6—; Evangelist H. E. Hardt.—by Harold E. Crosby, Pastor.

ST. CLOUD, MINN.—May 13—27 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Vernon Mathan.—by Fred Gottwald, Pastor.

SOUTH BEND, IND.—South Bend Gospel Tabernacle, May 6—; Evangelist J. E. Stiles.—by Lester F. Sumrall, Pastor.

FRESNO, CALIF.—Calvary Tabernacle, 1st and Nevada Sts., May 13—; Evangelist Bob Bloom, Los Angeles.—by Claude Weaver, Pastor.

ROCKAWAY, N. J.—Pentecostal Tabernacle, May 9—20; Evangelist Edward and Ruth Washington.—by Samuel Caughey, Pastor.

WILDER, IDAHO—Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelist F. C. Jay, Wenatchee, Wash.—by Bennie R. Harris, Pastor.

WINDSOR, N. C.—Assembly of God, May 13—27; Evangelist James H. Andrews, returned missionary from China.—by A. P. Adams, Pastor.

TEXAS CONFERENCE of the Latin American District Council, May 28, 29, at Houston, Tex., 2708 Fox St., Temple Magdiel.—by Joseph Giron, Secretary.

ROCK ISLAND, ILL.—Bethel Assembly of God, 4300 7th Ave., May 6—27; Evangelist James W. Drush, Houston, Tex. Two services daily: 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.—by Ralph E. Price, Pastor.

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NORTH CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE, Minneapolis, Minn.—Baccalaureate Sunday, May 20, 3 p.m., at Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle; Robert Spencer, District Superintendent of Wisconsin, speaker. Commencement Wednesday evening, May 23, at Minneapolis Municipal Auditorium; Kenneth Short, Springfield, Mo., guest speaker.—by Ivan O. Miller, Executive Vice-President.

POTOMAC DISTRICT C. A. CONVENTION—Trinity Assembly of God, Harford Rd. and Pikeside Dr., Baltimore, Md., May 29, 30. Evangelist Tommy Waldron, and Levi Beiler, Lynchburg, Va., speakers. A. H. Clattenburg is host pastor.—by H. Paul Robinson, District C. A. President.

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL, District headquarters and camp grounds (Route No. 9 at Framingham Centre, Mass.), May 31—June 1; Flem Van Meter, speaker. Business sessions 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.—by Lyle W. Butler, Secretary.

NEW ENGLAND BIBLE INSTITUTE commencement exercises, Nevins Hall, Memorial Building, Framingham, Mass. Baccalaureate Service, Sun., May 27, 3:30 p.m.; Flem Van Meter, speaker. Commencement Exercises, Wed., May 30, 3:30 p.m.—by Lyle W. Butler, Dean, and Nicholas Nikoloff, President.

HUNGARIAN BRANCH COUNCIL—Hungarian Assembly of God, 1819-21 Prairie Ave., South Bend, Ind., May 30—June 1. Business sessions morning and afternoon. Evening services in English and Hungarian; out-of-town pastors will speak. For accommodations write host pastor, Andrew Szuhan, 1705 Swygart St., South Bend 14, Ind.—by V. A. Hudak, Secretary.

ALABAMA W.M.C. CONVENTION, First Assembly of God, Phenix City, Ala., May 21, 22. First service Monday night; three services Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. George Carmichael, Springfield, Mo. speakers. For room information write Pastor A. O. Valdez, 1307 10th Ave., Phenix City.—by Mrs. A. T. Hickman, State President.

TEXAS DISTRICT COUNCIL, Will Rogers Memorial Auditorium, Fort Worth, Tex., June 5—8. C. A. Rally, Mon. Night, June 4. Wesley Steelberg, speaker for Rally and Council. Ordination service Thurs. night. For room information write E. M. Putnam, 1309 Harrington Ave., Fort Worth.—by E. B. Crump, District Secretary-Treasurer.

ALABAMA S. S. ACHIEVEMENT RALLIES, May 24—June 10; Paul Copeland, speaker.
 May 24, Liberty, Gospel Tabernacle, 7:30 p.m.
 May 25, Toxey, 2 and 7:30 p.m.
 May 26, Megargel, 7:30 p.m.
 May 27, Montgomery, First Assembly (Sunday morning)
 May 27, Eufaula, 7:30 p.m.
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