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



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PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Jews From Poland

It is reported that Tel Aviv is a little Poland. Most of the clerks speak Polish. Thirty per cent of the Jews in Israel emigrated from Poland, the most notable one being the Prime Minister, David Ben-Gurion.

A Biblical Zoo

It is reported that a Biblical Zoo in Jerusalem, containing every creature that is mentioned in the Bible or that is native to Palestine, has almost completed its collection. There is a tablet on each cage which gives the Bible verse referring to the exhibit.

Shalom, Not Mars

"One outstanding and pleasing omission in Israel," writes a tourist, "is the absence of statues of war heroes which one sees so often in other countries. This is probably due primarily to opposition from the orthodox to anything bordering on idolatry. Even pictures of peaceful national heroes like Theodor Herzl do not appear on Israel's postage stamps."

"Streams in the Desert"

One of the wonders of Israel is the finding of water in places where for centuries no water was to be had. For example, a new underground stream was struck recently in the groves of Mrs. Rebecca Sieff's residence at Tel Mond. It yields 550 cubic meters (145,200 gallons) per hour and was struck after drilling 119 meters (390 feet). It is one of the largest yields of water in the Sharon plain. (See Isaiah 35:6.)

Spending Winter in Tents

Ten thousand Jewish families in Israel are spending the winter in tents, it is reported. The government has been building houses as fast as possible but has not been able to keep up with the rapid rate of immigration.

When the cold winter rains fall, all the children are crowded temporarily into huts, to keep dry until the rain is over; but it must be a dreary existence for all these immigrants. For many, such as the Yemenites at Rosh Ha'Ayin, it is their third winter under canvas.

It is a miserable lot for these 45,000 Jews, but the plight of the Arab refugees is even worse. Hundreds of thousands of Arabs fled from Palestine during the Arab-Jewish war, and among these refugees are Pentecostal believers in dire

need of help. They are without work, without shelter, and without food, except for the shelter they find in their pitiful canvas tents, or their caves, and the skimpy food rations they get from the United Nations and charitable organizations.

If you would like to give them some assistance, send an offering without delay to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri. Mark it "For Arab Relief," and our missionaries will see that the relief is carefully distributed.

Equality for Israel's Women

The Women's Equal Rights Bill, recently passed by the Knesset, has revolutionized the legal position of women in Israel. Under rabbinical law a woman could not own property, could not inherit equally with male heirs, could not appear as a witness in a law court, and was not recognized as the natural guardian of her children, not even in the event of her husband's death. Now that is all changed. Some clauses of the bill in regard to marriage are a radical departure from the old order. Not only does it outlaw bigamy for the Jewish and Christian communities, and require the agreement of both parties to a divorce; it also provides that husbands who abandon their wives without mutual agreement or the approval of the courts may be imprisoned for a period of up to five years.

Cottage Meetings Banned

An injunction has been issued against the First Avenue Baptist Church in Chicago, California, for holding religious services in a private home. The Butte County Superior Court ruled that the congregation, in holding services in a certain house, was violating a city zoning ordinance which restricts the area to residential use.

A member of the congregation appealed to the Federal District Court at Sacramento, arguing that the injunction infringed on freedom of religion. "The city has no right to say where and when a man might pray," he asserted. But the Federal District Court upheld the injunction, ruling that religious services may not be held in a zone that is restricted to private residences.

Is it lawful to invite friends to one's home for a dance, or a card party, but not for a prayer meeting?

Communist Prayers

Two Ukrainian priests, concealing their identity by wearing white hoods for the sake of relatives behind the Iron Curtain, told a New York press conference recently that the Reds have even re-written prayers to win converts to Communism. One of the Red prayers begins: "Our father who art in Moscow. . . ."

God's Invasion Army

The force of God's Invasion Army is mounting. Launched by the Baptist General Conference of America in 1948, God's Invasion Army is a national crusade in which teams of young people donate a full year of their lives to take a short course of training, then go from city to city in a well-planned offensive for Christ. The days are spent in door-to-door witnessing, the nights in gospel meetings. The 1952 army consists of 48 volunteers.

God's Invasion Army has visited 125,000 homes from coast to coast, has held 4200 public meetings, has seen 2900 conversions, and also has reached nearly 35,000 youngsters with the gospel in children's meetings.

News in Brief

The Foreign Missions Board of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. (northern) adopted a budget of \$5,649,467 to cover its 1952 activities which will include the support of 1,000 missionaries in 33 countries.

The Cumberland Presbyterian Church has opened a new \$200,000 center in Memphis, Tenn. to serve as its official headquarters.

A new half-million-dollar building for the Protestant Radio Center will be built in Atlanta, Ga., sponsored jointly by the Methodists, United Lutherans, Episcopalians, and Southern Presbyterians.

Membership in the Lutheran churches in the U.S.A. climbed above the six million mark last year. There are 51 million Lutherans in the world, with Germany leading in membership, the U.S.A. second, and Sweden third.

During 1950 the Christian people of the U.S.A. contributed approximately \$65,000,000 toward missions work abroad.

Major Ivan Neill, Minister of Labor in the Government of Ireland, will be general chairman of the fifth Youth for Christ World Congress on Evangelism to be held in Belfast, Ireland, in August.

Reuters, the world-famous news service of London, recently celebrated its 100th anniversary. The company was founded by Israel Baer Josaphat, son of a rabbi, who became a follower of the Messiah-Jesus at the age of 28 and adopted the name Reuter.

The Escape from Sodom

E. T. Quanabush

THE STORY of the escape from Sodom, as recorded in Genesis 19, is a very solemn one. Two angelic beings came to the wicked city of Sodom and lodged with Lot and his family. During the night they warned Lot to flee into the mountains, and in the morning Lot conveyed the warning to his sons-in-law, but they would not heed.

Then the angels took Lot, his wife and their two daughters by the hand and led them outside the city; and one commanded Lot, saying, "Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither."

There are four different classes of people in this story.

I

First, think of Lot's sons-in-law who stayed behind. They were burned or cremated when the Lord rained brimstone and fire upon Sodom. They represent the doubting, the critical, the scoffers who laugh at the warnings of impending judgment.

Think of the many warnings each week that come to the American people through the press, the radio, the church, and the personal Christian witnesses. Yet there are many who will not listen. They turn off every gospel broadcast that comes on their radios. They refuse to attend any church. They will not read the Bible or pray. They have made up their minds to stay in Sodom and they simply reject anything and everything that pertains to Christ.

Some time ago one of the new converts in the church where I formerly was pastor decided to try to help the people of the community to feel that a warm welcome would await them at our church, so she left her many duties at home and went from door to door, with a big sunrise smile, inviting her neighbors to the house of God. She was received well by a great majority, but for three consecutive weeks one man, though greatly in need of Christ, impolitely closed the door in her face. But she told me she intended to go back again and again until God lifted the burden from her heart. My friends, if these dear people are lost it is no one's fault but their own. I don't know what more God or man could do for their souls. They act like Lot's sons-in-law who reaped a wretched harvest.

II

The second class of people is represented by Lot's wife. The angel said, "Escape for thy life; look not behind thee . . . lest thou be consumed." But as they fled from Sodom, Lot's wife looked back and she became a pillar of salt. She became crystallized. I do not know of anything that will cause a Christian to become crystallized or hardened against the Lord faster than looking back. Christ said that no man having put his hand to the plough and looking back is fit for the kingdom of God.

Crystallization is usually a long process. I don't believe people backslide in a day or a week or a month. There is first a let-up in praying, Bible reading, witnessing, and attending church over a period of many months. (A branch, if cut from a tree, will stay green a long time before it actually dies.)

A backslider cannot blame anyone but himself for his condition. He cannot excuse himself by blaming some church problem, or the failure of some other Christian. If a man is determined to keep true to God there is no power on earth or in hell that can stop him. The trouble comes when a man takes his eyes off Christ and casts a longing look toward the world and its allurements. "Remember Lot's wife," the Saviour said, when warning His disciples to be ready for His return. Don't look back, or you may be left behind when Jesus comes.

III

The third class of people is represented by Lot. He was salvaged—saved as by fire. Lot was one of those people who know to do right but fail to do it. He

CREMATED CRYSTALLIZED SALVAGED SEPARATED

There are four different classes of people in this story. Each chose a different kind of life and each met a different fate. Which fate will be yours, friend? The decision rests with you.

A radio address
by the Pastor
of Bethany
Pentecostal
Church in
Paterson, N. J.



just wouldn't pay the price. He was always catering to the flesh. He wanted to serve the Lord but he wanted to do it the easy way. Poor, spineless creature. He could not have exerted very much godly influence while living in Sodom for no one in the city was saved except him and his family. His own sons-in-law mocked him when he warned them of impending judgment. His testimony must not have carried much weight with them!

Even after his escape from Sodom it was not long until Lot was again in trouble. The very next time we read about him we find him drunk and fallen into immorality! There are many like him in the church today. They are in and out, up and down, always on the move but never seeming to get anywhere. They know just enough gospel truth to make them miserable. These double-minded men are unstable in all their ways. As a result, they can only be salvaged by the burden and prayers of others.

IV

What a contrast we have in Abraham, Lot's uncle! Abraham represents those who are truly saved and who have separated themselves from all sin. God can count on men like him. I always enjoy reading Genesis 18:19. God said: "I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment." Abraham exercised real headship and fatherhood.

A minister went to his deacon board with tears in his eyes and tendered his resignation. It was a real blow to the deacons, for the church was moving ahead in a wonderful way. They asked the pastor why he wanted to resign. He explained that he was not able to lead his one boy to Christ, and that therefore he felt unqualified to continue as a spiritual leader of the flock. The result was glorious. The deacons promised to pray with their pastor for the salvation of the wayward son. In a very short time he was saved, and the pastor remained to lead the church on to greater victories than ever.

That is the kind of man Abraham was. He ruled his children and his household well. He served God consistently, kept in touch with heaven, and kept himself separate from sinners. That

is why he could pray for his nephew so effectively. We read in Genesis 19:29 that God remembered Abraham and delivered Lot out of Sodom. In other words, Lot was delivered because of Abraham's intercession on his behalf.

I wonder if we are honest enough and courageous enough to classify ourselves? Will we be cremated, crystallized, salvaged, or separated when God's wrath is revealed from heaven upon a wicked world? Are we like the sons-in law who doubted? Are we like Lot's wife who looked back? Are we like Lot who was salvaged "by the skin of his teeth"? Or are we like Abraham who separated himself unto God and enjoyed an abundant salvation? May the Lord help us to be in the latter class.

ON THE COVER PAGE

On Sunday, December 30, the congregation of the First Assembly of God in Memphis, Tenn., observed the seventh anniversary of the coming of Pastor and Mrs. James E. Hamill to Memphis, and gave thanks for all that God has enabled them to accomplish during these past seven years.



James E. Hamill

Under His blessing the congregation has grown to nearly 1400. The present Sunday School enrollment is 1361 and the average attendance for the past three months (October, November, and December) was 1053 per Sunday.

A large new church building was built in 1948 with a spacious Sunday School building at the rear, but already the Sunday School has outgrown these facilities. The church is now endeavoring to raise \$25,000 by next fall to build an addition.

The attendance in both the morning and evening services on Sunday is only a very little less than in Sunday School. The church supports full-time three missionaries, two native workers, and eight orphans in Egypt, and hopes to have more added to that list shortly.

When asked the secret of the church's remarkable growth, Pastor Hamill replied: "The secret in my opinion is spirituality, good organization, consecrated personnel, the consistent improvement of facilities, sound and sensible promotion of the program, and hard work!"

The assembly maintains a daily half-hour broadcast and publishes a weekly

THE PRICE STAYS DOWN WHEN THE CIRCULATION GOES UP

People who know something about the present high cost of printing are amazed at the Evangel's low price. The answer lies in one simple word—VOLUME. Were we printing only 10,000 copies a week we would have to charge perhaps fifteen cents a copy or \$7.50 a year in order to meet expenses; but since we print 144,000 copies a week we are able to offer it for only \$1.50 a year.

Will you help us to keep the price down? Every magazine is finding that publishing costs today are higher than ever. Many are solving the problem by raising their price. We still prefer to solve it by raising our circulation. So, for five more days we are making a special offer on short-term subscriptions—

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newspaper (First Assembly of God edition of the *Memphis Mirror*). Its extension activities include monthly services at the Ft. Pillow Prison Farm, where some 1100 men are confined; monthly hospital services; and weekly services at a nursing home.

On December 30 Pastor Hamill took a three-month leave of absence from the church. He is now in Europe leading the Speed-the-Light team which is conducting evangelistic meetings in Italy, France, Switzerland, Holland, Belgium, Western Germany, and Austria.

Great works are not performed by great strength, so much as by great perseverance.

"There is not enough darkness in the whole world to put out the light of a single candle."

"Laughing Religion"

A new religious sect has arisen in Japan, known as the "Laughing Religion." According to *Prophecy Digest*, the founder of this sect is Mein Zuiko, whose name means "Beautiful clouds and sacred sunbeam." Their main tenet is laughter, on the theory that one can laugh if he lives right.

"There may be something to this thought, but there is a great deal of laughing done by people who make no pretense at living right. On the other hand, there are many people who live a good moral life outwardly who are not at peace with God. There is only one way to obtain this peace, and that is by faith in the Son of God as your Substitute and Saviour (Romans 5:1). When you thus receive Him, you will not only laugh, but you can 'shout for joy' (Psalm 32:11)."

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The Healer of Mental Sickness

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Christ can heal sickness of mind as easily as sickness of body. Let us quit speaking in mysterious whispers about any who are mentally sick, and let us drop the word "insane" from our vocabulary. It is no more disgraceful to be sick in mind than to be sick in body. We could help many sufferers if we would change our attitude and try to understand their trouble.

MENTAL ILLNESS has become such a common experience, even among the children of God, that it seems necessary for all of us to try to understand our minds and our feelings and our nerves more fully. We live under such pressure and drive that any of us is liable to become ill in mind or nerves. If, on the other hand, we are strong enough to stand the pace of the day ourselves, some one in our family circle, or the circle of our friends, may succumb to an attack of weariness and weakness in his nervous system.

After undergoing a severe nervous breakdown myself and enduring fearful mental torture for two years, God wonderfully delivered me. Naturally I have become very much aware of this phase of mortal ills, and as I have had opportunities to visit many of our assemblies and camp meetings I have been surprised at the large number of our brothers and sisters who are suffering from nervous or mental trouble. Quite a few also have written to ask me for advice either for themselves or for some loved one who is suffering in this way. I do not pretend to be an expert in the understanding of nervous breakdowns; far from it. But my experience has taught me some things that may prove helpful to some of my readers as they have to some of my friends in the past.

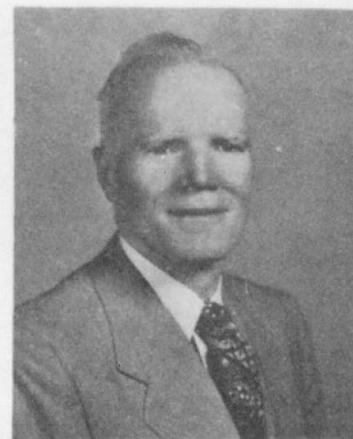
One of the first and most important things for us to learn is that it is no more disgraceful to be sick in mind than to be sick in body. The body is a very complicated and delicate mechanism and if it is abused it will become ill. The mind is an even more delicate creation and is usually more abused than the body. It was intended to be filled with thoughts of peace and love and faith and purity and kindness and holiness. We often allow other kinds of thoughts to dwell within it and race around through it, which produce actual poisons in the nerve cells of the brain and in our nervous systems, as any book on the laws of the mind will inform us. In addition, our mental life is closely

connected with our physical and is affected by it. When the mind becomes weary and the nerves are tired, the enemy, the oppressor, takes advantage of us and attacks us cruelly, just as he attacks the children of God in their bodies.

All of us ought to be more careful of the thoughts and imaginations that we entertain. Some good Christians have never even had it called to their attention that they should surrender their thought life and their feelings to Christ. We have no right to entertain un-Christ-like feelings and attitudes and imaginations; and one of the most dangerous things for a Christian is to allow the natural mind which is enmity against God to express itself in the inner life. Our minds must be renewed so that we may not be conformed to this world.

Those who find their minds filled with thoughts of criticism, for example, are giving way to a very dangerous spirit. A survey that was made recently of mental patients showed that a large majority of them had been characterized by very critical spirits before their breakdown. Our minds were made to think thoughts of love and kindness and mercy and forgiveness. A critical spirit is very poisonous and should be renounced by the Christian.

Many of God's dear children are in the habit of entertaining thoughts of self-pity, resentment, envy, jealousy, worry, anxiety, fear, discouragement, and other qualities unworthy of faith in the Son of God, simply because they have never realized that these thoughts are the expression of the old nature, and must be denounced. One time the Spirit of God made Isaiah 55:7 very real to me: "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the UNRIGHTEOUS MAN HIS THOUGHTS." It was then for the first time I realized that God expected me to surrender my thoughts and accept His thoughts, for His thoughts are thoughts of peace and love and grace, and His thoughts are higher than our thoughts. There is no surer way to the precipice of a nervous breakdown than



to allow the mind to be filled with critical, murmuring, self-pitying, worrying, fearful, and envious thoughts. On the other hand, there is no surer safeguard against a nervous breakdown than to have one's mind filled with the thoughts of God, thoughts of love, kindness, mercy, faith, peace, thanksgiving, meekness, and trust. These thoughts bring health. The opposite thoughts bring illness.

One of the most common tendencies among us Pentecostal people is to exaggerate the importance of feelings. God gives us such real experiences of His blessing and such marvelous feelings of His nearness and power and love, especially when He baptizes us with the Holy Spirit, that we are thrown open to the danger of thinking (subconsciously) that if we are walking with God and living under His blessing then we should continue to have these same feelings. When God has blessed us in the realm of our consciousness in this way, after some time the feelings often cease, and we become peculiarly susceptible to the attacks of the enemy. He comes right in and tells us that we have grieved God, and that therefore He has taken His Spirit from us. He exaggerates the gravity of some foolish statement that we may have made, or some mistake of which we may have been guilty, and says to us, "You have sinned against God in that instance and now look! You have sinned away His blessing and grace."

Satan even accuses some of the sin against the Holy Ghost. I know dear saints of God who have told me that their hearts are filled with fear because they think they have committed that sin. The devil had been tormenting them for a long time that some statement they made in a moment of irritation was 'sinning against the Holy Ghost.' Accompanying these accusations of the enemy was a sense of darkness and of being forsaken by the Lord, because the feeling of joy and peace that they had felt before was gone. Many of us have

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SUNDAY'S LESSON

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

CONFESSION

Lesson for February 3

Romans 10:8-10; Acts 6:8, 10-12; 7:55-60

Confession is one requirement associated with seeking God—"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). The publican confessed his need when he said, "God be merciful to me a sinner" (Luke 18:13). David confessed (Psalm 51). The Bible gives many instances of confession of sin on the part of those who sought God. While we believe in confession, we believe it should be the result of the conviction of the Holy Spirit, and not the result of human pressure on tender consciences.

1. Confessing Christ as Saviour

When the heart is broken up through conviction of the Holy Spirit, the repentant soul needs his attention turned to our Lord Jesus. He sometimes feels that his case is hopeless. This error must be removed. In Romans, chapter 10, God's plan of redemption is set forth. Israel is set before us as a people having "a zeal for God," but not according to knowledge, "being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness" (vv. 2, 3). Seeking to merit favor by their own works, they "have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God." We fear that among Christian believers also, there is a lack in many of knowing what this righteousness of God is. It is not something which we can do, for salvation comes "not by works of righteousness which we have done" (Titus 3:5). The righteousness of God is our Lord Jesus Christ—"For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness." In Romans 3 this truth is emphasized—"Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus" (v. 24); "to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins" (v. 25).

We must see that Jesus Himself is perfect righteousness. He has fully met our need. His perfect obedience is accepted on our behalf by God. To be saved we cease from struggling to make ourselves better and we "submit." Turning from human struggle, we take Jesus as our Saviour and Lord. When we take Him as our substitute for sin and our strength for life, He becomes our all-sufficient Saviour for time and for eternity.

Making Christ your personal Saviour means to stop struggling to make yourself better than you are. This is learned from the words, "Who shall ascend into heaven" to find the Saviour? Stop living in self-condemnation, for the Scripture says "Or, who shall descend into the deep?" By faith, accept Christ and then rest in Him. Here is the promise:

"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." With confession of sin and need, the heart must take Christ as God's appointed substitute for our sins and accept Him as our Saviour (Rom. 10:8-10).

2. Confirming our Salvation by Living

The Scriptures provided in our lesson as evidence of a saved life tell of Stephen, "full of faith and power," who "did great wonders and miracles among the people" (Acts 6:8), a man of irresistible wisdom and spirit (v. 10). Would that all the children of God possessed such faith and power, and were able to speak with such conviction. Earnestly ought we to seek God that miracles in word and deed might confirm the message of God's salvation.

But we must meet God's children where they live, and because of this we turn our attention to less outstanding believers than Stephen. Yet, let us pause before we do so. Who can tell what valiant testimony might be given through the simplest of God's children when put to the test as Stephen was? Martyrs as heroic as Stephen have lived, whose testimonies have been as stalwart and strong. Many of these have been witnesses from among God's simplest ones. We believe God still has men and women of similar quality.

Whether we ever qualify as a Stephen or not, we can all live "soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world" (Titus 2:12). There are those who emphasize that salvation is all by grace, without works, and unfortunately they leave the impression that if a person accepts Christ as Saviour he is secure for time and for eternity, whether he live right or not. Greater error is not to be found. Evidence that a person is saved by grace is confirmed by the same grace "teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world." God save us from a doctrine which deludes and deceives rather than establishes us in godliness. The same grace that saves from sin, becomes our guide into truth and righteousness.

3. Crowning Salvation in Dying

We look for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, yet it is possible that we, like many before us, may depart this life through death. Will those "who are alive and remain" until Jesus comes have any advantage over those who fall asleep in Christ? No. The coming of Christ is the Christian's "blessed hope," while resurrection from the dead is the hope of them "which sleep in Jesus." When He comes "the dead in Christ shall

rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them" (1 Thess. 4:16-18). When Jesus comes there will be no difference. Whether we wake or whether we sleep, we are all the children of God and we shall ascend together.

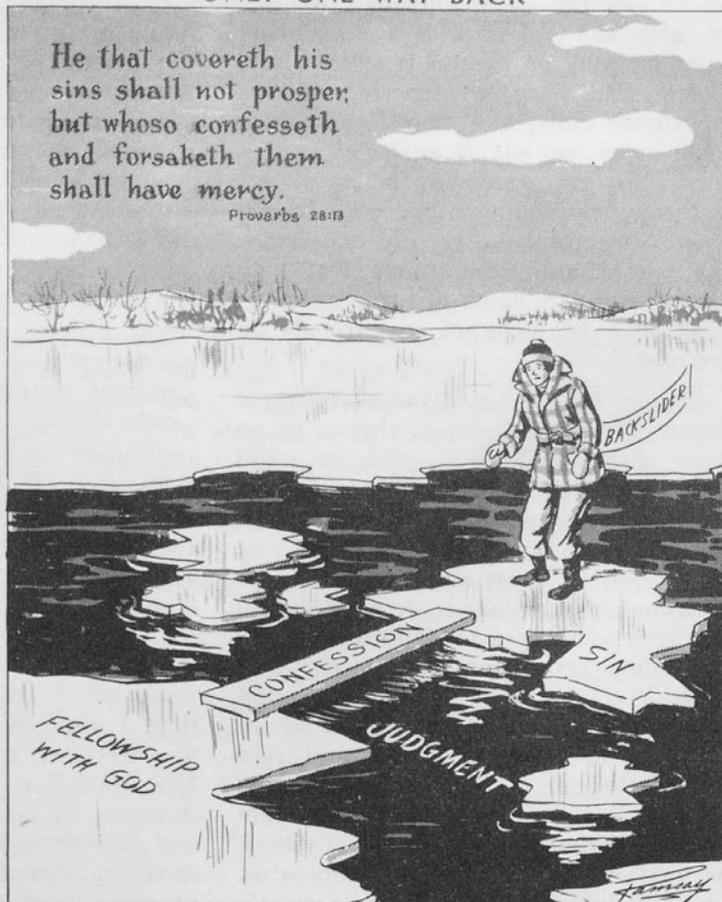
Stephen gave a glorious testimony in his life, but his greatest testimony was in his death. As his enemies "gnashed on him with their teeth," he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God." "And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, . . . and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. . . . And when he had said this, he fell asleep" (Acts 7:57-60). Saul of Tarsus, a young man, was present at the trial and martyrdom of Stephen, and he never got away from the memory of Stephen's death. Years later we hear him say, "And when the blood of thy martyr Stephen was shed, I also was standing by, and consenting unto his death" (Acts 22:20). Many are the ungodly who have come under conviction as they have seen godly people die.

Death is not all. It is the gate that opens into eternity. The apostle Paul was "willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord" (2 Cor. 5:8). Weary from "labors more abundant," distressed through undermining influences of "false brethren," the apostle longed for "rest from his labors," "having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ" (Phil. 1:23). Let the sinner repent. Let the child of God be of good courage. Heaven is our home. Be faithful.

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

Repentance (lesson for Sunday, January 27). Lesson text: Luke 19:1-10; Colossians 3:5-10.

ONLY ONE WAY BACK



From Mutineer to Missionary

Arthur House Stainback

Alexander Smith grew up in the mid-1700's as a typical English boy, dreaming of the days to come when he would sail the seas. Then one day his hour arrived, and young Alex joined the crew of the ill-fated *Bounty*. His heart's desire was satisfied as he entered the service of his king. He began his new experience with all his energy and became a typical sailor of the day.

Just at this point, some psychological study might reveal the beginning of the downward trend. But, after all, who expected much good of a sailor in those days? Who would bother to try to show him the right way? So young Alex followed the wrong element of the ship and gladly took his place with bad company.

Perhaps he was a bit surprised to find himself so far gone as to agree finally to the act of mutiny. In the eyes of society, the laws of the land, and by all moral standards, Alex Smith had hit the bottom. On that fateful day, as the victorious villains sailed away in their pilfered property, sin pinned the vilest of medals on the breasts of the crew, and Alexander Smith was branded as a mutineer. The mutineers were now outcasts from all that was decent and good. They had the ship and its cargo, but what to do with it was an agonizing problem.

Settle on Pitcairn Island

One bold seaman, Fletcher Christian, had a suggestion, and about this idea and hope he rallied the mutineers. Together they laid plans for their safety and security. He selected a small island, listed as uninhabited, and set sail. They were en route to the little Pacific island of Pitcairn. Deep in the South Pacific, near Easter Islands, Pitcairn nestled as a bleak and lonely spot two miles long and a mile wide, reaching up 1,000 feet above the beating surf. The coastline is rugged and badly beaten by the waves, and there is no harbor. Here, they thought, was safety; here was a heaven on earth for mutineers out to make their own society.

After a stop at Tahiti to secure a few brides for this new and promising colony, they sailed to their haven. Here they settled, nine white men, all mutineers, twelve native women, and six native men who wished to join them. The *Bounty* was stripped and set afire. The bridge back burned, the way of escape destroyed, they settled down far from their native England to enjoy the fruits of their sin in this distant South Pacific haven.

Alexander Smith Becomes John Adams

Leader Fletcher Christian soon found his group unmanageable. Human nature tells us that guilty thoughts, dishonest acts and intents, immorality, and associated evils do not make for a secure foundation of a good community. The years passed in sorrow and sin, and the families grew as an odd mixture

Author's note: This is a record of the life of one John Adams, sole survivor of the "Bounty" mutineers. The idea came from a picture in the "National Geographic Magazine," and all facts have been verified by encyclopedias.

of native and half-caste. Murder followed sprees of intoxication and the rages of hot tempers, until the original mutineers were reduced to one lone survivor. Alexander Smith must have been the roughest of the mutineers, because he was that survivor. It was about this time that he changed his name to John Adams.

It was now ten years since the fateful landing, and the lone white man, John Adams, became the patriarch. What would he do in this desolate island that was now an earthly hell? He could not trust the natives, nor was there hope in the young half-casts. It was all a far different picture from the one dreamed about in the ship's hold years ago.

He gathered all the available property that had been confiscated from the old *Bounty*. The strange inventory revealed one unusual and unused item of salvage, a copy of the Bible. Why it was saved is a mystery, but Adams began to read it faithfully.

A Changed Man and a Changed Island

What follows speaks a blazing testimony to the power of the Word of God. John Adams read, was convicted, and repented of his sin. There was no preacher, no school, just the Word of God and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. This was enough to awaken the consciousness of sin and the need of a Saviour. John Adams was converted; he had a complete change of heart, became a pious man, and at once set out to redeem his little island and make it a truly Christian community.

As the years followed, John Adams became teacher and preacher, as well as ruler and judge. The criminal-minded became Christians, and love replaced hatred. The picture and course of the island was changed, and it soon began to give promise of becoming a haven of peace and love in fulfillment of earlier dreams.

Time passed on, and nearly twenty years was spent before Adams was discovered in 1808. The arm of the law had finally reached the one surviving criminal. He was liable to execution for his part in the mutiny. The courts of England stamped his records as the lowest and assigned him to the gallows without mercy.

But mercy was not so easily put out of the picture. England sent a police force to bring in John Adams. Along with the captive, the captain of the police force brought also a report of the little Pacific island.

One Bible and One Community

The report stated that the bloodthirsty island of crime and immorality had been completely changed by the work of Adams, and that the people were all "peaceable, moral, and industrious, and that Adams had ruled with the Bible in justice and with wisdom." In recognition of his conversion, regeneration, and good works as a Christian, he was granted a pardon. He lived another twenty years, and was finally buried on the island of Pitcairn in 1829.

A few years ago, a group of writers for the

National Geographic Society visited the tiny island and found 132 descendants who were most religious and who, as the writers reported, "never swear." The people were found to be friendly, loving, industrious, outstanding in religious devotion, and highly desirable citizens.

Thus a boy dragged down by bad company became a mutineer. But he found hope in the Bible, and by the Power of God's Word was saved, becoming a fruitful witness and effective missionary.

It is odd that the mutineers actually saved a Bible as part of the loot, but they did. God's Word does survive many unusual experiences and out of the most amazing circumstances and adverse conditions comes forth in victory to prove its never-dying power.—*Biblical Recorder*.

"BRAIN WASHING"

Such is the studied and madly pursued program of indoctrination by Red China. Without pause and without pity until the "young Chinese twigs" are bent and stay bent, the process of "washing the brain" goes on relentlessly. All previous ideals, standards, and thought life must be confessed, "cast aside," and corrected to the Communist mold.

This kind of "brain washing" is utterly abhorrent to the average freedom-loving Westerner. It is utterly unthinkable and frightening that such an octopus may fasten itself upon us and warp our thinkers into a hopeless mass of brains that are so "washed out" as to believe that black is white.

What the great Gladstone once wrote over seventy years ago (quoted by D. M. Pantou) is a shattering truth: "I am convinced that the welfare of mankind does not now depend on the State and the world of politics; the real battle is being fought in the world of thought, where a deadly attack is being made with great tenacity of purpose and over a wide field upon the greatest treasure of mankind, the belief in God and the Gospel of Christ."

General Eisenhower has recently made this observation: "The struggle going on in the world is for the minds and hearts of men. It is an ideological struggle."

In the last days there will be mighty and increased activity from the demon world. One wonders whether this engulfing Communistic flood of false indoctrination, verily a "doctrine of demons," may stand related to that stream of falsehood which the serpent casts out of his mouth as a flood to swallow up the rest of the professing church in the closing days (Rev. 12:15).—*Prairie Overcomer*.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday, February 29, will be a World Day of Prayer, and the National Association of Evangelicals has published a suggestive program for the service. It is entitled, "A Seldom Used Power," and is divided into sections as follows:

1. Preparation for Prayer
2. Place of Prayer
3. Praise in Prayer
4. Purpose in Prayer
5. Perseverance in Prayer.

A sample copy may be obtained free of charge by writing to the National Association of Evangelicals, 542 South Dearborn St, Chicago 5, Illinois.

Saints in Turkey Cry for Revival

Karl F. Leonard

IT IS SELDOM that one ever reads anything in our Christian periodicals about Turkey. Strangely enough, it is also true that full-gospel movements have had few representatives in that land. No Pentecostal mission or church has been established there.

This past summer I received an invitation to visit Turkey. I accepted the invitation and was accompanied by the noted Swedish singer, Sven Bjork. A Pentecostal woman had prepared the hearts of a small group for our coming. There was opportunity to contact many hungry hearts and to conduct services. Meetings were well attended. We could feel the Spirit of God moving in the services.

Turkey Is a Bible Land

The Republic of Turkey occupies territory in both Europe and Asia. European Turkey is bounded on the north by the Black Sea, Bulgaria and Greece, on the east by the Black Sea, and on the west by the Aegean Sea and Greece. Turkey in Europe is separated from Turkey in Asia by the Bosphorus at Istanbul and by the Dardanelles (Hellespont), approximately forty-seven miles long, varying in width from one to four miles. Turkey in Asia is bounded on the east by the U.S.S.R. and Iran; on the south by Iraq, Syria and the Mediterranean, and on the west by the Mediterranean and the Aegean.

It is so easy to forget that Turkey is a Bible land. It was in Turkey that the Apostle Paul was born, in the City of Tarsus, the capital city of Cilicia. In the days of Paul, Tarsus was a city of great learning. The large Roman Empire university was located there. Today Tarsus has a population of approximately 28,000. Except for a few ruins, there is little left of the old city.

It was in Turkey that Paul proved to be such an outstanding power for God in the

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preaching of the gospel. Churches were set in order throughout all of the peninsula, forming the western extremity of Asia, known as Asia Minor. He had the care of the churches. A real heaven-sent *revival* with all the accompanying power and persecution was experienced.

John, the apostle, was commanded by the Lord to write to the seven churches in Asia. They were located in Turkey, and were: Ephesus, Sardis, Philadelphia, Pergamos, Thyatira, Smyrna, and Laodicea. John, bishop of Ephesus, closed his earthly ministry in Turkey; and the mother of Jesus, according to tradition, was buried in Ephesus. It is a logical assumption since Mary made her home with John after the Crucifixion (see John 19:27). Some of the New Testament epistles are addressed to saints in what is now Turkey. I was told while in the country that Noah's Ark came to rest in the mountains of Turkey.

Our meetings were held in the largest city in the republic, Istanbul. According to well-informed sources, several New Testament leaders were buried there. Ankara in Galatia is the capital city.

The fact that Turkey is a land rich in Bible history gripped me as I preached the Word there. To think that I should be privileged to preach where once Paul and Apollos and others of Christ's followers preached! I could realize what a thrill Paul must have had when he saw men and women turn to Christ, for the same joy was mine. We saw many accept the Lord as Saviour and Messiah. Our congregations were made up of Jewish people.

Turkey and Religion

Unlike Russia, Turkey is not at enmity with religion. When the Grand National Assembly deposed the sultan early in the 1920's, the state religion also was abolished. Turkey ended a twenty-five-year ban on religious education in May, 1948, by a resolution

providing for optional religious training under state supervision. The Greek and Roman Catholic churches now are hard at work, and with evident results. This freedom of choice as to religion is quite a step from conditions under sultan rule. In those days departure from Mohammedanism was a crime, punishable by death.

The population is largely Moslem. In Istanbul alone I was told there are something like 600 mosques. Every language seems to be in use in Istanbul.

Believers Desire Revival

Among the few born-again believers that we found in Turkey there is a cry to God for a heaven-sent *revival*. The word for *revival* in Turkey is *intibah*. It is the central theme of their prayer. A faithful prayer-band has been asking for *intibah* for twenty-five years. Surely God must answer such persistent petitions, and who knows—you might be the answer to the prayers of those people for help!

To me it seems that Turkey is the most spiritually neglected country of the world, and I have visited most countries of the world; yet, withal, the republic has brought about reforms favorable to Christianity.

The Turkish people admire Western civilization. The country of Turkey is alert educationally and politically, but the ignorance regarding spiritual life is appalling.

I located a small Greek Protestant church in Istanbul. I was told that there possibly were a thousand Armenian Protestants in the city. I found a hunger for the gospel among them. They were anxious for teaching concerning Divine Healing, and the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Those who are Christians seem to feel a concern for other unsaved ones. Having once heard the message of salvation unbelievers seemed receptive.

Shall the few saints in Turkey cry *intibah* in vain?

"How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?"

Philippine Typhoon Most Destructive in Years

Warren B. Denton, Philippine Islands

HOME DAMAGED DURING TYPHOON

Shown here is the Assemblies of God Mission Home at San Jose, Antique, Philippines, damaged during the recent typhoon. On the front right of the lot is the new church, which also suffered some damage. The home has been considered the model *nepa* home of the area. San Jose is the capital of the Antique Province.



NO DOUBT YOU HAVE heard of the destruction caused by the typhoon that passed through the Visayas last Monday (December 10). The storm began here on Sunday night. Much damage was done then. All Monday morning there was a strong wind, followed by a lull in the middle of the day. Then around two o'clock the center of the storm struck San Jose at the rate of approximately 130 miles an hour.

According to some it was the worst storm since 1918. I have talked with one who has resided in the area for seventy-two years and he cannot recall the Antique Province ever having a storm that did so much damage. Damage in Antique Province alone is estimated at several million dollars. Buildings, fruit trees, and vegetables were destroyed. There is very little in the market to buy. People are in need all around us.

About 2,000 *nepa* houses were destroyed or damaged in San Jose township. Many were flattened to the ground. We know of eight Protestant churches in Antique that were either damaged or destroyed. The Villar Assembly of God church was damaged.

Our house and church in San Jose are still standing, but the roof of the house was damaged. Fortunately we had just finished rebuilding the kitchen. If the repair work had not been done doubtless that part of the house would have been demolished the same as those of our neighbors on both sides.

When the center of the storm struck, the roof over one of our bedrooms was carried away. Right now there is open sky above. The roof over the dining room and the other three bedrooms were so badly damaged it will be necessary to reroof.

There have been heavy rains since the typhoon. The water has been draining through the bamboo floor. We are sleeping in the dining room; however, we have little right to complain when there are so many homeless. In Cebu alone there are 60,000 homeless.

In view of the possibility of more typhoons until the first of February it is necessary that we repair the house immediately. The price of material has gone up 40% since the storm. The repairs will cost \$225. We are going ahead with the work, trusting God to send us extra funds to cover this extra expense.

Classes from the high school, the academy and the elementary schools here had been brought to see our home. On Friday before the storm, children from a sixth grade were here. The home has been said to be the model *nepa* house of the community. We have worked to keep the house and grounds clean and attractive. Many opportunities have come to us to reach young people who have come to see the house.

Note: This is an urgent need. We understand that besides the repairs on the residence it will be necessary to make some repairs on the church as well. Offerings should be sent to the Foreign Missions Department, designated "Residence and Church, San Jose, Philippines."

HUNDREDS ACCEPT CHRIST IN NEW AFRICAN AREA

The Harold S. Lehmanns of Gold Coast, West Africa, report:

"The Lord has allowed us to see the greatest awakening of our entire ministry. We have taken the gospel into a new area and it is not exaggerating to say that hundreds have accepted Christ. We have seen as many as three hundred persons, including their chief, burn their fetishes in one huge pile. Our children will remember the scenes as long as they live.

"If only we were able to capture the joy of such a plunge in faith and pass it on to you! There has been a definite break with the past. It has been thrilling beyond description! The fire is still burning."

Send Foreign Missionary offerings to
NOEL PERKIN, SECRETARY
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434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo.

CHRISTMAS GIFT OFFERINGS APPRECIATED

Noel Perkin
Foreign Missions Secretary

From missionaries and missionary children on the many foreign fields served by our fellowship have been coming expressions of appreciation for the Christmas gift offerings contributed for them for Christmas of 1951 by churches, groups, individuals and friends of our organization.

The offerings brought blessing to the missionary families. In a number of instances reported they arrived just in time to meet very urgent needs. The children received them with joy.

In behalf of the missionaries and their children I wish to thank every contributor. You will be happy to know that there was sufficient money to go around. The missionaries were sent \$10 each, and the missionaries' children \$5 each.

Four of the letters of appreciation have come from the Leonard M. McNutt children in France. Mr. and Mrs. McNutt, formerly of the Gold Coast field, now under appointment to Dahomey, have been in Europe since August studying the French language. I would like to share the four letters with you.

Dear Uncle Perkin,

Thank you for the five dollars that you sent me.

I will use the money for a watch. I am going to a French school but I know very little French yet.

It was very nice in Paris but I like it here in Grenoble because it is nicer here and we have room to play.

I am anxious for the snow to come so I can make a snow man. We don't have snow in Africa or Maywood, California, so I expect to have lots of fun.

Bye for now.

Love,
David McNutt

Dear Brother Perkin,

I want to thank you very much, so I won't forget it later on, for the Christmas present you sent me. It probably will be used for a pair of ski shoes or a heavy winter coat.

I am going to a French high school and floundering around trying to speak French for several hours a day. Some of the kids are very encouraging as they tell me that I speak French quite well now, but I know that they are only trying to make me feel good, because I am able to pick out many faults myself. I go to school six days of the week and am not able to do much except sit so it is quite tiring.

Dad got me a second-hand bike that I ride on to go to school two times a day. I went on several rides around here before it got cold. First I went to Vizille, the town where the president's summer palace is and where the French Revolution was born. I took another trip to the top of a

mountain where there is an old fort. At the foot of the mountain was Grenoble, and it sure was a beautiful sight. I looked to my left to try to see Mont Blanc, but it was becoming dark quite fast and it also was quite hazy. I did see many other ranges of snow-capped mountains with the sun setting on them.

Well, thanks a lot for the money again.

Yours truly,
Dennis McNutt

Dear Uncle Perkin,

I thank you for the 5\$ that you sent me. I have a French girl friend and her name is Colette. I have a doll that cries tears and I can wash her hair and she takes a bottle. I am seven years old.

With love,
From Gayle

Dear Brother Perkin,

Thank you for the money that was enclosed in the last letter to my folks.

I am going to a French high school here in Grenoble. The girls are all very nice to me. I understand almost all that goes on in class but as yet I have not been able to hand in many papers. I have taken tests in Geography and Sewing but they aren't very hard subjects. I have to talk in French so it gives me help in conversation. I am really enjoying myself here and I hope that I will be able to speak French quite well when we leave here.

Thank you so much for remembering me at Christmas each year.

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas to you and everyone.

Marita Joy McNutt

This is a picture of the Leonard M. McNutt family. It is about three years old.



MISSIONS AT HOME

New Fields . . . Deaf Mutes . . . Prisoners
Jews . . . American Indians . . . Alaska
Foreign Language Groups in U.S.A.

GOD BLESS YOU EVERYONE!

Letters and cards expressing heartfelt gratitude for Christmas remembrances are coming into our Home Missions Department from all over the nation.

Your many lovely packages to our Children's Homes and to the Pinellas Park Home brought great joy and happiness to the recipients. From the oldest guest in our Retirement Home to the tiniest tot in our Children's Homes comes a hearty chorus—"Thank you for packages to open on Christmas morning!"

Right here we would like to insert a Christmas report sent to us by Brother Harry Landis, one of the honored guests at the Pinellas Park Home:

"Now that Christmas is over, we shall appeal to the good offices of the EVANGEL to convey our sincere thanks to everyone who took part in making this such a happy Christmas.

"It was indeed a most generous flow of useful and pleasant things, accepted by us as from the Lord with thanksgiving. Some came from individuals, others from churches, and quite a few from Women's Missionary Councils.

"One group sent us a ham, another a turkey, and a third sent an unusual dinner—T-bone steak. It had been a long time since most of us tasted steak at all. Imagine our surprise and enjoyment of this delicious morsel. There was also a veritable shower of home-baked cookies, cakes, and candies.

"Brother and Sister Holifield, in their loving and proficient manner, plus faithful co-operation of all the workers, made our Christmas a memorable occasion.

"On Christmas eve we all assembled in the living room for an appropriate service. The room was nicely decorated, including a beautiful Christmas tree on which were ornaments and colored lights. Beneath the tree was a large pile of gifts. After songs, testimonies, an appropriate address by Brother J. Narver Gortner, and prayer, the gifts were distributed. Needless to say, we were all surprised at the generous number.

"At our evening worship recently, a period of time was given for expression of our appreciation of these tokens of love. One of our workers said that in all her life, this was her best Christmas, not because of gifts alone, but because of the blessed fellowship in the Home. One of the guests said that in her eighty-one years this was the best. Others expressed themselves similarly.

"We all want you to know our heartfelt appreciation of the privilege of being a part of this blessed fellowship, and of being residents of this Home dedicated to the ministry of caring for the aged laborers who, by reason of years, must retire from the active front.

"This is a splendid Home, worthy of the great fellowship sponsoring it. The management is in capable and devoted hands. To them is due the appreciation merited by work well and conscientiously done.

"Those of us who are guests in the Home are thankful that even here there remains to us a most important ministry, that of intercession for the workers on the field of action. Praise God for all His benefits."

And while your gifts to the Homes were a blessing, the extra cash offerings you sent enabled us to bring a bit of Christmas joy to each of the many others who look to us for help, not only at Christmas but throughout the year.

We have a number of retired ministers who are not in Pinellas Park Home. Some of these receive assistance each month through our Benevolence Department, and we were happy to be able to send them that "little extra" at Christmas time. They are extremely grateful for this, and we pass their thanks on to you who made it possible.

A Home Missionary writes to thank us for the extra check she received. She didn't spend it on herself, but used it in buying treats and Sunday School gifts for the children where she labors. No doubt other Home Missionaries used their extra checks to bring cheer to the people among whom they work. But however the gifts were used, you may be sure that joy and gladness was increased because you gave.

And so, from the bottom of hundreds of thankful hearts, appreciation is expressed to our EVANGEL readers for your Christmas gifts and offerings. One Home Missionary summed up the feelings of all when she wrote simply, "God bless each one of you."

—Department of Benevolences and Home Missions Department
(Fred Vogler, Director)

THE HEALER OF MENTAL SICKNESS

(Continued from page five)

fallen into the same trap. But thanks be to God, "the righteous shall walk by faith," not by feeling.

If we have sinned with our lips we must confess to the Lord the mistakes or the foolishness of which we have been guilty. He who told Peter to forgive 490 times, if necessary, would certainly not be less forgiving than that impetuous apostle. Of course we are forgiven, if we confess our sins, and we are forgiven instantly. But that does not mean that we have the *feeling* of forgiveness. We know we are forgiven because of faith in the Word of God. For the righteous shall live by faith. Therefore let us be thankful for feelings when God sends them, but let us *live* by faith. When feelings deny the Word of God let us doubt our feelings, not the Word of God. Many of us would be saved from fear and nerves and mental distress if we would obey God in this respect and live by the faith of the Son of God who is the Word of God, instead of by feeling and by our own ideas.

There are many factors concerned in mental illnesses and it is never safe for us to assign reasons for some particular individual's breakdown, just as it is never

safe for us to assign reasons for some particular person's physical sickness. But of this we may be sure: there is no more shame or disgrace attached to mental suffering than there is to physical suffering.

There is something important along this line which all of us can practice; we can drop the word "insane" from our vocabulary and use the expression "mentally ill" instead. Let us never again speak of *insane asylums* and *mad houses*, but let us say "mental hospitals." Let us quit speaking in mysterious whispers about any who are suffering from mental illness, and let us speak of such patients in as natural a way as we mention those who are suffering from physical disease. Especially when we meet someone who is a mental sufferer, let us be as natural and kindly toward him or her as though such were suffering in body. Frankly, the way some people glance at a brother or a sister who has just been dismissed from a mental hospital, is enough to make them feel that they are still "queer" and to send them back worse than ever. Our attitudes toward the whole subject are so tinged with subconscious horror-reactions that most of us will have to make a real effort to rid our conversation and our thoughts of wrong conceptions and make ourselves helpful instead of harmful to those who are mentally ill. Let us make this effort and influence others to do the same.

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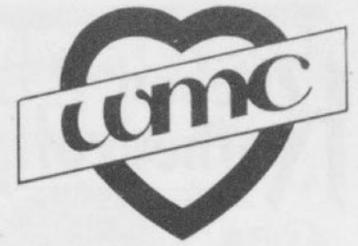
The Assemblies of God are an evangelical Christian body having several thousands of churches in the U.S.A. and several hundreds of missionaries in foreign lands.

WE BELIEVE the Bible to be the inspired and only infallible and authoritative Word of God. WE BELIEVE that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost. WE BELIEVE in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal future return to this earth in power and glory to rule over the nations.

WE BELIEVE that regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for personal salvation. WE BELIEVE that the redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing of the human body in answer to believing prayer. WE BELIEVE that the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4, is given to believers who ask for it. WE BELIEVE in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life. WE BELIEVE in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost, the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting damnation.

NATIONAL WMC DAY

to be observed
FEBRUARY 10



Of course, there are various types of mental illness and what I am writing does not apply to all, but frequently earnest Christians are oppressed in their minds by a spirit of accusation and condemnation that hounds them until they believe the lies of Satan and begin to doubt their salvation. If weariness and strain and overwork is added to this, they become unable to sleep. Fear comes in (they may come to believe that they are lost) and then their nerves give way. They are unable to throw off thoughts and suggestions and imaginations, and they are in the throes of a nervous breakdown. As in my case and in many others, the most terrible evil thoughts and suggestions and imaginations may obsess the sufferer. This makes him feel sure that he is lost, and no amount of reason or Scripture or discussion can persuade him otherwise. Of course, this is the enemy taking advantage of weak nerves, but it is important to point out that a sufferer that the enemy throws such thoughts and suggestions into the minds of God's people all the time; the only difference being that the normal well Christian mind is able to disregard these thoughts and suggestions, while the one with mental illness is not able to do so.

When I was in a mental hospital in New York I met many different people who had nervous breakdowns. There I learned that a nervous breakdown has a tendency to follow the pathway of the chief interests of the patient. The medical missionary who was there, was afraid that his skill and his knowledge were gone; the banker was certain that people were conspiring to rob him of his earnings; the professor was sure that everything that he had been teaching would be useless when he would get better and that no one would believe him; and the preacher was certain that he was a failure and that God had no further use for him.

I know God is well able to deliver such a one immediately. Better still, He is able to keep our minds and our nerves. Usually that is what He does for His children. But sometimes God allows some of His very much beloved children to remain mentally ill for some time, just as He allows some of His saints to be sick in body for a long time. When this is the case He expects those of us who are well to be merciful and kind and understanding, and to help as much as we can to alleviate their affliction. Very often the suffering of our dear ones has a marvelous ministry and is the only thing that God can use to soften us and make us gentle and broken and like the Lamb. I am writing this article in the hope that it will give a better understanding of what a mental sufferer needs in the way of treatment by those about him.

The mental sufferer lives in a world of his own or her own. It is very difficult for one who is mentally well to realize this. For those of us who are mentally well the world of friends and work and family, and the things we see and hear and touch, constitute the real world. But the things that are the most real and most obvious to us are quite unreal to the mentally-ill person. He lives in the world of his fears and imaginations. Even his dearest ones are not what they have been before; he fears the worst about them and often shows hatred and meanness toward them.

Special recognition is to be given to our several thousand Women's Missionary Councils in our assemblies on February 10, according to the recommendation of the Executive Presbytery. The purpose of the special observance is to spotlight the excellent missionary work being done by the WMC members, and also to raise funds for the operation of our national WMC office.

The last General Council gave national recognition to WMC, and authorized the opening of a national WMC office with a full-time executive secretary. The national office has been functioning since the middle of October, 1951, with Sister Edith Whipple in charge. It serves as a clearing house through which the missionaries' needs may be met equitably and without waste or duplication.

Hundreds of missionaries testify to the benefits they are receiving through the sacrificial work and earnest prayers of our WMC members; and thousands of our pastors praise their WMC groups for faithful services rendered to local assemblies and pioneer home missionary projects in surrounding areas, as well as to foreign missions.

The Women's Missionary Council is organ-

ized on a district basis by thirty-seven of our District Councils. The Texas District led the way twenty-six years ago. California followed soon after, when certain pioneer efforts in needy sections of the district called for concerted action of the local groups.

Program suggestions and helps for National WMC Day services have been prepared by Mrs. Whipple, our national WMC secretary, and are available to local groups through their district presidents. Special WMC Day badges to be worn by members and prospective members can be ordered from the district presidents for ten cents a dozen.

Local groups in the four districts not having a district president—Potomac, South Carolina, Southern Missouri and Wyoming—may send directly to our National WMC Department, 434 W. Pacific, Springfield, Missouri, for their materials. All others are asked to order from their district presidents.

Funds are urgently needed for the operation of our national WMC office, and the special once-a-year offering received on WMC Day should be sent directly to this department at the above address.

That is why it is usually better for such a sufferer to be among comparative strangers, if they understand him, than it is to be at home. The most real things to the mentally sick are the things in the realm of his thoughts.

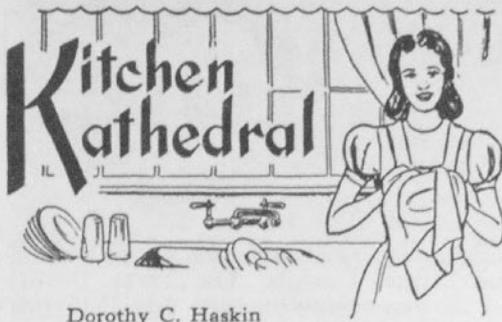
One should not hesitate to get in touch with persons who are familiar with the treatment of the mentally ill. Do not be afraid to consult experts, especially if the experts are Christians. You may save yourself many mistakes, and also save those whom you are trying to help from many needlessly trying experiences.

When one of God's saints tells us that he is sure he is lost, or possessed of demons or of the devil, and want us to pray for his deliverance, then is the time for quiet assurance that he is no more lost than we are. What such a sufferer needs is not prayer or exhortation, but rest. Of course, there should be much prayer by others on his behalf, but not with him or in his hearing. Prayer is often a battle; and in my own case and in the case of others with whom I have had the opportunity of talking, it serves to accentuate our fears and condemnation. Bible reading or quotations have the same effect. One of our own people writes, in a recent letter, saying that both he and his wife have been undergoing a nervous breakdown, and that when they turn to the Bible for help or consolation, it always condemns them. Therefore such persons should be assured that their very concern over what they believe to be separation from Christ, is the best evidence that they love Him more than anything or anyone else. God is not so unkind that at the time when they are weak and ill in mind and nerves, and un-

able to pray and work and think like the mentally healthy ones, He would cast them off. No! He is tenderly watching over them and His love is just as mighty and true as ever. He only is allowing them to learn lessons of faith and trust that they could not learn otherwise.

Such sufferers should never drive themselves to pray or be urged by others to pray and read the Bible. Quiet trust and thanksgiving should be the only expressions of approach to God that they should make. Those of us who have been through such suffering (and it is most agonizing and real) can assure you that our fears were liars, our doubts were false, our nerves and imaginations and thoughts were deceivers. Everything that denied the love and grace and faithfulness and mercy of our Father and Saviour—even the voices that we seemed to hear—was a lie, and prompted by the father of lies. These fears and thoughts and suggestions ought not to be taken seriously. They should be ignored. Of course, it is not possible for a mind that is ill to ignore them. Then one should do his best to turn his attention to some occupation or activity that will give a measure of rest. Rest is the most necessary healing agent. Hence the need of consulting an expert in some cases.

Furthermore, those who are mentally sick or distressed should be kept as far as possible from having to make important decisions for themselves. I was sure God wanted me, while I was in this state, to sell everything I had, even over the heads of my good wife and children, and give it to someone to whom I fancied that I owed it. I felt as if I were being driven to do this by the will of God.



Dorothy C. Haskin

A girl was so violently jealous of her sister that she was taken to see a minister well known for his spiritual counsel. It was hoped that he would be able to help her. To him, she raved against her sister, telling how popular she was, how she outshined her, and consequently how unhappy she was.

The minister decided he should meet the younger sister. He expected to see a beautiful girl. To his surprise he found she was plain, but she had a friendly spirit and inner beauty of character.

True beauty is not skin deep, as the old saying goes. Rather, it is deeper than the skin. Washington Irving realized, "It is the divinity within that makes the divinity without."

Sheer physical good looks too seldom are accompanied by excelling character or outstanding achievement. Our most conspicuously handsome Presidents were Warren G. Harding, James Buchanan, Franklin Pierce and Chester A. Arthur. All of them are rated by historians as among our most ineffectual national leaders. The presidents most lauded

by historians were not handsome men. George Washington's face was pock marked; Abraham Lincoln's rugged features are well known; and Theodore Roosevelt had a bristling appearance.

Beauty is something which every woman can attain. A young girl was praised for her beauty. Privately, her father told her, "People are not praising your beauty, but your youth. You can take no credit at all for beauty at sixteen; but if you are beautiful at sixty, you can be proud of it, for it will be your character which has made you beautiful."

True beauty shows when the face is in repose. The natural expression reveals the character. It may be fretty, or querulous, or it may reveal a spirit at rest in God. Another time true beauty is seen is when you greet someone. If you are self-centered, your greeting is without feeling and consequently does not light your face. But if you are genuinely friendly, your greeting of others will bring a radiance to your face.

A Quaker lady's receipt for beauty was, "Use for the lips, truth; for the voice, prayer; for the eyes, pity; for the hands, charity; for the figure, uprightness; and for the heart, love."

Robert M'Cheyne was a saintly man of God, who in his comparatively short life won many souls to the Lord. After he died a letter addressed to him was found on his desk. It was from one whom he had led to Christ, and it said, "It was nothing you said that first made me wish to be a Christian. It was the beauty of holiness which I saw in your face."

Fortunately I was so ill (though neither I nor my wife realized it at the time) that I could not carry through my determination to do it. It takes a great deal of nervous energy to assume responsibility for important decisions and to try to put them into effect. People who are desirous of doing the will of God are liable to very many and strange suggestions when their minds become over-wrought and ill. Therefore all important responsibilities should be taken from them as far as possible, and others ought to make their decisions for them. Otherwise they will use so much nervous energy trying to make up their minds that it will make them worse and depress them even more.

When one's imagination and thoughts are so affected by a nervous breakdown that he cannot control them, and the enemy pours in his evil suggestions and feelings like a flood, and then tells his victim that he is demon-possessed, of course he believes it. If he were not demon-possessed, he argues, why would his mind and feelings be filled with such horrible thoughts and imaginations? The enemy is at hand to emphasize these feelings, in his own clever way. Then the sufferer tells his pastor, or perhaps one of his spiritual friends, and they are horrified to learn of the thoughts and fears and imaginations that have come into the mind of their brother or sister. Not having had any experience in such things, they too believe that the sufferer must be demon-possessed, and often they will pray with him and plead with the Lord to cast out the demons, or they will attempt to cast them out themselves in the name of the

Lord. This terrifies the patient still more, unless they exercise a spiritual authority that is effective immediately. Therefore such a sufferer ought always to be told that they are not demon-possessed, but mentally ill and being oppressed in mind by the devil, and that it is no more dangerous to their spiritual standing, and no more disgraceful, than to be oppressed in body by the enemy when we are physically ill.

When all is said and done, let us always remember that the Lord Himself is the great Healer of the mind as well as the body. No one can drive away the clouds and speak peace to our minds in that wonderful way that His voice is able to do. The above suggestions are only temporary expedients to enable those who have the care of such sufferers to help them and not hinder them until the time that the Lord Himself speaks peace to their troubled minds. Let us rest assured that it is the Lord's will to heal them, and that He has never forsaken them, and let our words and our attitudes always breathe quiet assurance and faith in Him whose blood has redeemed our minds as well as our souls and bodies from the powers of the enemy.

During the days of my own mental illness it was marvelous how my wife and my friends held on for me in faith and prayer. Then one morning God spoke to me in these wonderful words of the hymn, "In Jesus":

*"My soul is night, my heart is steel;
I cannot see, I cannot feel;
For light and life I must appeal
In simple faith to Jesus."*

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The mail is increasing steadily. Last month there were approximately 1,000 new people who wrote in for the first time. The response from foreign countries has been so gratifying that we have been encouraged to place the program on some fine stations abroad as well as on our stations here in the homeland. People from Canada, Alaska, Fiji Islands, Panama, Bahamas, Hawaii, Jamaica, and other places are writing to us telling us of all manner of blessings received through the ministry of our Brother Steelberg. Some of the most thrilling response has come from Great Britain. This is a hungry people denied the privilege of hearing any religious radio programs except from the Church of England. They write from England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales that the program comes to them clearly from Radio Luxembourg. They appreciate the lively singing of the choir and the fearless anointed ministry of the speaker. Many, many from these

areas write asking us to point them the way to Jesus. Among these are a great many older people who cannot attend church, many young people whose minds have been poisoned with false doctrine, and those who have not found reality in their churches.

The requests for help in finding Christ come to us from all parts of the earth. Last week a lady from Missouri wrote: "Above everything else I need salvation. What is it? Can't you help me to find reality?" A man from Scotland wrote: "I am a lost sinner. I believe you can help me to find Christ." From Honolulu: "I found Christ through your program and am attending one of your churches here." From New Jersey: "I found Christ through the radio nine months ago and am attending one of your churches here." Another tells of an averted suicide; she and her husband found Christ at the close of Brother Steelberg's message and are now attending one of our churches in the East. Besides these, there are the hundreds of prayer requests and spiritual problems which come in through the mail. These are all answered prayerfully in the hope that a real harvest will be reaped for Christ.

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AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

CLARKSVILLE, ARK.—David Burriss of Hot Springs, Ark. was with us for ten services recently. His teaching and preaching was a great blessing to all who attended. God met us and set His approval upon His Word in a special way.—O. R. Ball, Pastor.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—The church formerly known as Fridley Assembly of God is now known as Spring Lake Park Assembly of God. Our new church basement, 83x45, is nearly completed, and with our rising attendance we will surely be glad to use it.—Frank E. Stranges, Pastor.

ALIQUIPPA, PA.—We are opening a new work in this city of 35,000. We had a one-week meeting and 40 people came out to the services. A number came to the altar. We had our first Sunday School December 2 with five present. If you have friends in this section we will be glad to visit them.—P. J. Tagliaferre, 1109 Main St., Aliquippa, Pa.

ENID, OKLA.—We had a good year in 1951 at the Third Assembly of God, known as the House of Prayer. We had some good meetings with Evangelists Jean Myers of Wellston, Okla., Bud Chambers of Midwest City, Okla., and Ruth Specter of Los Angeles, Calif. Sister Specter, a Hebrew Christian, taught us many wonderful things concerning the Jewish religion and the Old Testament. She gave us a new vision of Jesus.—Ted Stephens, Pastor.

DOUGLAS, ARIZ.—We had one of the greatest meetings in the history of our church with Evangelist William A. Ward. He pitched his tent in Douglas and nine churches of the Assemblies of God, Church of God, and Foursquare cooperated in the meeting. More than 700 came forward for salvation during the 19-day meeting. Hundreds testified that they were healed by the power of God. We have asked Evangelist Ward to come back next year.—G. W. Hay, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

FORT WORTH, TEX.—We praise God for the wonderful two-week meeting we had with Evangelist Victor Smith of Houston, Tex. Many were saved and many were filled with the Holy Spirit. Night after night the Spirit of the Lord came in our midst in old-time Pentecostal power.

Several men were saved for whom we had prayed for several years. Homes were united and entire families surrendered to God. The wife of an outstanding doctor of our city was saved, healed, filled with the Spirit, and united with the church. Twenty joined the church during the meeting.—Charles R. Jones, Pastor, Bethel Temp'le.

WITH CHRIST

CLARENCE B. BELL of Spencer, Iowa, went to be with the Lord December 27, 1951, at the age of 54. He was ordained in the West Central District in 1930 and remained in fellowship with the General Council of the Assemblies of God as evangelist or pastor until the time of his homegoing.

MRS. UBER ARRINGTON of Monroe, La. went home to be with the Lord in November, 1951, at the age of 57. She was ordained in 1945.

WILLIAM C. RICHARDSON of Goshen, Ind. went to his eternal reward on November 9, 1951. He was 48 years old. Brother Richardson was ordained in 1931. He was pastoring the church in Goshen, Ind. at the time of his death.

JESS W. GUNER of Mt. Shasta, Calif., fell asleep in Jesus on December 21, 1951. He was 68 years old, and was one of our superannuated ministers. He was ordained in 1932.

COMING MEETINGS

Notices must 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. Dates of meeting must be given. Meetings in progress will not be announced unless they continue beyond the date of publication.

BARRY, ILL.—Jan. 13—; Evangelist and Mrs. Edwin Weber, Bushnell, Ill.—by E. S. Henning, Pastor.

FILLMORE, CALIF.—Jan. 20—; Evangelist Eugene Smith, Cheyenne, Wyo. (R. F. Curtis is Pastor.)

MANTECA, CALIF.—Glad Tiding, North and Main, Jan. 20—; Evangelist George Hayes.—by Eston Pack, Pastor.

LAWTON, OKLA.—City-wide Workers' Training Course, First Assembly, Feb. 4—8; C. W. Denton, National S. S. Representative.

BATAVIA, N. Y.—Assembly of God, Feb. 3—; Evangelist L. C. Robie, Union Springs, N. Y. (Ernest Morgan is Pastor.)

PASCAGOULA, MISS.—Assembly of God, Feb. 5—24; Evangelist Lee Krupnick, Tulsa, Okla.—by Charles Hurst, Pastor.

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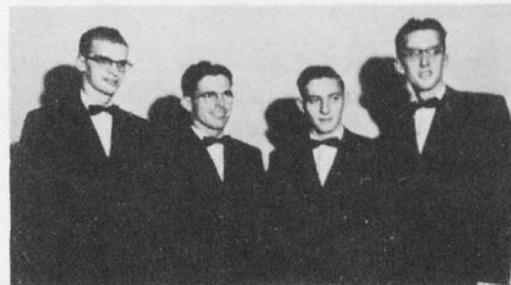
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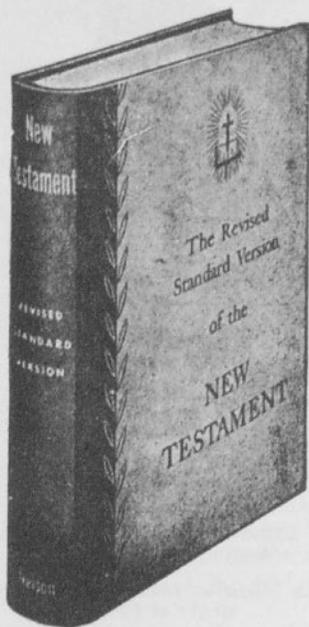
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AURORA, ILL.—Assembly of God, Jan. 27—; Evangelist Hobert Casteel, Tucson, Ariz.—by J. G. Hall, Pastor.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA—Feb. 3—17 or longer; Evangelist E. C. Rosen, Turlock, Calif. (C. C. Huckerby is Pastor.)

HARVEY, ILL.—Calvary Temple Assembly, Jan. 29—; Evangelist Fred D. Drake, Buffalo, N. Y. (William Sawyer is Pastor.)

DALLAS, OREG.—Assembly of God, Birch and Stump Sts., Jan. 15—; Evangelist Irl J. Walker, Portland, Oreg.—by Alfred R. Brown, Pastor.

TEXAS DISTRICT S. S. TOUR—Feb. 1—14; Victor Trimmer, National Sunday School Representative. (W. A. McCann is District S. S. Director.)

SHREVEPORT, LA.—Sectional Sunday School Conference, Glad Tiding Assembly, Jan. 28; Raymond White, National S. S. Representative.

PORTALES, N. MEX.—Jan. 20—Feb. 3 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Dewey L. Heath, Reydon, Okla. (William C. Shackelford is Pastor.)

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—Assembly of God, 524 N. Klien St., meeting in progress; the Musical Vander Ploegs, Toledo, Ohio. (William H. Sumrall is Pastor.)

MODESTO, CALIF.—Airport Assembly of God, Feb. 4—18; Training for Christian Service; N. B. Rayburn, Henryetta, Okla., instructor.—by Ernest M. Adams, Pastor.

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RIVERA, CALIF.—Calvary Church, 7630 Serapis St., meeting in progress; Evangelists Neil and Hazel Moore.—by Albin G. Johnson, Pastor.

MONROE, LA.—Central Assembly, Hall and Calypso Sts., Jan. 20—Feb. 3; Evangelist David H. McDowell, Audubon, Pa.—by L. O. Waldon, Pastor.

SOUTH FLORIDA DISTRICT COUNCIL—Lake Bonny Bible Camp Auditorium, Lakeland, Fla., Feb. 12—13; Bert Webb, guest speaker. (H. S. Bush is District Superintendent.)

TWIN FALLS, IDAHO—Assembly of God, 2nd Avenue E. and 5th St., meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. Bennie R. Harris, Loveland, Colo. (Clay Stephens is Pastor.)

DUNCAN, OKLA.—First Assembly of God, 801 N. 5th St., dedication of new church, Jan. 20—Feb. 3 or longer; Evangelist E. G. Eskelin and Family. (Haskell Rogers is Pastor.)



FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD, TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS

The pictures show the interior of the new house of worship in Texarkana, Arkansas, and the pastor, Charles W. Prince. Brother Prince went to Texarkana a little over six years ago. Attendance at the First Assembly grew steadily under his leadership, making it necessary to enlarge the auditorium once and to build Sunday School rooms twice. Still there was not enough room, and so last year the congregation

built a new church measuring 40 by 116 feet. There are two stories in the rear for Sunday School classes.

The new building cost \$25,000 and the indebtedness now is a little over \$3,000. Only one carpenter was hired to do the building; all the rest of the work was done by members of the church. First Assembly has a membership of 159 at the present time.

SMACKOVER, ARK.—Sectional Workers' Training School, Jan. 28—Feb. 1; Duane Hurst, Supervisor of Workers' Training Division, National S. S. Department.

PHENIX CITY, ALA.—Sectional S. S. Seminar, First Assembly, Feb. 3—10; George Davis, National S. S. Representative, and Billie Davis, Associate Editor of "Our Sunday School Counsellor."

MOBILE, ALA.—City-wide Workers' Training School, Pritchard Assembly, Jan. 28—Feb. 1; George Davis, National S. S. Representative, and Billie Davis, Associate Editor of "Our Sunday School Counsellor."

GEORGIA SECTIONAL COUNCILS—Southeast Section, South Newport, Jan. 31—Feb. 1; South Central Section, Mountrie, Feb. 5—6; Southwest Section, Dawson, Feb. 7—8; East Central Section, Augusta (Lakeview), Feb. 12—13; Central Section, Macon (Houston), Feb. 14—15; West Central Section, Columbus (North Highland), Feb. 19—20; Northwest Section, Atlanta (Grant Park), Feb. 21—22.

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MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

RADIO PROGRAM—"Sermon and Songs," station KSOX, 1530 kc., Sundays 8:30 to 9 a.m. Sponsored by Trinity Assembly of God, Harlingen, Tex.—by LeRoy Blackburn, Pastor.

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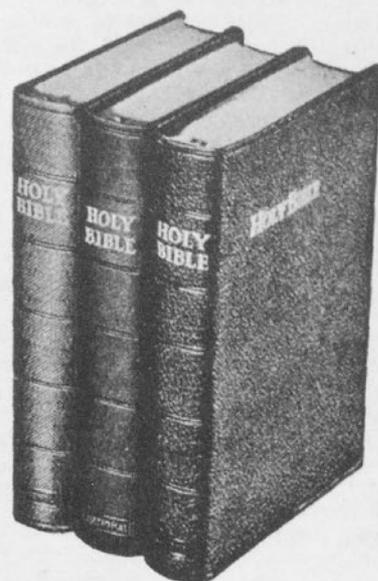
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[11] CHAPTER 11

The Tower of Babel

AND the whole earth ^awas of one ¹language, and of ²one speech.

2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed [']from the east, that they found a plain in the land of ^bShi'nār; and they dwelt there.

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 a 1 Chr. 1:1
 10
 1 Heb. 11p
 b Cr. few words
 c Cr. eastward
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 d Cr. some
 e Bab. Babylon

12 And Ār-phāx'ad and thirty years, ^mSā'lah:
 13 And Ār-phāx'ad he begat Sā'lah fo and three years, and and daughters.
 14 And Sā'lah lived and begat Ē'bēr:
 15 And Sā'lah live

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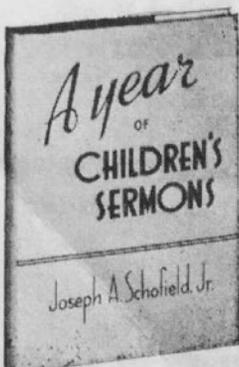
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