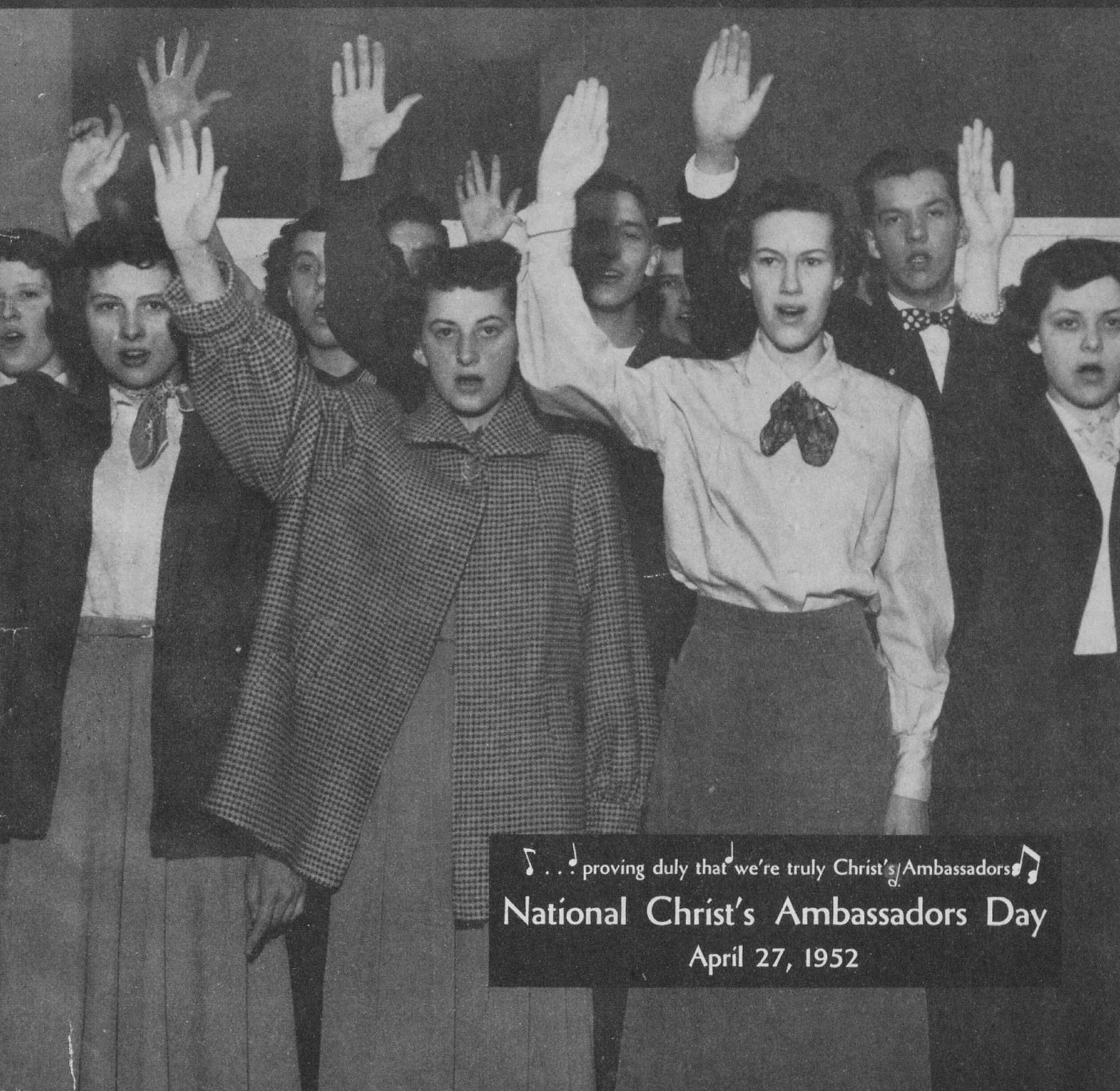


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NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Gospel Radio in Greece

The Government of Greece has granted a radio franchise to the Far East Broadcasting Company, a non-profit enterprise which is already broadcasting gospel programs in 32 languages or dialects (including Russian) from its six transmitters in Manila. The new franchise will enable the F. E. B. C. to set up a transmitter somewhere in Greece by which to reach Iron Curtain countries in Eastern Europe with the message of Christ.

Church Crisis in Japan

A missionary writes that Christianity in Japan is facing a decision to stay true to its principles or to compromise with idolatry and national tradition. Some national pastors are advocating keeping the "Buddha shelf" containing idols in the home; and recently Secretary-General Matsuda of the Liberal Party stated that he went as a Christian to bow at the Shinto Shrine of Ise—the chief shrine in Japan, dedicated to Amaterasu-Omi-Kami, the sun goddess in whose name the Pacific war was fought.

Some have even suggested that the idols be "Christianized" and the people continue to use them. These weak and wavering Christians ought to read the story of Daniel and ask God for some courage.

New Drug for Drunkards

There is a new method of weaning drunkards from the bottle. It is Antabuse, described as "a drug that builds a chemical fence around alcoholics." When given to patients who want to stop drinking, the drug makes them uncomfortable if they touch even a small amount of alcohol. It gives them nausea, palpitations, difficulty in breathing, and causes them to perspire freely.

According to *Wall Street Journal*, the makers of the drug have experimented with it for over two years, and now are releasing it for use on prescription.

Any device to help poor drunkards get free of the liquor habit is to be welcomed, but it seems that men will still need help from heaven in order to have the will power to take the drug which they know is going to make them suffer should they go back to the bottle. Presumably they will have to take the drug again and again, for only when they are drugged will they be safe from liquor. Will the drug enslave them in a habit that is even worse than alcoholism?

The Supreme Court's Ruling

The Supreme Court of the United States has dismissed the appeal of two taxpayers of New Jersey who sought a decision against the reading of the Bible and the recitation of "The Lord's Prayer" in the public schools. A six to three ruling held, in effect, that the appellants had failed to raise a substantial Federal issue and thus had not succeeded in bringing the case within the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court.

Strange Grounds for Divorce

Christianity was held to be grounds for divorce in a recent case in Potsdam. A District Court granted a divorce to a Communist official in the Soviet Zone of Germany simply because his wife is a devout Christian.

The Court ruled that, although Fritz Jahnke, Brandenburg State attorney, was guilty of adultery, his wife's religious faithfulness was responsible for the breakdown of their marriage. Mr. Jahnke, the court said, "lived according to the Marxist, materialist ideology which particularly expressed itself in his being an atheist," while Mrs. Jahnke "is religious minded and still belongs to the Evangelical confession."

"The political and ideological differences of the parties," the ruling said, "resulted in insurmountable contrasts within the existing marriage and caused the husband to turn to another woman to find spiritual inspiration."

The ruling drew sharp criticism from church leaders in Berlin. It illustrates the irreconcilable differences between the teachings of Marx and of Christ.

Chieftain Saved on Formosa

Dick Hillis, Youth for Christ leader on Formosa, reports that the biggest, most influential Bunnan chieftain has been converted. "It is the real thing," says Hillis. "He is going all over the island telling his tribe about the Saviour. This may mean the entire Bunnan tribe turning to Christ. Rejoice, and then pray for nothing less than that."

Prayer and the United Nations

The United Nations has been receiving more mail on the subject of prayer than on any other subject. The letters request the U. N. to provide itself with a permanent prayer room and to open and close all U. N. meetings with prayer.

This heavy mail, and the interest shown by various delegations including that of the U. S. A., are reported to have overcome the disinterest of certain high U. N. officials and to have led to the decision to set aside a permanent room for prayer and meditation in the new Assembly building now under construction at the U. N. headquarters in New York City.



RECORD NUMBER REGISTERED AT NATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The above is a typical scene as 9,113 persons from all parts of the U.S.A. and other lands registered for the National Sunday School Convention of the Assemblies of God at Springfield, Mo., last month. Attendance set a new world record for conventions of its kind. The delegates voted to have no national Sunday School convention in 1953 but to have six regional conventions instead, so that a larger number of people may get the benefits of these meetings.

The Coming of the Comforter

Wilfred A. Brown



W. A. Brown

And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you forever; even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him; but ye know Him; for He dwell-

eth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you. John 14:16-18.

WE PENTECOSTAL people live in the Book of Acts. It is our pattern Book. It shows what normally happens when God's church is filled with the Spirit, especially in the great evangelistic work of God. But before the Book of Acts there is another Book which prepares the way for the coming of the Spirit, and that is the Book of John.

My experience in Pentecost dates back to the Methodist church. Strange to say, it was my Methodist pastor who led me into Pentecost. He never got in himself, but he got me there! To this day, so far as I know, he has not received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit, but he did spend time preparing my heart for this wonderful experience. We used to have mid-week prayer meetings in which he took us through those passages in the Book of John which deal with the coming of the Comforter, the precious Holy Spirit. In those days that word "Comforter" was much more prominent than it is today. We used to sing about Him—we used to talk in terms of His ministry to us. As you know, the term occurs several times in this Book. I looked up the word just

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to refresh my mind and found that it is translated "Advocate," or, as Scofield puts it, "One called alongside to help." In the new Revised Standard Version there is only one word used instead of "Comforter"—"Helper." There is, in this Baptism, extraordinary help.

When this Comforter comes, He comes to stay with us forever. I admit it is possible for me to so act that He might leave. But I never expect Him to leave. Oh, He can manifest His presence at times when we hardly expected Him. This afternoon I had a spell of sickness and felt pretty much alone in this world; but right there as I rested a few moments on my bed the Spirit of the Lord manifested Himself to me with His gracious presence.

1

The coming of the Comforter brings fulness. Our Lord said of the person who believes on Him, "Out of his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water." And I would like to compare that with another scripture, "Who-soever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst, but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water, springing up unto everlasting life." When a person is saved there is a well of living water. I disagree with those who say that a believer does not have any of the Holy Spirit until he is baptized with the Holy Spirit. I believe that he is born of the Spirit. When I was saved, life came into my soul, and my heart was enriched with the wonderful ministry and presence of the Holy Spirit. But, oh, the Baptism—what a difference! The difference is not in essence, but in extent. Wells of living water when you are saved, and rivers of living water when you are filled with the Holy Ghost! It's the same in substance, but the quantity is increased.

I speak in tongues every day of my life and I thank God for that privilege and the blessing which comes to me. "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue

edifieth himself"—builds himself up. You say, "Brother Brown, do you put it on?" I don't have to; it comes when I pray. God blesses me and thrills my soul. And the more I speak in tongues when I pray, the more blessing I get when I preach. But don't think that tongues is *it*. The fulness is *it*. It is that moving of the Spirit that counts, and tongues are only the evidence. Thank God for the fulness of God that dwells in the soul and produces that phenomenon.

2

I want you to notice in the second place that the coming of the Comforter will bring an ever-increasing knowledge of the Lord Jesus. "He shall testify of Me." "He shall take of the things of Mine and show them unto you." "He shall glorify Me." There is reality found in these scriptures—the reality of the Lord Jesus Christ. Too many times we allow ourselves to live in *abstract* truth. Thank God for the *principles* of the Word of God. There is such a great need that we might know Jesus Christ and exalt Him. We sometimes exalt our experiences more than we should, but we can never exalt the person and work of our Lord Jesus Christ too highly. It is the Spirit's business to keep Jesus before us.

3

The coming of the Comforter brings an understanding of the Word of God. "He will guide you into all truth." "He shall teach you all things." I don't believe that God has a special revelation to give us apart from what we have in the Scriptures. When the Revised Standard Version of the New Testament was published in 1946, the newspapers stated that no new doctrine had been added by the new translation. Well, why should there be? All the truth we need has been in the Scriptures for nearly 1900 years. Nothing new has been found in the Word of God in this Pentecostal

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Miracles Without Money

E. M. Wadsworth

Is it a time to receive money, and to receive garments, and olive yards, and sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and maidservants? 2 Kings 5:26.

ELISHA thought only of God's glory when he was used of God to open the way for the miraculous healing of Naaman the Syrian leper. He refused Naaman's offer of a reward. But his servant Gehazi had other things in mind, "silver, gold, garments, olive yards, sheep, oxen, men and maidservants." Undoubtedly it was these dreams of opulence that inspired Gehazi, Elisha's servant, to run after the miraculously healed Naaman, "captain of the host of the king of Syria," and ask for "a talent of silver" and "two changes of raiment." Gehazi sought gains; Elisha sought only God's glory.

There is danger that we too may imagine that gain is godliness, but God is most pleased when the spirit of benevolence prevails in His servants. Elisha's spirit is to be ours who serve God in our day. "Do good, hoping for nothing again," is the true Christian attitude. All through the Bible, and here and there in the annals of the church, we find men who were free from the love of money. As Elisha saw God heal the bad waters of Jericho with such means as a common (new) dish and a little salt, and raise the sunken axe-head with the simple means of a broken branch, and supply the monetary needs of a poor distracted widow with the little oil the woman had in the cruse, so men who depend on God and not on great means, will see miracles attending simple acts of obedience to God. Such men will avoid all show and ostentation. They will experience miracles which money cannot buy. Simon Magus thought that the gift of God could be obtained with money, but Peter said to him, "Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money" (Acts 8:20).

Our Lord's miracles were "miracles

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without money." Water was turned into wine. Multitudes were fed with His blessed "five loaves and two small fishes." His triumphal entry into Jerusalem was on a "colt the foal of an ass" lent by a believing inn keeper. His Last Supper was in a large upper room furnished by a good man, and what wondrous deeds He did and what gracious words He spoke there. And on the beach after His resurrection He provided a meal for His disciples, using a few of the fish He had made available to them. "Miracles without money" out of love and by means of love-filled, simple, prayer-backed offerings of His loved people filled His years on earth. And "as He was, so are we (to be) in this world."

The apostles had "miracles without money." Peter said, "Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have give I unto thee." And the lame man leaped as a hart. The first Christians never thought of making gain of their converts. It was by the suggestion of the Spirit and not of the apostles that the people pooled their money and goods for the well-being of that young church. Money was kept where it belonged, in the background.

Paul had "miracles without money." Often he did marvelous things for God when he was ill-clothed and destitute of funds. He made no gain of the churches. And Titus and Timothy walked in his steps as he followed those of Christ. He asked the Corinthians: "Did Titus make a gain of you?" and added, "Walked we not in the same steps?" And when he finished his testimony he said: "I have coveted no man's silver, nor gold, nor apparel" (Acts 20:33). Yet no apostle ever had more tokens of divine approbation than he.

"Better is a little with righteousness, than great revenues without right" (Prov. 16:8). George Mueller and the China Inland Mission exemplified the Scriptural way of promoting the work of the Lord. Others likewise have been honored of God by pursuing the same principle of living and working by faith. It is a blessed life, to live and work without covetousness; to seek people for

NOW CONCERNING THE COLLECTION . . .

"The first Christians never thought of making gain of their converts," says Dr. Wadsworth in the accompanying article. Can the same be said of all Christian ministers today? It is a grave mistake for any pastor or evangelist to think that ministerial success may be measured in terms of personal income. There is danger of bringing needless reproach upon the cause of Christ by accepting large personal offerings or by living in an extravagant manner, even in prosperous times such as we have in America today.

We commend those pastors and evangelists who deliberately limit themselves to a modest salary in order to avoid the appearance of covetousness. It is reported that one well-known evangelist, who is winning thousands of souls to Christ, will not permit any love offerings to be taken for himself in his campaigns. He ceases to take offerings as soon as the campaign expenses, including a stipulated allowance for each member of the evangelistic party, have been met. A frank, sensible financial policy such as this must meet with the favor both of God and of men.

Christ's sake and not for what they have. We have found that, as J. Hudson Taylor declared, "God's work, done in God's time and in God's way, will never lack God's support."

People working for money are not likely to witness miracles. Money coveted is dangerous. Many who covet it "fall into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in perdition and ungodliness." The apostle Paul warned that "the love of money is the root of all (kinds of) evil," and those who covet it fall into errors and "pierce themselves through with many sorrows" (1 Tim. 6:9, 10).

"Little is much when God is in it"—but "much is naught when selfishly sought."

We have found that God can use a handful to feed many. That which God supplies in answer to prayer, if used within His will, bears fruit to His praise. Sometimes a little gift to Christ given sacrificially has been enough to inaugurate great enterprises. The poor often are able by grace to make many rich. May we ever seek to please God by living and laboring in such a way as to have His commendation and providential support.

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"The Simpleton Strolls On"

Donald Gee



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IN 1941, when those of us living in England became very familiar with taking cover during air-raids, I was arrested by Moffatt's forcible translation of Prov. 22:3, "A cautious man sees danger and takes cover: a simpleton strolls on—and pays

for it." In those days we learned to appreciate the difference between courage in doing one's duty, and caution in taking reasonable care. "To live dangerously is not to die foolishly." So, if possible, we took cover. A simpleton who "strolled on" might suffer for it with his life. This particular word of wisdom from the Bible took on, in such circumstances, quite a new significance.

The Hebrew word for "pays for it," or "punished" (A. V.), is literally "mulcted" or "fined." Perhaps it refers to some ancient form of jay-walking or intruding into forbidden areas. My own thought when reading the words has been of a traveler's danger from robbers. In any case the shrewd advice is plain—*Exercise foresight and do not walk into unnecessary trouble.* It may be mundane wisdom, but Moffatt's brilliant translation (and how good it often is in Proverbs!) gives it a new edge. Meditation supplies a deep spiritual application for us all.

"The Cautious Man Takes Cover"

Not, as we have observed, the cowardly man. Jesus was the reverse of cowardly when He "escaped out of their hand and went away again beyond Jordan" (1 John 10:39). Shortly after, when friends needed Him at Bethany, He boldly returned into the midst of mortal peril from His enemies—but otherwise it had been sensible for Him to withdraw. Faith is not bravado; and God gets no glory when we take unnecessary risks.

The cautious man SEES danger. In Paul's language he walks *circumspectly*. He watches as well as prays.

The simpleton is always saying, "I see no harm in it," or, "Where is the danger?" Lot must have talked like that

within himself when he pitched his tent towards Sodom, and soon after lived inside. He appears to have been culpably blind to the moral and spiritual peril to himself and his family. The child of God needs to "SEE" the danger in certain company, or certain habits, or certain doctrines and ideas. Paul warned the elders of the church at Ephesus to watch against the danger of men arising "with perversions of the truth to draw away disciples after them." Pastors must always be cautious where their pulpits are concerned. One pastor told me that it took him six months to clear up the problems one visiting preacher created from his borrowed pulpit in half an hour. But he might have foreseen the danger. All of us are commanded to be "vigilant, because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour." The cautious man is not fearful, but he is always watchful.

He "TAKES COVER." No false pride is allowed to move him to incur unnecessary risks. Discretion is an essential part of valor. At the battle of Waterloo the Duke of Wellington deliberately withdrew himself from one place where the fire was getting too hot. He knew the value of his life to the army and avoided needless danger. The militant Christian continually prays, "Lead us not into temptation." If possible he takes cover in a multitude of ways, even by flight. Joseph "took cover" from Potiphar's wife by fleeing from the house.

Our Lord, when He saw that the crowd intended to take Him by force and make Him a king, deliberately withdrew again up the mountain alone by Himself: it was safer for all concerned that He should retreat. By giving tithes to Melchizedek Abram took timely cover against the danger of the king of Sodom saying, "I have made Abram rich." Hezekiah's command to the people to answer Rabshakeh not a word when he blasphemed at the siege of Jerusalem was sensible "taking cover" against dangerous provocation. Many times our silence would be truer bravery than a flood of words in self-vindication. Valor for the truth is not to be confused with contentiousness for our own opinions.

There are practical ways of taking cover from recognized temptations. Many years ago I learned that to be busy writing a book was a grand way to keep myself out of harm's way amid the concentrated temptations to worldliness on board an ocean liner on a long voyage. One of the finest missionaries I know counsels younger colleagues to engage in some suitable hobby as a safeguard against the temptation to overstrain. He himself paints lovely water-colors; one of his colleagues does wood-carving; yet another "takes cover" in music. There is a time to be strenuous, but there is a time to purposefully relax and "take cover" from the deadly danger of spiritual and mental fatigue. This is not letting down in consecration; it is maintaining body and soul in health and peace for the sake of the gospel. The cautious man sees the danger of heading for a nervous breakdown, and if possible he avoids it.

"The Simpleton Strolls On"

This translation gives a masterly touch of vividness. To stroll is to "saunter," to "ramble idly or leisurely." The thought is of a walk with no sense of urgency or importance, and with no particular object in view. Just dawdling along aimlessly. It can be one way of providing the type of relaxation just referred to, but the vast difference when applied to the proverb is that in this case the stroller is in mortal danger. Indeed, his strolling becomes positively guilty, for he sees the danger and neither takes proffered cover nor hastens his steps to safety. His sauntering is sheer bravado and utter folly.

Such a sauntering attitude towards life is far too common. In personal decisions men and women take the line of least resistance; they want easy work and effortless pleasure. A large part of the popularity of the movies as entertainment lies in the inherent laziness of human nature. On more serious levels the attraction of totalitarian forms of government lies in the relief from personal responsibility which they offer to individual citizens. In an opposite realm of politics there is a deadly danger of rulers sauntering along without clear-cut policies. The nations largely drifted into the last war. The clouds gathered, and the danger threatened for all to see, but leadership just "strolled" on until it was too late to avoid the precipice. Folly and wickedness can have equally disastrous results. Our Lord taught that the fool could lose his soul in irremediable disaster. In the final analysis folly is wickedness.

"AND PAYS FOR IT." The careless stroller through life pays the price, or

the fine, for his negligence. And what a price that can be! It can involve shattered health, a tarnished reputation, a ruined career, or an end to useful ministry. There are men and women who "fall among thieves" and are robbed of that which is more precious than rubies, only because they refused to heed the warning of those who saw their danger quite clearly. The "punishment" can be severe. These are not the unfortunates, like the man in the parable of the Good Samaritan; they are the willfully blind and careless.

Most grave of all is the eternal loss to those who refuse warnings to backsliders and apostates. The true security of the godly is one of the most comforting themes in Scripture, but extreme and perverted ideas of eternal security are responsible for many moral and spiritual tragedies. Our true security, as in the proverb, depends upon taking proper cover for the soul, and remaining there until the particular danger is overpast. To presumptuously "stroll on" under a false idea that in any case there is no eternal danger, even after we have ceased to watch and pray, is to invite paying a price too terrible to contemplate. Eternal security is under the eternal covering provided for those who abide in Christ—not outside it when that abiding has been neglected.

But what a "covering" that is! It is worth remembering that the meaning of the word "atonement" in the Hebrew is "to cover." "He shall put his hand upon the head to make an atonement [a covering] for him" (Lev. 1:4). The legal sacrifice "covered" the offender's sin, and meant that God passed it over in order that the sinner might not die, but live. It anticipated the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus "whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood, to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God" (Rom. 3:23). The penitent sinner very truly "takes cover" beneath the blood of Jesus. Toplady's great hymn, "Rock of Ages," is built on this fundamental doctrine of evangelical truth—"Let me hide myself [take cover] in Thee."

To "stroll on" and ignore Calvary, and all its mighty work of atonement, is the supreme folly and sin of the soul. The danger is imminent and real; the warning has been given; a perfect shelter has been provided in Christ. The uttermost fine will be imposed upon those who willfully and presumptuously neglect so great salvation. He is a simpleton indeed who values so lightly the worth of his own soul that he strolls on, rejecting the precious blood of Christ, to his own destruction.

"Into All the World..."

David J. du Plessis

Secretary, World Conference of Pentecostal Churches



David J. du Plessis

"THE MOST important point is that the gates which now are open . . . stand every chance of being closed. The political situation in India, when viewed side by side with the economic aspects of the land, leaves us no doubt whatsoever, that soon the anti-Christian influences will prevail to stop all evangelistic work. We are faced with a situation which calls for immediate and drastic action on the part of those who love the Lord Jesus Christ. . . . The Lord has been using some of us, His children here, to do something ourselves. . . . But the work is stupendous, and we now have to turn our eyes to our brothers and sisters in other parts of the world FOR THEIR CO-OPERATION. . . . We wish to meet with some of the leaders of other countries to speak to them in a body, during the coming World Conference in London, so that they might consider these matters prayerfully."

Thus pleads an Indian brother who has traveled extensively in his own country and the Far East. Similar appeals come from Europe, South America and Africa. Missions, missions, more missions, urgent missions is the plea from all corners of the earth. *Unity in missions and missions in unity* is the cry from the hearts of those that see their own people perish, while in some countries there are still those that are spending time and money to quarrel with each other about details. Why have such great convictions about such little things that keep our efforts divided? Listen to the call for help: "Give us literature . . . simple, sound gospel literature. Send the gospel to our people over the ether waves, by radio. Help us to use every means of mass communication to reach whole nations now."

When Israel was in bondage to the Egyptians, God sent only two men, Moses and Aaron, to liberate a whole nation. However, when a liberated Israel reached the frontiers of Canaan, every man had to fight. It was no longer a case of the power of God demonstrated through ONE MAN. Now God's plan was to reveal His power through ONE PEOPLE. Even when a single man among these people (Achan) failed, the battle went against them. Then, when two tribes of Israel suggested that they would prefer to stay outside the boundaries of Canaan, but that they would agree to battle alongside their brethren until the victory was won inside the boundaries, Moses said to them: "If ye will not do so, behold, ye have sinned against the Lord: and BE SURE YOUR SIN WILL FIND YOU OUT." Numbers 32:23. It was no sin that Israel was divided into twelve tribes and many families, but it was a sin when any tribe failed to co-

operate with all the rest of the people of God.

It seems that today, as in ancient history, the times are past when a single missionary could go out and pioneer the Gospel work in a heathen country. There are now thousands of Churches and hundreds of Movements in scores of countries that enjoy the full light of the Gospel, with the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour, Baptizer in the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier and Healer Divine. Further victories must now come through the united efforts of God's people everywhere. There seems to be a tendency on the part of some Christians to hold aloof from others because they think they please the Lord by so doing. Let us warn such in the words of Moses: "Be sure your sin will find you out."

We are approaching the THIRD WORLD CONFERENCE OF PENTECOSTAL CHURCHES. There is evidence of a much greater interest in this great gathering in London, England, from June 27 to July 6, 1952 (D.V.) than in the meeting of Zurich, Switzerland, in 1947, or of Paris, France, in 1949. The measure of unity in fellowship, among the Full Gospel peoples of the world, has increased greatly in recent years. The desire to co-operate and unite in efforts for the evangelization of the world, has never been stronger than now. Leading brethren have traveled extensively through many countries and mission fields in recent times. All have discovered that there are certain things that can only be done if every church in every Movement will co-operate. Individual efforts of persons and churches, and even of Movements, have proved to be too feeble for the great task that lies before us in this generation.

This great World Pentecostal Fellowship is not a concept, system or unified organization, but it has become a Movement, a need, a longing and dynamic of faith, a trust in the guidance of the Holy Spirit, an open-minded obedience to the demand of a divine inspiration. Conventions and rallies have not busied themselves with concrete and technical tasks, but rather with the call of God, with the distress of the whole world, and with the cry of the people of all lands. There is no desire for human power, for organization, or for carnal influence, but there is an urge to obey the will of God and have the mind of Christ. When there is such an earnest inquiry after the will of God, and such distress to answer the call of soul-hungry peoples in all seriousness, we know that a getting-together and a working-together becomes not only possible but imperative.

The theme of the 1952 Conference will be, "INTO ALL THE WORLD." Around this theme will be built the main phases of the Great Commission, ". . . and preach the gospel to every creature." It is a coming together to unite our efforts to "go into all the world" with the spoken word of the

preacher, the printed word of the writer, the visual aids of the artist, and the far-reaching ministry of the radio, until we have reached every creature.

It is not possible to publish a complete agenda for the coming Conference at this time, but the gist of it will be somewhat as follows:

1. The Pentecostal experience and the vision for Missions.
2. World evangelism through Missions.
3. Co-ordination of the efforts of Mission Boards.
4. Co-operation of missionaries on the fields.
5. Mission churches and indigenous churches.
6. Missions and the radio ministry.
7. Missions and literature.
8. Missions and schools (day schools, Sunday schools, and Bible institutes).
9. Missions and foreign governments.

(Those having any suggestions to make concerning the agenda for the World Conference are asked to communicate with the writer of this article.)

It was "in view of the gravity of the hour and in acknowledgment of the activity of the Spirit of God in drawing His people into a closer bond of fellowship and spiritual unity" that the Second World Conference in Paris resolved to "re-affirm its recognition of the inherent principles of spiritual unity and fellowship of Pentecostal believers, leaving

inviolate the various forms of church government, and recognizing that every freedom and privilege enjoyed by any church, or group of churches, shall remain their undisturbed possession."

There can be no doubt on the part of informed believers that the Holy Spirit is very definitely moving the rank and file of Pentecostal people everywhere towards closer fellowship and unity in the Spirit. From information received so far it would seem that almost all Movements are sending their chief executives or leading brethren to the London Conference. Unity and co-operation in the top levels of this glorious world-wide Pentecostal revival has reached proportions that are simply amazing and phenomenal.

Donald Gee writes in *Pentecost*,* "If the Lord tarry, it looks as though this year's World Conference in London should be full of power, full of interest, and full of rich possibilities for sharing these various tides of renewed Pentecostal blessing."

If you have not already decided to do so, we make an urgent appeal to churches to send their pastors and executives to the London Conference. Write immediately for full information about greatly reduced fares if you book your passage or flight through the office of the Conference Secretary, Box 342, Glenbrook, Conn., U.S.A.

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It is now 10 p.m. Saturday night while I write this letter. I and my husband have just finished listening in to your "Revivaltime" broadcast from Radio Ceylon on the 25 M. band. It comes through crystal clear, and your sermons and the beautiful hymns are just wonderful. We enjoy every moment spent in listening to you.

Your sermons are having a wonderful effect on my husband and me. We have accepted Christ as our own personal Saviour, and we are being drawn closer to Christ each day. It may interest you exceedingly to know that I was a Roman Catholic, but have now completely changed as I was never instructed in my Bible, and didn't even know that we were saved by grace obtained through our Lord Jesus Christ. I was taught to pray to all the Saints to intercede for me. Thank you, Brother, for giving me the truth.

Keep up the good work and give us those marvelous sermons and hymns, and I am sure that many like myself will come to the true knowledge of Christ and His Gospel.

My husband and I wish you all success in your grand efforts, and you will hear from us from time to time.

Please remember us in your prayers and we will pray for your success in spreading the everlasting Gospel. Best wishes.

—Mrs. E. B.

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REVIVALTIME RECORDINGS

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A REPORT FROM RUSSIA

On Friday, March 21, Brother du Plessis had an interview with Martin Niemoeller in New York City. Dr. Niemoeller said that he was in Moscow for the Russian Christmas, which comes on January 6, and that he met the leaders of the various religious groups in Russia while he was there. The Pentecostal, Baptist, and Evangelical Christian movements all have merged into one united body by order of the Soviet Government.

The head of this united church told Dr. Niemoeller that they have 3,200,000 members in the U. S. S. R. worshipping in thousands of "functioning" churches. Of this number, he said, about twenty per cent (about 640,000) were Pentecostal.

Dr. Niemoeller said that on Christmas Eve he went to one of the churches in Moscow. No one had a seat because more than 2,000 were packed into a building that ordinarily accommodates 800. He said there was great religious fervor in the meeting. Later in the evening he attended meetings in other churches and found every one of them packed beyond capacity.

Brother du Plessis asked, "Is this religious fervor only evident at Christmas time, or is it a sign of a general revival of religion?"

Hitler's former prisoner replied that, according to the information given him, never in the past fifteen years have they seen such religious fervor among the people as they are seeing now—"and they said it is general throughout the U. S. S. R.," he added.

Newspaper Tells of Many Converts Making Restitution in Africa

FROM Edgar D. Pettenger, missionary in the Transvaal, South Africa, the Missions Department has received a clipping from an East London newspaper telling of the response of the nationals of the area to the gospel message. Converts have been restoring stolen property on a wide scale.

For months now the East London (South Africa) area has been experiencing a *revival* under the preaching of Nicholas Bhengu, an Assemblies of God minister of the Zulu tribe. Hundreds have been saved and healed. It has been Nicholas Bhengu's converts who have been restoring the property.

The clipping mentioned is from the East London *Daily Dispatch* for Friday, February 15. The account is as follows:

Much Stolen Property Surrendered to Church, Police

A religious renaissance among East London Africans, which has induced at least 2,000 to embrace Christianity and abandon evil ways and undesirable habits, has resulted in a flood of stolen property, dangerous weapons and symbols of sin being surrendered to the church, the South African police and the owners of the property.

The move to righteousness started a little more than a year ago when the African evangelist, Nicholas B. H. Bhengu of the Assemblies of God, began a campaign in the border and the Transkei.

Since then more than three van loads of stolen property have been returned through the church, and even more convincing evidence of the sincerity of the converts is the fact that many of them have taken stolen property personally to the Fleet Street charge office. Most of the goods never have been reported missing by owners; but it is known that some articles being handed back were stolen ten and more years ago.

Besides repenting, the people are prepared to face the consequences and are willing to serve prison sentences to absolve themselves.

Many are surrendering their jealously

guarded right to purchase liquor by handing back their liquor permits; others have produced firearms, long-bladed knives, bicycle chains attached to short handles, and there is even one vicious-looking knuckle-duster.

Returned Goods

When the goods first were surrendered to the church, efforts were made to have the articles returned to their rightful owners. Some of these *penitents*, who personally returned goods to their employers and confessed to having sinned, have been taken back into employment and now are regarded as sincere, trustworthy servants.

Recently, however, the events came to the notice of the South African police who were obliged to take charge of the stolen property. Police vans collected the goods from a little room in North End where they were stowed temporarily and a gigantic job began of sorting out the stolen property from that surrendered on purely moral grounds.

Among the items which did not interest the police were witch doctors' regalia, pipes and medicines, robes of other denominations, and framed certificates of church membership.

On Wednesday a native woman astonished hardened policemen by walking into the police station and proffering a teapot. When asked what she wanted she said she had stolen it—in 1943.

Yesterday another woman presented herself and said she had a number of dresses which she knew had been stolen in Cape Town. The police took possession of the dresses and the woman was left with the dress with which she was clothed.

From lists covering three foolscap pages, a *Daily Dispatch* reporter made the following extract yesterday: 80 sheets, 25 blankets, 24 jackets, 34 trousers, 11 overcoats, 6 women's coats, 25 dresses, 27 skirts, 50 shirts, 22 bedspreads, 64 hats, 23 towels, 1 table, 4 chairs, 50 pillow slips, 15 scissors, 5 hair clippers, 9 wallets, 4 cameras, 4 wrist watches, 3 revolvers and ammunition, 30 tumblers and an assortment of jewelry, tools,

cigarette lighters, crockery, cutlery, boots and shoes, pressure stoves, frying pans, lanterns and safety razors.

Mr. Bhengu went last week to Kenya, but his assistant told a representative of the *Daily Dispatch* that the Africans had never regarded theft from Europeans as a sin. To steal from their own people was considered a sin; but when it was brought home to them at church services that theft from anyone was contrary to Christ's teachings, they repented.

The police are anxious for anyone who has reported stolen property to call at Fleet Street CID offices to see if their articles are among the collection.

ENLARGING OUR BORDERS

Mr. and Mrs. Einar G. Peterson, Cuba

OUR CHURCH in Holguin, Cuba, product of the revival in Cuba, is approaching its first anniversary, and in the year's time the "babes in Christ" have reached a surprising degree of maturity. They have been able to attend a service somewhere every night to receive sound teaching. Then, too, they have been eager to work for the Lord and have kept active; thus, they are teaching each other.

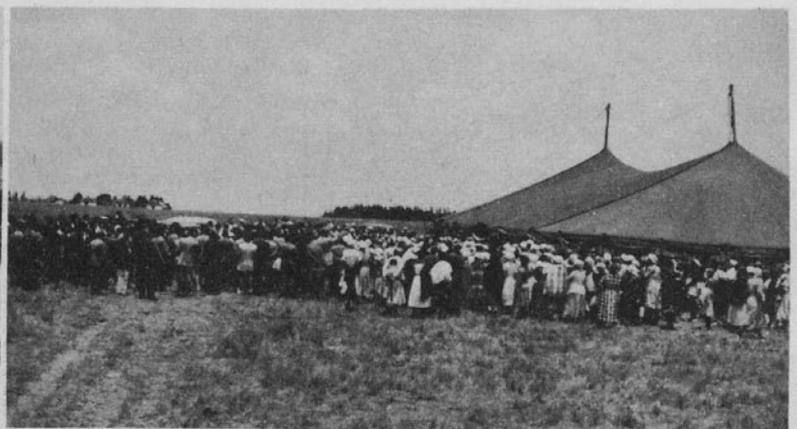
Thirty-five Sunday schools now are under our jurisdiction. Total weekly attendance in the schools is around 2,500 with the Holguin Sunday school averaging 400. We are hampered for lack of space. Several of the classes of the main Sunday school must be held in homes.

We have just started a work in Aguadas, a farming community some three miles off the highway. Several brethren accompanied us for the first service. Fifty-four persons were awaiting our arrival. After preaching for more than two hours all fifty-four accepted the Lord as Saviour. It was a wonderful sight! The people had practiced spiritism. Now one of our Bible school girls holds services in Aguadas. She makes the trip each week on the bus, walking the distance from the highway. Other girls go with her to assist in the meetings.

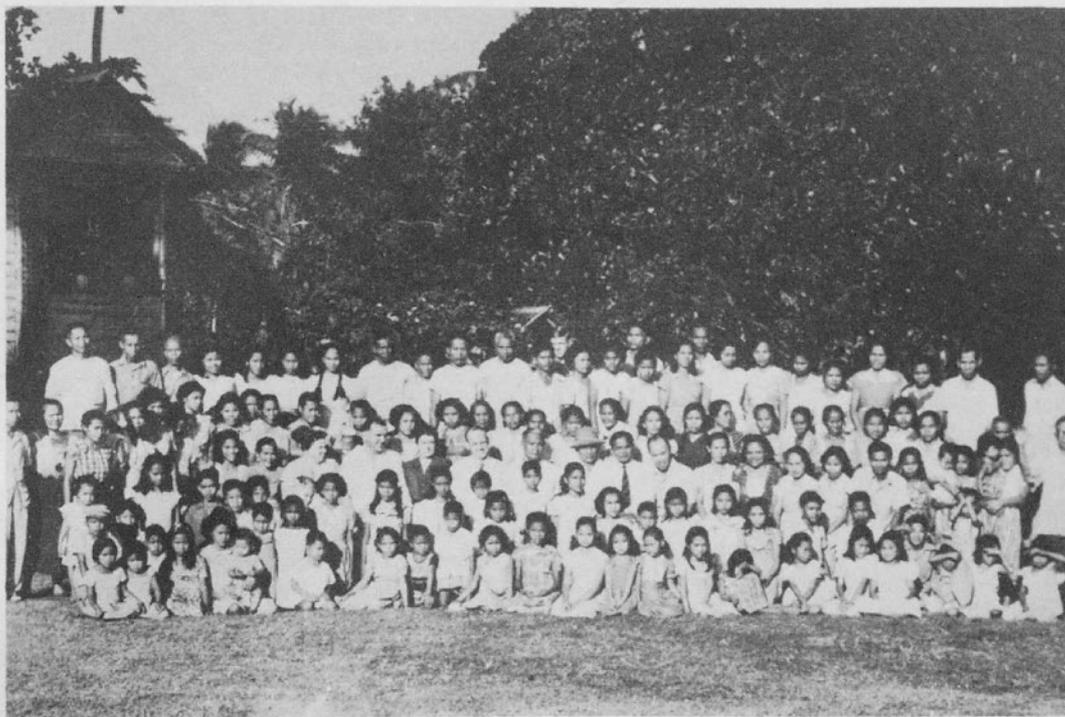
The people in the country are so hungry for the gospel! Little by little we are reaching out to them. When our four Bible school boys return home this summer we hope to extend our borders still farther.



LEFT: Crowd in attendance at the dedication of a new church at Piet Reteif, near the border of Swaziland, South Africa. It is an indigenous work under the supervision of Nicholas Bhengu. Evangelist Bhengu is standing by our missionary, Vernon D. Pettenger. Edgar D.



Pettenger also was present at the dedication. RIGHT: Group attending the Biennial General Conference of the Assemblies of God in South Africa at Witbank, Transvaal, in January. The conference site was being dedicated when the picture was taken.



FELLOWSHIP MEETING AT SAN JOSE, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Annual fellowship meeting at Panay, San Jose, Antique, Philippine Islands, held in January this year. Mr. and Mrs. Warren B. Denton, missionaries to the Philippine Islands, Mrs. Howard C. Osgood, and Howard C. Osgood, Field Secretary for the Far East, are seated in the middle row.

LET US GO FORWARD

Melvin L. Hodges, El Salvador

THAT THE EVENTS taking place in the world today are to have a profound effect upon our country's future, as well as that of the entire world, is a verity so generally accepted that even the statement of it sounds trite. Further, that these events are to produce changes in Christian world missions is but logical, but as to just what those changes are to be we do not know. Humanly speaking, it is impossible to forecast either the opportunities or the limitations missions will be facing ten years hence, should our Lord tarry.

In view of these uncertainties, what attitude should Christians take toward the task of immediate world evangelism?

We Must Take a Conquering Attitude

Some would argue that, with the end of the age so evident, with the world powers tottering on the brink of World War III, and with unfriendly forces closing the door to missionary efforts in so many places, there is not much that can be done—that any effort in the direction of world evangelism is useless.

That is exactly the attitude the enemy would desire all Christians to take, but it certainly should not be the attitude of a spiritually illuminated Christian. Christ's words were, "Occupy till I come."

The task of world evangelism is far from complete. Any attitude that would cause us to disobey the Lord's command necessarily must be a mistaken one. It is not for us to know the time of our Lord's return; it is for us to carry out His orders. Until He comes there must be no slackening of the

pace, nor weakening of the will to advance. We must go forth conquering.

A Sense of Urgency

We must approach the task with a sense of urgency—no "business as usual" approach; no going about as though we had twenty leisure years in which to accomplish. We are not to be blind to the approaching storm or to engage in *wishful thinking*. These are not ordinary days and we should not act as though they were. The hour is challenging. Let us ask God to make us equal to it.

We Must Widen Our Sphere of Activity

For missionaries this means that we must not settle down to the routine of merely maintaining a work already established. A sound missionary principle is to place the responsibility for work upon national leadership as soon as possible. This is true in normal times, but how much more true today when no missionary can be certain that he will be permitted to carry on in his field for any extended period. The task of the missionary is not only to convert the heathen, but to give the national church the leadership it needs.

Let us plan and pray for the work in our respective fields to the end that, should world conditions force the withdrawal of missionary personnel, the churches which have been brought into being shall not be crippled for lack of leaders.

The missionary must ever keep before him the vision of the unevangelized sections. We are to pioneer for God. It is probable that God would have many missionaries move out

from the established centers into a more aggressive pioneer ministry.

On the home front the churches should maintain all the effort for missions that they have put forth, and seek for means of enlargement. This applies to prayer, to the sending of reinforcements, and to giving. Just as the present crisis calls for additional expenditures in government and military spheres in time, energy, personnel, and resources, so also it calls for additional expenditures in the Christian sphere.

We dare not withhold our support at this crucial hour. To do so would mean to fail both God and man in the time of our greatest responsibility and opportunity.

LET US GO FORWARD.

We Reached Him in Time

Mrs. Paul M. Pugh, Uruguay

WHEN WE opened our hall in Paysandu, Uruguay, we found that an elderly Italian man lived across the street from our building. We are in a residential section four blocks from the business district. Noticing that he was having some work done on his house, Brother Pugh asked if he might watch the workers. We were facing some building problems in connection with our newly acquired property. The man took time to explain the work, and an acquaintance began.

We invited the Italian to our hall, but he was afraid to come at first. He had been told that we worshiped a bloody hog's head instead of God. In order to help his thirteen-year-old grandson earn a New Testament for bringing visitors to services he later did venture in. After that he missed only three services. He was sorry that his daughter, who kept house for him, would not come.

Within three months the man became ill. When he realized that he could not recover he thanked us again and again for everything we had done for him. One day he slipped away. We were so thankful that we had reached him in time.

The grandson had lived with his grandfather and aunt. The grandfather was sending him to school. The boy's mother had died when he was six months old. At the death of the grandfather the home was to be sold. It meant that the aunt would have no place to care for the boy. No one else seemed to want him. There was some talk of sending him to the country to work. The boy overheard some of the plans being made for him.

We had started a choir at the church, and the boy was singing in it. He asked his aunt to visit the church to hear him sing. She came, remembering also that her father had asked her to come. Now she is in every service; however, she soon will have to leave Paysandu to go to another city to live.

When new Sunday School quarterlies were issued the boy asked for one though he did not expect to be able to attend classes throughout the quarter. But we are happy to be able to tell you that he will be able to attend and to continue to have gospel teaching, for we have asked him to live with us. The young fellow now is looking forward to becoming a minister following in Brother Pugh's footsteps. He shows great promise of being a faithful Christian.

SUNDAY'S LESSON

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

HEZEKIAH'S REFORMS

Lesson for April 27

2 Chronicles 29:1-11

Hezekiah stands out as one of the most godly kings that reigned in Judah. "He did that which was right in the sight of the Lord, according to all that David his father had done" (v. 2). How we need to impress upon ourselves that what we do should be wrought as "before the Lord." What people think of us is not the most important. What does the Lord think? In 2 Kings 18:5 we read concerning Hezekiah, "He trusted in the Lord God of Israel; so that after him was none like him among all the kings of Judah, nor any that were before him." May we seek to follow in his footsteps.

From his father, King Ahaz, he inherited nothing that was worth while. A baser record could not be written than is recorded concerning Ahaz (2 Chronicles 28). If parental credit can be given for his godly life, it must go to his mother. "His mother's name was Abijah, the daughter of Zechariah" (v. 1). This Zechariah, a man of God, was a stabilizing influence in the days of Uzziah (ch. 26:5).

1. Hezekiah's Inheritance

Hezekiah received as an inheritance the kingdom of his father, and—what a kingdom! Until he reached the age of twenty-five he had been brought up in one of the most corrupt courts in Jewish history. His father had entirely turned away from God, had gone into idolatry, and had even fallen so low that he offered his own children in idolatrous sacrifice (ch. 28:2, 3). Not content with his personal sins, he added to these the complete desecration of the temple of the Lord (28:24).

The result of these evils was that Judah was invaded and devastated by various forces. The king of Syria "smote him and carried away a great multitude of them captives" (v. 5). Pekah, king of Israel, "slew in Judah an hundred and twenty thousand in one day" (v. 6). "The Edomites had come and smitten Judah, and carried away captives" (v. 17). The Philistines also (v. 18). Finally came the Assyrians (v. 21). What overwhelming defeats and sufferings during the reign of one king. But with it all "in the time of his distress did he trespass yet more against the Lord: this is that king Ahaz" (v. 22). God discloses His utter indignation as He pronounces the words, "This is that king Ahaz."

This is the kingdom inherited by Hezekiah—a kingdom of shameful idolatry, on the brink of ruin. What would he do with it?

2. Hezekiah's Zeal

Living in the home of such an impious

father, Hezekiah must have been a youth of prayer, who loved the Lord. Were it otherwise he would have been unprepared to take the steps which he took. Let this encourage any who live in unholy or unpleasant surroundings to be faithful. God may be preparing such for unusual service when His time comes. It would be unfortunate were they to fail because of present discouragements.

a. His Realization

He realized that the sad plight of the nation was the result of evils done therein—"Our fathers have trespassed, and done that which was evil" (ch. 29:6). "Also they have shut up the doors . . . and put out the lamps, and have not burned incense nor offered burnt-offerings in the holy place unto the God of Israel" (v. 7).

Hezekiah made no effort to bring about reform, or to strengthen Judah, while leaving God out. The error of modern man is an effort to right this sinful world while leaving God out. It cannot be done. Hezekiah laid the foundation on firm ground. He attributed the sorrows, the invasions, the captivities of the people to departure from the Lord. If their national life was to be recovered and preserved, it must begin in a return to Jehovah.

b. His Consecration

"Our fathers have fallen by the sword, and our sons and our daughters and our wives are in captivity for this" (v. 9). "Now it is in mine heart to make a covenant with the Lord God of Israel" (v. 10). God saw that Hezekiah's covenant was from the heart. What promises have we made to God? Have we kept them? If we have failed, God help us to get back to Him.

The terms of the covenant made by Hezekiah are revealed. God helping him, he covenanted to live for God as a worthy example in Judah. He would put away idolatry and restore the reverent worship of the God of his fathers.

3. Hezekiah's Co-workers

Hezekiah was king. It was out of his province to intrude himself into the priestly office. If his zeal for God was to be successful he must have co-operation from those whom God had set apart for the service of the sanctuary.

a. Their Call

He gathered together the priests and Levites and told them what he wished to do (vv. 4, 11). Note his careful instruction—"Sanctify now yourselves, and sanctify the house of the Lord God of your fathers, and carry forth the filthiness out of the holy place" (v. 5). Where were the priests and the Levites to begin with their cleansing? They were to begin with themselves. Where

should the Christian ministers begin? Not with the people first, but with themselves. In the days of Jesus the scribes and Pharisees told the people what they ought to do, "but they themselves" would "not move them [the burdens] with one of their fingers" (Matt. 23:4). Where is every Christian to begin? If he desires revival he must begin with his own heart. May we fully dedicate ourselves to God.

We will say little concerning sanctifying the house of the Lord. Let us, however, keep in mind that the place of worship is a sacred place and should be honored as such.

b. Their Response

The priests and Levites "arose." "And they gathered their brethren, and sanctified themselves, and came . . . to cleanse the house of the Lord" (vv. 12, 15).

4. Hezekiah's Accomplishment

a. Worship Was Restored

"Then Hezekiah the king rose early, and gathered the rulers of the city, and went up to the house of the Lord" (v. 20). Out of the appreciation of their hearts they sacrificed lavishly and "made reconciliation . . . an atonement for all Israel" (v. 24).

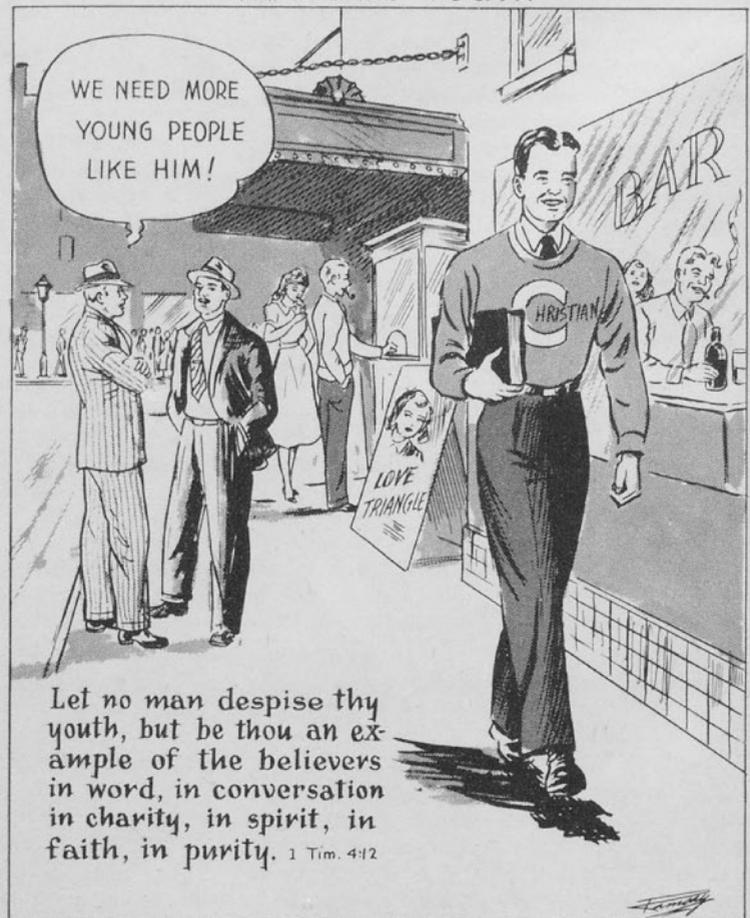
b. Blessings Overflowed

"And Hezekiah rejoiced, and all the people, that God had prepared the people: for the thing was done suddenly" (v. 36). All this took place in the first month of the reign of Hezekiah. What a reform and revival!

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

The Captivity of Israel (lesson for Sunday, April 20). Lesson text: 2 Kings 17:7-10, 12-14, 18, 22, 23.

EXEMPLARY YOUTH



Let no man despise thy youth, but be thou an example of the believers in word, in conversation in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. 1 Tim. 4:12

"Your Servants for Jesus' Sake"

The National C. A. Department is a servant!

Christ's Ambassadors, C. A. leaders, college students, missionaries, servicemen, district C. A. presidents—young people in all walks of life, in all parts of the world, are enjoying daily its ministrations. But few are aware of what a versatile servant the National C. A. Department is and how wide is its varied ministry.

Nation-wide C. A. activities have their inception in the conference room of the National Office. Here ideas crystallize into planning, and planning into activity. The vital relationship between the National C. A. Department and the district C. A. presidents is a matter that is given constant thought and study.

The lifeline to the district C. A. presidents is a monthly publication called CAP, which keeps each district C. A. leader in touch with the latest policies, decisions, and plans of the National Office. In turn, he is expected to fill out a monthly questionnaire which gives the National Office a "finger on the pulse" of C. A. activities throughout his district.

But the end of C. A. work is not to reach the district organization alone. The local group and the individual C. A. are the ones who must be ultimately helped by this ministry. The district C. A. organization is one effective link in uniting the National Office and the individual C. A., but there are certain activities that bring the National C. A. Department and the local C. A. group into direct contact.

One of these is National C. A. Day which will be observed next Sunday. National C. A. Day materials—brochures, posters, and tags or buttons—are furnished directly to the local group free of charge. The two major publications of the C. A. Department also afford direct touch with Johnny and Jane C. A. *The C. A. Herald* is a monthly magazine written specifically for Assemblies of God young people. *The C. A. Guide* is a handbook printed every quarter for the use of group leaders.

The C. A. Department serves college C.A.'s. Each September numbers of our young people leave the shelter of their home group and church to go off to schools of higher learning throughout our land. Here they find themselves face to face with the godless, materialistic philosophies of education that hold sway in many modern classrooms. The National C. A. Department is helping these young people hold fast to their faith by providing them with spiritual help through the pages of the *Campus Ambassador*, a bimonthly bulletin slanted to our college youth. The *Campus Ambassador* goes free of charge to every college C. A. on the mailing list of the National Office.

The C. A. Department also serves the servicemen. Close to 10,000 of the young men in the armed forces of our country are now part of the great fellowship of the Servicemen's Division. By means of personal letters, by colorful publications like *Reveille* and the "E. X. Private" tracts, these C.A.'s

in uniform are encouraged, strengthened in faith, and enabled better to withstand the onslaughts of the enemy which are keenly felt in military life. The National C. A. Office reaches these C.A.'s no matter where they are—whether in camps in the United States, or on the high seas in the gray ships of Uncle Sam's Navy, or on some foreign shore.

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Yes, the C. A. Department is a servant, always working behind the scenes. A servant does not expect great praise. Little is said of the hours of thinking and planning which lie behind every successful program of the national C. A. work. Little does the average C. A. realize on reading the *C. A. Herald* or *C. A. Guide*, for example, that a score or more of people spent hundreds of hours in editing, typing, "pasting up," printing, folding, addressing, and mailing, to bring to him these publications.

The National C. A. Department is striving to be faithful to its task of serving C. A.'s in the cause of world evangelism.

Will you be faithful in holding up its hands in prayer and in financial support? We hope you will observe National C. A. Day next Sunday, April 27, as others will be doing.

THE COMING OF THE COMFORTER

(Continued from page three)

revival, but some of the old has been rediscovered. As we walk with God, the Holy Spirit will bring each of us into an understanding of the Word in keeping with all of the principles that belong to a proper interpretation of the Bible.

I think God has given the Pentecostal movement the clearest perception of divine truth that has ever been given, and I believe it has been because of the moving and the manifestation of the Holy Ghost. When I was pastor in Pennsylvania some people were searching after truth—they had been through sorrow and difficulty—and I think they went to a college professor and others but couldn't get very much help. Then someone said, "If you'll go around to the Pentecostal church they can tell you all about heaven." Praise God—I think we can, for the Scriptures state: "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man, the things that God hath prepared for them that love Him; but God hath revealed them unto us by His Spirit." Oh, our grammar may be imperfect, and our homiletics may be "impossible," and yet, when we are done we have



READY

The pictures at the top and bottom of this column are not as incongruous as they look. For, you see, both show men on the threshold of an unknown future. Puzzling as it may seem, both are served by our National Christ's Ambassadors Department! We say puzzling, for folk usually don't think of a Youth Department serving old age.

The answer is easy—the same spiritual preparation which fits a man for life, fits him for eternity.

Should our Lord tarry, and present day C.A.'s reach old age serene and ready, it will be the return on today's investment in youth.

But should Jesus come tomorrow, we shall see in heaven an even greater, eternal return!

Next Sunday (April 27) we will salute our C.A.'s and the National Youth Department. The only offering of the year designated for the support of the National C.A. Department will be taken in churches across the land. It is your opportunity to serve youth, old age—and Christ.



READY

said something. It amazes me how God can take common, ordinary people and give us a clear-cut message—a message which is forever upsetting the educated people—a message that is forever making the fundamentalists so provoked at us that they preach against us. I believe that the clear perception of truth has come to us by the ministry of the Holy Spirit. "He shall guide you into all truth."

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The coming of the Comforter brings true worship. "God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth." That's the thing that makes me love Pentecost. You can't duplicate it anywhere else. A fundamentalist can preach a good sermon, or can write a fine book and exalt the Lord Jesus Christ, but fundamentalists never worship as we do unless they have the Baptism. Oh, the spontaneous worship of God's people when they worship the Father in spirit. I like it when God bursts in on our meetings. I'm tired of telling the Holy Ghost where He can work in the church, or just what part of the meeting He can have. Why should we not have a message in tongues and the interpretation before the sermon is finished? Many are the times when ministering the Word of God that I have seen that wonderful break come right in the middle of the sermon. From then on it was different. There was greater freedom in the meeting. It was easier to preach.

I had an experience in Arizona that I'll never forget. I went to the camp meeting to preach, but for a whole week nothing happened in the meetings. I said to myself: "I'm going to quit this. I'm no camp preacher. I think I'll cancel my next camp meeting appointment."

Then one night something happened. It was in the song service. A very quiet man led the singing, but suddenly the meeting was alive. There was a sense of God in our midst. People raised their hands and worshipped the Lord. Some even began to dance. Soon all had their mind on God. I had struggled during that day as I tried to get a sermon, but when I preached I felt the touch of God.

In the meeting that night was a worldly young woman—a backslider. Not only was she backslidden herself but she controlled every youth in that camp, it seemed. That night, when I started to preach, she said, "O God, don't let Brother Brown preach long tonight—I want to get to that altar and get saved." Fortunately I didn't preach long. She got to the altar, and I've never seen such a meeting in all my ministry. I would go back and put my hand on the shoulder of a boy, and before I knew it he would be on his knees crying out to God for mercy. In the Christ's Ambassadors meeting the next night, thirteen young people got up and testified that they had been saved the night before. What happened? Was it the preacher? No, he was down and out. Was it the sermon? No, it was short that night. The work began before I preached. The Holy Spirit broke into the meeting. Oh, God grant that He will break in upon us more and more. I like to see things done decently and in order; but oh, my heart is hungry for meetings where the spontaneity of the Holy Ghost comes upon us.

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The coming of the Comforter convicts the world. "When He is come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment." There is something that men cannot resist when a Spirit-filled believer testifies. It was true in Stephen's day and it is true today. Oh, the people may not show conviction today as once they did, but that does not mean that they are not pricked in their hearts. Some of these so-called "city-slickers" from the metropolitan areas wouldn't show their feelings if it killed them, but that doesn't mean they are not convicted. The simplest testimony given in the power of the Holy Ghost breaks through all the barriers of education—through all the barriers that men have raised against God—and strikes the heart.

The Holy Spirit convicts the world of sin; and also of righteousness. I have talked with many ministers and I have found that almost every one has gone through a bout with unbelief at some time. For nearly three years I wrestled with unbelief, but two things kept me straight: first, my faith that "God is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him"; and second, that something that came into my life when the Holy Ghost came.

Friends, you can argue against any doctrine; you can even argue against some of your experiences; but the experience of being baptized with the Holy Ghost and speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives you utterance is so real it cannot be argued away. Hallelujah! And I have serious doubts about the experience of any who may have thought they had received this Baptism but who have come to the conclusion that there is no reality to it. I doubt seriously whether they ever had a real Baptism. There is something of the presence and power of the Holy Ghost that will set you straight, that will hold you fast, that will lead you into the very fullness of God. And Spirit-filled believers who have been through those times of testing have come out more confirmed Pentecostals than ever.

I still love the song we used to sing so often:

"Oh, spread the tidings round
Wherever man is found,
Wherever human hearts and human woes
abound;
Let every Christian tongue
Proclaim the joyful sound,
The Comforter has come.

"The long, long night is past,
The morning breaks at last,
And hushed the dreadful wail and fury of
the blast,
As o'er the golden hill,
The day advances fast—
The Comforter has come!

"Lo, the great King of kings
With healing in His wings,
To every captive soul a full deliverance
brings,
And through the vacant cells
The song of triumph rings:
The Comforter has come!

"O boundless love divine!
How shall this tongue of mine

To wondering mortals tell the matchless grace
divine—

That I, a child of hell,
Should in His image shine!
The Comforter has come!

And the chorus went like this:

"The Comforter has come,
The Comforter has come!
The Holy Ghost from heaven, the Father's
promise given;
Oh, spread the tidings round,
Wherever man is found—
The Comforter has come!"



RECORD ATTENDANCE AT DISTRICT COUNCIL IN NORTH CALIFORNIA

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—The attendance at the recent annual convention of the Northern California and Nevada District Council gave evidence of continued growth. The sessions were held in the newly decorated Glad Tidings Temple.

The credentials committee met on Monday and Tuesday. It granted 21 ordinations, 22 licenses to preach, and 20 Christian Workers certificates. On Tuesday the Women's Missionary Council had its annual convention and the Temple was well filled with people, men as well as women, who took great pleasure in hearing the extent of the good work done by the ladies' groups in the assemblies.

Business sessions were held twice daily on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Considerable time was spent considering and adopting a revised Constitution and Bylaws. The new Bylaws provide for the election of District Presbyters in their own sections. They also provide a number of new committees to take care of different phases of District interest, including a Buildings and Lands committee which will be an advisory committee to serve all of the local assemblies. Its responsibility shall be to devise or collect blueprints and specifications for various types of church buildings and parsonages, and, when requested, to give advice on church building problems, as well as to assist churches in arranging the purchase of real estate and in securing the services of a competent architect.

By resolution the District Council in session went on record as endorsing the General Council aged ministers' retirement plan, and included in the vote the agreement that this District will participate by paying the three per cent of the salaries of the District officers so that they may benefit by the retirement program.

The delegates voted to hold the 1953 District Council late in February.

SHERIFF GEORGE BLAINE HEARD AT CANADIAN SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

WINDSOR, ONTARIO—Secularism in modern education, delinquency on the part of godless parents, and lack of Christ-centered, Bible-based Sunday Schools are the underlying causes of a growing juvenile crime problem, Sheriff George Blaine of Tulsa, Oklahoma, said here when addressing the opening service of the fourth annual National Sunday School Convention of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

He told 600 delegates that the secular emphasis and so-called "social gospel" (as opposed to a spiritual and supernaturalist emphasis) had, in sixty years, altered the pattern of criminal action in the United States. In 1890 the average criminal was 48, now he is 17. Sheriff Blaine told the convention that only truly Christian homes and a Sunday School program that leads to the conversion of the children would reverse the trend.

More than 600 Sunday School workers, both lay and ministerial, attended the convention. They heard J. R. Ton of California and numerous Sunday School specialists including James Montgomery, the National Director of Sunday Schools in the P. A. O. C. Other speakers were C. B. Smith, retiring General Superintendent of the P. A. O. C., and David J. du Plessis, Secretary of the World Fellowship of Pentecostal Churches.

Nineteen departmental and workshop sessions were held daily, in addition to two devotional services and the evening public meetings. The delegates met in Bethel Pentecostal Church, a fine new building having seats for 1700 people in the main auditorium and numerous small halls for departmental gatherings. W. H. Fitch was the host pastor.

The next National Sunday School Convention of the P. A. O. C. will be held, God willing, in Central Tabernacle, Hamilton, Ontario, in March 1953.

BIBLE COLLEGE FOUNDER TAKEN TO BE WITH THE LORD

HAROLD K. NEEDHAM, 66, went to be with Christ on March 19, following a lengthy illness. Pastor Wm. J. Roberts officiated at the funeral and burial was made at Forest Lawn in Glendale, Calif.



H. K. Needham

Brother Needham was one of the pioneers in the establishment of Pentecostal schools for the training of ministers and missionaries. He and his wife, the former Hulda Eldridge, founded the Southern California Bible School (now Southern California Bible College) in 1920. The school had a modest beginning in their residence property at 5036 Echo Street in Los Angeles. Two years later a class of eleven graduated from a two years' course of study;

it was soon enlarged to a three-year course.

In 1927 a fine property was acquired in Pasadena, and through the years the school has continued to send out a stream of consecrated, well-trained workers into the harvest fields of the world. The Pasadena property became much too small and in 1950 the College was moved to a large new campus at Costa Mesa formerly used by the U. S. Air Force.

Brother Needham affiliated with the General Council of the Assemblies of God in December, 1917, when serving as an Assistant Pastor in Los Angeles. He served as District Secretary for a short time (1922-23) but resigned from that office because his school work demanded his full time. He was Principal of the school, then President, and continued in that office until his retirement in 1944.

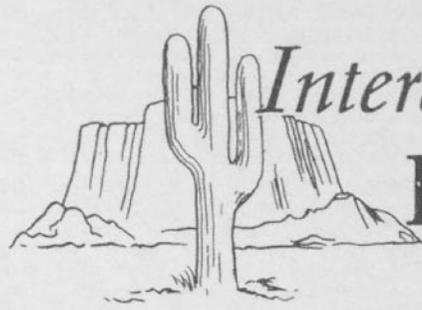
His first wife died in China some thirty years ago while the couple was on a deputation tour for the Foreign Missions Department of the General Council. Later he married Faith Ginn, sister to Mildred Ginn, one of our Assemblies of God missionaries in South India.

He is survived by his widow, Faith; his mother, Mrs. Emma K. Needham of Los Angeles; a brother, a sister, five children, and eight grandchildren. He will be greatly missed, not only by these but by a host of former students and associates.

REVIVAL FIRES BURN AT GLAD TIDINGS BIBLE INSTITUTE

SANTA CRUZ, CALIF., March 12—Revival fires are burning at Glad Tidings Bible Institute. Not only at this present writing, but from the very start of the school year, there has been a true *spirit of revival*. It commenced in September when numbers of students, possessed with a real passion for souls, began to go out into nearby towns and communities, in the mountains and valleys of northern California, holding services, starting Sunday schools, visiting house to house and witnessing wherever they went.

Even the Freshman Reception became a revival service, when several outside friends who had been invited were brought under conviction and gave their hearts to Christ. Others received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit; it started in



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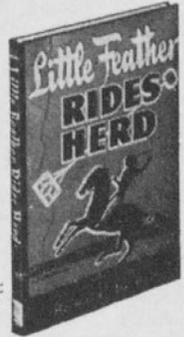


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the dormitory hall prayer meetings one night, continued on through the next day, and five received the Baptism.

It was a high peak when the sister who does the cooking for the school received the mighty infilling of the Holy Spirit. She was a minister and belonged to another denomination which does not see our position regarding the baptism of the Holy Spirit (but she could cook good meals.) The students were enjoined not to press her unduly regarding the Pentecostal experience, but to pray and live a consistent life that would witness more loudly than any words. Imagine the shout in the camp when it was learned that our sister had been in the prayer room into the wee small hours, and had been gloriously filled with the Holy Spirit.

One week, reports showed twenty-three saved and one received the Baptism in our outstation meetings. A new Sunday School started in a nearby community has now nearly fifty members and gives promise of becoming a good new church. At a Saturday night street meeting in Santa Cruz, fourteen raised their hands for prayer, and nine came into the school bus and knelt to give their hearts to Christ.

The students, however, were beginning to feel the need of a deeper work of God in their lives, and were praying for someone to be sent who would lead in a special student revival week. God answered by bringing a consecrated young man and his wife, excellent singers, to Glad Tidings. Evangelist and Mrs. Lorne J. Case are from Kitchener, Ontario, Canada. After closing a successful campaign in Vancouver, B. C., they came to visit the Dean of the School, W. C. Peirce, and his wife. After Brother Case spoke at a morning chapel service it was the unanimous feeling of the faculty that God had really sent His man for the hour.

Evangelist Lorne Case was a pilot in the Royal Canadian Air Force for five years, with two years overseas in combat, and has a great fund of experience which God now uses for His glory. The anointing rested upon him as he preached, and the students were deeply moved.

This was a *revival of heart searching*. Then as the meetings progressed there came a *revival of tender conscience*, followed by confession of faults one to another. Little things, which had been covered over, began to take on great proportions in the light of God's holy presence, and a *revival of restitution* was in evidence. This is God's pattern of true revival. This has already resulted in an even greater passion for the lost than had been manifested throughout the year. A revival in the church will always find its way into the hearts of the unsaved.

On the closing night of the series of meetings Brother Case told of the mighty miracle God wrought in his life when He healed him of tuberculosis. At the end the power of God fell upon the whole congregation. Some were prostrated, others danced in the Spirit, others wept, but all were lost in God. One was heard to remark that it was more like the early outpouring of the Spirit forty years ago than anything he had witnessed for some time.

The deans of men and women, Brother and Sister Wilderman, report that the discipline problem has become almost nil. Throughout the whole school there is a beautiful spirit of co-operation and good behavior, together with an attitude of real consecration to God, each student realizing the purpose for which he came to Bible School. This is true revival.

—By an Observer.

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

ROBINSON, ILL.—We had a successful two-week meeting with Evangelist S. Clyde Bailey of Jackson, Tenn. A number were converted. God is still moving in our midst and souls are being saved in our regular services. The Sunday School is growing.—H. E. Murray, Pastor.

WATERFORD, CALIF.—On March 9 we closed a three-week meeting with Evangelists Gene and Ruby Davis of Oklahoma. Several were saved or filled with the Holy Ghost. The last Sunday of the meeting the Sunday School attendance was 233.—C. J. Brown, Pastor.

HIWAY CITY, CALIF.—Evangelist Tom Ming was with us for four nights in January. Several received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and many reconsecrated their lives to the Lord. The church has been growing ever since.—J. L. Jeffrey, Pastor.

AVONDALE, ARIZ.—We had a union meeting with Evangelist Lloyd Smith. Twenty-five were saved and several received definite healings. The churches co-operating in this meeting were the Assembly of God churches, the Mexican Assembly of God, the Pentecostal Church of God, and the Pentecostal Holiness Church.—Forrest A. Murray, Pastor, Assembly of God.

EUREKA SPRINGS, ARK.—We concluded a meeting with Evangelists Miriam Hooks and Pauline Sawyer. A number were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. The special songs and anointed messages from the Word were an inspiration and blessing to our church.—H. E. Shaw, Pastor.

FORT WORTH, TEX.—We had a three-week meeting with Evangelist Alberta Uttz, assisted by her daughter and son, Nancy and Albert. Three were saved and one received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Sister Uttz's ministry both in sermon and song was a blessing to all who attended. We also appreciated the chalk drawings by Nancy each night.—Odell Jones, Pastor, Jacob's Well Assembly.

MARIANNA, ARK.—We had a three-week meeting with Evangelist C. E. Barr of Granite City, Ill. Six were saved and three were baptized with the Holy Spirit. The Sunday School broke all records with 122 present.—Jesse C. Nichols, Pastor.

HOWE, OKLA.—We rejoice to report that 14 were saved and five received the baptism of the Holy Spirit in a meeting with Evangelists Darrel D. Madsen of Colorado and Carter Earl Rogers of Oklahoma. Our C.A.'s had been inactive for the past year, but they caught a new vision in this revival and are now going forward for Christ.—E. M. McKim, Pastor.

PHOENIX, ARIZ.—We had a two-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. James Frazee of New Mexico. Approximately 12 were saved and four received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Many testified to being healed during the services.—Roy B. Little, Pastor, Westside Assembly.

DALLAS, TEX.—The Love Field Assembly had a wonderful meeting with Evangelist Wynndel Mangram of Mesquite, Tex. Thirty or more were saved or reclaimed, and a number received the baptism of the Holy Ghost.—S. W. Oates, Pastor.

MONTROSE, COLO.—On March 9 we closed a four-week meeting with Evangelist W. W. Wagner of Keensburg, Colo. Twenty were saved, three were filled with the Spirit, and ten were baptized in water. Several were healed. We praise God for all He has done for us.—R. H. Bishop, Pastor.

RICHLAND, GA.—We had a good tent meeting recently with different ministers preaching the Word. Since we began a new work here, 25 have been saved and two have received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. The average Sunday School attendance is 37. We are putting the roof on a lovely 36x60 brick church.—Ethelyn Zellers, Pastor.

TROY, N. Y.—We had a glorious meeting with Evangelist Rudy Cerullo. The outstanding healings drew much attention to the church and many came to witness the marvellous works of God.

One outstanding healing was that of a little girl whose one leg was an inch shorter than the other since birth. After prayer the short leg grew to the same length as the other. She walked around the church while all the people glorified God.

Five weeks later we inspected her shoes to see if they were wearing out evenly. Whereas previously only the toe of the shoe on the short leg had showed signs of wear, now the heel was wearing evenly with the sole of the shoe.

A visiting Jewish man inspected the shoe the night of the healing and testified that the heel was new and showed no signs of wear. He inspected it again after five weeks and found that the heel was wearing evenly with the sole. This, with many other things, caused this Jewish business man and his wife to accept Christ as their Saviour. They have been baptized in water and have come into the Assembly.

Several were baptized in water at the close of the meeting. Several were filled with the Holy Ghost and 20 were added to the church.—David P. Garlock, Pastor.

FIREBAUGH, CALIF.—Evangelist Norman Surratt of Oklahoma was with us for two weeks. Eighteen were saved and eight filled with the Holy Spirit. The revival fires are still burning and souls are being saved in our regular services. We broke all our Sunday School records with 147 present. We are now building Sunday School rooms as we have outgrown our present building. E. L. Brady is Pastor.—Mrs. Ora Peters, Church Secretary.

ALTON, ILL.—The Smith and Rogers Evangelistic Party was with us for almost three weeks of glorious meetings. We witnessed many receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost. People who had been in the Pentecostal movement from its beginning said that these meetings were comparable to the early days of the outpouring. Many nights our order of the service gave way to the higher order of the Holy Spirit's direction. Waves of glory swept over the congregation. The church was filled despite an epidemic and inclement weather.—J. C. Kofahl, Pastor, Edwards Street Assembly.

SALEM, ARK.—God has visited our church with a gracious outpouring of the Spirit. Evangelist Felix Thornton of Hoxie, Ark. was with us for three weeks. Ten were saved or reclaimed, two filled with the Holy Spirit, and two were delivered from the tobacco habit. Since the meeting closed four more have been saved and three received the Baptism. Several have testified to healing.—Mrs. Glenna Byard, Pastor.

WAYNESBORO, PA.—We had a meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. David M. Wellard of Auburn, N. Y. The church was well filled each night and on Sundays the house was packed out. Several were saved. A number received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Many children responded to the altar call after Sister Wellard gave her illustrated messages. Sister Wellard's singing and her playing of the cow bells and sleigh bells contributed to the interest of the meetings.—Ray S. Armstrong, Pastor, Calvary Tabernacle.

REPUBLIC, MO.—The first Sunday in March marked our first anniversary as pastor of the Assembly here and we thank God for the fine people we have to work with. The Sunday School has increased to an average attendance of 180. Last Sunday (March 16) we had 200 present. Our Sunday School made 100% on the National Standard last year.

Our present facilities are inadequate and we are building a six-room annex which we hope to complete by Easter.

Fifteen new members were received into the church in February. During the first two months of the year, 42 were converted and 11 received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

We thank God for the ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. O. K. Stephenson, Evangelists Nola Stout and Norma Elliott, and Evangelist and Mrs. E. C. Mehagan. All have contributed to the growth and development of our church.—Paul J. Young, Pastor.

NORTH TONAWANDA, N. Y.—On March 9 we concluded a three-week meeting with Evangelist Herbert H. Leonard of Waco, Tex. The main auditorium was filled nearly every night and the last Sunday night we used the basement to accommodate the overflow crowd.

A great number of souls were saved, and some were filled with the Holy Ghost. There were a number of outstanding healings.

A Catholic lady who wore a hearing aid in one ear and was totally deaf in the other was instantly healed the first time she was ever in a Pentecostal service. She came back to the services several times and testified that she was hearing in both ears without an aid.

A lady who was bent over with arthritis was healed. She said that every bit of pain left her body. She was able to walk upright without her cane.

A woman who had not been able to lift her right arm since October, 1950, was instantly healed and able to lift her right hand over her head.

A Catholic lady was healed of heart trouble. She had been unable to sleep for several months, and she testified that she now sleeps like a baby and does all her own work.

People of various denominations came to the meetings to witness the mighty healing power of God.—Homer C. Cooper, Pastor, The Christian Tabernacle.

CUSHING, OKLA.—God gave us a great revival when Evangelist Fern Huffstutler was with us for eight nights. Seventy were saved and 30 received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The last three nights of the meeting we moved to the municipal auditorium in order to seat the people. Reports are still coming in of the marvelous healings that were experienced by folk who dared to believe.—W. Randall Ball, Pastor.

CLOVIS, CALIF.—We had a meeting in October with the Evangelists (Earl and Hazel Gould, Eddie Kramer, and Stephen Armuth). Twelve were saved, three received the Baptism, and our church was blessed. The second week Sister Gould conducted a Story Hour for the children at 4 p.m. The average attendance was 102.

In January we had a meeting with Evangelist Velma A. Lackey of Modesto, Calif. Thirty-five came to the altar for salvation and 15 received the Baptism. We broke our Sunday School record with 257 present.—John R. Gould, Pastor.

TALLAHASSEE, FLA.—We had a two-week meeting with Evangelists Roy and Pauline Harthern of London, England. We thank God for their fine music and for Brother Harthern's anointed preaching. The interest grew from night to night. Over 20 were saved and 10 more were saved in a Monday night Fellowship Rally. Several of the converts united with the church.—B. R. Minton, Pastor, First Assembly.

COMING MEETINGS

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

COTTAGE GROVE, OREG.—First Assembly, Apr. 22—; Evangelist and Mrs. J. F. Pepper, Findlay, Ohio. (Edgar W. White is Pastor.)

WEWOKA, OKLA.—Assembly of God, Apr. 13—27 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Gene Davis, Oklahoma City, Okla.—by John Grace, Pastor.

MCALISTER, OKLA.—First Assembly of God, Apr. 20—; Evangelist and Mrs. James A. Call, Trenton, Mo. (L. H. Arnold is Pastor.)

KING CITY, CALIF.—Full Gospel Church, Apr. 22—; Evangelists James and Maurine Isaacs, Pasadena, Calif. (James P. Williams is Pastor.)

HAZLETON, PA.—Faith Assembly of God, Locust and 14th Sts., dedication of new church, Apr. 25, 7:30 p.m. A. Newton Chase, District Superintendent, guest speaker.—by William A. Caldwell, Pastor.

OKLAHOMA WMC CONVENTION—District Camp Tabernacle, Apr. 21—22. Kenneth Short, former missionary to Borneo, and Edith Whipple, National WMC Secretary, speakers.—by Mrs. R. L. Steger, WMC District President.

MICHIGAN DISTRICT COUNCIL—Woodmere Gardens Tabernacle, 953 Spencer N. E., Grand Rapids, Mich., Apr. 21—24; Noel Perkin, Springfield, Mo., guest speaker. (Charles W. H. Scott is District Superintendent.)

WEST TEXAS DISTRICT COUNCIL—First Assembly of God, 34th and "S" Sts., Lubbock, Tex., Apr. 28—May 1; W. A. Brown, General Treasurer, guest speaker. H. M. Sheats is host pastor.—by S. E. Eldridge, District Secretary-Treasurer.

NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL—Full Gospel Church, Fifth and Ridge Ave., Neptune, N. J., May 5—8; Wesley R. Steelberg, General Superintendent, speaker. Monday evening, C. A. Rally; Tuesday evening, Home Missions; Wednesday evening, Foreign Missions; Thursday evening, Ordination.—by Richard J. Bergstrom, District Secretary-Treasurer.

OHIO DISTRICT COUNCIL—Pentecostal Church, E. 55th and Lexington Ave., Cleveland, May 5—8; Thomas M. Miller, Miami, Fla., guest speaker. For reservations write host pastor, Thomas F. Zimmerman, 1141 Winston Rd., Cleveland 21, Ohio. James W. Van Meter is District Superintendent.—by T. E. Hartshorn, District Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT COUNCIL—Gospel Tabernacle, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., Apr. 21—24; J. E. Neeley, Wyoming District Superintendent, guest speaker, and Maynard Ketcham, missionary speaker. A. F. Berg is host pastor. For information write District office, 410 E. 6th St., Mitchell, S. Dak.—by Silas S. Rexroat, District Superintendent.

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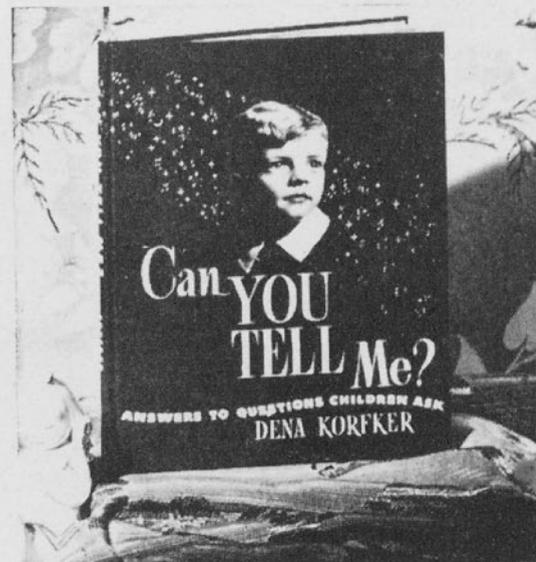
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MISSOULA, MONT.—Assembly of God, Apr. 22—; Evangelists Carl and Edna Goodwin. (E. A. Born is Pastor.)

HANFORD, CALIF.—Apr. 23—; Evangelist and Mrs. Bob L. Sheran, Hollywood, Calif. (Coy Nicholson is Pastor.)

LUCAS, IOWA.—Assembly of God, Apr. 20—; Evangelists Ruth Knouse and Joyce Stovall, Des Moines, Iowa.—by Merlin N. Steen, Pastor.

LARAMIE, WYO.—Assembly of God, Apr. 10—; Evangelist Orrin Kingsriter.—by Clarence Brotzman, Pastor.

MEMPHIS, TENN.—First Assembly of God, Apr. 20—May 11; Evangelist Arne Vick.—by James E. Hamill, Pastor.

UTICA, N. Y.—First Assembly of God, May 4—; Harry E. Call Evangelistic Party, Spencer, Ind.—by Willard L. Deal, Pastor.

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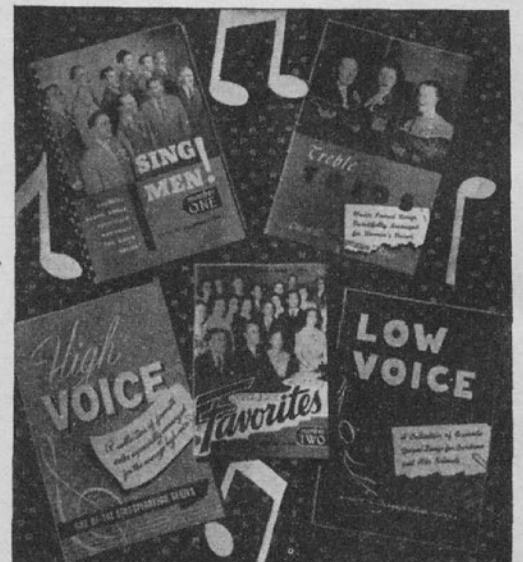
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