

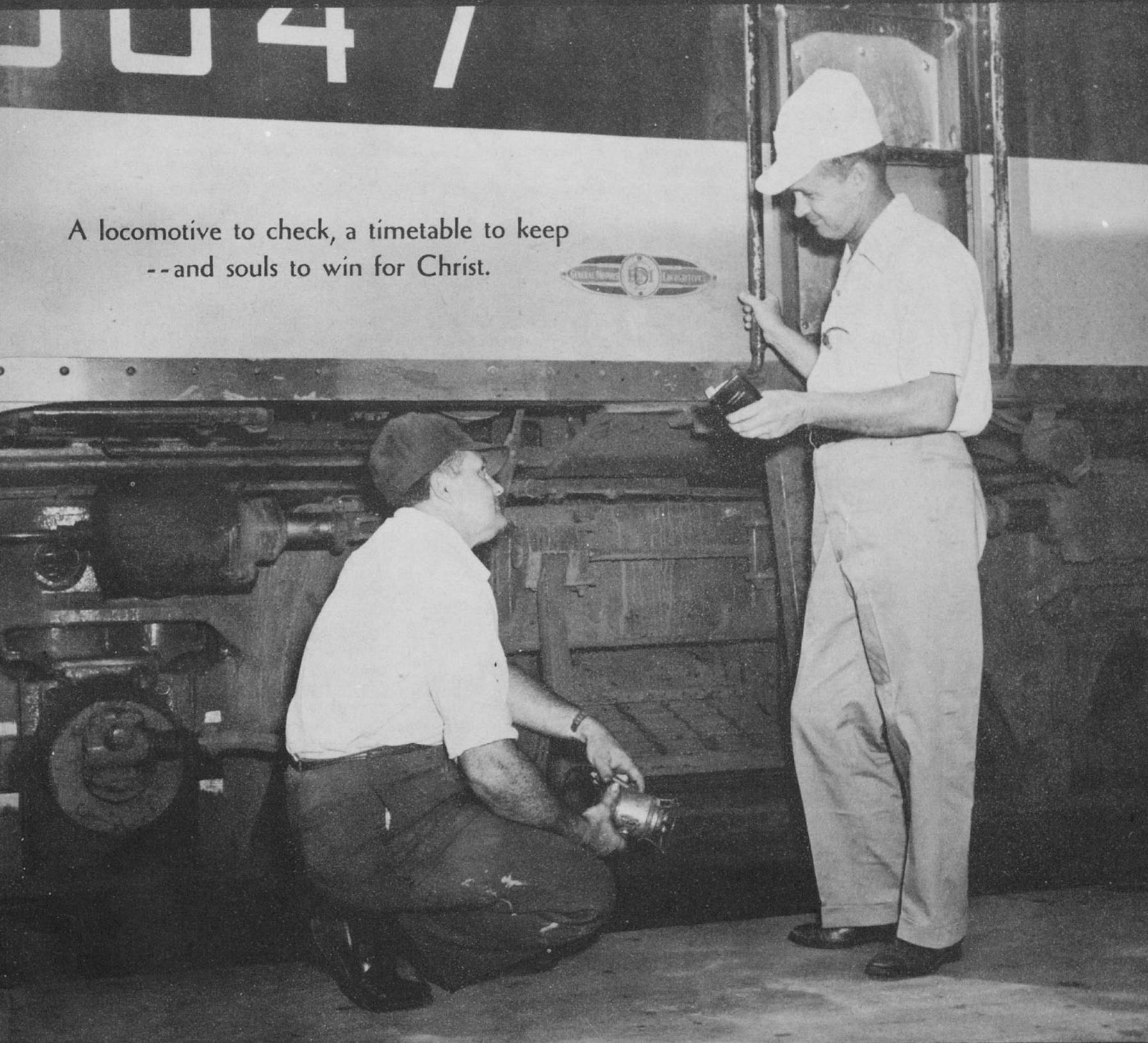
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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD

A locomotive to check, a timetable to keep  
--and souls to win for Christ.



**OCTOBER IS ENLARGEMENT MONTH**

# The General Superintendent SPEAKS



ON THIS OCCASION OF OUR NATIONAL Labor Day holiday, it is appropriate for us as Christians to consider the nature and the importance of laboring for the Lord. At a time of the year when there is a returning from summertime activities to a routine for the fall and winter months, it is also appropriate for us, as Assemblies of God people, to consider not only the nature and importance of laboring for the Lord, but also a practical way of actually doing it. Our Sunday Schools have dedicated the month of October to a special kind of gospel labor. We call it Enlargement Month.

We realize that (1) laboring for the Lord as a means of winning merit or gaining holiness is in vain. We are nevertheless made to know through God's Word that (2) the true child of God will express the salvation he has found. He will lead a life of humble, Christ-like service before those he contacts every day. Finally, (3) we are quickened by the Holy Spirit to recognize that the leading of men and women to Christ and an experience of salvation is the highest form of gospel work.

First of all, let us observe that there is a laboring for the Lord which is utterly in vain. We read, "For they, being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves to the righteousness of God" (Rom. 10:4). "Not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law" (Phil. 3:9). "In vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. For laying aside the commandments of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do" (Mark 7:7, 8). Translating this into present-day American language and custom, "You work your fingers to the bone baking pies for church socials, running church rummage sales, and many other such church-works. By these you hope to win merit and buy your way into heaven." In

vain, in vain! How sad that it is all in vain. "For by grace are ye saved, through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God; not of works, lest any man should boast" (Eph. 2:8, 9). "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us" (Titus 3:5).

But the same passage which tells us that our salvation is "not of works, lest any man should boast," says also that "we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them" (Eph. 2:9, 10). Not works before salvation and as a means to salvation, but works after salvation as a natural expression of that salvation. "What does it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him? If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, and one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit? Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone. Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works" (James 2:14-18). "This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men" (Titus 3:8).

As worthy as these "good works," are, and as worthwhile these deeds of kindness, there is a working for the Lord which far exceeds them. All things that contribute to the salvation of souls and their strengthening spiritually constitute the "good works which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." The activities of our Sunday Schools in an effort of evangelism and enlargement during the fall of the year, are among these "all things" that are helping to bring in the lost. Through the church family census, door-to-door visitation, and the following up of prospects till they are a part of the Sunday School and members of the family of God, the work is being done.

The Enlargement Month plan has been used by many of our churches during the past four years with gratifying results. Though a definite record cannot be obtained of all the contacts made for Christ, it is possible to get a little idea of the scope of this work through the number of copies of THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL distributed in conjunction with the Enlargement Campaign. Each year since 1950, a special issue of the EVANGEL has been prepared to acquaint those outside our church with our Full Gospel message. In 1950, some 550,000 copies of the special issue were ordered; and in 1953, over 732,000 copies were ordered.

The Sunday School Department has received reports of attendance increase in schools in all sections of the country as a result of the special effort in October. During the 1953 campaign, a pastor in Indiana reported his Sunday School workers visited 1,000 homes and had an increase of 30 pupils; another School in Texas visited 500 homes and had 13 increase in enrollment; another in New Jersey visited 750 homes and had 20 increase; one in California visited 500 and had 15 increase; in one place in Rhode Island, 1,000 homes were visited with an increase of 25; and in a Washington community 300 homes were visited and 20 new members added to the Sunday School. And so, the reports go.

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Plymouth Rock  
Monument at  
Plymouth, Mass.  
(Boston boat  
leaving the bay.)

# Serving God With Purpose of Heart

J. O. SAVELL

Assistant General Superintendent of the Assemblies of God

“Then tidings of these things came unto the ears of the church which was in Jerusalem and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch. Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, **THAT WITH PURPOSE OF HEART THEY WOULD CLEAVE UNTO THE LORD**” (Acts 11:22, 23).

“An aim in life,” said Robert Louis Stevenson, “is the only fortune worth the finding, and it is not discovered in foreign soil but in the human heart itself.”

Life should mean more to us than a mere desire to exist. Jesus taught that “man shall not live by bread alone.” He said, “Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?” The Christ-life is intended to lift us above the level of mere earthly thinking, and to make each of us realize that God has a plan for our lives. We shall never find the best in life until we are willing to live according to God’s plan.

The apostle Paul set forth this principle in his second letter to Timothy: “No man entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier. And if a man strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully” (ch. 2:4, 5).

It is not our prerogative to plan our own lives, for we are not our own: we have been bought with a price (1 Cor. 6:20). The Word exhorts, “Yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God” (Rom. 6:13).

If God had a design for everything

which He created, from the smallest to the greatest, how can any Christian feel that his life is without design or purpose? When God told Ananias to go to a house on Straight Street and minister to Saul, he was fearful. “But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel: for I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name’s sake” (Acts 9:15, 16). God had a plan for Saul’s life.

While ministering in the New England District recently, my wife and I accompanied some friends to Plymouth, Massachusetts, and visited the place where our Pilgrim Fathers landed. We saw many fascinating things and read several interesting documents, but the thing which impressed me most was the National Monument to the Forefathers. On August 2, 1859, the cornerstone of the National Monument was laid. The main pedestal was put in position in 1876. On each of the four buttresses or wing pedestals is a seated figure; each is emblematic of one of the PRINCIPLES upon which the Pilgrims PURPOSED to found their Commonwealth. The first is Morality, holding the Decalogue in her left hand and the scroll of Revelation in her right. The second of these figures is Law—on one side is Justice, on the other Mercy. The third is Education—on one side is Wisdom, ripe with years, and on the other Youth, led by experience. The fourth figure is Freedom—on one side Peace rests under its Protection; on the other Tyranny is overthrown by its powers.

If our Pilgrim Fathers had come to this new world without these noble

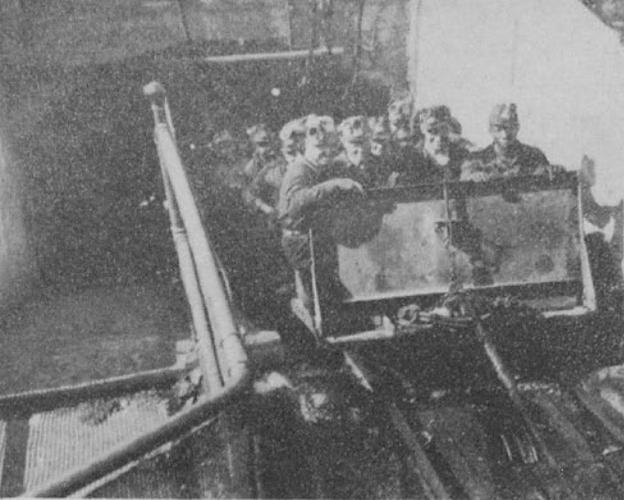
purposes in view, their journey would have been nothing more than another sea voyage, and their names and deeds of valor never would have been emblazoned on the pages of American history.

As I stood with bare and bowed head before these sacred shrines on that June day, I renewed my vows to God that I would continue to serve Him with firm purpose of heart.

Like our Pilgrim Fathers, the founders of the Assemblies of God built this organization after a divine plan and with pureness of purpose. Their major purpose was to rediscover that apostolic power and blessing which had been so long absent from the ranks of God’s people. The message of the New Birth, the baptism of the Holy Spirit, divine healing, and the second coming of Christ, were so emphasized that these truths were made to live again as in the days of the Early Church.

Prayer became a divine obsession; a desire to see sinners saved became a passion; the baptism of the Holy Spirit was a holy flame, and the hope of the soon return of Jesus became real in the heart of every Christian. All of these things gave purpose for holy living. We had no place or time for the things of the world. The hardships and privations incurred in living this kind of life were incidental rather than important. The thought of winning was more important than the reward which we were to receive at the end of the race. The thought of conquering in battle was more important than the spoils of war.

One of the most perplexing problems facing Pentecostal people today is: Why do I have to be different from the world?



Their shift finished, these miners ascend the manway in a vehicle called a mantrip. To some men the work in the mine is just a job. To the Christian who is serving in the will of God, secular work is a sacred vocation.

What benefits are to be derived from living a separated life? David said, "I was envious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked. For there are no bands in their death: but their strength is firm. They are not in trouble as other men; neither are they plagued like other men. Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain; violence covereth them as a garment. Their eyes stand out with fatness: they have more than heart could wish. . . . Behold, these are the ungodly, who prosper in the world; they increase in riches" (Psa. 73:3-12). When David compared his life to these folk he felt: "Verily I have cleansed my heart in vain, and washed my hands in innocency. For all the day long have I been plagued, and chastened every morning. If I say, I will speak thus; behold, I should offend against the generation of thy children. When I thought to know this, it was too painful for me; until I went into the sanctuary of God; then understood I their end" (Psa. 43:13-17). There you have it, fellow Christian. When God shows us the end of the worldling we see the worth of righteous living.

One ship sails east, another sails west  
With the self-same winds that blow;  
'Tis the set of the sails,  
And not the gales  
Which decides the way they go.

Like the winds of the sea are the ways of fate,  
As we voyage along through life;  
'Tis the will of the soul  
That decides the goal,  
And not the calm or the strife.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox

I should like to close by quoting J. E. Dinger, in *Leaves of Gold*:

"Emerson said: 'Hitch your wagon to a star.' One can see in those six little words the summary of human achievement, and an everlasting inspiration to

the future races of men. From Socrates to Edison, every forward step taken by mankind through revolving centuries, every advance by humanity toward the ultimate goal, has been led by some valiant dreamer whose eyes were fixed upon the dawn. Moses, with dying eyes, saw a star that blazed in the Promised Land; the radiance of an eternal star led three Wise Men to the Manager in Bethlehem; Columbus pinned his faith in the dawn of a new day; Kepler, announcing the laws of the unchanging spheres; New-

ton, watching the apple fall. Each looked beyond, and into the future."

"Not failure, but low aim, is crime," said Lowell. How tragically true is this in the Christian life! "I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth," said the wicked and slothful servant when his lord returned to reckon with him. Reader, do not let that be your position when you stand before your Maker. Serve God, knowing that He has a purpose for your life, and work in harmony with God's plan.

## Job or Vocation — Which?

A Labor Day Article by E. J. Schlossmacher  
Secretary of the New Jersey District of the Assemblies of God

CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES MUST FIND THEIR expression in daily, practical living. The world will never be won by professors of age-old principles, but by men of living, dynamic faith. The life of love and power cannot take place in a vacuum. It must gain expression and fulfillment in the various interests and spheres of man's daily endeavors. Among the most important of man's activities is his work; for one's employment occupies the major portion of his waking hours and of his entire life.

A job can be treated as a necessary evil, something to be endured; or it can be looked upon with disdain as something to be escaped in favor of a loftier and more "spiritual" calling. In either case, ordinary work would not be included in the more abundant life. On the other hand, the Biblical concept of a man's job classifies work as a divine service and an integral part of his salvation. Christianity and secular employment, instead of being divorced from each other, are to be intimately intertwined.

Is your work a *job*, or a *vocation*? You must decide the issue. Do you pursue your task for the sake of mere material gain, or do you thereby seek to express and develop your God-given talents?

Everyone must have a job, of course, in order to earn a living. But when work is considered as a mere job, these things may happen: (1) Work tends to become a monotonous drudgery and a tedious toil. (2) With such an attitude, one becomes a robot who must produce so much labor per day and earn enough to make ends meet. (3) Work is insidiously robbed of much of its satisfaction and joy, and these must be sought in whatever leisure time remains.

The conception of work embraced in the Christian view of vocation is quite different. Here work is seen to be neither

drudgery nor an end in itself, but is viewed as a responsible task which a man shares with God and with fellow men. It is recognized as a means by which the life of the individual and the common life of men can become more nearly what God intended them to be (Rom. 12:11).

A vocation, according to the Oxford dictionary, is "the person's sense of being called to a task." This definition includes two important concepts: (1) the "sense of being called," and (2) the belief that each person has specific talents which should be used in his particular life's work. When a man hears the challenge of the gospel, he experiences God's call to membership in His Kingdom. God's Word comes to each man in the position or occupation he already has, and is therefore at the same time a reminder that in his work he is to see a divine call to serve God and fellow man (1 Cor. 7:17-24).

The new life of faith is to be manifested in whatever station of life we have. Each person who responds to the call of the gospel is also called to glorify God through his work. Although men differ in ability and competence, each is expected to be a responsible steward, as Jesus' parable of the talents clearly shows. Unconverted men will judge a convert's Christianity by his attitude and behavior eight hours a day.

What does the sense of vocation involve? The first and most important implication of the Christian attitude toward work is that every *legitimate* and *morally* approvable task in life is a "calling." Not only the pastor, the missionary, and the evangelist are called to serve God; but also the farmer, the maid, the industrial worker, and the businessman are challenged to see in their work a divine calling. It is not the particular *kind* of work or office which determines whether one

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# MISSIONARY TO MEN IN OVERALLS

*The following article, written by John S. Parks, Jr., is reprinted from the June 1954 issue of "Petroleum Refiner" by kind permission of the editors. It appeared under the title, "Counselor Service Program Helps Workers Do Better Job."*

MID-CONTINENT PETROLEUM CORPORATION has proved that religious counseling promotes contentment and creates harmony in employe-management relations.

For a number of years the company has had a full-time chaplain-counselor at the Tulsa refinery. The "Reverend," besides being an ordained minister, is also a skilled worker. His job is to provide spiritual and moral support to workers who need it and who call for it. He also conducts lunch-hour Bible classes or prayer meetings consisting of prayers, hymns and a brief sermon.

Rev. Charles Martin—he prefers to be known as plain Charlie—is the chaplain-counselor who "sold" the idea to his company after seeing it work in other industries.

Most impressive part of the program is the lunch-hour religious services to which all workers are invited, Catholic, Protestant and Jew.

When the noon whistle blows the men at the refinery go to the carpenter shop, which is centrally located. Inside are rows of chairs, a small pulpit with a "mike" and amplifier, a record player, and records of hymns and other religious songs.

Everything is informal. There is no collection. The men are there for a message which they expect will lighten and make their toil more pleasant through a better understanding of how to co-operate with their fellow workers and management. Chaplain Martin's assistant, Counselor Herbert Miller, plays a record and Martin then steps to the pulpit.

Thus starts the weekly Bible class.

Membership comprises men of all ages from the youngest to the oldest.

As the men listen to Martin's teaching there is no atmosphere of false piety. There is no roll call. Management doesn't know who attends or who does not. There are no bonuses for attending and no demerits for non-attendance. The classes belong to the men.

The men listen intently as Chaplain Martin makes his non-denominational talk. His lessons go deeper than just the application of the Golden Rule to the day-by-day life of the men. They want to know how to use Christianity as a balance for their daily lives.

Martin gives the men Christianity as a foundation for both home and work. He gives them faith in a Supreme Power as an ever-present guide and help.

There is no planned ceremonial. Usual-

ly, there is music. Many of the workers are musicians. A quartet or a quintet often provides the music. Lack of formal training is offset by sincerity.

The talks last about a half-hour. Fifteen minutes before time for the return-to-work whistle, the foremen and supervisors, who usually sit close to the door, leave the meeting to prepare for the men to return to their duties.

The sermon is closed five to ten minutes before time for the whistle, to allow the men time to get back to work.

The men who attend the Wednesday noon meetings are mechanical shop workers. Thursday noon a similar meeting is held for employes of the car shop.

Average attendance at Wednesday talks is 60. At times it has reached 100. In the car shops, with a much smaller number of employes from which to draw, the average attendance is 16 to 20.

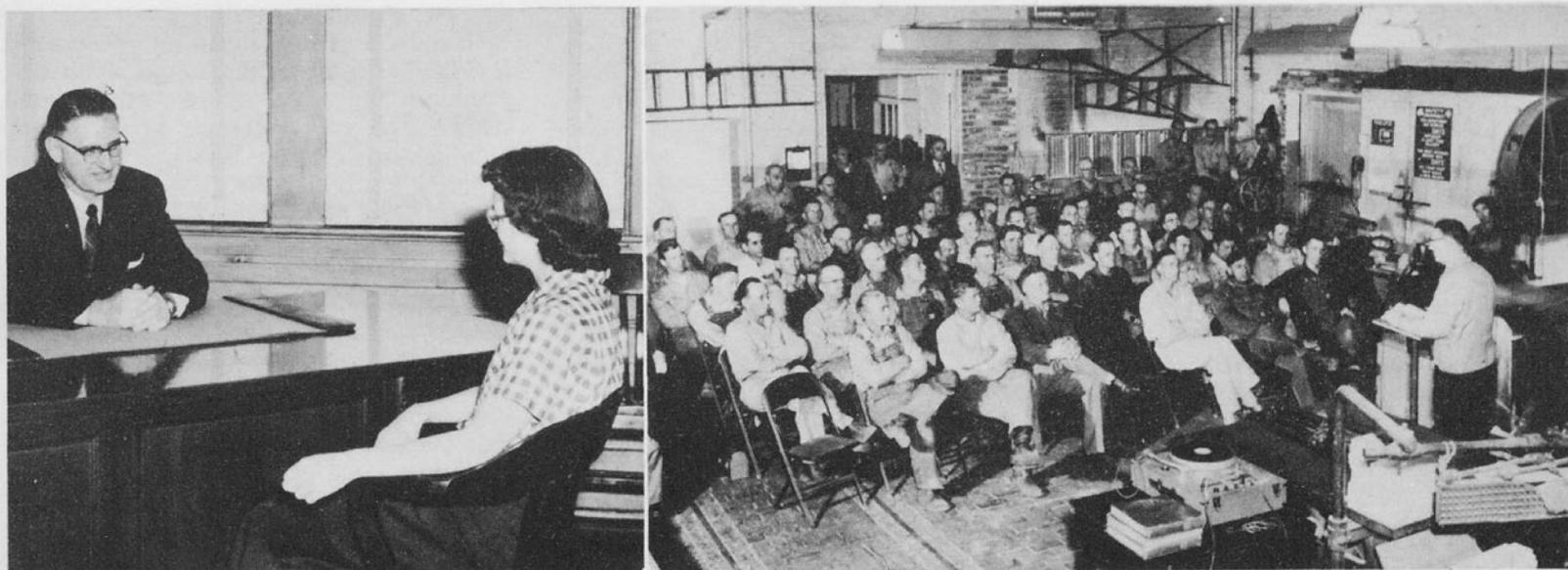
## IDEA IS BORN

Martin came into contact with the idea while working with the Victory Service Centers established in principal cities during the war. He decided to give it a test and with some of his co-workers, made a factory-to-factory canvass. At some plants they found an open door; at others, the door was closed.

Martin held just enough meetings during this period to get an idea of the wide field that existed for this type of service.

In December, 1945, he returned to his former work in charge of shift, in the gas plant of the Mid-Continent refinery. He had made up his mind this was the sort of service he wanted to make his life's work. In June, 1946, he took a leave of absence to attend a summer seminar

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Charlie Martin, an Assemblies of God minister, has a unique ministry as chaplain-counselor to 1,600 D-X Refinery employes in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Not all of the employes wear overalls. Some wear white collars. Others wear skirts and blouses. The picture

at the left shows Brother Martin in his office engaged in a private conference with a clerk-typist from the D-X accounting department. The view at the right shows him at the pulpit during a Thursday noon devotional service in the pipe shop.

*(Photos by courtesy of "The Diamond"—plant magazine.)*

# Christians Lose Everything in Rio Grande Flood

The worst flood in the history of the Rio Grande River brought great loss to our Spanish-speaking congregations. Help is needed immediately!

AS A RESULT OF THE FLOOD ON THE Rio Grande River several of our Spanish-speaking congregations on both sides have suffered greatly. The pastor at Laredo, Texas, says that six feet of water came into the church and parsonage resulting in the total loss of all the goods they had. Some of the churches have been completely destroyed. There is no help from the Red Cross for churches.

In a recent letter from Juan C. Orozco, Superintendent of our work in Mexico, we have this plea:

"Brethren, we are in great difficulties because of the flood on the Rio Grande. The cities of Villa Acuna and Piedras Negras were almost completely destroyed and in consequence our church buildings suffered severe damage. The houses of our pastors were completely destroyed and they lost all their furniture. At the present time they are living in tents and without any hope of recovering their goods. Hunger and sickness has been their lot and they are in a very sad condition. We are doing what we can, taking up offerings for our workers especially. Five ministers are affected by this disaster. The number of believers who have lost their homes, etc., is almost impossible to count. If you can do something, please send aid immediately. We are praying to the Lord that you will be able to help in this great need."

Relative to the above disaster, a recent report gives more details. It seems that the church in Laredo, Texas, suffered the most serious damage, estimated at \$2,500, and on the Mexican side about five churches suffered considerable damage, both to buildings and to furnishings in the pastors' houses. Some of our pastors are destitute at this time. More damage was suffered on the Mexican side than on the American side. The Foreign Missions Committee makes an urgent appeal to our EVANGEL readers. These stricken assemblies need your help NOW!

Please send your contributions at once, marked "Relief for Mexican Flood Victims," c/o Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Mo., U.S.A. This is urgent!!

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## MISSIONARY News Notes



Mayme E. Williams writes from Manila, Philippine Islands:

"I spent nearly two months in the south with blessed results. I had the privilege of helping Brother and Sister Gunder Olson and Brother and Sister Warren Denton. The Lord gave us several more fine young people for Bethel Bible Institute this year. We had a central meeting in Antique for a number of surrounding churches and the Lord gave us another Pentecost during that time.

"I flew to Cebu and then Sister Brengle and I went to the island of Leyte. Everywhere we went the crowds were large and the people hungry for God.

"We later went to Mindanao (the northern part) and had a meeting at Jemenez, where one of the graduates from Emmanuel Bible Institute is pastoring. The Lord stretched forth His hand in saving, healing power and people received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit almost as soon as their knees touched the floor at the altar. It was a wonderful sight."

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Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Spence write from British Honduras, Central America: "The section of Belize where the little Assembly of God mission is located was one of the roughest places in the city. The few decent people who lived in this section could not sleep over the weekends because of the marijuana addicts and rum drunkards. Our mission has brought a change to this community in the few months that it has been here, and the people are seeking God. A few nights ago we sat in the mission house and listened—from every direction we could hear gospel choruses ringing out from the yards of the little houses where only cursing and swearing were heard a few months ago. From one direction we heard, 'There's Power in the Blood'; from another, 'Keep Me Shining'; and from still another, 'I'm So Happy.' We lifted our heads and thanked God for the joy in the hearts of these people. The little chapel has made the difference! If a little chapel can do that for a community, what would be the influence of a church large enough to hold the people? Do pray that God will make it possible for us to erect a suitable church building."



This Assemblies of God church suffered damage amounting to \$2,500. The brother in the photo is standing in the flooded street.

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



The ceiling of the tent is in rags.

# China Assemblies Form New District Council

James Vigna, Hong Kong

## "Our Tent Is Rotting to Pieces"

Some time ago the Foreign Missions Department published a photo of the Chaai Wan gospel tent which at that time was in a pitiable state of disrepair. In fact, the tent even then was beyond reclamation.

We are surprised that no one has come to the aid of this courageous assembly of Chinese Pentecostal Christians. They are still worshipping in this tent, though it is hardly worthy to be called such by this time. So poor are these Christians that they are unable to scrape together enough money to erect even the simplest of church buildings.

A suitable chapel can be built for the small sum of \$500 U. S. money. These Chinese brothers and sisters at the present time are worshipping under a ceiling of rags. They must have a church building immediately. It would be an easy matter for our people to meet this need without delay. Who will answer this call for help?

Our missionaries are making an urgent appeal. They have sent to headquarters a poster in the Chinese language, which

一群饥饿的 人在风雨下敬拜上帝  
IS IT NOTHING TO YOU WHO PASS BY?  
你们一切过路的人哪，这  
事你们不介意麼？ 1:12P.

says, "The tent also opens its mouth to cry aloud to God" (see script above).

The required amount of money is \$500 U.S. currency. May we hear from you soon? The need is urgent!

Those desiring to answer this urgent appeal may send contributions marked "Chaai Wan Gospel Chapel," c/o the Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

—James Vigna

The First District Council meeting since the closing of the border between Hong Kong and the southern provinces of Red China, was held July 15 to 17, 1954, at Ecclesia Bible Institute, Shatin, New Territories.

Forty-one (41) workers and delegates registered, including missionaries of the American Assemblies of God and the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. They represented the work of a dozen assemblies in the Hong Kong-Macau area, as well as the Ecclesia Bible Institute. A number of visitors and E.B.I. graduates gathered in the Bible Institute chapel for the three-day conference.

The morning sessions were devoted to worship and the ministry of the Word, and the evening services were times of fellowship, testimony and waiting on the Lord for the fullness of the Holy Spirit. Many were the expressions of gratitude for the way God blessed His servants during this conference. To Him be all the glory and praise.

The afternoon sessions were given over to important business. The first order of business was the organizing of a new district to be known as the Hong Kong and Macau District of the China Assemblies of God. (This was necessary because of the closing of South China by the communists to our workers situated in the Hong Kong and Macau area.) It was unanimously decided that the newly formed district council should use the constitution and bylaws of the South China District insofar as they were applicable, making such amendments as were necessary. Following this, reports were received concerning the work throughout

the area including the progress of the various Sunday Schools.

During the second afternoon business session the following were elected as officers and members of the Executive Committee: J. R. Spence, Superintendent; J. Vigna, Assistant Superintendent; T. Ts'ai, Secretary; K. Kuan, Treasurer; T. Chung, I. Li, and J. Hsieh.

On the last afternoon of the conference other reports and business were taken up for the good of the work. When the final prayer was offered and the conference ended everyone present praised the Lord for His good hand upon His servants.

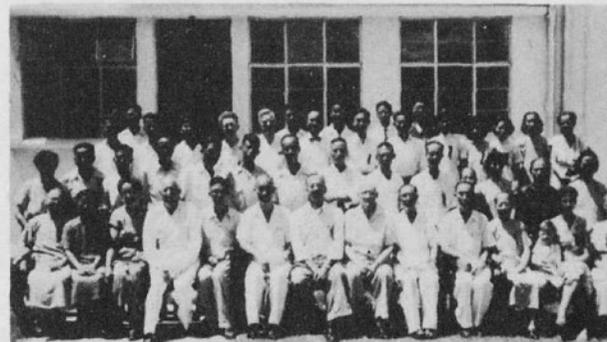
We ask the prayers of all God's people that this new effort for co-operative fellowship in this wide area shall indeed be blessed of God that His Word and work shall prosper as never before in the Far East. God keep us faithful in these, the last of the last days before our Lord returns for His own.

Thou hast tasted the living Water,  
And thy feverish thirst is gone.  
Thou art dwelling by the Fountain;  
Wilt thou quaff those draughts alone?  
Go and lift the sparkling chalice  
To the lips of grief and sin,  
Open channels in the desert,  
Let the tide of blessing in!

—C. Pennefather



ABOVE: The Hong Kong-Macau District Council officers. BELOW: Delegates to Hong Kong-Macau Conference.



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# SUNDAY'S LESSON

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

## CALEB'S REWARD

Lesson for September 12

Joshua 14:6-14

Joshua subdued the inhabitants of Canaan, bringing them into subjection to Israel. After the major enemies of Israel had been routed, the land was divided among the several tribes (ch. 13). When this division had been made, each several tribe of Israel became responsible for taking over and subduing the Canaanites which were yet within its particular border. When Joshua was "old and stricken in years" there was still "much land to be possessed" (ch. 13:1), and Judah proved unable to drive out the Jebusites of Jerusalem (ch. 15:63).

### 1. A RINGING TESTIMONY

a. *Caleb's Memory.* When Canaan was divided among the tribes of Israel, Caleb reminded Joshua that Moses had promised him a special heritage in Israel. Some of the hill country, which the ten spies had said Israel could not take, was to be given to Caleb "because he had another spirit," a spirit of faith (v. 6).

The promise which Caleb had remembered through the many years was, "But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land...; and his seed shall possess it" (Num. 14:24). It is well to remember the promises of God even when they are not immediately fulfilled. Caleb had been hindered, during all the years that Israel had wandered in the wilderness, through the unbelief of others; but his faith in the promise never grew dim. Some of the faithful in the Church may be hindered through the unbelief or coldness of others, but they should not become discouraged. If they are steadfast in faith, they will be rewarded.

b. *Caleb's Testimony.* When Caleb went before Joshua to claim his inheritance, he testified that when the doubting spies had declared it impossible to take the land he had "brought him word again as it was in mine heart." The Israelites were well able to take the land, he had asserted! God had kept him alive to see the day when his faith should be rewarded, and he felt as vigorous as he felt forty-five years earlier when he was a spy. During the years of wandering, there had been much to discourage even the most faithful. He had seen carcasses of doubting Israelites lying in the wilderness until all the doubting generation were gone. But here he was, fresh and full of

fervor, asking for the inheritance which Moses had promised him so long before (vv. 7-12).

### 2. A RENEWED REQUEST

a. *A Bold Request.* Caleb was now eighty-five years old, yet he did not ask for some well-developed part of the land; his request was, "Give me this mountain." This mountain had been the stronghold of the giant Anakims, which ten of the spies had said could not be taken. The cities were great and were protected by huge fences. Not all who are advanced in years have the physical vigor of Caleb, but many possess a spiritual fortitude which youth can obtain only through being an overcomer in the experiences of life. In his later years Paul referred to himself as "Paul the aged" (Philemon 6); though his physical strength had waned, his inspiring faith was not diminished.

b. *An Evidence of Faith.* Caleb had learned to put his dependence in the Lord, more than in any vigor which he might have in himself. His bold request was an evidence of this fact, for his testimony before Joshua was, "If so be the Lord will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them [the Anakims] out, as the Lord said." Human strength, apart from God, gets a person nowhere in spiritual things. It is when we are united with God in faith that victory is achieved against any foe.

### 3. A DESERVED REWARD

a. *Importance of the Reward.* Joshua "gave unto Caleb... Hebron for an inheritance" with his blessing. Hebron had been called Kirjath-arba by the Canaanites, who named it after Arba, a great man among the Anakims (ch. 14:15). This mountain city was at the time occupied by the three sons of Anak. These, together with their forces, had to be driven out (ch. 15:13, 14). Caleb had faith that in the midst of conflict God would be faithful to him. To the Canaanites Kirjath-arba was an eminent place. To the Jews this city was a sacred historical place, for it was at Hebron that Abraham had built an altar (Gen. 13:18); there Sarah had died and was buried (Genesis 23); Abraham had been buried there beside his wife (Gen. 25:8-10); and there Jacob was laid to rest when his pilgrimage was ended (Gen. 50:13).

b. *Extent of the Re-*

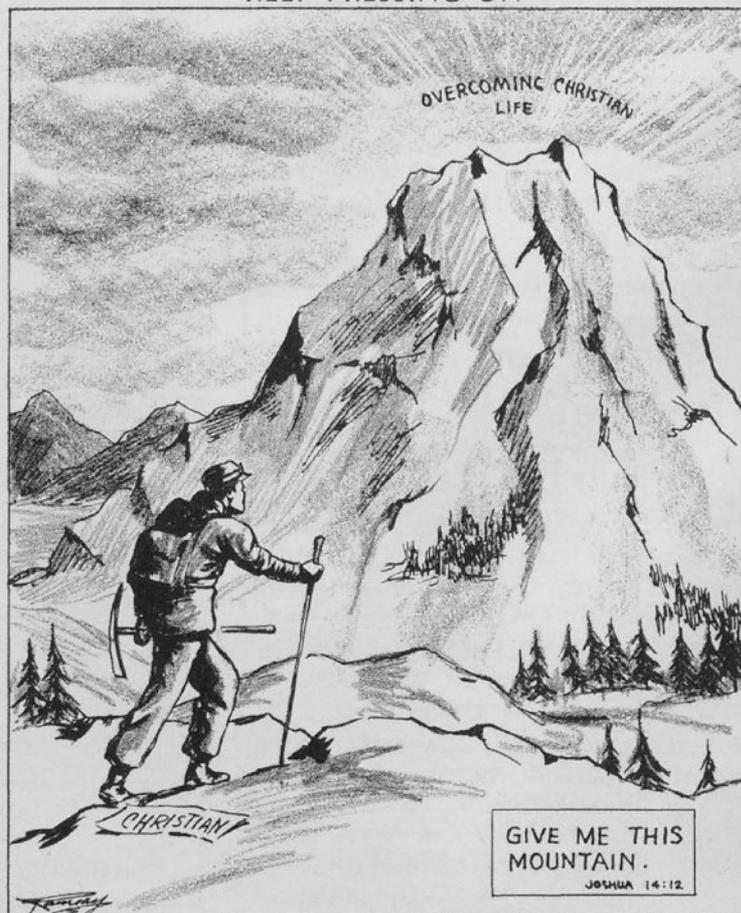
ward. The reward which Caleb received was to be inherited by his children as well (ch. 14:9). Included in the inheritance were both Kirjath-sepher and Kirjath-arba. Caleb's daughter was now grown and eligible for marriage. Since the inheritance was to be for his children as well as for himself, Caleb sought for a young man with faith and bravery enough to fight for it. He was not looking for one who would take his ease, enjoying the benefits of conflicts won by Caleb. His children had been promised these cities, but they must show themselves worthy of enjoying such a heritage. To the young man who would take Kirjath-sepher, Caleb promised to give his daughter.

c. *A Challenge to Us.* Othniel accepted the challenge. "And Othniel the son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb, took [the city]; and [Caleb] gave him Achsah his daughter to wife" (Joshua 15:17). Many of our Christian Calebs have gone to their reward, and others are nearing the time of their departure. Youthful Othniels are needed—men possessed with a fervent zeal and an active faith in God. Daughters like Achsah are needed—young women who will not be content with barren land, but who also wish for their inheritance spiritual water (ch. 15:18, 19). God is willing to pour His Spirit upon the dry and thirsty ground (Isa. 44:3), but we must desire Him enough to seek Him diligently.

### THIS WEEK'S LESSON

Joshua's Last Campaign (lesson for Sunday, September 5). Lesson text: Joshua 11:1; 4-8, 15, 16, 23.

### KEEP PRESSING ON



# SOMETHING NEW!

It's brand new, and it's designed especially for you. It's a Flip Chart to be used by Sunday School workers as they go from door to door in the Enlargement Campaign.

In previous years the National Sunday School Department has offered various supplies for Enlargement Month, such as gospel tracts, children's books, and other literature, but there has been a need for an item which would personalize the invitation and portray the local church and to those being visited. The Flip Chart does this.

In appearance, in art work, in design—it is very attractive in every way. And the best feature of the Chart is that it provides space where you can paste in the pictures of your own church building, your own Sunday School departments and classes, etc.

It can be adapted either to a large Sunday School or to a small one. It will tell its story to the lost in your community in a language they will understand. The cover is designed to draw immediate attention. It says in bold letters, "FOR YOU." As the worker turns the cover page, the easel-like Chart tells each member of the family, one after the other, "You are invited to our Sunday School." One page is reserved for a photograph of your local church. The men, the women, the boys, the girls—each group is represented on a separate page in the Flip Chart.

Page eight gives a summary of what we teach—that the Bible is God's Word, that there is one true God, that Jesus saves, heals, and is coming again for the Church, and that the Holy Spirit is poured out today upon believers as at the day of Pentecost. The last page of the Flip Chart says, "We believe the living Christ will impart peace to all who come to Him in faith." Thus the way is opened for the Sunday School worker to witness of the peace and satisfaction there is in knowing Jesus.

The Flip Chart, which sells for 60 cents, is a good investment for it can be used year after year. Each worker who has one will find that it gives him confidence as he approaches a new family. It will make it easier to invite the family to Sunday School and it will open the way for an effective gospel testimony. The Flip Charts can be obtained from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Missouri.

The National Sunday School Department has prepared several other new items for this year's Enlargement Campaign. Among them is a badge three inches in diameter, to be worn by each worker doing visitation work. It says,

The new Flip Chart, size 8¾ by 11½ inches, is just what a worker needs when he visits a new family to invite them to Sunday School.

Flip over the page and the picture of your church, mounted in the space that is provided, comes into view.

Another page of the Flip Chart will show a picture of some of the women in your Sunday School.

You will want to mount a picture of some of your Sunday School girls, too, to show that there is a class for everyone.

"Sunday School Is My Business," and has room for the name of the worker and his church on it.

A large, weather-resistant banner bearing the words, "Sunday School Is for You—Men, Women, Boys, Girls—We Have Classes for All Ages," is offered for display in front of your church, or on your Sunday School bus or some other prominent place. It is 3 by 8 feet in size. The price is only \$2.00 and the banner will be serviceable for some time.

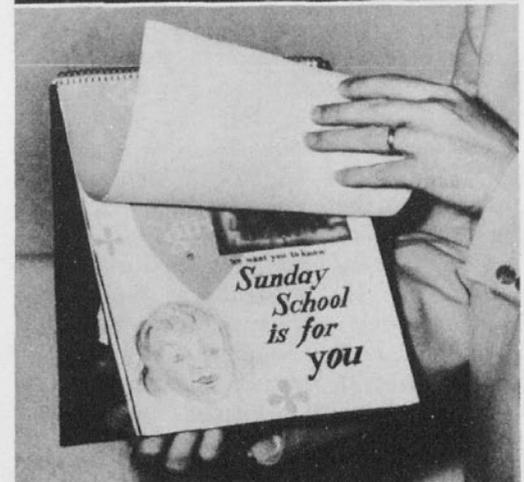
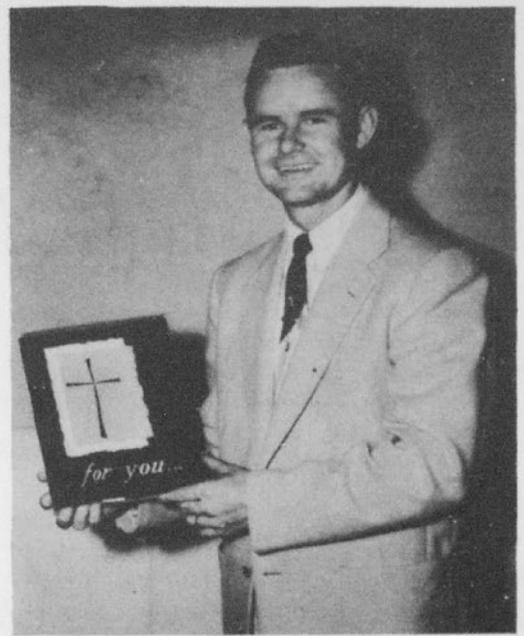
These are just a few of the many excellent items that are available to assist you in this year's Enlargement Campaign. The theme of the Campaign is, SUNDAY SCHOOL IS FOR YOU. There is a special tract for the boys—BOYS, SUNDAY SCHOOL IS FOR YOU. There is a special tract for the girls—and another for the men, and one for the women. For further information concerning the activities of Enlargement Month, write to the National Sunday School Department, 434 West Pacific St., Springfield 1, Missouri.

## FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH

Katar Singh, a Tibetan, was sentenced by the Lama of Tshingham, to death by torture for professing his faith in Christ. Sewn up in a heavy wet yak skin, he was exposed to the heat of the sun. The slow process of contraction of this death-trap is a most awful means of torture. At the close of the day the dying man asked to be allowed to write a parting message. It was as follows:

I give to Him, who gave to me my life,  
my all, His all to be;  
My debt to Him, how can I pay, though  
I may live to endless day?  
I ask not one, but thousand lives for Him  
and His own sacrifice:  
Oh, will I then not gladly die for Jesus'  
sake and ask not why?

This testimony, uttered in a moment of agony, did not go unfruitful, for one of the highest officials in the Lama's palace was gripped by the martyr's cry and confessed Christ that same night.



# Delivered From a Demon

A TRUE STORY BY FRANK W. DOLESHAL  
Assemblies of God Missionary to Chile

DAVID SLOWLY LIFTED HIS EYES FROM the Bible he was reading and looked toward heaven. An almost inaudible prayer escaped from his quivering lips: "I thank you, Jesus, for freeing me from that horrible demon that had me bound all those years."

For many years he had been tormented by this demon. He usually had two to five attacks daily. The demon would cause him to react in many strange manners. Sometimes when the attacks came upon him he would rush out of the house into the night. The whole family would have to follow him and bring him back, for if he wandered alone at night in this condition he might have fallen into the nearby river. Other times he would lose his memory and would wander over the hills and through the farmlands until his memory returned.

Sometimes he would just fall to the ground—from all appearances, dead. Other times he would have violent fits.

Suddenly one day David went insane and started to choke his sister. Two strong men seized him and tried in vain to tear his hands from her throat. They were unable to break his strong grip, for he was possessed with a superhuman strength. Then suddenly his grip relaxed and he took his hands off her throat—just in time to spare her life. Dumbfounded, he stood there looking at his sister. He looked at his hands, and then back at his sister. He then realized what he had been doing. He knew that some strong power had completely taken possession of his mind and body and had tried to make him kill his beloved sister.

People began to suggest that David be confined to an institution. His friends avoided him. Everyone was afraid of him. He was considered too dangerous to be left alone with children.

Oh how it grieved his family. But they finally resigned themselves to the belief that he must go through life under their watchful care. They felt sure that David would never be able to lead a normal life. He longed to be set free, but in the natural there was nothing that could be done for him.

One day the afflicted man heard some good news! He learned that the Assemblies of God missionary, who had been holding salvation-healing campaigns in various cities in southern Chile, was soon to come to his church. Perhaps, he thought, this would be his chance to be set free. He had heard that the Lord

had been healing the deaf, the dumb, the blind, and all those who were bound by Satan. If God healed in those other cities, surely He would heal here.

Finally the day arrived for the meetings to begin. David was there that afternoon. When the missionary preached, he said that Jesus is the same yesterday, and today, and forever. David believed it. "If Jesus healed when He was here in bodily form," the missionary continued, "then He will heal today, because He is still with us. Jesus Himself said, 'Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.'" And Jesus was there that afternoon!

This was wonderful news to David. Right before his eyes he saw the Lord heal several deaf people. A nine-year-old girl, who was born a deaf-mute, was delivered. Then prayer was offered for his own mother who had been deaf in one ear for more than forty years because of a destroyed ear drum. The Lord healed her in that very service.

By this time, David, who was standing in the healing line, knew that this was his hour of deliverance, too! The missionary laid his hands on the possessed man's head and, in the name of Jesus, commanded the afflicting demon to come out of him and never enter again to molest him. The demon left him.

The missionary then exhorted David to accept Christ into his heart and life, and to read his Bible and pray each day.

If David would do this, he said, the demon would not be able to enter him again. That was all there was to it. David walked off the platform, a healed man. That was several months ago. From that very instant his attacks ceased, and he has never had another since.

Now he is serving the Lord. Each day he reads his Bible and prays, thanking the Lord for setting him free. "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed."

## Missionary to Men in Overalls

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at Wheaton College which dealt with industrial religion.

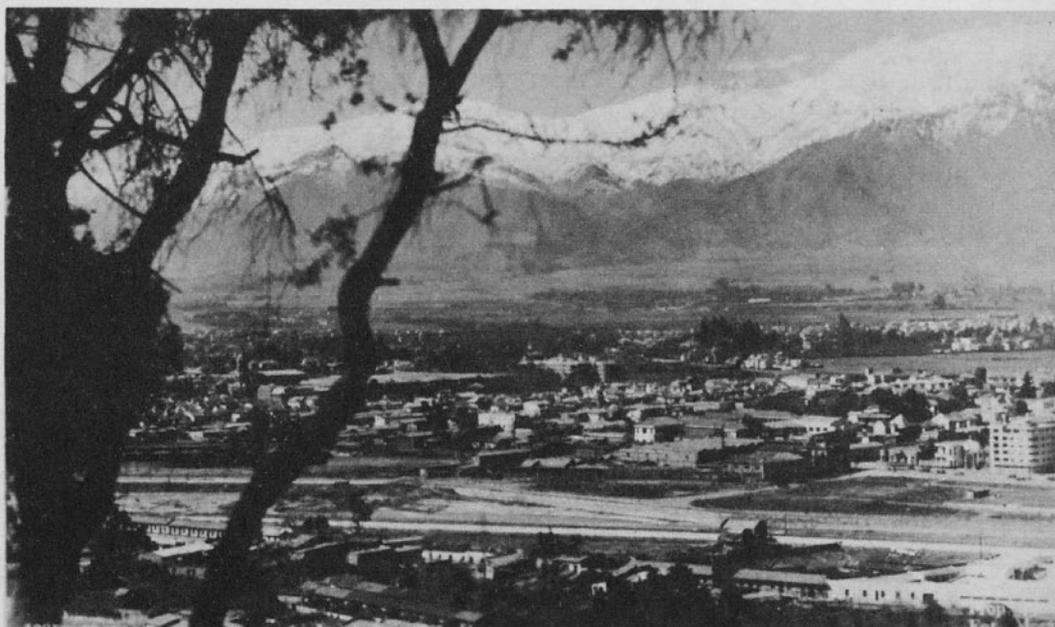
In 1947, Martin entered safety work for Mid-Continent. This widened his acquaintance among the workers.

Martin had approached the company with his idea for a counselor service shortly after his return at the end of 1945 from his service center work.

The idea needed time to germinate. It was a big step for a company to be "first" in a project of this type. That such a program must succeed was important. It could cause dissatisfaction, instead of serving to better employe relationship, if it failed.

Months passed without any decisive action on the part of the company.

Meanwhile, Martin would drop in at places where men were eating during the noon hour as part of his safety work, particularly in the car shops. Many knew he was an ordained minister and as a result the talks began to switch from safety to religion. They became question-



A view of Santiago, Chile, looking southeast from San Cristobal hill. The snow-covered Andes rise in the background. Brother Doleshal, author of the accompanying article, lives in Santiago when he is not conducting salvation-healing campaigns in other cities.

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and-answer forums. They started with two or three men.

As news of the meetings spread, the group increased to 10 or 12 men daily. There wasn't room for any more. The men then asked Martin to conduct regular Bible lessons during the noon hour.

Martin now felt he had something solid with which to go to management and ask for installation of the counselor service. The new service was inaugurated in May, 1948.

In January, 1952, the company announced the chaplain-counselor service with Martin as chaplain. At the same time Herbert Miller was named assistant counselor to serve the program.

The combination of the counseling-religious program has proved particularly effective at the Mid-Continent plant.

Like a compass, it has reached out in all directions. It has brought a closer understanding between worker and employer; man and his homelife; the citizen and his neighbors; and fellow worker with fellow worker.

Credit comes from applying the Christian principle in solving these problems. Credit lies in proving to the men that Christianity can be employed in everyday work problems.

## General Superintendent Speaks

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A Sunday School in Wyoming wrote that they had a 38% increase in attendance above the Sunday School enrollment. They had nearly seventy good prospect homes which were being followed up on their weekly visitation night. "We are now 'bulging at the seams' with packed-out facilities," they said. Wherever extra effort is put forth to reach the lost, results are forthcoming.

Our people are arising to the command of God's Word, "Go work today in my vineyard." They are anxious to follow in the footsteps of Christ who said, "My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work." "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work" (John 4:34; 9:4). What were Christ's works? "God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power; who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed with the devil; for God was with him" (Acts 10:38). "He went throughout every city

As a man understands Christianity, it leads to a better understanding of all those with whom the man associates, the program has shown.

These men all are mechanics, in a sense. They understand what precision machining means. They know what machine tolerances are.

In dealing with management, neighbors, family and fellow workers they learn that man is in some respects like a machine. Some are precision-machined. Some have lots of "tolerance."

Application of Christian principles, such as taught by Martin, enables the men to make allowances in their dealings for differences of way of life, education and mental ability.

Martin has spent 29 years with the Mid-Continent. He knows and understands the problems of plant workers.

### HEARS ALL PROBLEMS

The counseling service has broadened to where all types of problems of plant employes are brought to Martin.

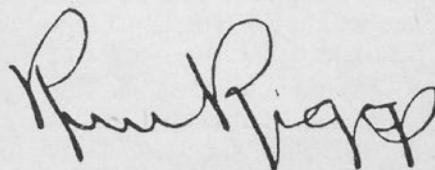
Grievances between employe and management, employe and employe, or the outside world all find their way to Martin's domain.

Martin doesn't believe he has reached his ultimate goal. He wants a small chapel for his men; one that will seat 150. It won't be a church in the formal sense. Perhaps there will be a small organ. There will be undenominational hymn books.

This is the accomplishment of a man who found that life actually began, for him, at 50.

and village, preaching and shewing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God" (Luke 8:1). This is the task before us. This is gospel work of the highest form: leading souls to Christ and establishing them in the faith. "Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus; whereunto I also labor, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily" (Col. 1:28, 29).

We would enlarge the place of our tent and include within its folds many, many boys and girls and men and women who are outside. At a time of the year when we are getting back to our labor as it touches the natural man, we would unitedly join in a great work of visitation evangelism. We dedicated ourselves anew to Christ's work, which has been commissioned to us. We go forth to labor for the Lord. We believe that this is one of the best ways of celebrating Labor Day.




## an affair of the heart

Are you moved at the plight of a poor family in your town, the old gentleman down the block, or the orphan in your children's school? No doubt you are. And no doubt our hundreds of thousands of Assemblies of God folk perform countless acts of kindness every day.

But did you know that as a national organization we also "have a heart"? That national "heart" is our Department of Benevolences. It is through this Department that we express our compassion to the very young and to the very old.

The Department of Benevolences administers through three divisions: the National Children's Home in Hot Springs, Arkansas; the Retirement Home for Aged Ministers and Missionaries at Pinellas Park, Florida; and the Old Age Assistance Fund for retired ministers.



Someone has suggested that these responsibilities are as much affairs of the conscience as affairs of the heart. Certainly the Scripture plainly teaches our responsibility to the aged and infirm, and to the orphans.

But where our mothers and fathers in the Lord are concerned—the faithful, aged ministers—and when unloved and needy children are involved, surely we are moved by love and compassion as much as by conscience and responsibility.

The Department of Benevolences depends on our constituency to support this ministry. Whether we are motivated more by compassion or by responsibility, let us demonstrate by our generous gifts that we have both big hearts and tender consciences!

To help meet the day-to-day needs of the Department of Benevolences, please send your gift now to:

**DEPARTMENT OF BENEVOLENCES**  
 434 West Pacific Street  
 Springfield 1, Missouri



Dorothy C. Haskin

### CIRCLES OR SPIRALS

Mary Jordan stood at the front door of her home in the small Midwest community and watched her oldest boy Ted hurry his little sister Alicia down the street. Off to school for another year!

Each year the first day of school brought mingled feelings to Mary. Relief, in that the house would be quiet for a few hours and that she would get something done. But sadness, too, because each time the children went to school they went farther and farther from her.

She walked slowly back into the kitchen and began gathering the dishes off the breakfast table, taking them to the sink. "Some day they'll graduate. They'll be through school. They'll have learned their lessons, while I, . . ." She glanced away from her work, out of the window. "Lord, don't I ever learn? It seems as if I go through the same lessons over and over again."

This past summer there had been the horrible polio scare when she had hugged her children close to her heart and prayed in frantic half-sentences. It seemed as if she had been more upset than the year before when the polio scare had hit the community. And there had been the night when her husband had helped a neighbor with his broken-down car without phoning her. She had prayed—that is, until the last half hour before Fred came home. That half hour she had worried. She wondered, "Lord, will I ever learn? I just seem to go in circles."

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Not only Mary Jordan, but also many other Christians feel as if they go in circles. Even as far back as the exodus of the children of Israel there were those who felt that they went in circles.

When they went out from Egypt, they were eleven days' journey from Kadesh-barnea, the entrance to the promised land. The first time they arrived at Kadesh-barnea was about the fifth month of the second year. There they received the discouraging reports from ten of the spies whom they sent into the promised land. They had not yet learned the lesson of faith, and so they continued wandering around in circles. The next time they reached Kadesh-barnea they were in the fortieth year of their journeying, but this time they went into the land of Canaan. They had learned the lesson of faith.

All of us have a Kadesh-barnea in our lives, a place where we have to learn to trust God regardless of the circumstances in our lives. All too often when we reach this place we pray to get out of it, instead of praying to learn the lesson of the place.

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Florence had recurring attacks of sinus. Each time they came, her cry was for healing that she might live for the glory of God. But God neither healed her nor showed her a way to be healed. Therefore, it was obvious that patience with sinus was the lesson she must learn to the glory of God.

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Patricia has the numb sorrow of being married to a man who is unresponsive to her interests. Once they separated. But while Patricia enjoyed the freedom, she knew it was not God's way. So they were reunited. And now when the marriage seems too confining, Patricia prays, "Teach me to live rightly within it." The marriage still lacks unity, but Patricia does face conditions with greater wisdom. Patricia has learned the lesson.

*We don't necessarily walk in circles. Christians walk in spirals. We keep meeting the problem time after time until we learn to face it in His peace and joy, and then we find ourselves at the top of the spiral.*

## Job or Vocation

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has a calling, but rather the attitude or purpose one has in fulfilling his tasks. Whether in window cleaning or worship, one can have the awareness of rendering appropriate service to God and man.

Imbued with a sense of vocation, work takes on new meaning. Instead of being hirelings who grudgingly do the labor demanded of us, we become sons who cooperate with our heavenly Father in confidence and trust. Our attitude is, "Unless God leads me to a different task, this present task is the work He has called me to do. I will therefore do it to the very best of my ability so that I will merit the approval not only of my employer but also of my heavenly Father."

The difference a sense of vocation makes is clearly seen in the old story of three men employed in a building project. When asked what they were doing, the first replied, "I am carrying cement"; the second answered, "We are laying a foundation"; and the third said, "We are building a cathedral." The third had the right idea.

The greatest obstacles to this conception of work as a vocation are generally thought to exist in the more mechanized and impersonal occupations which our in-

## If you have a SERVICEMAN stationed at . . .

Elmendorf AF Base, Anchorage, Alaska  
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dustrial age has created. Multitudes today must earn their daily bread in factory work, where a man or woman tends to be a mere cog in a vast impersonal machine. Typical is the assembly line in which a worker, for example, may do nothing else but tighten a bolt for eight hours a day, forty or more hours a week, and years on end. Not only are such jobs wholly mechanical and gripped by monotony, but they tend to become meaningless.

If Paul the apostle could exhort even the slave of his time to perform his tasks as a responsible Christian, it is certainly possible for the modern industrial worker to see that even his monotonous, mechanical contribution is significant and needs to be performed faithfully. The careless attaching of a nut or a bolt in an automobile or an airplane may spell the death of many persons. Such work faithfully done is no mean contribution to the common life of men in a complicated, technical era. Even in the midst of difficult conditions it remains the responsi-

bility of Christians to keep insisting that work, so far from being merely a means of making money, should express and enhance the dignity of man and be appreciated as a necessary contribution to the ongoing life. Let us heed the exhortation of Eph. 4:28: "Rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth."

## HEALED

If God has healed you recently, we invite you to write out your testimony for publication so that others who need healing will be encouraged to believe and receive the Lord's healing touch. Kindly make your testimony as brief as possible, and ask your pastor to sign it; then mail it to the Pentecostal Evangel, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo.

### HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE

For a number of years I suffered with high blood pressure. On Dec. 14, 1953, it was 224. The pressure in the back of my neck was very severe, and my arms were lame. My eyes, too, were affected, and I became very nervous and slept little at night. I had gone to the doctor, and my next appointment was for March 11, 1954.

I heard that Evangelist H. E. Hardt was coming to Orlando, Florida. During the campaign I attended practically every meeting. On March 10, as he prayed for

me, I felt the wonderful healing power of Christ flow through my body. I can truthfully say that with His stripes I am healed. My nerves are now so relaxed that I am able to sleep all night long.

When I kept my appointment with the doctor the next day, he was amazed to find that my blood pressure was down to 156. I give all praise to the Lord for His healing power.—Mrs. Harold W. Henning, 829 N. Thornton St., Orlando, Florida.

(Endorsed by John P. Hall, Pastor, Gospel Tabernacle, Winter Park, Fla.)

### VARIOUS AILMENTS

Last winter I was suffering from a kidney infection and severe headaches which had troubled me for several years. I was in so much pain that I could hardly do my work. Then I asked Roger Haas, pastor of the Assembly of God in Sparta, Wis., to pray for me. As he did, God touched me and completely healed me from that condition.

About four years ago I had a growth removed, but afterwards it returned. A year and a half later I returned to the doctor for treatments to relieve the condition, but my relief was only temporary. For several months I suffered from pain and nervousness and found it very difficult to sleep. On Sunday night, June 13, 1954, at a tent revival in Sparta, the evangelist asked those who were sick and wanted prayer to stand. I stood, and as I did so I felt the pain leaving. The Lord definitely healed me that night.

My granddaughter Darlene, who is ten years old, has had a bad heart condition ever since she was born. She has suffered from leakage of the heart, rheumatic heart, and enlargement of the heart. She has always been frail and sickly, unable to stand normal play or excitement. But when Brother Dahlberg prayed for her in December, 1953, God healed her. Immediately she began to grow and gain weight. She is much stronger now, and is able to play normally with other children. The heart medicine which she was taking is no longer necessary. We thank and praise God for His wonderful healing power.—Mrs. Asa Granger, Rt. 1, Wyeville, Wis.

(Endorsed by Peter Dahlberg, formerly pastor at Tomah Assembly of God, Tomah, Wis. and now an evangelist. His address is 315-11th St., Rapid City, S. Dak.)

### SHOULDER AILMENT

Last summer my left shoulder became stiff and the fingers of my left hand began to draw. Sharp pains shot through my left arm continually, and I found it very difficult to sleep.

Being a believer in Divine Healing, I did not rely on human help, but trusted God. After many tears and prayers were offered by the elders of the church and others, God healed my shoulder. Truly "men ought always to pray, and not to faint" (Luke 18:1).—R. J. Tunc, 833 Shaw St., Dallas 12, Tex.

(Endorsed by Sidney C. Landers, Pastor, Assembly of God, Palmer, Tex.)

### OTHER MINISTERS COMMENT

# Revivaltime

Batavia, Ohio

I have just listened to your broadcast and I plan to announce to my people next Sunday the time of your broadcast along with my recommendation for them to listen in.

Rev. G. T. Brown  
Pastor, St. Marks  
Methodist Church

England

I have listened to your broadcast over Radio Luxembourg and have greatly praised God for the wonderful message of salvation that goes forth. We want to know that we are praying and trusting that the Lord will save many precious souls through your radio ministry.

R. A. ...  
Pastor  
Baptist Church

Dallas, Ore.

We listen to your program and enjoy it very much. We have enclosed a small gift toward the work of your fine and spiritually enriching program.

W. L. Penner, Pastor  
Mennonite Brethren  
Church

E. Stroudsburg, Pa.

I want to write you this letter of appreciation for your radio program which are my favorite day night listening entertainment and inspiration. I am a regular listener. In my opinion, the Assemblies are doing a wonderful work in this radio enterprise.

Rev. Alex Crossum, Jr.  
Presbyterian Minister

La Crosse, Wisc.

You might be interested to know that at our annual Youth Fellowship Conference your program was discussed and everyone who had had the opportunity of hearing it agreed that it was the best. May God continue this wonderful ministry.

Bruce W. Renis  
Evangelical and  
Reformed Church

Recently I listened to your broadcast that set forth the love and warmth in the church. I would like a copy of the sermon.

Wesley W. Stinson  
Pastor, Congregational  
Covenant Church

I have listened to your sermons for several weeks and I want to say your messages are helpful and inspiring. We need more men to proclaim the gospel from the pulpit as you do.

Rev. D. N. Weiford  
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## BROKEN ARM

In May, 1952, when I was driving a well, our daughter fell into the pit. I caught her, but in doing so I broke my arm over the pump just above the wrist.

My wife drove the car 12 miles to the Assembly of God in Constantine. By the time we arrived my arm was swollen badly and I could not move my fingers. It pained me a great deal.

But, praise God, when Pastor Robert Monroe prayed, all pain left immediately. Then Brother Monroe rebuked the swelling in Jesus' name, and my arm became normal instantly. We give all the praise to Him who alone is worthy. I thank Him for this wonderful healing touch.—Merle Church, Union, Mich.

(Endorsed by Robert I. Monroe, Pastor Central Lake, Mich., pastor of the Constantine Assembly at the time of this healing.)

## RAISED FROM DEATHBED

I am 31 years of age, and only 3 feet, 11 inches tall. Prior to May, 1953, when God healed me, I had never known what it was to feel well. My parents took me from one doctor to another, hoping I would receive some relief; but no one seemed able to help. Pneumonia attacked my body nine times; it seemed I had no resistance to disease. I also had a very bad case of colitis, and for a number of years passed blood and pus.

My body was so weak that I had to be carried: I could not move myself. Prayer was offered for me in my home, but I did not seem to get relief. Finally I went to a hospital because of a severe kidney ailment. There I was given several blood transfusions, but steadily grew weaker until I was given up to die.

My aunt called Peter Dahlberg, who was then the Assembly of God pastor in Tomah, Wis. and he came to the hospital and prayed for me. God touched my body. I immediately felt better and was able to eat. I knew I was being healed, although the doctors still insisted that I would never be able to walk.

In a few days I was taken to a hospital nearer home and in a short time was released. Sores, which were thought to be cancerous, disappeared. The Lord completely healed my body and I was soon able to walk.

In my weakest condition I weighed only 22 pounds! I now weigh 85 pounds. I am able to do my work around the house, something I could never do before. I have no pain or sickness and have never felt better in my life. I am able to go to church now, too. No one knows how happy I am that God healed my body and saved my soul.

On Tuesday, June 1, 1954, I asked

prayer for my eyes at our prayer meeting, as it was necessary for me to wear strong glasses. My eyes were bothering me. I had an appointment with an eye specialist for the following Thursday. He was amazed after testing my eyes to find that I did not need glasses any longer. I can also see better with my eye that was blinded at two years of age when I fell on a top. I believe that God will heal that eye entirely. God has surely been wonderful to me.—Elsie J. Jameson, Rt. 1, Camp Douglas, Wis.

(Endorsed by Evangelist Peter Dahlberg, 315—11th St., Rapid City, S. Dak., who until recently was pastor at Tomah. He says this is the most remarkable healing he has ever witnessed. In regard to the statement that Sister Jameson weighed only 22 pounds, Brother Dahlberg cor-

roborates this with the comment that he had never seen anyone so emaciated as she was. He says that since the Lord healed her she gives a joyful testimony at every opportunity. Though she lives about ten miles from Tomah she attends the Assembly services as often as possible and also takes an active part in the Women's Missionary Council.)

Why do we find it so hard to trust God in the hard places? Possibly it is because we do not know Him well enough. We cannot neglect Him when we are in prosperity and still find that our faith is strong in time of adversity. We must have a living, vital, daily contact and communion with Him, and a feeding on His Word, if our faith is to grow.—Alice E. Luce.



## AS IT WAS IN THE DAYS OF NOAH

The Bible states in Luke 17:26 that "as it was in the days of Noe so shall it be also in the days of the Son of Man." They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark. Everywhere violence filled the earth. What a similarity there is between the days of Noah and the days in which we are living! Divorce and remarriage are more prevalent today than ever before in history. Never before has such violence filled the earth as wars grip the nations. Crime is everywhere rampant. Juvenile delinquency is steadily increasing until more and more of our young people are falling under its sway. Men's hearts are failing them for fear and suicides continue to mount in number. Liquor and drug consumption is at its peak. Communism and other ideologies are working day and night to destroy man's faith in God.

What's to be done? Noah was commanded to build an ark! We are commanded to "go into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in." Noah did his part! Are we doing ours?

The Sunday School Enlargement Campaign, to be conducted in October, makes it possible for everyone who is interested to participate in reaching men, women, boys, and girls for Christ. It is a fact that crime, immorality, and vice are every-

where prevalent. But Christ is the answer! Many of these people have never been in Sunday School. It is very possible that a visit from you may be the means of saving some individual from being a menace to society.

There is great potential in an Enlargement Campaign. Perhaps your visit may be the means of finding a new Wesley, Finney, or Moody. Only the Heavenly Father knows of the benefit that may be derived if your Sunday School conducts an Enlargement Campaign.

We encourage every Assembly of God Sunday School to conduct a campaign this year. Pastor, start planning now. Fellow Christian workers, support your pastor with your prayers and unite your efforts to evangelize your community for Christ. The National Sunday School Department will be happy to assist in any way possible to insure that your campaign will prove successful. Write for information today.

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# THE STRANGE CLOUD OVER KOKURA

Paul Harvey, in a radio broadcast, told a remarkable story from World War II.

"It was out there somewhere from an island named Guam," he said, "that one of our then mightiest bombers took off—a B-29. Another swift, deadly arrow of destruction was on its way—the target, Japan. The sleek bomber turned in a lazy arc above the cloud that shrouded the target for half an hour—three quarters of an hour—fifty-five minutes—until the gas supply would not stand for more of this. It seemed a shame to be right over the primary target of Kokura and then pass it up, but there was no choice. That strange cloud, almost like an omen, said, 'This city must be spared.' With one more puzzled look back, the crew headed for the secondary target. The sky was clear—'bombs away!' and the B-29 high-tailed it for home.

"Weeks later Major Sweeney received information from military intelligence which made his blood run cold. Those allied prisoners of war, thousands of them, the biggest concentration of imprisoned Americans in enemy hands, had been moved on August 1 to a town named Kokura.

"Thank God," breathed the skipper, "thank God for that cloud."

"Yes, the city which was hidden from our bomber that August 8 was a prison camp and thousands of Americans are now alive who would have died but for that unexplained cloud which rolled in from a sunlit sea. You see, the secondary target that day was Nagasaki, and the missile intended for Kokura was the world's second atomic bomb."

## COMING MEETINGS

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

**WORTHINGTON, MINN.**—Aug. 31—Sept. 12; Evangelist Oliver Johnson. (H. H. Rohde is Pastor.)

**THOMAS, OKLA.**—Sept. 19—Oct. 3; Evangelist Erling Saxelid, Ceres, Calif. (Lee Gleason is Pastor.)

**GEARY, OKLA.**—Tent meeting, Aug. 29—Sept. 12; Evangelist F. C. Cornell, Baxter Springs, Kans.—by Matt Goss, Pastor.

**O'NEILL, NEBR.**—Tent meeting, Aug. 26—Sept. 12; Evangelist A. M. Alber, Sioux City, Iowa.—by Wayne Hall, Pastor.

**VIRGINIA, MINN.**—Sept. 26—Oct. 10 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Billy J. Tims, Slayton, Minn. (D. K. Wiley is Pastor.)

**LARAMIE, WYO.**—First Assembly of God, Sept. 5—; Evangelist and Mrs. Paul R. McGeachie, Dumas, Tex.—by L. C. Sloan, Pastor.

**ALLENTOWN, PA.**—Emmanuel Home Mission, 836 Union St., Sept. 12—19; Evangelist and Mrs. A. Reynold Kennedy of Texas.—by Robert S. Beisel, Pastor.

**ST. PAUL, MINN.**—Summit Avenue Assembly of God, Sept. 12—16; Sunshine Party. (Wilbur Weides is Pastor.)

**HOUSTON, TEX.**—Nirhill Assembly, Sept. 12—26; Evangelist E. R. Winter, Albuquerque, N. Mex. (O. N. Pettey is Pastor.)

**NIXA, MO.**—Tent meeting, Sept. 7—; Evangelist Al Reid and Party, Springfield, Mo.—by Dan Woodall, Pastor.

**SALEM, ARK.**—Sept. 5—19; Evangelist and Mrs. R. Von Kemp, Russellville, Ark.—by Mrs. Glenna Byard, Pastor.

**DOVER, PA.**—Rohlers Pentecostal Tabernacle, Sept. 7—19; Evangelist A. D. Skymmer, Haddon Heights, N. J. (Bernard Crone is Pastor.)

**ALTON, N. Y.**—Gospel Tabernacle, Sept. 19—26; Evangelist Louise Nankivell, Chicago, Ill.—by Stanton Virts, Pastor.

**BUCKLIN, MO.**—Aug. 29—; Evangelist and Mrs. Carl W. Oney, Pleasant Hill, Mo. (Clifford E. Gannon is Pastor.)

**DAYTON, OHIO**—Central Assembly of God, 1420 E. 4th St., Sept. 5—19; Evangelist and Mrs. Gaylord Kindschy. Neighboring Assemblies invited.—by I. W. Phillips, Pastor.

**HANFORD, CALIF.**—Glad Tidings Assembly of God, Cor. of Irwin and Myrtle Sts., Sept. 5—; Evangelist and Mrs. H. J. Keener, Delano, Calif.—by Gene Forrest, Pastor.

(Near) **NAPONEE, NEBR.**—Pleasant Green Assembly (5 miles south of Naponee), Aug. 31—Sept. 14; Anspaugh Chordmakers, Naponee, Nebr. (M. M. Anspaugh is Pastor.)

**NEW YORK STATE C. A. RALLY**—Labor Day, Sept. 6; Joseph R. Flower, District Superintendent, speaking at 10:30 a.m. C. M. Ward. **REVIVALTIME** evangelist, speaking at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.—by Leon L. Miles, District C. A. President.

**BARTLESVILLE, OKLA.**—Tent meeting, Cor. Katherine and Iowa Sts., Aug. 29—; Evangelists Bud Chambers and Otho Allen. (Tommy C. Anderson is Pastor.)

**MILWAUKEE, WIS.**—Lakeside Assembly of God, 2409 E. Park Pl., Aug. 29—Sept. 19; Evangelist John McDuff, Texas City, Tex.—by David M. Carlson, Pastor.

**READING, MICH.**—Bethany Chapel Assembly of God, Aug. 29—Sept. 5; Evangelist and Mrs. Norman Pearsall, Plymouth, Mich.—by Alton C. Smith, Pastor.

**THIEF RIVER FALLS, MINN.**—Sept. 8—; Evangelist J. F. Pepper. (Robert Abbott is Pastor.)

**MILBANK, S. DAK.**—Assembly of God, Sept. 5—19; Evangelist Bonetta C. Rabe, Norwalk, Calif.—by W. H. Ross, Pastor.

**BILOXI, MISS.**—Oak Street Assembly of God, Sept. 6—; Evangelist L. D. Wells Jr. (W. S. Ramby is Pastor.)

**HARVEY, ILL.**—Calvary Temple, 153 and Loomis Sts., Sept. 5—19; Evangelist Bob L. Sheran.—by W. J. Sawyers, Pastor.

**BRIGHTON, COLO.**—Assembly of God, Sept. 7—; Evangelist and Mrs. E. H. Sherratt, Oakland, Calif. (David Elliot is Pastor.)

**TORONTO, CANADA**—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Sept. 5—26; Evangelist J. Haskell Woodriddle, Jacksonville, Fla.—by H. R. Pannabecker, Pastor.

**REED CITY, MICH.**—Assembly of God Tabernacle, 602 W. Upton Ave., Sept. 7—19; Evangelist and Mrs. Donald McPherson.—by T. B. Thodeson, Pastor.

**BUTTE, MONT.**—Assembly of God, 2055 Florence Ave., Sept. 7—26; Evangelists Ross and Ivema Lamb.—by Elmer M. Trygg, Pastor.

**RAWLINS, WYO.**—Beginning first week of Sept.; Evangelist Kathleen Briggs, Hot Springs, Ark.—by Murray W. McLces, Pastor.

**DEFIANCE, OHIO**—Aug. 29—Sept. 12 or longer; Dr. Jonas E. Miller, Sarasota, Fla.—by A. W. Lawrence, Pastor.

**MARYSVILLE, WASH.**—Children's revival, Sept. 14—19; Evangelists Virgil and Edythe Warens.—by John Westman, Pastor.

**OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.**—Faith Tabernacle, Sept. 12—26; Evangelist Stanley P. MacPherson.—by S. J. Scott, Pastor.

**SCRANTON, PA.**—Pentecostal Assembly of God, 825 Green Ridge St., Sept. 7—19; Evangelists Robert and Lillian Watters.—by F. F. Reidenbach, Pastor.

**CRANE, TEX.**—Assembly of God, Aug. 29—Sept. 12 or longer; Evangelist W. A. Vanzant, Carlsbad, N. Mex.—by W. O. Harrell, Pastor.

**OAKLAND, CALIF.**—Grace Church, Aug. 29—; Evangelist Gene Perrault, Houston, Tex. (W. Lowell Hooper is Pastor.)

**BELLWOOD, PA.**—Pentecostal Full Gospel Tabernacle, Sept. 8—19; Evangelist and Mrs. J. Earl Douglass, Fallen Timber, Pa.—by Nora M. Verbonitz, Pastor.

**TIGARD, OREG.**—Assembly of God, Sept. 5—19; Evangelists Johnny and Ruth Hoskins, Portland, Oreg. (Lloyd Fosner is Pastor.)

**SPARTANBURG, S. C.**—First Assembly of God, Aug. 29—Sept. 19; Evangelists Smith and Rogers.—by K. L. Claycomb, Pastor.

**BECKLEY, W. VA.**—First Assembly of God, Sept. 15—; Evangelist Byron Lee Wright and Musician Paul Myers, Dayton, Ky.—by T. M. Waldron, Pastor.

**VALPARAISO, IND.**—Assembly of God, 805 Jefferson St., Aug. 31—Sept. 12; Evangelist and Mrs. William Moorman.—by Wilson W. Shabaz, Pastor.

**CRESCO, IOWA**—Assembly of God, Sept. 19—; Evangelists H. Ivan and Helen Ryan, Palmyra, Mo. (H. E. Higbee is Pastor.)

**BRADY, TEX.**—First Assembly of God, Sept. 10—; Evangelist Quentin Edwards, Garland, Tex. (C. H. Clark is Pastor.)

**AKRON, OHIO**—Bethel Assembly of God, 4th Ave. and Chittenden St., Sept. 12—; Evangelist Hattie P. Hammond, Hagerstown, Md.—by Ray S. Armstrong, Pastor.

**MEAFORD, ONT., CANADA**—Pentecostal Church, Sept. 12—Oct. 3; Evangelist and Mrs. W. W. Wright, Houston, Tex. (Lawrence E. Talbot is Pastor.)

**VALLEY GROVE, W. VA.**—Valley Grove Assembly of God, National Rd., Rt. 40, Sept. 5—19; Evangelist William Schell.—by Howard H. Fritz, Pastor.

**GRAND FORKS, N. DAK.**—Assembly of God, Sept. 1—12; Evangelist and Mrs. Christian Hild, Fargo, N. Dak.—by Clarence J. Larson, Pastor.

**AULANDER, N. C.**—Ebenezer Assembly of God, on Windsor-Aulander Highway, Sept. 14—26; Evangelist and Mrs. W. F. Voodre, Durant, Fla. (Raymond Hoggard is Pastor.)

**COLUMBIA, S. C.**—First Assembly of God, 14th and Richland Ave., Sept. 12—26; Evangelists Joe and Berry Calabrese, Kansas City, Mo. (J. C. Hunnicutt is Pastor.)

**CHIETOPA, KANS.**—Annual homecoming, Sept. 4—6; Speakers: V. G. Greisen, District Superintendent; Claud J. Utley, Topeka, Kans.; Evangelist L. J. Hollis; Blanche Buttram, Carthage, Mo.; George Hanley, Carl Junction, Mo.; J. E. Winsted, L. R. Brasier, and Harold L. Duncan.—by John R. Vest, Pastor.

## GENERAL COUNCIL

**OKLAHOMA CITY**—Biennial General Council of the Assemblies of God will be held next year, Sept. 1—6, in the Municipal Auditorium, Oklahoma City, Okla., beginning with Thursday night rally.

## ANOTHER PIONEER MINISTER CALLED HOME TO HEAVEN

George M. Patterson, 73, of Tulsa, was called home to heaven on June 25, 1954, after a long illness. Funeral services were held in the Assembly of God at Broken Arrow, Okla. where Brother Patterson was pastor thirty years ago. The present pastor, James Dodd, officiated.

Brother Patterson was ordained to the ministry in 1911 and became affiliated with the General Council of the Assemblies of God in August 1914. He pastored churches in Missouri, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Kansas prior to his retirement in 1948. He and his wife, Alice Lee, observed their 51st wedding anniversary last November.

He is survived by three sons, a daughter, and by his wife who lives at 1120½ South St. Louis in Tulsa, Okla. Sister Patterson is not well and needs prayer.



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