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Across the fertile rolling hills, melodic church bells ring...
reminding men that all good gifts come from our heavenly King.

PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

"Pray for Peace" Imprint

The House Post Office Committee unanimously approved a bill to provide that United States mail be stamped, "Pray for Peace."

Negro Church Members

Of the 14,000,000 Negroes in the United States, it has been estimated that 8,300,000 belong to some Christian church, and 8,000,000 are Protestants.

Long Live Israel!

Despite the adverse conditions in Israel, the life expectancy of the Jews living there is among the highest in the world—67.3 years for men, 70.1 for women. (Comparative figures for the U. S. are 65.5 years for white males and 71.0 years for females.)

Veterans Day, Nov. 11

President Eisenhower has signed a bill which changes Armistice Day to Veterans Day. Heretofore, November 11 commemorated the signing of the armistice which brought an end to World War I. In future the day will honor those who have served in the armed forces in all the nation's wars.

Israel's Population Growing

Immigration into Israel from all countries now is almost negligible, and yet population keeps growing due to a high birth rate. Only 11,800 immigrants came to Israel in 1953 and the numbers decreased considerably this year. Only 3,000 arrived in the first five months of 1954. But there are 30,000 births a year, indicating that the Jews today, as in Bible times, are a fruitful nation. God said, "I will multiply them, and they shall not be few" (Jer. 30:19).

Incurables Killed in Czechoslovakia

Radio Free Europe charged that Czechoslovakia's Communist government has been killing the incurably ill and insane for more than two years. The American-sponsored radio quoted "independent and reliable sources." Hospitals and insane asylums are screened constantly, it said, and patients considered beyond hope of recovery are removed and put to death at special euthanasia stations. "In no cases," it added, "are relatives consulted prior to application of 'mercy' killings."

Aramaic Dialect Dying

The Aramaic dialect that was spoken by Jesus and His disciples is almost extinct. Only tiny Malloula, Syria, and two nearby villages still cling to it.

Religious Groups Benefited By New Tax Law

Not only does the new tax bill raise from 20 per cent to 30 per cent the amount a taxpayer may deduct from his income by reason of donations to churches, schools, and hospitals. It also benefits religious groups in several other ways. For example, it offers special concessions to those who give away 90 per cent of their income over a period of years. It also provides for a rental allowance for clergymen. Ministers who are not provided with a residence or living quarters by the church group they serve, will now be able to deduct the cost of such housing from their income tax.

Counting the Returns

The Knights of Columbus have counted up the returns from their doctrinal advertising and at the annual meeting of their Supreme Council in Louisville, Ky. they announced the total. They received 310,000 requests for information about Roman Catholicism during the past year, as a result of the nation-wide advertising program. There were 40,376 actual enrollments for religious instruction by mail.

Since the start of the K. of C. advertising program in February 1948, a total of 1,606,855 inquiries have been received and 157,658 have been enrolled for instruction. These Roman Catholic laymen are convinced that newspaper advertising pays.

"Bread From Heaven"

Two young men were surprised to find a leather-bound Bible, slightly fire-scarred, in a lonely hut in a remote part of Colombia, South America. They asked the ragged owner of the Book how long he had possessed it.

"About three years now," was the answer. "But I've never really been able to understand it."

Whereupon the young men, who were Bible school students, began to show him the way of salvation.

After leading the man to Christ, they asked where he got the Bible. "Surely it didn't just drop out of nowhere," they said.

"As a matter of fact, you might say it did," he replied. "About three years ago an airplane crashed near here, and I got to the wreckage before the rescuers did. One of the dead men had a brief case. I brought it home and found the Book inside, and have wanted someone to explain it to me ever since."

Reverently they opened the flyleaf to discover that the Bible had belonged to Julius Hickerson, a young missionary who had been killed in a plane accident within months of arriving in Colombia. They immediately wrote his widow, telling her that a new soul had entered the Kingdom because of that very Book.

Queen Elizabeth Is Criticized

Queen Elizabeth II was sharply criticized by the Free Church of Scotland for making a donation toward the rebuilding of a Roman Catholic cathedral. The widely publicized donation by the royal family was said to be "without precedent in the realm since the Reformation," and was viewed with alarm due to the fact that "in the coronation the Queen solemnly undertook to pledge herself to uphold the Protestant faith."

Liquor Bills Pigeonholed

The House and Senate committees which held hearings on bills to ban liquor advertising in interstate commerce decided to pigeonhole the measures. Evidently sentiment in Congress was not favorable to passage of so sweeping a measure, despite the fact that many letters and petitions were received in support of it.

Throughout the 1954 session, mail on the Bryson bill was heavier than on any other measure on the Congressional calendar, according to House members. Many said they received 2,000 or more individual letters from their districts.

President Proclaims Sept. 22 As Day of Prayer

President Eisenhower has proclaimed Wednesday, Sept. 22, as a national day of prayer for peace. His proclamation is as follows:

"Whereas Americans of every generation have sought and found in Almighty God help and guidance in their personal and national problems, and whereas it is fitting that all Americans should unite in prayer on one day of each year in reaffirmation of their reliance upon divine support, and our faith in the power of prayer, now therefore, I, Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States, do proclaim Wednesday, September 22, as a national day of prayer when all of us may give thanks for blessings received and beseech God to strengthen us in our efforts toward a peaceful world."

A Call to True Worship

Evangelist Lee Krupnick, Tulsa, Okla.

"But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him" (John 4:23).

THE WORD "WORSHIP" IS COMMONLY used in a very loose and unscriptural manner. We speak of any service on the Lord's Day, whether morning or evening, as "public worship," but there is a great deal in it that is not worship. Reading the Bible is not worship. It may lead to worship, but it is not worship. Listening to a sermon is not worship; praying is not necessarily worship. It may (and should) be accompanied by worship, but it is not worship. Singing is not necessarily worship; there are hymns which if sung intelligently and in the proper spirit would be worship, but there are comparatively few songs of pure worship in the hymns used today.

Worship is a definite act of the soul bowing before God in adoring admiration. The root of the Hebrew word translated "worship" in the Old Testament means "to bow down." It has been well said, "In prayer we are occupied with our needs; in thanksgiving we are occupied with our blessings; in worship we are occupied with God Himself." We should worship the Lord our God and Him alone. "Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve" (Matt. 4:10). We may admire men, but we must worship God alone. No holy man, saint, angel, nor statue should be worshiped.

We should worship Jesus Christ, for He is the Lord our God. "God also hath highly exalted him, . . . that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Phil. 2:10, 11).

We owe love to man, and obedience to parents, but worship to God. Our first duty is to Him. He is the all-holy, all-wise almighty, infinite, all-perfect One, and our rightful attitude toward Him is that of bowing before Him in admiration of His infinite loveliness and glory. If we do not worship God, we are robbing Him of what is His due. "Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness" (Psa. 29:2).

We must give God what is His due by wholehearted worship. It is not enough that we obey Him, that we pray to Him, that we return thanks to Him, that we seek to serve Him and do His will. We must worship Him. God is seeking for men and women who will worship Him.

How much time do we spend daily in pure and simple worship, in bowing before Him in silent and adoring admiration? The one thing above all else God desires of men is worship. God desires obedience of men; He desires service; He desires prayer; He desires praise and thanksgiving; but His supreme desire from men is worship. It has been said that we are saved that we may serve. This is true, but still more true is the fact that we are saved that we may worship. The whole work of redemption finds its culmination and completion of a body of men and women being found and fitted to worship God.

We should worship on the ground of the shed blood of Jesus, because there is no approach to God in any other way. "Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, . . . let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith" (Heb. 10:19). "If the blood of bulls and of goats" availed for worshipers in Old Testament days, "how much more shall

the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God . . . ?" Heb. 9:7, 14.

We should "worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh" (Phil. 3:3). "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24). The only worship which is acceptable to God is the worship which the Holy Spirit inspires. Not all worship of God is in the Spirit. Very much is of man himself, in the power of his own spirit—just fleshly enthusiasm. The flesh seems to intrude into every sphere of life, even the highest and most sacred. Men seek to do things toward God in order to win blessing or credit for themselves; and thus often it is done in their own strength. But this worship, though it be from a very earnest and sincere heart, is not acceptable. It is not what God is seeking. With a realization of our own utter helplessness, we should ask the Holy Spirit to lead us in our worship of God. Before we can be true worshipers, the Holy Spirit must present God to our mind and our heart for our admiration. As we look to Him, He will subdue and awe our hearts before the Lord in true adoration.

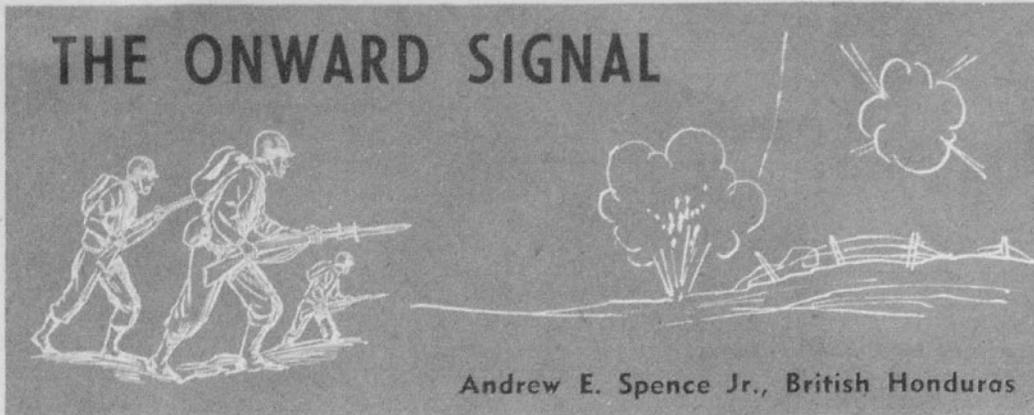
We should worship God, not in mere form or profession or pretense, but in reality. There is much worship that is not real; the head bows, the body is prostrated, but the soul does not bow in true adoration before God. The Holy Spirit leads us to worship God in truth. When there is true worship, the Father is satisfied; He has found what He seeks.

The worshiper finds satisfaction in true worship, because it is his highest joy. David found it his greatest joy. He said: "One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple" (Psa. 27:4). There is no higher, deeper, or purer joy than that which springs from having intimate fellowship with God Himself. I have walked miles and climbed through underbrush and briars, over crags and precipice, just to get some beautiful view; and as I have looked out upon it and feasted upon the never-to-be-forgotten scene of mountain and valley, forest and river, village and hamlet, cloud and sun-

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THE ONWARD SIGNAL



Andrew E. Spence Jr., British Honduras

DAVID HAD JUST FOUGHT THE PHILISTINES in the valley of Rephaim and had gained a signal victory so that he could say, "The Lord hath broken forth upon mine enemies before me, as the breach of waters" (2 Sam. 5:20). The Philistines had come up in great hordes, and had brought their gods before them, that they might feel quite sure of victory. However, by the help of God, David easily put them to rout, burned their images in the fire, and obtained a glorious victory over them.

In spite of this first victory, when the Philistines came a second time against David he would not go to fight them without enquiring of the Lord. Once he had been victorious. He might have said, "I shall be victorious again. I may be sure that if I have triumphed once I shall triumph again. Why should I go and seek the Lord?" Not so with David! He had gained one victory by the strength of the Lord; he would not venture upon another campaign in the valley of Rephaim until the Lord had assured him of victory. He asked the Lord, "Shall I go up against them?" He was informed that he was not to march against them immediately, but to encamp so as to surprise them at the mulberry trees. "And let it be, when thou hearest the sound of a going in the top of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself; for then shall the Lord go out before thee, to smite the host of the Philistines" (2 Sam. 5:24).

This man of God did not demur a single moment to the mandate of God. He was bidden to wait until he could hear the sound in the tops of the mulberry trees before he went to fight. What an un-military strategy! Yet there was no ill haste to rush into the battle at once. "I will not lift my spear nor my hand till God has bidden me to do it, lest I should go to war at my own charges, and lose all I have obtained," was his attitude.

The ONWARD SIGNAL finally came. David began to hear a rustling—the footsteps of angels walking along the tops of the mulberry trees. God's cherubim, led by the Captain of his salvation, were going with him. David knew that vic-

tory was near. The great unseen Captain led David to a mighty triumph.

We are living in an age when the tyrannical forces of the underworld have mobilized under the leadership of the devil and are stalking this earth, seeking whom they may devour. The world today is covered with a blanket of bloodshed, sin, tyranny, oppression, and tears. With outstretched hands men plead for a solution to their predicament. The answer is in Christian missions.

Missions is the proclamation of the gospel everywhere according to the command of Christ. The word *mission* is derived from the Latin word *mitto*, the equivalent of the Greek word *apostello*, meaning, "I send." The instant we become adherents to the Christian faith and follow Christ in apostleship, we become a "sent one" or a "missionary." We may enter into this ministry by presenting ourselves, or by praying, or by sending others. Those who tarry "by the stuff" will receive the same reward as those who go down to battle (1 Sam. 30:24).

"As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you," Jesus said (John 20:21). Since the word *Christian* means "Christ-like," we are compelled to be missionaries, soul-winners, heralds of the Truth, if we follow Him. Jesus left heaven for one purpose: He was a Missionary sent to earth to seek and to save that which was lost (Luke 19:10). He was a home missionary in the house of Lazarus; a foreign missionary when He ministered to the Greeks; a city missionary when He taught in Samaria; a Sunday School missionary when He taught on the Sabbath by opening the Scriptures and charging men to study the Word of God; a children's missionary when He took them in His arms and blessed them; a missionary to the poor when He opened the eyes of the blind beggar; a missionary to the rich when He opened the spiritual eyes of Zacchaeus; a missionary on the cross when He drew the thief to Himself. His last great commission was a missionary commission: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

There are more than 2,400,000,000

people in the world, and half of them have never once heard the gospel. Two-fifths of the world's population is under the direct domination of Communism, while other huge populations are considerably influenced. If the people of China were to march past a given point four abreast, the line would never cease—yet there are 250,000,000 of them still uncivilized, and the door is closed to foreign missionaries, except for the Hong Kong area and Formosa.

Ninety per cent of India's and Pakistan's population receive only thirty per cent of the total missionary effort in those countries. In other words, there is one missionary to every 313,000 souls for the interior population of over 390,000,000. Whole Indian tribes of South America are fast being annihilated by the white man's diseases, without once having heard the gospel. There are not more than twenty-two thousand active Protestant foreign missionaries in the world. This is a tragically poor output of over 190,000,000 Protestants. With the population of the world increasing at the rate of 109,000 a day, it is time that we were hearing the ONWARD SIGNAL of the sound of a going in the mulberry trees.

In no sense is the missionary enterprise a phase of Christianity—it is Christianity itself! Someone has said, "What

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Disposing of Care

F. Helen Jarvis

"Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you" (1 Peter 5:7).

WHAT ASSURANCE THESE WORDS BRING to the heavily burdened and weary of heart! A simple transaction of faith, and the burden can be lifted.

"Casting" in the original is a word that means to throw with a quick movement. Rereading the verse, we might say, "tossing, or even DUMPING, our cares upon Him"—no clinging to the distress or worry that presses upon us, but just a quick giving of it all into the hands of Jesus. So many of us are prone to make a mantle of our troubles, wrapping it around ourselves and seeking some lonely corner to sit in and brood. Beloved, it will not work. Moreover, it is not God's way out for us. We must as in the words of the chorus: "Roll off your burdens on Jesus NOW." The next time a trial comes casting its shadow of gloom your way, without delay try tossing or dumping it all on Jesus.

What is more, we may cast on Him not only one care, but ALL our cares—that is what the verse says. Many of us have laid many cares and problems in His hand, but when some particular trial comes along, we want to treasure it up to ourselves. Friends, did you ever stop to think that it is really a temptation to want to keep certain of our griefs and make pets of them? Or to cling to them as long as we possibly can, finally in a sort of desperation releasing our hold only as we find that victory will not come unless we resign it all to Jesus?

After all, how foolish it is of us not to rise in faith and put our care and griefs on Him! We all know that even in the natural there comes a peculiar relief of spirit when we have told our difficulties to a trusted friend. How much more blessed it should be do "dump" our troubles on the great Friend of friends, who cares for us and can really do something about the matter.

Simon Peter, who gave this exhortation, had in his youth been a man of tumult. When storms raged on the Sea of Galilee, he with the others cried out in fear, "Master, carest thou not that we perish?" Then what a contrast—some years later we see him prisoner, quietly sleeping between four soldiers. It is the night before Herod intends to kill him, but there is no fear or worry in his heart; there is just a simple rest of faith and

trust. He had learned to "dump" his cares upon his precious Lord; and although his head rests not upon a soft pillow, it is gently supported by the promise of his Master, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." Oh, Peter knew whereof he spoke when he told us how to dispose of our troubles.

May we take a lesson from this. May we wisely avail ourselves of our gracious privilege and quickly throw our next—yes, even our present—burden on Him, on Jesus our great and loving Burden-Bearer.

TRUE WORSHIP

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shine, I have felt well repaid for the trial and suffering and weariness. I have sat spellbound before a great painting, joyously beholding its beauty. Earth has few purer joys than these, but they are nothing to be compared with the profound and holy joy that fills the soul that bows before God in worship—asking nothing, seeking nothing from Him, but fully occupied and satisfied with God Himself. The Psalmist wrote, "In thy presence is fullness of joy" (Psa. 16:11).

The more we worship God, the more we are transformed into God's likeness. After a couple have been married for a while it seems that they begin even to look like each other. Our complete transformation into the likeness of Christ will come through the complete and undimmed vision of Jesus Himself. Just as Moses' face shone when He came down from Mount Sinai after being with the Lord, so we will reflect the glory of Christ if we spend time in His presence (Ex. 34:29, 30).

It is true that power comes in definite answer to prayer. "Power belongeth unto God," and constant contact with God in worship fills our souls with power. Spiritual power has many points of similarity to electric force. Just as a receptive body can be charged with electricity by being insulated and brought into contact with some source of electric energy, so we can be charged with the energy of God by insulation from the world and the contact with Himself that is found in worship. As we worship God, His power flows into us. Nights spent in contact with God on our faces before Him in worship are followed by days of power in contact with men.

One of the reasons for the lack of power in Christian service today is the absence of worship in our relation to God Himself. We fail to be still, to wait upon God and worship Him only. "O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our maker" (Psa. 95:6).

WHAT

ONE PERSON

Can Do!



EDWARD Kimball hurriedly made his way toward an obscure shoe store on a Chicago street to speak to a boy about his soul. Little did that Sunday School teacher realize what would result from this morning visit, though God had directed him there.

As he stepped into the shop he found a boy from his Sunday School class wrapping up shoes near the back of the building. The lad was alone. So Mr. Kimball went to him and laid his hand on the boy's shoulder. He thought he had made "a weak appeal," but his simple words touched the heart of the 17-year-old boy and influenced him to kneel there and give his heart to the Lord.

That boy's name was D. L. Moody. From that day forward he was destined to become one of the greatest soul winners this world has ever known.

As a consecrated Sunday School teacher who obeyed the voice of God, Edward Kimball is a sterling example of just how much one person can do. Certainly he will share again and again in the reward for the multitudes of souls that were saved under the ministry of D. L. Moody.

As you dedicate yourself to Sunday School work—by visiting and inviting prospects to your Sunday School, by praying for God's blessings upon your school, and by promoting its program wherever possible—there is no limit to what you can do!

October is Enlargement Month in Assemblies of God Sunday Schools. This special campaign offers your workers an excellent opportunity to reach the unchurched people in your community and to help your Sunday School expand. Perhaps you are the one to initiate and spark this campaign in your Sunday School. Talk to your pastor and Sunday School superintendent about the campaign and offer your cooperation immediately.

For further information and helpful materials on the Enlargement Campaign, write to the National Sunday School Department, 434 West Pacific, Springfield 1, Missouri.



OCTOBER

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ENLARGEMENT MONTH

BUENOS AIRES CHALLENGE

Melvin Hodges

Field Secretary for Latin America

IF YOU COULD DROP IN FOR A VISIT with our missionaries in Buenos Aires, South America's largest metropolis, you would find them wrestling with a tremendous problem. Buenos Aires, the leading city of Argentina, has been visited with revival of such proportions as to stir the entire city.

Crowds from 8,000 to an estimate of 125,000 people attended the stadium services for a period of eight weeks, with an estimated 1,000,000 hearing the gospel message. The meetings attracted the attention of local newspapers and were covered by a "New York Times" reporter and NBC representatives. The campaign was sponsored by an inter-denominational committee, with the Assemblies of God co-operating. Tommy Hicks, a Pentecostal minister, was the evangelist.

According to reports received from Argentina, the revival reached all classes of people, including those in high government circles. President Peron gave permission for the mass meetings and the use of the radio and press. It is impossible to estimate accurately the number of people who found Christ in these services. A total of 21,000 Bibles and 23,000 New Testaments were sold. The supply of Bibles and Testaments was exhausted and an order was placed with the Bible Society, requesting prompt delivery by plane.

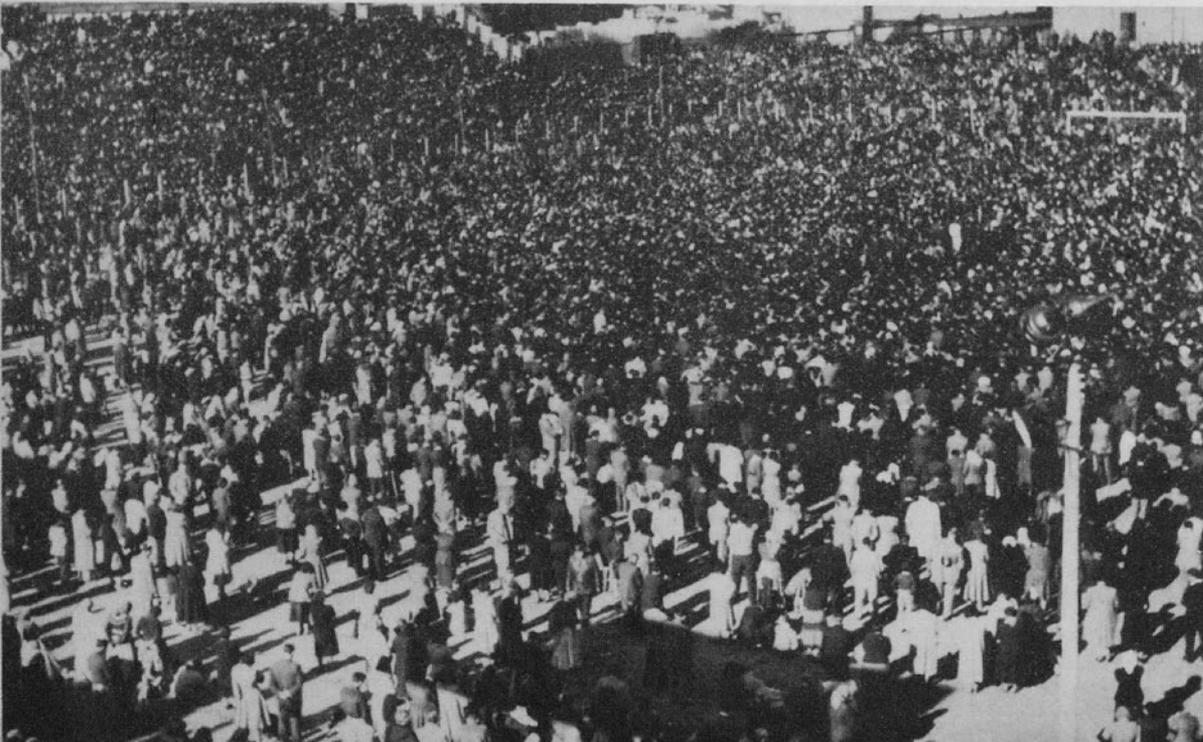
Our Assemblies of God missionaries and churches stand in a position to reap a wonderful harvest of souls as a result of the impact of this revival, if only they have the facilities with which to work.

It has been pointed out that the true fruits of such a campaign can be harvested only as missionaries, national workers, and Christians on the spot are able to follow it up with personal work and preaching services. Then the multitudes that have professed faith in Christ may take their place as part of an individual church.

In order to make the most of this unique opportunity, building facilities are needed. Louie W. Stokes, one of our missionaries in Argentina, writes that in endeavoring to meet the need since the close of the campaign, they have rented halls costing from \$30.00 to \$40.00 a night. Our present Assemblies of God church in Buenos Aires seats only 150 people. A building is needed immediately that will accommodate at least 1,000.

Our missionaries and workers in Argentina have located an adequate building in the heart of the city that will seat about 1,000 people. It also contains apartments that could be used as residences for missionary families, business offices and Bible school facilities. The Assemblies of God in Argentina would be able to sell certain properties to help finance

Great crowds of hungry-hearted folk will gather to hear the Full Gospel in Buenos Aires if an Evangelistic Center can be provided.



Brother and Sister Russell Kensinger (above) recently returned with their family to their field of labor, Nicaragua, Central America. Word has just been received telling of their safe arrival there.

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Word has reached us that Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Chaney have arrived in Switzerland.

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A cable announced the safe arrival of the Barricks in Bombay, India.

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Ellen Esler has recently returned from India on furlough. Her address is: c/o J. D. Robinson, 206 Greenwood Drive, Bridgeville, Pa.

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Mr. John Gottschalk and family have arrived safely in Ceylon. Their present address is Sunnyside, Hirimbura Road, Galle, Ceylon.

the investment. The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada are willing to assume a portion of the cost, and the appeal is now made to our Foreign Missions Department to supply the rest. With the building purchased, it is expected that the operational expenses would be forthcoming from Argentina.

The Foreign Missions Department does not have funds available to buy up this opportunity for the extension of the work of God in Argentina. Our only recourse is to present this need to our constituency with a prayer that God will touch the hearts of those who are able to help.

Offerings should be sent to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri, designated for "Argentina Revival Center."

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"HOME AWAY FROM HOME"

Jack Carmichael

NO LIGHTS TONIGHT. THE WIND IS blowing and there is a chill inside the tent. There's a light rain falling and the dampness filters through the tent flaps, casting a lonely atmosphere all around me.

It wouldn't take much for you to guess what the average G.I. thinks about in circumstances like these. Yes, you're right! Home is in the mind of all of us. But, wait a minute! I'm not thinking of a place where the family is sitting around or getting ready to go to a mid-week service. No, it's a far cry from that. I'm thinking about a "home three thousand miles away from home." That's what we G.I.'s call the Mincey Servicemen's Home in Tokyo.

Forgive me if I let my mind wander a bit. You see it has been a couple of months since I have visited the Minceys, and I find myself recalling some of the things that I experienced there on lonely nights like tonight. Besides, I'd like you to get a picture of the Home as I see it, and think of it as hundreds of your sons, brothers and husbands in the service remember it.

I guess the thing that means the most about any home is the people in it. Frankly, that's the secret of this "home away from home." Now the first person in any home is mom, and the Tokyo home is no exception.

"Mom" Mincey is a short, middle-aged, motherly woman; quick-witted, with endless energy. One outstanding thing about "Mom"—she seldom forgets a name. You only have to tell her your name once and she remembers it. I think I like "Mom" because she accepted me as her own boy; not like a grown-up man who had a lot of responsibilities but just like a big over-grown boy. Then, too, it was nice to unburden my heart and sort of let the weight off on someone else's shoulders.

Most of the time there are about twenty or more fellows sitting around the Minceys' living room, but "Mom" is never in a hurry. She's interested in you. She always prays with the boys; sometimes individually. It's really great to pray with "Mom" Mincey because you always feel you're getting some place.

Don't think for a moment that "Pop" Mincey isn't important. Why, he's just like the Rock of Gibraltar. He builds

character and calls out the manhood in us G.I.'s. His love for Christ is no secret. It's really great to hear his solid voice breaking out during the singspiration in the evening; or to hear his powerful prayer during morning devotions. We boys get a great lift out of his teaching from the Word of God.

When we get ready to go back to camp and it seems like our dream is over, what a boon to have "Pop" Mincey offer a prayer that God will go with us and help us to live up to His will. We feel like facing the world of harassment, endless test, chow lines, first sergeant's barking commands, etc. with a new courage.

One thing about the Home is that there's never a shortage of good company.

I remember one guy particularly. He was an Airman named Art. He said he was brought up in what you might call a Christian home but I guess he had never been born again. When Art got away from the home ties and opportunity for loose living confronted him, he let it get the better of him.

One day Art and a buddy dropped in at the Mincey Servicemen's Home but he couldn't stand the atmosphere; it seemed to accent his sinful condition. For some time he shunned the Home but never was able to forget it. With this added prick at his conscience he threw himself into riotous living.

In spite of everything he did he couldn't erase from his mind what he had heard at the Home. One day while on the way to engage in a new kind of debauchery, the Spirit of God seemed to whirl him around and send him back to his barracks. He felt impressed in his heart to go to the Home and ask for help but he didn't obey. He put it off. Then one day in desperation he made up his mind, and literally raced out to Minceys for help and prayer.

Art found God and is now busy working for Him. He began writing articles about basic Christian living. After a few days he set out to find someone who would publish them. In the course of time he came upon the *Nippon Times* which has the largest circulation of any English newspaper in Japan.

In the editor's office, Art handed over several of his articles. The editor liked them. Art asked for a daily column on



Chaplain Jack Carmichael in Far East

the back page of the newspaper; the editor agreed. He said it was a worthy project and he would back it up. Thus the daily devotional column, *Christ Over the Orient*, was born.

This victory for the Kingdom stems directly from the Tokyo Servicemen's Home. Art is only one of the many fellows who found God at the Mincey home. There are scores of others; seaweeds, jarheads, flyboys as well as ground-pounders pass in and out of the Home every day. It is fellows like these who make the Home in Tokyo a place one doesn't want to forget. Can you blame me for feeling lonesome for it tonight?

I wonder what would have happened if "Pop" and "Mom" Mincey had disobeyed the call of God in America!

I remember "Mom" saying once, "You know, I try to take the place of mother for every boy who comes to the home, just like I hope some mother is doing for my boy, Don, way back there in the United States."

I think that was the first time I ever saw tears in "Mom" Mincey's eyes.

MULTIPLYING DIAMONDS

Instead of buying an engagement ring, one of our altar-bound couples graduating from Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Missouri, expressed a desire to use the money to support a Bible student on the foreign field for a year.

The Foreign Missions Department informed them of a promising young national on the mission field, and they decided to pay his way through his last year in Bible school. This amounts to about half of what it would cost for an engagement ring, so they are giving the balance for some other missionary need.

Thank God for the vision that these young people have caught!

SUNDAY'S LESSON

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

THE CITIES OF REFUGE

Lesson for September 19

Joshua 20:1-9

When the Israelites became established in the land of Canaan, they were to give forty-eight cities to the Levites (Num. 35:37). This Joshua fulfilled (Joshua 21:41). Of these cities, six were to be used as cities of refuge, so that anyone who might accidentally kill another person could find shelter in one of them. Three of these cities were to be west of the Jordan, and three in the territory east of the Jordan, which Moses had allotted to Gad, Reuben, and the half-tribe of Manasseh (Num. 32:29-33; 35:11-15). Both Israelites and "strangers" were to have the benefit of the cities of refuge if they accidentally took human life (Num. 35:15).

1. THE LAW OF THE CITIES OF REFUGE

a. *The Cities of Refuge.* These cities of refuge were well distributed, so that at least one of them was accessible from any part of the nation. The slayer was to flee to the city which was nearest to him. Some of the Levites were required to live in each of these cities. Since they represented the religious life in Israel, we get the thought that the safety of those who fled for refuge depended upon the shelter of religion. Outside the cities of refuge, the manslayer was at the mercy of the avenger.

b. *The Kinsman Avenger.* In the time of the cities of refuge, it was customary for one who was nearest of kin to avenge any loss of life. This practice was to come under proper rules in the government of Israel. He who became the avenger was called a *go-el*, which means a kinsman-redeemer. God had said to Noah, "Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed" (Gen. 9:6). This established capital punishment. God knew, however, that not all taking of human life was premeditated murder. And so He made a way of escape for those who had by accident caused the loss of life. The cities of refuge were not a means of escape for the willful murderer. They were a means of protection "until he stand before the congregation in judgment" (Num. 35:12). If it was decided that the manslayer had no desire to murder, he could remain safely within the city of refuge. Those who willfully murdered someone were to be dealt with according to Num. 35:16-21; the penalty was death. Conditions which exempted the manslayer from death,

if he remained in the city of refuge, are to be found in Num. 35:22, 23; Ex. 21:13; Joshua 20:9.

c. *The Kinsman Redeemer.* God established a law in Israel that if a man should lose his property through mortgage, or if he were sold into slavery for debt, a near kinsman might redeem his property, or liberate him from bondage by paying that which he owed. Three things were required of him who would redeem: (1) he must be a kinsman; (2) he must be able to redeem; (3) he must be willing to redeem (Lev. 25:47-49).

2. LESSONS FROM THE CITIES OF REFUGE

a. *Value of Human Life.* God put high value upon human life, for man was created in the image of God. God wishes to impress it upon man that to end another's life under any circumstances, was a serious thing. He therefore provided that justice be meted out to the murderer. Yet innocent life must be protected. It was not fair that the involuntary manslayer should receive the same punishment as a premeditated murderer, for he had no desire to destroy the life of another.

b. *Value of the Cities of Refuge.* Without the cities of refuge, there could have been no protection from the kinsman-avenger. Many an injustice might therefore have been done. God wants society to be established in justice, not in revenge. If the defendant were innocent, this could be proved; if he were guilty of wishing to commit the crime, he would then find no permanent shelter in any city of refuge.

c. *Spiritual Cities of Refuge.* Over and over, the Old Testament speaks of "refuge." "The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms" (Deut. 33:27). God is always ready to receive and protect those who flee to Him! "The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble" (Psa. 9:9). But promises of refuge are not confined to the Old Testament. In the New Testament we read: "We . . . have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us" (Heb. 6:18). Here we have the thought of fleeing into the cities of refuge. We believe that there is a "city" of safety for us.

d. *Christ, our "City of Refuge."* To be safe, the sinner must flee for refuge to Christ. Having fled to Christ, we must continue to live in Christ, for out-

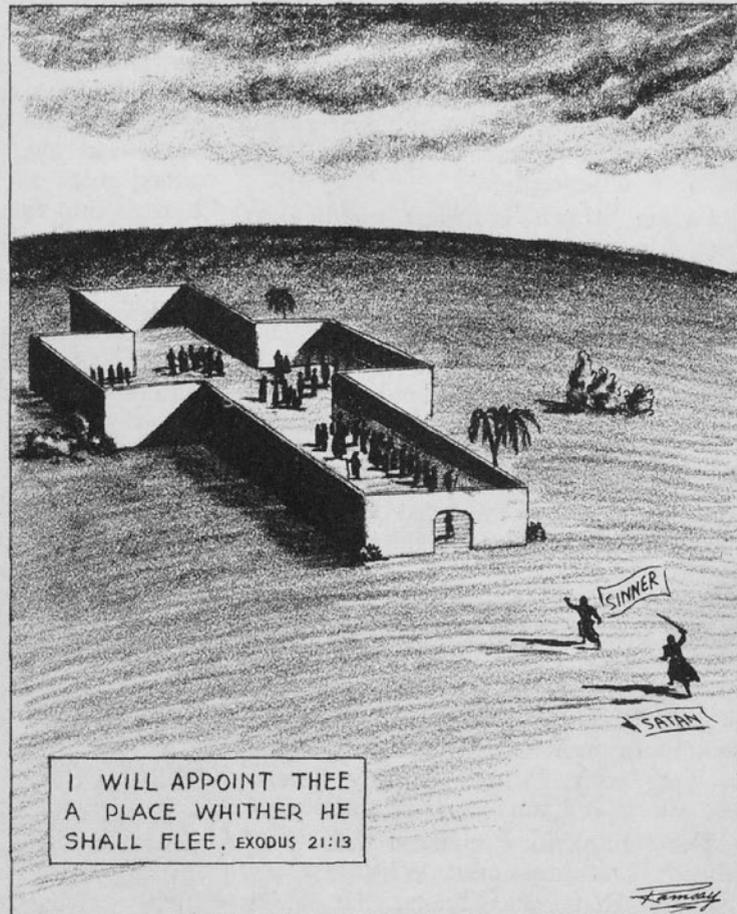
side this "city of refuge" there is no safety. Great is the wisdom and plan of God. In the Lord Jesus is found more wonderful provision than could be obtained in the cities of refuge. In them the manslayer could find physical shelter and safety; in Jesus is found shelter for the soul and protection against all evil—even for those who have committed willful murder. Eventually an end came to the protection provided by the cities of refuge. But in Christ there is refuge for time and for eternity. He who lives in Christ is forever safe, so long as he continues to have faith in the blood of the Saviour.

Those who sought shelter in the cities of refuge were to remain in the city until the death of the high priest. When the high priest in Israel died, this canceled any claim the avenger might have on the accused. Besides, by that time, the anger of the avenger would probably have subsided and no one would feel that it was wrong for the man to go free. Some interpret this to mean that when our Lord Jesus gave Himself a ransom, He brought Christian liberty. No longer are we under the law, but under grace. The account against us is pardoned and we are free because of the death of our great High Priest. However, we must still abide in Christ, who has satisfied all demands of the law, if we are to be secure.

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

Caleb's Reward (lesson for Sunday, September 12). Lesson text: Joshua 14:6-14.

CITY OF REFUGE



Do We Adequately Support Our Pastors?

YOUR PASTOR IS OR SHOULD BE THE key man in your town or community. There is no office which is to be held in any higher esteem than the office of pastor. I believe it is the pastor's desire that he maintain his office, his person, his family, his home in such a manner that he will merit the respect of the church family and the vast audience of unsaved. This he is not able to do unless the church supports him adequately.

Probably your pastor has not said anything about an insufficient salary. He has a right to, but I believe he, like the apostle Paul, has never exercised that right and has put up with all sorts of things so that he might not hinder the spread of the gospel. Even though he has not mentioned it, that does not relieve the church of the responsibility of adequately providing for the pastor.

Permit me to quote from the Holy Scriptures, 1 Cor. 9:7-15, using the easily understood translation of J. B. Phillips.

"Just think for a moment. Does any soldier ever go to war at his own expense? Does any man plant a vineyard and have no share in its fruits? Does the shepherd who tends the flock never taste the milk? This is, I know, an argument from everyday life, but it is a principle endorsed by the Law. For is it not written in the law of Moses: Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out the corn?"

"Now does this imply merely God's care for oxen, or does it include His care for us too? Surely we are included! You might even say that the words were written for us. For both the ploughman as he ploughs and the thresher as he threshes should have some hope of ultimate share in the harvest. If we have sown for you the seed of spiritual things need you be greatly perturbed because we reap some of your material things? And if there are others with the right to have these things from you, have not we an even greater right? Yet we have never exercised this right and have put up with all sorts of things, so that we might not hinder the spread of the Gospel.

"Are you ignorant of the fact that those who minister sacred things take part of the sacred food of the Temple for their own use, and those who attend the altar have their share of what is placed on the altar? On the same principle the Lord has ordered that those who proclaim the Gospel should receive their livelihood from those who accept the Gospel."

May I leave with you just a few suggestions:

1. Determine your minimum base salary. This can easily be done by using the tithing (one-tenth) of the income of twelve average wage earners in your church. The average laborer throughout our industrial cities earns \$80.00 per week. Twelve tithers at \$8.00 per week would be \$96.00. Do not classify your pastor below a laborer. He has spent years in preparation. The world classifies him on a different level and rightly so. Should we do less?

2. Do not consider parsonage as part of income. If the pastor did not have a place to live provided by the church, he would buy a place of his own. The purchase price of a home would thus be a saving. Often, after a pastor has served well and when his days of service are over, he finds that, having lived in par-

In the July issue of *Nation's Business* there appeared an article entitled, "You're Underpaying Your Pastor." It contained some startling facts:

"According to the U. S. Department of Commerce Report on National Income, the average full-time religious worker in this country earns \$2,560 a year! A semi-skilled laborer, a teen-age office boy or a good counterman in a roadside diner will often bring home more money than that."

It stated that "a young rabbi just out of theological school gets more than \$5,000 a year (without a house) as a starting salary." In contrast to the high income of the Jewish clergy, the 115,499 Protestant ministers in the U. S. "are in a distressing financial state."

The salaries of public school teachers are considered to be deplorably low; yet the teachers' salaries have increased 102 per cent in the past 25 years, while the ministers' income has increased only 41 per cent.

"According to the 1953 Yearbook of American Churches, far from receiving 'cost of living' increases the average minister has seen his salary decrease in buying power by 13 per cent in the past ten years."

Does your pastor receive adequate support? Has your Assembly increased his income in proportion to the steady rise in the cost of living? Does he receive enough to feed and clothe his family properly and meet the numerous expenses that are involved in a modest living in these times?

On the whole, we believe our Assemblies are adequately supporting their pastors in most parts of the country, and the statistics quoted above do not reflect the situation in our Fellowship. But it is possible that some congregations have not realized the financial problems which their pastors are facing at the present time, and therefore we are reprinting an article which appeared a few months ago in the "Conservative Baptist Messenger."

sonages, he has no place to live. The parsonage is a convenience more for the church than for the pastor.

3. Factually determine what it costs to operate and sustain the car your pastor uses. May we suggest that \$600.00 a year is a bare minimum, and should not be less under any circumstance. The cost often runs as high as \$1,000.00 a year. Do you expect your pastor to pay for this out of an already low salary? Your pastor must be liberated from financial stress if he is to do his best. If your pastor is not doing his best, perhaps it is because this item is not cared for.

4. Retirement is an item often overlooked. The pastor does not have social security or retirement of any sort. Ninety per cent of the people in America do. May we suggest a figure that is being used and has been used by a number of denominations. It is 7½ per cent of his base salary. This will provide the average pastor with a retirement of \$75.00 a month after 65. (Ed. Note: We suggest that the pastor and church board write to our General Treasurer, W. A. Brown, and ask for information about the Ministers Benefit Association which is a retirement plan for Assemblies of God ministers.)

5. Don't expect him to heat that big, high-ceiling parsonage. This item should be taken care of by the church.

6. Your pastor should have the privilege of attending national and local meetings of his denomination. Provide an item in the budget for this.

In conclusion may I present you with several reasons why it costs more for the pastor to live than it does the average family.

1. The pastor's car is used 90 per cent for church work.

2. The going, growing pastor must keep a constant stream of magazines, publications, books and the like coming into his study, if he is to keep abreast of the times and do his best.

3. You want him to wear good clothes, and you like to see him come into the pulpit with a clean suit on Sunday. The cleaning item alone is a considerable amount.

4. You want to be proud of his family (he does too). It takes a bit extra to properly clothe them.

5. Your pastor is the most generous giver you have; don't deprive him of this blessing.

Pray about it. Do something about it NOW. Don't wait until next year.

A final word to the pastors, which in-

cludes me. Let us so labor that the investment of the church in our ministry will beyond a shadow of doubt, be THE BEST MISSIONARY INVESTMENT OF THE LOCAL CHURCH.

How to Find Rest

I HAVE A VERY DEAR FRIEND WHO WAS very carefully reared by a godly mother. She was very much afraid that he would become a drunkard, and so she besought him never to touch alcoholic liquor. He lived up to eighteen years of age without tasting it.

Then one day he left his country home to go to town with another man. On the way back the man bought some whisky and asked him to drink. "No," he said, "I promised my mother that I would never drink."

"Well," he said, "if you don't drink you will insult me." And that elderly man just worked on that boy until he got him to drink his first glass of whisky. Then something in him was set on fire.

From that day he became almost immediately a drunkard. He went down, down, down, in the course of years, and lost one position after another. At last he was a wrecked man in New York City. He had committed 138 forgeries against his last employer, and the officers of the law were now in search of him.

One night, one awful night, he went into a saloon, and for a long time sat there in a drunken stupor on a whisky keg. Then coming out of the stupor he felt all the horrors of delirium tremens coming over him. He thought he was going to die. He went up to the bar and ordered a glass of whisky; then he rattled the glass upon the bar so vigorously that the bar shook. He said, "Men, hear me, hear me; I shall never drink another glass of whisky, if I die." And they all laughed at him.

He went out of the saloon, went to the police station, and said to the desk sergeant, "Lock me up; I am going to have the tremens; lock me up!"

The policeman sent him down to the cell and locked him up. He spent a night of awful agony, and the next day of awful agony. As the night was coming on somebody said to him—the jail being a little way from the Cremorne Mission—"Why don't you go to Jerry McAuley's Mission?"

So as best he could, in an awful condition, he went down to Jerry McAuley's Cremorne Mission. He listened to the testimony of one man after another who had been saved. Then when Jerry Mc-

Auley asked all who would take Christ to come to the front, he went up to the front, knelt down, and said, "Jerry, pray for me."

Jerry said, "Pray for yourself."

"Oh," he said, "I don't know how to pray. I have forgotten how to pray. Jerry, pray for me."

Jerry said, "Pray for yourself." And that wrecked and ruined man lifted up his broken heart to Jesus. Then and there Jesus met him and took the appetite for whiskey from him. That man is today one of the most honored men in New York City.

When I was in Washington, D. C., I met the Postmaster-General. He asked me if I would go to dinner with him that night after my meeting. I agreed enthusiastically.

As I entered the drawing-room of his house, who should I see sitting there as an honored guest but Samuel Hadley—that same man who in bygone years had been a poor drunkard on the streets of New York City, but now an honored guest in the house of the Postmaster-General of the United States.

Are you burdened? Have you fought against sin and failed? Have you tried again and again, perhaps signed pledge after pledge, but only to break it? Have you some other besetting habit? Are you burdened with the weight of an overcoming sin? Jesus holds out His hand to you and says, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

He invites everybody burdened with a sorrow. Only God knows the sorrow in the hearts of men and women in these days. Perhaps all the light has gone out of your life because your wife has died recently. Perhaps you are brokenhearted over the recent death of a loving Christian mother. Or it may be that you are crushed because just recently a beloved child has been taken from your home. There may have been reverses in your business. It matters not what your sorrow is, how peculiar, how great, how overwhelming. To every sorrowing man and woman Jesus holds out His hands and says, "Come unto me... and I will give you rest."

—R. A. Torrey

GOD VISITS VACATIONLAND THROUGH REVIVALTIME

To most folk, vacation time is a time of enjoyment, a time of relaxation and of physical and spiritual refreshing.

But to some, vacation time is not so pleasant. They take a holiday in an attempt to "get away from it all" and arrive at the vacation spot to discover that they brought the devil along in their suitcase! They don't "get away" from anything. The habits and cares that accompany them in their daily routine take the holiday too.

Such is the case of the two women who wrote the following letters. But while they were vacationing at a guest ranch in Colorado, the Lord used REVIVALTIME to make them conscious of their needs.

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Thank you,
M. C.

Lodge and Guest Ranch
Colorado

Dear Sir,

A friend and I just heard your program on the radio, and she has sent for your booklet, "How May I Know That I'm Saved?" Would you please send me a copy also.

I am the mother of two small children and feel that I have failed in my duty as a mother. I do not want them to make the same mistakes that I have.

Thanking you, I am,
E. O. K.

These women have discovered that a person needs more than a vacation to escape sin and the devil. Their letters will be an encouragement to the many who have stood by REVIVALTIME in a sacrificial way during these summer months when mail and financial response to religious broadcasting usually slackens off.

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Progress Among Foreign-Language Groups

TEN different foreign-language groups in the U.S. operate as independent Assemblies of God districts. The National Home Missions Department serves these districts in an advisory capacity and helps with the expense of printing gospel literature in the various languages. The following reports come from camp and council meetings conducted this summer.

UKRAINIAN BRANCH

On July 14 through 17 the annual council meeting of the Assemblies of God Ukrainian Branch met at the Ukrainian Branch Camp Grounds, Lanesville, New York.

Elected to office for the coming year were: Joseph Matolina, Superintendent; Fred Smolchuck, Assistant Superintendent; John Haynych, Secretary; John Kiszczak, Treasurer; Bartholomew Hutzaluk, Stephen Mostow and Andrew Dawidiuk, Presbyters.

Fred Smolchuck was re-elected editor of the bi-monthly Ukrainian language magazine, "Evanhelski Palomnyk." Andrew Dawidiuk was elected Missionary Secretary; and Joseph Lukowski, Youth Leader.

For two weeks immediately following the council sessions the Ukrainian camp meeting convened. William Melnychuk of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, ministered the Word. Ministers and laymen alike were encouraged and blessed. Many received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.

At the close of the adult camp Jack Hunka and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Demetrus directed a week's camp for the children.

CZECHOSLOVAKIAN BRANCH

The sixth annual conference of the Czechoslovakian Assemblies of God was held in Chicago, July 3—5. The Czechoslovak Assembly of God, 3030 West Cortland Street, was host to the con-

ference. Three services were conducted daily.

Visitors from New Jersey, Ohio, Wisconsin, and Canada attended the conference. Six persons followed the Lord in the waters of baptism at a special service.

"Zvestovatel," a bi-monthly magazine, is published by the Czechoslovakian Branch. If you would like to receive it free of charge, write to Ladislav Huba, Superintendent, 3030 West Cortland Street, Chicago 47, Illinois.

POLISH BRANCH

The twentieth annual conference of the Assemblies of God Polish Branch met in Chicago, Illinois, July 1—3. Newly elected executives were Raymond M. Stawinski, Superintendent; John T. Nichol, Secretary; Azof Jashinsky, Treasurer; John Nykiel, Presbyter; and Joseph Papiernik, Presbyter.

John T. Nichol writes: "Certainly we can assert that God's presence and direction has attended our activities for the past two decades. In the first place, our constituency no longer gathers for worship in vacant stores, in abandoned theaters, or above odious saloons and delicatessens. Instead, by His grace, commodious church buildings are located in twenty metropolitan areas. Many of our ordained Polish clergy have been relieved of their secular duties and spend all of their efforts to reach the Polish

people with the Full Gospel message. To reach Poles both here and abroad, the salvation message is now being effectively broadcast over radio stations in New York City, Philadelphia, Chicago, Milwaukee, Detroit, and Pontiac, Michigan. Thousands of dollars' worth of free printed materials are being sent annually to workers around the world. Too, the Polish Branch is constantly sending financial help to Slavic missionaries throughout the world."

GREEK BRANCH

Nineteen ministers of the Assemblies of God Greek Branch held their annual business meeting July 1—5 at the Hellenic Protoponos Apostolic Ecclesia, 1771 36th Avenue, Oakland, California.

The following officers were elected: A. N. Giannopoulos, Superintendent; Charles Wright, Assistant Superintendent; G. Harbas, Secretary; D. A. Andrews, Treasurer; Theo. Kavvathas, Joseph DeJulio, and P. E. Kalem, Presbyters.

On July 18 two Assemblies of God Greek churches united, forming one church. A new Greek church is being opened in San Diego.

ITALIAN BRANCH

Last spring the Christian Pentecostal Church, Philadelphia, Pa. (C. Totaro, Pastor) was host to the annual Italian Branch convention.

At the convention it was decided that every co-operating and affiliated church of the Italian Branch should donate \$1.00 per year toward a home missions building fund. The fund will be held to assist financially in the construction of church buildings, improvements, and mortgage financing.

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The above picture was taken during the sixth annual conference of the Czechoslovakian Assemblies of God, held in Chicago July 3—5. The picture at the right shows the newly elected officers of the Polish Branch. From left to right, they are:



Nykiel, Presbyter; John T. Nichol, Secretary; Raymond M. Stawinski, Superintendent; Azof Jashinsky, Treasurer; and Joseph Papiernik, Presbyter.

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ONWARD SIGNAL

(Continued from page four)

are churches for, but to make missionaries? What is education for, but to train missionaries? What is commerce for, but to carry missionaries? What is money for, but to send missionaries? What is the purpose of life itself, but to advance foreign and home missions, enthroning Jesus Christ in the hearts of men?"

We are called to go out and seek the lost. The word lost has an ominous sound, and often, if personally connected with our love it has an awful effect on us. LOST! lost!—every letter is dripping with blood! Souls are lost!

A few years ago the whole nation sympathized with a man who was ready to spend everything he possessed, to find his little lost boy. The mothers and fathers of this continent looked into the faces of their own boys and girls and, with eyes swimming in grateful tears, thanked God for their own children safe at home. It is not just one boy who is lost—a world, swinging in open space somewhere among the planets, is inhabited by millions of lost boys and girls, lost men and women for whom Christ died. They are bleeding, dying, crying, for light, for love, and for life. The Saviour turns His eyes toward the Church with a heart-breaking entreaty, pleading with us to go, seek, and save the lost. If the Church does not do it, the task will never be done.

The late Horace Mann, the eminent educator, delivered an address at the opening of a reformatory institution for boys; in his speech he remarked, "If only one boy is saved from ruin, it will pay for all the cost and care and labor of establishing this institution."

After the exercises he was asked, "Did you not color that a little, when you said that all that expense and labor would be repaid if it saved only one boy?"

The eminent educator gave this solemn and convincing reply, "Not if it were my boy." Which are the most precious to God, your children and mine, growing up in the light of love and Christian homes, or those growing up in ever-increasing darkness?

The Protestant church spends ninety-six cents at home and sends four cents abroad. Out of every 100,000 church members in the Protestant ranks, less than twelve become active foreign missionaries. The Assemblies of God averages more than two hundred foreign missionaries for every 100,000 of its membership. Thank God for organizations that have heard and heeded the ONWARD SIGNAL!

A system of representation at the annual convention was devised. Each assembly with fifty members or less is entitled to one voting delegate at the convention; each assembly with more than fifty members, two; co-operating churches are entitled to one voting delegate.

Here are the officers who were elected to serve for 1954-55: Quirino Grilli, Superintendent; Frank Maccarone, Assistant Superintendent; Philip D'Angelo, Secretary-Treasurer; and Alfred Perna, Executive Presbyter. Editorship of the publication "La Buona Notizia" was assigned to Alfred Perna, pastor of the Christian Church, Camden, N. J.

The Italian District Council ratified a resolution to finance a Bible school in the city of Rome with the co-operation of the Assemblies of God in Italy.

LATIN AMERICAN BRANCH

José Girón, Latin American District Secretary, points out that this district is not comprised of a geographical area in part of the United States, but includes all of the Spanish-speaking work in the United States. The work is scattered

throughout twenty states—New York Connecticut, New Jersey, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Arizona, Idaho, California, Oregon, and Washington.

Membership in Spanish-speaking churches in the U.S. now totals 16,220 according to current reports. Many pastors do not report. Hence, their members are not included in this figure.

The Latin American Branch has a force of 603 ministers now preaching the gospel. This includes ordained, licensed, and exhorters.

There are 249 affiliated churches in the Latin American Branch. Total churches and missions, including those that are still unaffiliated, is 324.

On November 15—18 the Latin American Biennial Council Meeting will convene at El Tempo Cristiano in San Antonio, Texas.

It is the last step in a race that wins. It is the last stroke on the nail that counts. Many a prize has been lost just when it was ready to be plucked. "He that endureth to the end shall be saved."

Over a century and a half ago, when young William Carey proposed to a convention the duty of preaching the gospel to the heathen, the aged president sprang to his feet in high displeasure and shouted, "Young man, sit down! When God pleases to convert the world, He will do it without your aid or mine." When Carey notified his father that he was going to India to carry the gospel to the heathen, he was met with the exclamation, "William, are you mad?" That did not stop him. He went!

Judson soon followed, even when the world was almost wholly closed to missions. With the exception of the Communist-dominated countries and a few isolated areas, the world is now open to missions. We must take advantage of this opportunity. Praying and catching a vision are the greatest elements in building missionary enterprises. Jesus prayed all night, and twelve disciples were ordained. The disciples prayed ten days, and Pentecost came. The church at Antioch prayed, and there came forth two foreign missionaries, Paul and Barnabas. A few college students prayed under a hay stack, and two great missionary societies were born that revolutionized America. The world lies at our feet like a weary, famished child, longing and praying that we might give them even the crumbs from the Master's table.

The world has its "understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God" (Eph. 4:18). Paul asks in Romans, "How then shall they call upon him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach except they be sent?" The U. S. tea bill each year is enough to support 53,000 missionaries. The tithe on the cigar bill would be enough to support 150,000 missionaries. And I have figured that if each member of the Protestant ranks would give one three-cent stamp to foreign missions each week, it would amount to \$295,400,000. That would be enough to support 120,000 missionaries, giving them a salary of nearly \$2500 a year, which is much more than the average missionary ever receives. I am afraid that Protestantism has received the wrong signal. We need to look up and receive the ONWARD SIGNAL!

Let us pray for a missionary revival worthy of the opportunities of the age, the resources of the Church, the promises of God, and the needs of a perishing world!

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, And publish abroad His wonderful name! The name all victorious of Jesus extol; His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

—Charles Wesley

NEWS

RECORD MISSIONARY OFFERING AT LIVING WATERS CAMP

CHERRY TREE, PA.—A season of heavenly refreshing was enjoyed at Living Waters Camp as the people gathered in from far and near. Obie Harrup of Alexandria, Va. spoke in the morning services. His messages were richly anointed by the Holy Spirit, and there were times when the glory of God was so manifested that we were filled with holy laughter and rejoicing.

Stanley Karol of Philadelphia, Pa. preached in the evening meetings. He held a high standard of holiness before the people and preached divine healing as a work that dealt with Christian living in all its phases. On the last night, many testified to bodily healing.

Derrick Hillary of Lancaster, Pa. spoke to a large crowd on Missionary Day, which brought a fitting climax to the 17-day camp. An offering of \$1,420 was received, which exceeded last year's offering.

We would not forget the W.M.C. and its splendid work and display, the Sunday School and Christ's Ambassadors work under the direction of E. C. Schmid, and the Camp Bible School—in fact, all departments are to be commended for a job well done.—by Donald E. Berkey, Committee Chairman.

NORTH TEXAS CAMP ENJOYS PENTECOSTAL BLESSINGS

WOODLAKE CAMP—Old-fashioned camp meeting days were repeated once again as the people were moved by the Spirit of God in Pentecostal fashion during the sixth North Texas Camp at Woodlake Camp, located between Sherman and Denison, Tex. Each morning our souls were blessed as A. N. Trotter expounded the Word. Kenneth Schmidt preached each night under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. God honored the ministry of the Word with a goodly number being saved and several receiving the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

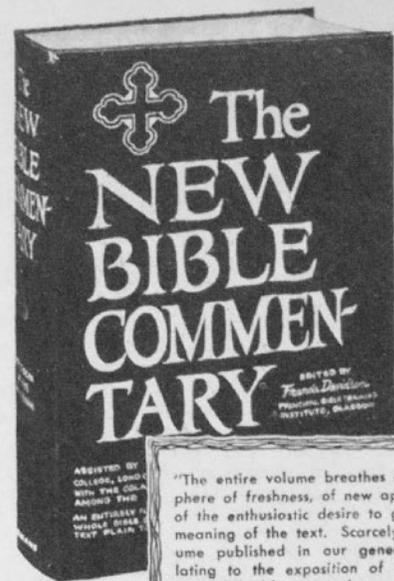
Visiting ministers spoke in the afternoon meetings. The attendance was very good and the fellowship was wonderful. We are looking forward to another great camp next year, should the Lord tarry. The following officers were elected to serve next year: Earl J. Rogers, General Chairman; Elmer Barnes, Assistant General Chairman; and Henry Price, Secretary-Treasurer.—by Earl J. Rogers.

JACKSON, MICH.—We have just concluded three weeks of special meetings with Evangelist L. C. Robie of Union Springs, N. Y. Brother Robie's declaration of the unsearchable riches in Christ, preached in power and demonstration of the Holy Spirit, was of inestimable value to our Assembly. There were miraculous healings and remarkable conversions, and the spiritual tide in our church was raised to a level unparalleled in the more than two years of my pastoral ministry here.

At the first mid-week service following the revival, we had a record-breaking attendance. The atmosphere of the meeting bespoke revival of lasting quality. Brother Robie takes an interest in the local church, working untiringly in every service. We praise the Lord for sending him to our city.—Glenn D. Jones, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

CUBA, MO.—The Spirit and blessing of God was poured upon us in great measure during a two-week meeting with Evangelist Everett McCaully of Steelville, Mo. Three were saved, one was filled with the Holy Ghost, and two were baptized in water the last Sunday. Several received bodily healing. The Sunday School attendance record was broken.—C. F. and J. M. Bryant, Pastors.



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OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—We had a two-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Bob Alsop of Gracemont, Okla. The Lord honored the inspired preaching and singing. Several were saved and baptized with the Holy Spirit.—Jimmy Phillips, Pastor.

YOAKUM, TEX.—A number prayed through to old-time salvation during the meetings with Evangelists W. W. and Mrs. Wright. Both preached the Word of God under the anointing of the Spirit. There were several outstanding healings. The children's service conducted by Sister Wright was a great blessing.—R. Bownds, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.—The Norwood Assembly of God was greatly encouraged and strengthened during a meeting (July 18—Aug. 1) with Evangelist C. L. Duck of Greenwood, S. C. Brother Duck preaches the love of God with such confidence that sinners are drawn to Christ.—Kate Caffee, Secretary. (D. H. Browne is Pastor.)

FARMINGTON, MO.—We just closed a successful meeting with Evangelist A. L. Todd. Several professed faith in Christ, including the Chief of Police of Farmington. The church as a whole was stirred, and the revival spirit continues with us. Two water baptismal services were held following the meeting and 14 were baptized in water.—J. W. Allen, Pastor.

HAYWARD, CALIF.—We praise the Lord for a wonderful meeting with Evangelist Silas Jones of Berkeley, Calif. Souls were saved and the church was stirred by the Spirit-anointed messages from the Word of God. This is a new work, and the straightforward preaching has helped to lay a good foundation for this work.—Victor Johnson, Pastor.

TRILBY, FLA.—God met us in a wonderful way during the meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Clyde B. Wasdin. The anointed, balanced ministry of Brother Wasdin brought our church onto a higher plane in Christ Jesus. Souls were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit as God moved in our midst.

Brother and Sister Wasdin also conducted a VBS for us. There was an average attendance of 72, and on decision day 17 children took Jesus as their Saviour.—Roy Wasdin, Pastor, Trilacoochee Assembly.

REED CITY, MICH.—We have just completed a second two-week meeting with Evangelists Clifton and Betty York of Barnsdall, Okla. Several sought the Lord for salvation, seven were filled with the Holy Spirit, the entire church was built up spiritually. Eleven candidates were baptized in water during the meeting.—T. B. Thodeson, Pastor.

WALNUT CREEK, CALIF.—We recently concluded a meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Thomas Ming Jr. of Highland, Calif. Brother Ming's ministry proved a real blessing in our church, and he worked tirelessly to the conclusion of every altar service. Three were saved and three received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.—William Vickery, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

TAMAQUA, PA.—We had three glorious weeks of meetings under the tent with Evangelist W. R. Duckworth. The fourth week, the services were conducted in the Full Gospel Lighthouse. The Sunday School more than doubled in attendance and it is still growing. Quite a large group of people accepted the Lord and are continuing to attend the church. Many people were healed by the power of God.—Robert Lafferty, Pastor.

KIRKLAND LAKE, ONT., CANADA—We have just concluded two weeks of glorious meetings at the Silver Birches Camp with the Musical Vanderploegs of Toledo, Ohio. Many believe it was the best camp we have ever had. The Sunday night crowds were excellent, and with a few exceptions the tabernacle was filled on the week-night services. Thirty were saved and quite a number received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. A goodly number testified to definite healings. On the closing Sunday, we had a great baptismal service at the lake front.—J. H. Blair, District Superintendent.

AKRON, OHIO—We had a three-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Douglas L. Hoke of Palestine, Tex. At least eight confessed Jesus as their Saviour. Many others received definite healings. We praise the Lord for the Hokes' ministry in the Word and in song.—Robert E. Roop, Pastor, Krumroy Assembly of God.

HORNELL, N. Y.—The Jimmy Adams Evangelistic Party was with us in a tent for two weeks. The first Sunday night the tent was packed to capacity, and the crowds continued to come night after night. Over 800 visitors attended the meeting, and 80 made decisions for Christ.

This meeting was a great blessing and wrought an effective work in the church; it made a good impression on this community, which will mean much to us for years to come. We hope to erect a new and larger building within the immediate future.—Ira E. Elliott, Pastor, Glad Tidings Assembly of God.

MEDFORD, OREG.—For three weeks (July 25—Aug. 15), Evangelist and Mrs. Paul Fleming of California were with us at Bethel Assembly of God. The Flemings endeared themselves to the congregation by their cheerful and heart-warming ministry and prayerful lives. A number were either filled or refilled with the Holy Spirit, and the church was strengthened.

The church is yet in its pioneer stages, having been organized about ten months ago. The Sunday School attendance hit an all-time high of 110 during the meeting. The attendance at the night meetings was extra good, and many new people were brought in the services.—Ernest L. Friend, Pastor.

OZARK, ALA.—We accepted the pastorate of New Hope Assembly in August, 1951. Since then God has helped us marvelously. All Sunday School attendance records were broken. A new site was purchased and the foundation was laid for a new church. The name of the church was changed to First Assembly of God.

We have had several evangelistic meetings which have helped the church greatly. We also served as contact pastor at Camp Rucker for the Servicemen's Department. Many fine boys and their wives found Christ or visited our church while stationed at Camp Rucker. For the past 14 months, we had a thirty-minute broadcast over station WZOK each Sunday at 8:30 a.m. The servicemen made this program possible.

We feel that it is God's will for us to move on, so we have accepted the pastorate of the New Haven Assembly of God near Shubuta, Miss. We are located on U. S. Highway 45.—J. C. Braddock, P. O. Box 100, Shubuta, Miss.

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.

OILDALE, CALIF.—Sept. 5—19; Evangelist Oran E. Duncan, Delta, Colo.—by Dwight Brown, Pastor.

MARION, IND.—Sept. 12—26; Evangelist Vernon E. Murray, Los Angeles, Calif. (James Shivers is Pastor.)

GUTHRIE, OKLA.—Workers' Training Course, Sept. 6—; N. B. Rayburn, instructor. (V. H. Shumway is Pastor.)

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle, Sept. 26—Oct. 11; Sunshine Party. (Frank J. Lindquist is Pastor.)

HAVANA, ILL.—Assembly of God, Sept. 28—Oct. 17; Evangelist Walter D. Lascelle, Seattle, Wash. (T. L. Bonnavar is Pastor.)

RICHMOND, VA.—Bethel Church, Park Ave. at Meadow, Sept. 16—Oct. 3; Hardt Evangelistic Party, York, Pa. Prayer for sick each night. Neighboring Assemblies invited to co-operate. (Harry C. Wiles is Pastor.)

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.—Church of the Four Fold Gospel, 303 Capital Ave., N. E., Sept. 26—Oct. 10; Evangelist Harvey McAlister, New York, N. Y.—by E. A. Manley, Pastor.

ARKANSAS DISTRICT COUNCIL—Ozark-Lithia Camp Ground, 9 miles from Hot Springs, Ark. on Highway 7, Sept. 27—30. G. W. Hardcastle, District Superintendent, in charge. W. R. Williamson, Springfield, Ill., speaker. State C. A. Rally, Monday night.—by H. E. Shaw, District Secretary.

MEXICO, MO.—Sept. 12—; Evangelist and Mrs. Carl W. Oney, Pleasant Hill, Mo. (Warren LaRose is Pastor.)

ENTERPRISE, ALA.—First Assembly of God, Sept. 12—26; Evangelists Joel and Esther Palmer, Lake Wales, Fla. (Howard P. Trawick is Pastor.)

PASADENA, TEX.—First Assembly of God, Sept. 26—Oct. 10; Evangelist E. R. Winter, Albuquerque, N. Mex. (James R. Goodwin is Pastor.)

MINERAL WELLS, TEX.—Assembly of God, Sept. 12—; Evangelist and Mrs. W. A. Vanzant.—by Leon C. Quillin, Pastor.

ROMOLAND, CALIF.—Deeper Life Revival, Sept. 12—; Evangelist R. L. Kinslow, Calimesa, Calif. (Mary K. Matlock is Pastor.)

PONTIAC, MICH.—First Assembly of God, 210 N. Perry St., Sept. 22—; Evangelist and Mrs. Bob L. Sheran, Hollywood, Calif.—by Wesley Wibley, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEX.—Central Assembly of God, 25th Anniversary and Homecoming, Sept. 5—12. Dinner on the grounds Sept. 12.—by W. A. Wilkerson, Pastor.

STRATHMORE, CALIF.—Sept. 8—; Evangelist and Mrs. C. J. Brown, Riverside, Calif. (J. D. Smith is Pastor.)

MASON CITY, ILL.—Sept. 19—; Evangelist and Mrs. R. D. Bates, St. James, Mo.—by Kenneth C. Wallace, Pastor.

VERSAILLES, MO.—Assembly of God, Sept. 12—26; Evangelist and Mrs. James Colburn, Houston, Tex. (William N. Sashs is Pastor.)

HETTINGER, N. DAK.—Assembly of God, Sept. 15—26; Evangelist and Mrs. Christian Hild, Fargo, N. Dak.—by Edward D. Kidroske, Pastor.

MIDWEST CITY, OKLA.—Sept. 19—Oct. 3; Evangelist Dewey L. Heath, Pampa, Tex. (N. A. Chambers is Pastor.)

AMERICUS, GA.—Area-wide tent meeting, Sept. 19—; David Nunn Evangelistic Party.—by Arthur V. Hendrick, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

WAYNESBORO, PA.—Calvary Tabernacle, Sept. 19—Oct. 3; Evangelist Niels P. Thomsen, New Richmond, Wis. (Fleming Van Meter is Pastor.)

PIPESTONE, MINN.—Assemblies of God Church, Sept. 5—19; Evangelist and Mrs. Dale Wartenbee, Saginaw, Mich.—by Marlin Kallevig, Pastor.

FESTUS, MO.—Sept. 5—19; Evangelist and Mrs. John C. Potect, Fullerton, Calif. (D. M. Dabney is Pastor.)

VIENNA, VA.—Assembly of God, Sept. 7—, for two weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Merrill Rayner, Lonaconing, Md. (Clyde Lee is Pastor.)

ALTON, ILL.—Gospel Tabernacle, 512 Spring St., Sept. 19—; Evangelists Frank and Gladys Lummer, Davenport, Iowa.—by Harley Smith, Pastor.

ONTARIO, CALIF.—First Assembly of God, Sept. 12—26 or longer; Evangelists Carl and Edna Goodwin. (Walter C. Hanneman is Pastor.)

CLOVIS, N. MEX.—Sept. 5—19; Evangelist and Mrs. D. Fred Leader, Lansing, Ill.—by Paul W. Savage, Pastor.

DOTHAN, ALA.—Taylor Assembly, Sept. 12—26 or longer; Evangelist Forrest Whaley, Tampa, Fla. (Shelbern Roberts is Pastor.)

Near FRONT ROYAL, VA.—Bethel Full Gospel Church, Sept. 12—; Evangelist Hazel B. O'Brien, Grafton, W. Va.—by O. K. Thomas, Pastor.

TAFT, CALIF.—Full Gospel Assembly, Sept. 12—; Evangelist Lutla M. Ware, Compton, Calif. (E. L. Klinsky is Pastor.)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MINISTERS' SEMINAR—Southern California Bible College, Costa Mesa, Calif., Oct. 12—14. C. W. H. Scott, Michigan District Superintendent, main speaker. Panel discussion and addresses on general theme, "Attaining a More Productive Ministry." Services Oct. 12 at 7 p.m.; Oct. 13 and 14 at 10 a.m., 2 and 7 p.m. For accommodations write M. Rogers, Southern California Bible College, Costa Mesa, Calif.—by Albert L. Hoy.

HOUSTON, TEX.—Greens Bayou Assembly, Sept. 19—Oct. 3; Evangelist Joe Mazzu, Houston, Tex.—by Lester P. Summers, Pastor.

LAWRENCE KANS.—Assembly of God, Sept. 15—; Evangelist and Mrs. Neil W. Webb, Port Arthur, Tex.—by J. J. Krimmer, Pastor.

HOLLENTOWN, PA.—Pentecostal Assembly of God, Sept. 21—Oct. 3; Evangelist Robert Wallace.—by Russell D. Welsch, Pastor.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—Laurel Tabernacle, Sept. 19—Oct. 3; Evangelist Bill Ferrell, Dallas, Tex. (John L. Price is Pastor.)

PINE BLUFF, ARK.—First Assembly of God, Sept. 5—19; Evangelist Fay Hutchinson, Fort Smith, Ark.—by R. A. Thompson, Pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.—Capitol Hill Assembly of God, 705 N. Quaker, Sept. 14—Oct. 3; Surratt Brothers, Waynoka, Okla.—by M. D. Hartz, Pastor.

HASTINGS, NEBR.—Assembly of God, Sept. 12—; Evangelist and Mrs. D. M. Ramsey, Osceola, Iowa.—by H. W. Lebsack, Pastor.

ROUNDUP, MONT.—Assembly of God, Sept. 19—Oct. 3; Evangelist Melvin R. Lager, Havre, Mont.—by Jack Albanese Jr., Pastor.

PACIFIC, MO.—Assembly of God, Sept. 19—, for two weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. M. L. Robinson, Waxahachie, Tex.—by C. A. Pankey, Pastor.

WADSWORTH, OHIO—Full Gospel Church, Sept. 14—October 3; Evangelist and Mrs. William Moorman, Indianapolis, Ind.—by William L. Rhyand, Pastor.

WEBB CITY, MO.—First Assembly of God, Sept. 26—Oct. 10; Evangelist and Mrs. W. F. Garvin, St. Petersburg, Fla.—by Albert D. Pyle, Pastor.

EDWARDSVILLE, ILL.—Assembly of God, Sept. 21—Oct. 3; Evangelist John C. Potcet, Fullerton, Calif.—by Randol L. Mercer, Pastor.

ODIN, ILL.—Assembly of God, Sept. 5—19; Evangelist and Mrs. A. F. DiMusto.—by W. R. Wainscott, Pastor.

WACO, TEX.—East Waco Assembly of God, Sept. 12—; Evangelist Kenneth Berry and the "Musical Berrys" of Houston, Tex. (Horace Rawls is Pastor.)

ANACONDA, MONT.—Assembly of God, Sept. 26—Oct. 17; Evangelist F. C. Cornell, Baxter Springs, Kans.—by R. R. Nichols, Pastor.

MCDONALD, OHIO—Summit Assembly of God, W. Liberty St. Ext., Sept. 21—Oct. 10; Kindschy Evangelaires, Denver, Colo.—by C. E. Nielsen, Pastor.

FAIRVIEW, W. VA.—Jakes Run Assembly, Sept. 19—Oct. 3 or longer; Evangelists Pete and Verna Saleskey, Keyser, W. Va.—by P. A. Wells, Pastor.

PORTLAND, OREG.—Assembly of God, 1901 N. E. Broadway, Sept. 7—, for three weeks; Evangelist and Mrs. Philip Megna, San Jose, Calif. (Cecil W. Ahalt is Pastor.)

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Paseo Assembly of God, Sept. 12—26 or longer; Evangelists Cordelia Donnell and Mildred Holler.—by L. R. Sturgis, Pastor.

CINCINNATI, OHIO—First Christian Assembly of God, 220 William H. Taft Rd., Sept. 19—Oct. 10; McColl-Gerard Evangelistic Party.—by D. Leroy Sanders, Pastor.

HARRISON, ARK.—First Assembly of God, 106 S. Cherry St., Sept. 14—26; Evangelist W. M. Stevens, Colorado Springs, Colo.—by W. C. Land, Pastor.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Milwaukee Gospel Tabernacle, 5511 W. Burleigh St., Sept. 15—; Evangelist Al Silvera, Fresno, Calif. (Harvey L. Flaherty is Pastor.)

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA—First Assembly of God, 504 N. 2nd St., Sept. 15—, for two weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. A. R. Vanderploeg, Toledo, Ohio.—by M. E. Parlotz, Pastor.

STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.—El-Bethel Assembly of God, Sept. 19—Oct. 3; Evangelists Fred and Gladys Voight, Springfield, Mo.—by E. J. Schlossmacher, Pastor.

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—C. A. and Sunday School Rally, Central Assembly, 1917 Central Ave., Sept. 14. Victor Trimmer and Andrew Stirling, speakers. Services at 3 and 7:45 p.m. All churches in area participating.—by B. H. Conant, Pastor.

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In your "Passing and Permanent" section you recently published a little article entitled, "Moslems Spreading the Koran." You had it as if this was the first publication of the Koran in German. I have one that was printed 73 years ago in 1881 and the imprint shows it was the eighth edition, so there were seven editions prior to that time.—Wm. Barth, Chicago, Ill.

PUTTING THE "EVANGEL" TO WORK

We get eighty EVANGELS per week. Sixty are used outside of our church, including street work.

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"HOW TO WIN SOULS"

I like the title of the article you published August 1—"How to Win Souls and Influence Sinners." We need to know more in this field of personal evangelizing. Being a personal worker myself, I have run into all types of problems. If we knew how others have handled certain situations it would save us time and help us to be more efficient.

Thousands of souls are under conviction through our great men of God on radio and TV, but there is no one to pray with them and to invite them to a church where they can find spiritual satisfaction. The spiritual tree is shaking and the ripening fruit is falling. Will it rot or be gathered in by personal contact?—K. T. White, Big Spring, Md.

WITH CHRIST

WILLIAM I. SMITH, 75, Corona, N. Mex., went to be with the Lord July 30, 1954. Brother Smith was ordained in 1925. He was one of our superannuated ministers.

DELTA, COLO.—First Assembly of God, Sept. 5—; Evangelist and Mrs. Paul Fleming, La Crescenta, Calif.—by Peter Pilot, Pastor.

CLARINDA, IOWA—Rally Day, Sept. 19; D. A. Hastie, Superintendent of Southern Missouri District, speaker. Services at 11 a.m., 2:30 and 8 p.m. Basket dinner at noon. Neighboring Assemblies co-operating.—by G. R. McGhghy, Pastor.

DEEPER LIFE FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS—Baxter Springs, Kans., Oct. 11; Caney, Kans., Oct. 12. U. S. Grant, Kansas City, Kans., and R. A. McClure, North Kansas City, Mo., speakers. C. D. Jones is Sectional Representative.—by Russell Rexroat, Sectional Presbyter.

MIDLAND, MICH.—Area-wide meeting in Midland High School, Cor. Rodd and Reardon Sts., Sept. 6—19; Evangelists H. C. Noah and Alton Hayes. Meetings to be continued in the Frolic Theater on Main Street. Services each night at 7:30 p.m., and Sundays at 3 and 7:30 p.m.—by Rufus Richendrfer, Chairman.

MEETING CANCELLED—Meeting in Houston, Tex., Norhill Assembly of God, announced to begin Sept. 12 has been cancelled.—by Evangelist E. R. Winter.

their services. I have often had to call in order to find out about services. This is very inconvenient for one who has neither a car nor a phone. And when the church has no telephone and no ad in the newspaper, the job is doubly difficult.

When Christians travel, they like to stop for services. But if a traveler sees no signs to advertise an Assembly of God, he may not know whether there is one in the city. At least, he will not know its location or schedule of its services. In that case he may have to go to another church, or—if he eventually finds an Assembly—he will have to go in late.

I, for one, think it is time we began spending some money for advertising. How can we expect people to come to our services if they don't know when or where they are?—Mrs. C. S. Vance, Jr., Kansas City, Kansas.

HOW THE YELLOW PAGES CAN HELP

It would help a great deal if every Assembly, whatever its name might be, would list itself in the yellow pages of the local telephone directory under "Assemblies of God."

In the past twenty-eight years I have taken many vacation trips. Often we would be away from home for two or three Sundays, and would want to go to Sunday School and church, but many times we could not locate an Assembly of God.

In one large city in Ohio we searched for an Assembly, but all we could find was a foreign-language group. I didn't know their language so I kept searching, but to no avail. Later I learned there were some churches in that city affiliated with the Assemblies of God, but their names did not identify them as such. I wish every one of our churches had a sign on it saying "Assembly of God." It would help us "wandering sheep" to find the right fold.—F. M. Rice, Coffeyville, Kans.

VIEWS

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A PLEA FOR CHURCH SIGNS

In my opinion there ought to be more signs pointing the way to our churches and telling about

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