

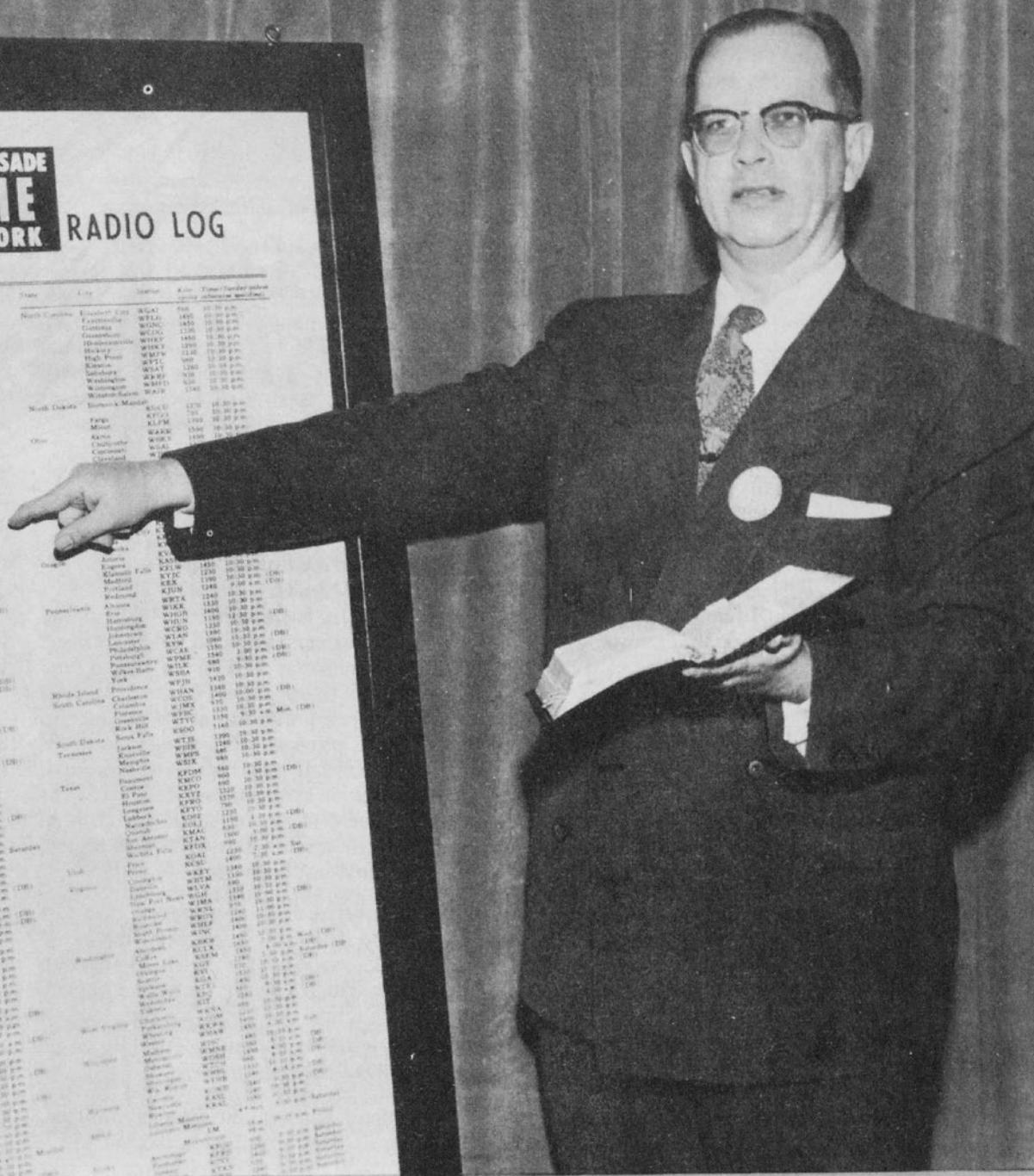
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Alabama	Anniston	WAMA	1450 10:30 p.m.	North Carolina	Elizabeth City	WGL	1450 10:30 p.m.
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Our "Revivaltime" speaker, C. M. Ward, points to the list of 300 stations over which the broadcast is heard each week. This great gospel crusade will be forced off the network unless there is a very large increase in offerings within the next few weeks.

PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

The Cure for Delinquency

District Judge Earl J. Lyons in Minneapolis, looking back on 6,000 cases in seven years, said: "In this court we believe that getting a boy or girl back to church is the best therapeutic device we can practice."

Penal Institutions Crowded

There are more inmates in penal institutions in the United States than at any time since 1940. According to the Federal Bureau of Prisons, there were 172,729 confined in federal and state prisons at the end of 1953.

Let us support the prison work that our Home Missions Department is doing throughout the land, especially on National Prison Sunday which will be November 14. Make plans now to conduct gospel services in some prison, or in your city and county jail, on that date.

Lawlessness Increasing

The F. B. I. reports that 58,000 boys and girls under fifteen years of age were arrested for various offenses in 1,174 cities during 1953. There were 55,000 arrests of fifteen- and sixteen-year-olds, 191,000 between the ages of seventeen and twenty-one, and 141,000 in ages twenty-one to twenty-four. This totals nearly half a million young people who were arrested last year.

But adults should be reminded that there were 1,342,000 older people, ages twenty-five and up, arrested in these same communities during this same period. It appears that the adults are not setting the young people a very good example.

The Book That Rebukes Sin

The Gideon magazine tells how a couple stopped at a Colorado motel to look over an apartment for a week-end stay. They were quite prosperous, judging by their car and clothing. The man inspected the apartment, decided it would do, and paid in advance while his lady companion remained in the car.

Then his eye happened to fall upon a Bible which the Gideons had placed in the motel. Immediately his manner changed. The sight of the Bible lying there on the dresser seemed to freeze him into sudden immobility.

The manager, a discerning man, asked, "She's not your wife, is she?"

"No, she isn't," he admitted. "By the way, may I use your telephone?"

The wife at home was told that her errant husband would be with her very shortly.

A Legal Argument in Vermont

It appears there will be a legal contest in Vermont over the question of holding religious education classes on public school property. The State Attorney General recently ruled against the classes, but former governor Harold J. Arthur says that the ruling violates the rights of local school boards as set forth in the Vermont constitution.

Dolls to Kneel in Prayer

Dolls and other toys will "increasingly reflect that the modern family is a religious family," according to an announcement from a toy manufacturer in New York. The company said it has created a doll that can "kneel in a praying position with back upright," for the benefit of parents who wish to teach their children the habit of daily worship.

Israel Gets Oil From Russia

The Israel Oil Corporation will receive 100,000 tons of crude oil from Russia. The first shipment of Russian crude oil to reach the Middle East arrived at Haifa aboard a Finnish tanker. The oil, amounting to 14,000 tons, will be processed at the Haifa refiners, according to *The Jewish Chronicle*.

The Soviet oil is said to be one-third cheaper than the fuel supplied by Western countries.

Midget Automobiles To Be Made in Israel

The Crosley automobile, which closed its assembly lines in the U.S.A. two years ago, will soon be reborn in Israel, according to the Jewish press. A new \$3,000,000 corporation has been set up which will produce the midget cars in Tel Aviv for sale in Europe where small automobiles are very popular.

The motor will be made in U.S.A. but the body and chassis will be produced in Tel Aviv.

British Methodists Approve Service for Spiritual Healing

A prayer service for spiritual healing sessions in which "laying on of the hands" is practiced was approved by the Methodist Conference of Great Britain at its annual meeting in London.

The service was recommended by the Conference's spiritual healing committee. In urging its adoption, Dr. Leslie Weatherhead stressed that "this service is not intended to be held in public but in private."

"The Methodist Church is in the forefront in this matter of recalling Christ's

Church back to the ministry of healing," he said. "Emotions in the deeper part of the mind—such as guilt, hate, fear and worry—definitely cause some physical diseases."

All very true. But he goes on to say, "In this service, we seek to replace resentment with love, fear with trust, guilt with the forgiveness of God." This sounds like psychiatry, pure and simple. It may bear the label of Christian psychiatry, but it bears very little resemblance to the Bible pattern of healing where incurable cases are cured by a miraculous act of God in response to the prayer of faith.

Looking for a Better Home

In Hebrews 11:16 we read about the saints of old who desired a better country, that is, an heavenly. They were dissatisfied with their earthly environment. The sin, sorrow, and instability of an earthly existence was ever with them, spoiling the most enchanting scenes that this world could offer, and they longed for something better. Therefore they turned their backs on worldly ambitions and set their affection on things above. Concerning these enlightened souls, we read that "God is not ashamed to be called their God: for He hath prepared for them a city."

We were reminded of these saints of old when reading the latest revised population report for the period of 1950-53. It shows that the growth in states whose climate makes them attractive from the standpoint of health, recreation and retirement has been particularly rapid. These states include Nevada, Arizona, Florida, and California. Continental United States gained 5 per cent during this period. Nevada gained 28.8 per cent, Arizona 24 per cent, Florida 21 per cent, and California 15.1 per cent. Other states had a much smaller growth. Five states declined in population.

No doubt many of us would like to move to a balmy climate, as far as natural preference is concerned, but God keeps us in our present whereabouts for some good purpose. Perhaps He is seeking to increase our longing for that heavenly home where every holy desire of our hearts will be fully realized.

American Legion's "Back to God" Movement Made Permanent

At their annual convention in Washington, the Legionnaires voted to make their "Back to God" movement a permanent Legion activity. The program is designed to promote family devotions, regular church attendance, and religious training for youth.

The veterans also called for the printing of suitable Bible references or slogans such as "In God We Trust" on all new currency. The slogan now appears on all current U. S. coins and on the 3-cent and 8-cent stamps.



Pentecost — God's Answer to Modernism

A. A. Wilson, Kansas City, Mo.



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NO EXPERIENCE IS TAUGHT MORE CLEARLY in the Word of God than the baptism in the Spirit; nor is there one more fully misunderstood by the religious leaders and teachers of today. This is an appalling situation, for they are not only deceiving themselves, but also misinforming and prejudicing others. I have had so many inquiries from people in all walks of life concerning this blessed Bible truth that I feel I must set forth some facts based upon the Word of God.

The baptism of the Holy Spirit is often confused with the new birth, or regeneration. But Jesus Himself clearly taught that only believers are eligible to receive this experience: "I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you" (John 14:16, 17).

Christ chose His disciples three and one-half years before the Day of Pentecost, and He declared them all "clean," with the exception of Judas who betrayed his Lord (John 15:3). "He chose twelve, whom also he named apostles." Certainly the Lord Jesus would not choose unsaved men for His disciples. Not only had the disciples been born again, chosen by Christ, and given power to heal the sick and cast out devils, but it is also recorded that their names had been written in heaven (Luke 10:20).

In addition to his ministry as Pastor of the First Assembly in Kansas City, the author is widely known as a convention and camp-meeting speaker, and also serves as an Executive Presbyter of the Assemblies of God.

Any honest mind must see that the disciples of our Lord were born again and had the witness of the Spirit before they received the baptism of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost. But this is not all. In John 15, Christ said to the disciples, "I am the vine, ye are the branches. . . . If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." These disciples had been grafted into the True Vine when they were born again. They had been translated out of the kingdom of darkness, into the kingdom of light. They were washed, sanctified and justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God (1 Cor. 6:11).

Again, Jesus acknowledged His disciples as "the men which thou [God] gavest me out of the world"—(John 17:6). Also in verses 14 and 16 of this same chapter we read, "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world."

Immediately after the Saviour ascended to heaven, the disciples "returned to Jerusalem with great joy: and were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God." People who have not been born again do not have unbounded joy such as this.

The baptism of the Holy Spirit was never intended to save anyone. This powerful experience was never promised to sinners. But to Christians, who had tasted the freshness of resurrection glory, He said, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

Then this company "all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren. And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance" (Acts 1:14; 2:1-4).

Many would have us believe that at Pentecost the Holy Spirit came upon the Church in such a way that all individuals have the experience automatically upon accepting Christ. This cannot be, for the Word tells us about other believers who were filled with the Spirit after the Day of Pentecost: the Samaritans (Acts 8:14-18), Paul in Damascus (ch. 9:17, 18), the household of Cornelius at Caesarea (ch. 10:44-47), and the believers at Ephesus (ch. 19:1-7).

If one outpouring of the Spirit was sufficient for the entire Church age, why was not one act of water baptism enough for all the church dispensation? God had promised the Baptism to all believers individually! We read in Acts 2:39, "For the promise is unto you [Jews], and to your children [children of the Jews], and to all that are afar off." Ephesians 2:13 and 17 show clearly that these "afar off" ones are the Gentiles. This is also taught in type in Leviticus 23:22. "And when ye reap the harvest

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An Agnostic Comes to the Faith

THE STORY OF LEW WALLACE AND THE BOOK THAT MADE HIM FAMOUS

I HAD JUST READ "BEN HUR," WRITES X., and the book was on the table before me when the author, Lew Wallace, stepped in. I pointed to the book and told him that it had brought me much blessing. "I know I shall read it several times," I remarked.

The author seemed pleased over my enthusiasm; so taking courage, I said, "I am interested in knowing how you came to write this story."

After a pause he answered, "It will be a pleasure to tell you." He seated himself a bit more comfortably in the large chair, and in a simple, candid manner told me an unusual story.

"It was generally known that I was an agnostic and had denied Christianity. Robert G. Ingersoll was one of my most intimate friends. At that time I had just finished my term as governor of the Territory of Arizona and was returning east together with Ingersoll. As we neared St. Louis, seated in conversation on ordinary things, we both noticed a forest of church spires. 'Isn't it strange,' Ingersoll remarked, 'that so many apparently intelligent people continue to believe the foolish doctrines that are being taught under these church spires? When will the time arrive that these teachings of the Bible will be thrown out as foolishness?'"

"We discussed this topic a while and suddenly Ingersoll looked into my face and said, 'See here, Wallace, you're a

learned man and a thinker. Why don't you gather material, write a book, and give it to the world proving the falsity concerning Jesus Christ—that no such man has ever lived, neither is He the author of the teachings found in the New Testament? Such a book would make you famous. It would be a masterpiece and a way of putting an end to this foolishness concerning the so-called Christ and the Saviour of the world.'

"This thought made a deep impression on me and we discussed the possibilities of such a book. As we bade farewell I said I would try to gather material for such a book and have it published as the masterpiece of my life and the crowning glory of my work.

"I went to Indianapolis, my home, and told my wife about my purpose. She was a member of the Methodist Church and naturally did not like my plan, but I had decided to do it and began to collect material in libraries here and in the old world. I gathered everything I could find that would throw light over that period in which Jesus Christ, according to sayings, should have lived. Several years were spent in this work. When I had accumulated all possible proof I began to write the book. I had written nearly four chapters, when it became clear to me that Jesus Christ was just as real a personality and teacher as Socrates, Plato, Caesar, and other ancient men. The conviction became certainty—I knew that Jesus Christ had lived on earth, because of the facts connected with the period in which He had lived.

"I was in a uncomfortable position. I had begun to write a book to prove that no such person as Jesus Christ had ever lived on earth; now I was face to face with undeniable proof that He was just as historic a personage as Julius Caesar, Mark Anthony, Virgil, Dante, and a host of other men who had lived in the olden days. I asked myself candidly, 'If He was a real person (and there was no doubt), was He not then also the Son of God and the Saviour of the world?' Gradually the conviction grew that since Jesus Christ was a real person, then He probably was the one He claimed to be. This conviction became so strong that at last it grew into a certainty.

"One night, I shall never forget it, I fell on my knees to pray for the first time in my life and I asked God to reveal Himself to me, forgive my sins, and help me to become a follower of Christ. Toward morning the light broke into my

soul. I went into my wife's bedroom, woke her, and told her that I had received Jesus Christ as my Lord and Saviour. You should have seen her face when I told her of my new faith!

"'Oh, Lew,' she said, 'I have prayed for this ever since you told me of your purpose to write this book—I prayed that you should find Him while you wrote it.'

"We knelt at the bedside in the early morning, and together we thanked God for His mercy and His guidance in directing me to Him. I do not believe that there is more joy in heaven than we found that morning when we, after many years of marriage, became united in fellowship with Jesus Christ.

"Then I asked, 'What shall I do with all the material I have gathered with so much trouble and expense?' 'Oh,' she answered, 'just rewrite the first four chapters, then send the book out into the world to prove from your own searching and studying that Jesus Christ is everything that He claimed to be, the Son of God and the Saviour of the world.'"

—by N. N. Ronning (condensed from "Log of the Good Ship Grace").

"While the works of once-famous skeptics are left to rot on book shelves, every year sees the Bible translated into some new tongue, acquire a greater influence, and receive wider circulation."

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A DEPENDABLE HISTORY

Two Englishmen, Gilbert West and his friend Lord Littleton, once conspired together to destroy Christianity. Determined to expose the "cheat" of the Bible, Mr. West chose the resurrection of Christ, and Lord Littleton the conversion of Paul, as subjects for hostile criticism. They began their task full of prejudice and contempt for Christianity.

At the end of their allotted time for research they came together, not, as they had expected, to exult over an imposture exposed, but to lament their own folly and to congratulate each other on the wonderful result of their separate investigations. Both men had become convinced that Christianity is historically true and that the Bible is indeed the Word of God.

Mother and Dad read two of their favorite magazines.
The slogan for October—Protestant Press Month—is,
"A Christian magazine in every home."

Suppose the Presses Stopped!

William F. McDermott

WHEN THE NEWSPAPER STRIKE IN NEW York stopped the giant presses from rolling off their Niagaras of new editions daily, America's first city suddenly felt itself all but paralyzed.

"No daily paper?" eight of every ten people asked each other in bewilderment. One of the greatest publications missed its issues for the first time in more than a century.

Inveterate readers who took their newspapers for granted as much as their coffee suddenly found themselves "lost." Radio-television newscasts and flashes, and motion picture newsreels, proved no substitute for the paper to be read and digested at will.

Whenever I enter a Christian home where no Christian publication is in sight, I feel that here is a domicile which in one sense is "lost." It has deprived itself of the greatest continued news story of the times—the story of the Lord at work in His world in these desperate, yet challenging days. The presses for that family have stopped.

But when I find a Christian publication alongside the Bible in a home of devout followers of the Lord Jesus Christ, I sense that here is a family that is alive to the world and its spiritual problems, and to the many ways modern disciples are militantly battling to meet them.

I regularly read eight or ten church weeklies or monthlies, and I find no literature of the day more informative or invigorating, none more helpful in understanding current complexities or more revealing in the only way—Christ's way—to meet them. Newspapers and magazines are neither substitutes for nor competitors of the religious press. Its service is unique, vast, incomparably important, and influential in advancing the Kingdom of God.

There is no organization in our land

The author is a well-known Christian journalist; formerly with Chicago Daily News. His writings appear regularly in Reader's Digest and other secular magazines.

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comparable to the Christian Church. We count more than 90,000,000 members on church rolls. Atheism or agnosticism (at least the militant, blatant type) has almost disappeared from the scene. It is no longer the smart thing to deny God. It is true that a vast paganism exists, but also there is a virile counter-faith, rooted in the fundamental doctrines of historic Christianity, which millions proclaim and live, and for which multitudes would be willing to give their lives.

There's news there, friend. The greatest, best, most exciting news anywhere. And there's only one place you will find it chronicled faithfully, fully, accurately and inspiringly—in your Christian publication.

The Bible itself sets the pattern for today's Christian publications. Webster's dictionary defines the word "gospel" as "the good news concerning Christ, the Kingdom of God, and salvation." What better statement could fly from the masthead of the Christian press in our land today?

Likewise in the Acts of the Apostles, we find the meatiest story ever printed—the story of the founding of the Christian Church and its spread in a few decades over the known world. It's news without parallel in history.

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Christian publications do a follow-up today of the "greatest story ever told." Let's look at the picture from different angles.

Secular news columns are rife with threats of war, killings, corruption, and violence. Possibility of the suicide of the human race hangs like a black shadow over reports from the capitals of many nations. Is there no counteracting influence?

I turn to my church paper. I find there the story of an army of Christian missionaries battling against the powers of darkness and leading men to the Prince of Peace.

Again, a story that mentions Halley's comet intrigues me. What has that to do with religion? I discover that a descendant of that famous astronomer condensed the Bible to one-third its size and committed all that condensation to memory; for years Henry H. Halley held "Bible memory revivals," at which his "sermons" consisted of Scripture quotations. He could recite Bible passages for an hour a night for six weeks, and never repeat a line.

You read of juvenile delinquency increasing, of dope addiction and vandalism, of jails packed with teen-agers, of adolescents committing atrocious murders. But there's another side to youth. In my church paper I find the account of 11,000 Christian workers traveling a total of 6,000,000 miles to attend a great Sunday School convention. I read of young people by the hundreds dedicating themselves to Christian service.

My church paper tells me of new churches being founded, of Christian service in prisons and hospitals, of evangelical schools and colleges preparing men and women for missionary work, of progress being made in good race relations, in relief of the poor and needy, of the

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The Kalimpong church is one of our fine thriving congregations on the Nepal border

MISSIONS ON THE BORDER OF NEPAL

James H. Boyce

A PARTY OF PENTECOSTAL MISSIONARIES sailed for India in 1915 on the *S. S. Persia*. Among them were Mrs. Mary C. Chapman, a missionary from South India, Marguerite Flint, Jennie Kirkland, Mattie Personcus and Annie Morrison. It was October, and little did these missionaries know that their ship would fall prey to the submarine menace.

The *S. S. Persia* was on its return run to India. Just one day out from the island of Malta it was torpedoed while the passengers were at breakfast. In the confusion that followed only one small boatload of people was saved. The missionaries were among the survivors. Three hundred Indian students were drowned. The *S. S. Medina*, on which the writer sailed, arrived in Bombay a few days later with the sad news. It was pitiful to see the relatives of the victims waiting at the dock for news of their loved ones.

My first year was spent at Dhond, Poona, Bombay Presidency, a work that had been started by Albert Norton.

Albert Norton had by that time spent fifty years in India. At the dinner table he would thrill us with stories of his past missionary life—it was then I first heard how the Pentecostal mission stations came to be strung along the Nepal border.

"Daddy" Norton had started a mission station at Bahraich about twenty miles from Nepal. This became an orphanage for boys and girls rescued from the famines of 1897. Not long after that Mrs.

Lillian F. Denney, the Misses Laura Gardner, Margaret Felch, Hattie Hacker, Esther Bragg and others joined him in the work. But the moving force was a certain Minnie Abrams who had been a helper with Pandita Ramabai of the Mukti Mission at Kedgaon, Poona District. Those were the days when God mightily visited the Mukti Mission with an outpouring of the Holy Spirit, similar to that recorded in Acts 2:4. Miss Abrams became heavily burdened for the closed lands bordering India—especially Nepal. Her burden was increased by messages in tongues and interpretation, and the prophecy that Jesus was coming soon.

Miss Abrams traveled north heading a party of missionaries who were also determined to get the gospel into Nepal. Two of those brave missionaries were stricken with malignant malaria fever which is so prevalent along the border of Nepal. That dreaded disease claimed the life of Minnie Abrams; her body now lies buried at Uska Bazar about fifteen miles from the Nepal border. I am sure her heart would rejoice today were she with us to realize that her prayers for that country are being answered.

The first station to be opened, as I remember, was at Nanpara. Soon after that Mrs. Lillian Denney opened a work which included a boys' school, at Rupaidiha on the border, four miles from Naipalganj.

Today Anna Tomaseck and her mis-

sionary helpers have a nursery of fifty-five babies at Rupaidiha; Miss Mattie Personcus is in charge of the evangelistic side of the work. Besides this a small dispensary is functioning daily.

Then there is the Uska Bazar work opened in 1912 by the Misses Baugh, Lee and Kirland. In 1922 Mr. H. T. Waggoner and family arrived at Uska Bazar and started what is now a successful leper asylum. Evangelistic work has been carried on over the years in numerous villages around this station. Before this time another work had been opened at Nawabganj by Mr. Mahaffey and Mr. Massey. This work came under the directorship of Mr. and Mrs. James Harvey, the Aston sisters and other helpers. It is known today as the James Harvey Memorial School; the present enrollment is approximately 200 boys and small children.

Over the years, mission stations were opened in Lucknow and Bara Banki, the latter becoming a fine girls' orphanage. Then there was the Chapra work taken over by the Misses Baugh, Lee, Kirkland and Morrison. From Chapra Misses Kirkland and Flint opened a work at Bettiah, establishing the Bettiah Girls' School and Orphanage. There are now over 200 girls and young women in that school, of which Hilda Wagenknecht is superintendent.

About 1918 Mr. and Mrs. Mahaffey opened another station at Basti and later located at Lahera Sarai, Bihar Province, forty miles from the Nepal border. In 1922 this station came under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mueller.

In 1919 a work was opened at Siswa Bazar by Annie Morrison. In 1920 the writer and Miss Morrison were married and they continued in the work there.

Down through the years God has greatly blessed these many mission stations. Much credit must go to those early pioneer missionaries as well as those who have come later to carry the torch to the unreached people of northern India. Today those darkened souls clear across the Nepal borders are hearing the good news of salvation at last.

Brother and Sister Boyce by bullock cart



PROTESTANT GROWTH IN FRANCE

Evangelist N. L. Ballew

WITH WORLD ATTENTION FOCUSED ON France these days, a few facts concerning the growth of Protestantism might be of interest to the EVANGEL readers.

France is overwhelmed at present by poverty and inflation. The cheapest meal in Paris, by American standards, costs \$1.75 to \$2.00. Clothes are equal to the prices in the United States; and there is a tremendous shortage of houses. The French law states that a landlord cannot force a tenant to leave his house until the tenant has procured another, so he remains indefinitely.

Wages lag to a snail's pace in the face of skyrocketing prices. Hence the worker who earns \$18.00 to \$25.00 a week is faced with a serious situation.

In France and Italy I saw Assemblies of God ministers wearing American suits. Upon inquiry I found that they had been sent from one of our energetic Women's Missionary Councils in America.

On the continent the Assemblies of God ministers walk or ride bicycles when making their ministerial calls. During winter months they return to a house that has no heat—most of the homes in France do not have heating facilities. Faced with low wages, high prices, shortages of houses, and cold winter nights many people in France have become discouraged and have turned to Communism. This great country that produced such men as Louis Pasteur, the scientist; John Calvin, the theologian; and many others, today lies upon the ash heap of religious deterioration and despair.

But there is a bright note. Christ is the answer to 800,000 French people. According to a new book, described by critics as the most authoritative modern work on French Protestantism, author Emile G. Leonard states that out of France's 42,740,000 people 800,000 are Protestants. The largest groups in the country, according to the book, are the Reformed Church of France—350,000

members; the Lutheran Church of Alsace-Lorraine—240,411 members; the Reformed Church of Alsace-Lorraine—48,960 members; and the Paris and Montebeliard Lutheran church—40,000 members.

The Pentecostals have 20,000 members; the Baptists—20,000; Independent Reformed Evangelical Church—18,614; Central Evangelical Society—18,000; Mennonite churches—10,000; Darbyites (Plymouth Brethren)—10,000; Seventh-day Adventist churches—2,500; Free Evangelical Church—21,190; Methodist churches—643; while the Salvation Army and other popular missions total about 18,500 members.

Leonard further states in his book that although the Protestants represent only a small percentage of the population, they are a strong spiritual and moral force in France today.

From my observation, France is ripe for the message of Pentecost at this hour. Recently it was my privilege to minister in several of Pastor Andre Nicolle's nine churches, most of which have been opened in the past two years. Practically all of their services are conducted in rented halls and theaters scattered throughout various areas of metropolitan Paris. In six services, held in a three-day period, sixty people raised their hands, signifying their desire to accept Christ as Saviour; proving that the people have a real hunger for God.

France is a mission field which stands desperately in need of your prayers at this time.

What does your anxiety do? It does not empty tomorrow, brother, of its sorrow; but ah, it empties today of its strength. It does not make you escape the evil, but makes you unfit to cope with it if it comes.—Ian MacLaren.

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A KOREAN WIDOW'S MITE

John Stetz writes from Korea:

"One of our churches in Seoul wanted to build under the present aid program, but in order to get material free from the U. S. Government they must first have property on which to build. They found a suitable site but had very little money in the building fund. The congregation was told that on a certain Sunday a special offering would be taken for this; it happened to be on the Sunday morning that I was engaged to speak.

"At the appointed time a round tray was placed on the table which was being used for a pulpit. Here came the people, shyly at first; then more and more came from all over the room. The mothers with babies on their backs came with their offerings in brown envelopes. Old grandmothers came and deposited their savings of several weeks. Men and some children came with their gifts, and widows as well.

"A widow, whose husband we had buried just a few weeks before, put in her offering—she had four children to care for. When I saw that I just couldn't keep still. I raised my voice and praised God, and cried, 'I have now seen the widow give her mite in Korea.'

"This is an example of the way the Christians sacrifice in Korea."

MISSIONARY News Notes



D. T. Scott and family returned to Lima, Peru, on September 8 for another term of service.

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Rosa Reineker sailed from New York on August 20 for Ceylon for another term of service.

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Merlin I. Lund and family sailed from New York on September 8 for South Africa.

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Scott
Peru

Rosa Reineker
Ceylon

Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Lund
South Africa



The General Superintendent SPEAKS



REVIVALTIME FACES A CRISIS

ONE YEAR AGO, THE GENERAL COUNCIL of the Assemblies of God was in session at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The Committee on Radio gave its report, as follows: "Your Committee recommends that we place REVIVALTIME on a live broadcast over a national hookup, continuing our foreign outlets as at present. . . . In the light of the hour in which we live, with a world going to hell, we believe now is the time to exercise faith and to work together in a great forward step for souls."

The great crowd responded with the following resolution, passed unanimously and with enthusiasm: "That the Executive Presbytery survey the Fellowship to select the man best suited to become the radio voice of the Assemblies of God; and that we place REVIVALTIME on a live broadcast over a national hookup, continuing our foreign outlets as at present, and that this be done as soon as considered feasible and practicable by the Executive Presbytery."

The newly elected Executive Presbytery proceeded to carry out the instructions given it by the General Council, the legislative body of the Assemblies of God. At our first meeting, a great burden was

felt that we might be led of the Lord, particularly in the choice of the Radio Voice for this "live broadcast over a national hookup." What was our joy when a poll of our twelve-man group revealed that every one of us felt that C. M. Ward, then pastor of an Assembly of God at Bakersfield, California, was God's man for the task. Contact with Brother Ward revealed that he was open to the invitation to accept this nation-wide (even world-wide) ministry. By universal acclaim, the listeners indicated we were right in our choice. There is not a more effective preacher on the air today.

The ABC Network offered us 10:30 Sunday night for the first night-time religious broadcast ever released over their stations. We unanimously felt that this too was the Lord's leading and we signed a contract with them for this spot. We began our live network broadcast December 20, 1953. Immediately souls were saved as a direct result. Our mail from all parts of the nation and of the world burned with wonderful stories of marvelous deliverances from the power of sin. Broken homes were reunited. Our armed forces all over the world were given this Full Gospel message. Ministers of other denominations were stirred; some sent copies of these sermons and preached them in their own churches with telling effect. Students in colleges and universities wrote us of their joy in listening.

WHEN WE BEGAN THIS ENLARGED BROADCASTING MINISTRY, WE DID NOT HAVE A FINANCIAL RESERVE IN THE RADIO FUND BUT STEPPED OUT IN FAITH THAT GOD AND OUR PEOPLE WANTED US TO REACH SOULS EVERYWHERE WITH THIS FULL GOSPEL. Appeals were made to our churches to support the program. A large metal plaque was given to the churches who gave regularly to REVIVALTIME. More and more of our churches entered this covenant with us so that now 1,650 Assemblies of God throughout the nation are giving regularly to this broadcast. Over 23,000 individuals are also supporting the program. THE INCOME NOW AVERAGES AROUND \$5,000 PER WEEK. This money helps pay for the broadcast over three hundred stations, including 200 in the ABC network, 78 independent, and 22 foreign stations. BUT THE COST IS AROUND \$10,000 per week. This net DEFICIT of about \$5,000 per week has now accumulated to over \$200,000.

This cannot continue. There will have to be an immediate recovery of this amount from our constituency and a complete underwriting of the broadcast as it is now released OR WE WILL HAVE TO GO OFF THE NETWORK DECEMBER 20, the end of our broadcast year, and go back to transcription broadcasts over independent stations according to the plan used a year ago.

Now, is it God's will for us to do this? Shall we retrench, to say nothing of retreat? We have God's message, the very message the world needs and the only solution of the world's problems, and we have the opportunity of bringing that message every week into millions of needy homes. In the face of the world need at this tragic hour, shall we silence our Voice in one half of these homes?

As spokesman for our Radio Department, for the Executive Presbytery, the General Presbytery, the 1,650 churches

It's Revivaltime Everywhere . . .



—in college



—on the highway



—in the barracks



—on the farm

and 23,000 contributors who now support REVIVALTIME, and on behalf of the hundreds of thousands of listeners at home and abroad who would otherwise be denied this life-saving message, I call on all the readers of THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL to unite in prayer for this critical need. Ministers, brothers and sisters, please pray NOW, and tomorrow, and continually, climaxing this great prayer crusade on the Sunday preceding Thanksgiving, that God will undertake and send us the means to recover this deficit and to underwrite this soul-saving program.

We will need 1,000 people to send us \$100 each, payable in thirty, sixty, or ninety days. If you can do this, please do so now. We will need other thousands to send us greater and lesser amounts. Let us rally together, in prayer and sacrificial giving, so that REVIVALTIME may still be heard "coast to coast and round the world." Let it still be "Revivaltime Everywhere."

Financial Crisis Threatens to Force "Revivaltime" off Network

As the accompanying article points out, there will have to be a large increase in offerings during the next few weeks if "Revivaltime" is to remain on the ABC Network.

The burden is a heavy one. No single person can carry it. No small group can finance it. The help of every assembly, every minister, every layman in our Fellowship is needed.

Are you a partner in this Radio Crusade? Each pastor who displays the sponsorship sign—each individual who mails regular offerings to support the broadcast—is as necessary as the radio speaker in sending out this Full Gospel broadcast.

All offerings should be mailed to

REVIVALTIME
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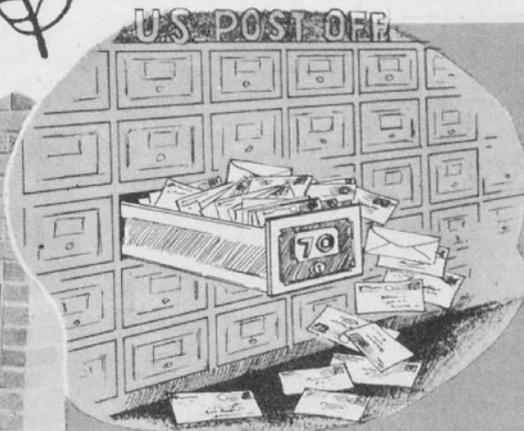
C. M. Ward on the air. Shall his voice be silenced?



Ruth Riggs



Pastor U. S. Grant, Kansas City, Kansas. His church is one of 1,650 displaying the "Revivaltime" sign. More sponsors are urgently needed.



The number of letters received at Box 70 determines the number of stations carrying "Revivaltime"

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—in the hospital



—in the home



—in the jail

SUNDAY'S LESSON

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

HOW OUR BIBLE CAME TO BE

Lesson for October 10

2 Peter 1:15-21

Before the time of Moses spiritual truth was passed from one generation to another by word of mouth. Religious instruction was not in writing. God revealed His will to chosen men from the time of Adam, but there was no written message. This method served well for a time, but if it had continued indefinitely, the truth gradually would have become perverted. In order that Divine truth might be preserved without corruption, qualified persons were inspired by the Holy Spirit to give us the written Scriptures. In this way all generations might have the unchanging Word of God.

Moses was the first inspired writer; through him God gave us the first 2,500 years of man's history, as recorded in the Book of Genesis. To him was given the law—both the ten commandments (moral law), the statutes and judgments (civil law), and the ceremonial law. The ceremonial law included instructions concerning the priesthood, the sacrifices, and the tabernacle service. Following Moses, during some 1,600 years, the Lord used forty writers through whom He provided the entire Bible. Uninspired men could not have done such a work.

1. THE TESTIMONY OF EYEWITNESSES

a. *The Testimony of Peter.* When Peter wrote his epistle, he testified that "according to his divine power" God has given us "all things that pertain unto life and godliness" (2 Peter 1:3). Among these things were "exceeding great and precious promises" (v. 4). The purpose was that we might be "partakers of the divine nature." Peter was very eager that we remember the important truths of the gospel, and so he left a record of them so that we "might have these things always in remembrance" (v. 15).

b. *The Mount of Transfiguration.* Having assured the believers that the words which he had written were the Word of God, Peter testified to what he had seen on the Mount of Transfiguration (Matt. 17:1-8). There he had witnessed the majesty of the Lord as He was transfigured before them. There he had caught a brief glimpse of the glory with which Christ will be arrayed when He comes in His kingdom. It was no fable he was telling but a fact of actual experience. Jesus on the mount had received honor and glory from the Father. There the Father had said, "This is my beloved

Son, in whom I am well pleased" (Matt. 17:5).

c. *Christ's Return in His Glory.* When Christ comes in His glory, He will come to reign as King of kings and Lord of lords. Jesus once said to His disciples, "There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom" (Matt. 16:28). On the Mount of Transfiguration this promise was fulfilled. That experience was a small preview of the time when He will fulfill the promise, "Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him" (Rev. 1:7); soon the time will come when "this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven" (Acts 1:11).

2. THE TESTIMONY OF THE WORD OF GOD

a. *"The More Sure Word of Prophecy."* Peter declared, "We have the word of prophecy made more sure" (v. 19, A. S. V.). What the disciples had seen on the Mount of Transfiguration had confirmed to them that what the prophets had spoken would find certain fulfillment. On the Mount, Moses and Elias had spoken to Jesus "of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem" (Luke 9:31). They knew that the cross lay before Him. Although He was going to suffer and die, this manifestation of His glory gave assurance that He would one day reign in righteousness and power.

b. *Hope Through the Scriptures.* Using the transfiguration as a proof of prophetic inspiration, Peter turns our attention to the prophetic words of Scripture. To them "ye do well that ye take heed," he says, "as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts" (v. 19). The only true and lasting light in this dark world is that which comes from God. The prophecies provide this light in the present darkness. They give us the assurance that when Christ will reign upon the earth the darkness of sin and sorrow will flee away.

c. *Interpretation of the Word.* "No prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation," stated the apostle emphatically. This means that no prophecy, isolated from other Scriptures, is in itself a sufficient guide concerning "the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power." If we are rightly to divide the

Word of truth we must carefully study all of the Scripture. Only in this way may we see how the various portions dovetail together. By the Holy Spirit each of the prophets brought forth his message, and each harmonizes with the others.

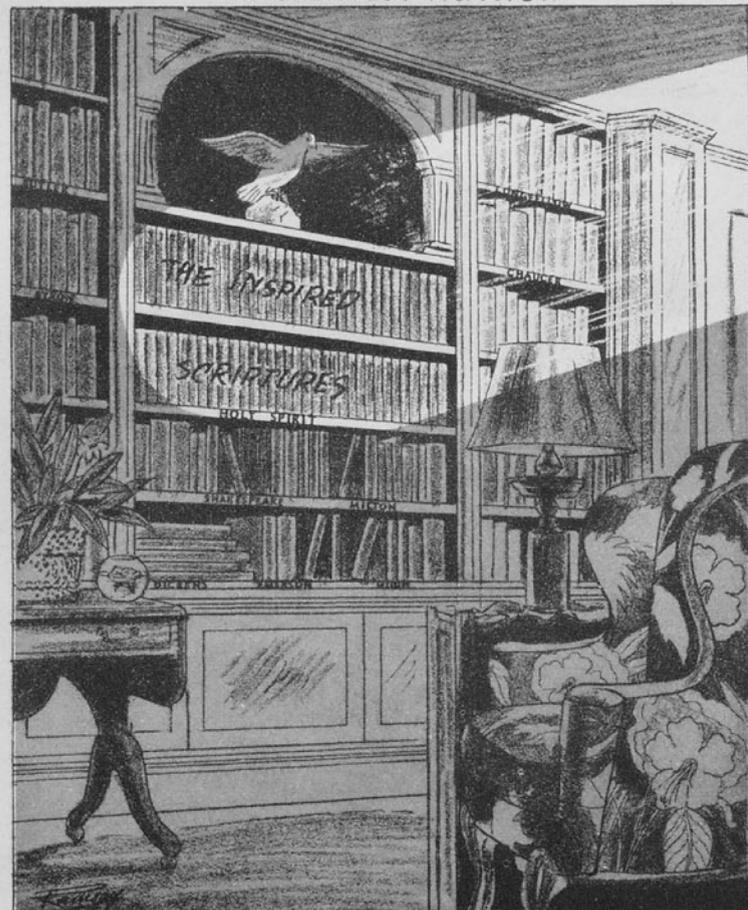
d. *Origin of the Bible.* Chosen men were so quickened and guided in what they wrote that they brought forth exactly what God wished for the edification of His people, and for the enlightenment of the world. The prophets were moved (borne along) by the Holy Ghost. They were co-operating agents with God. The Holy Spirit was the producer of the thoughts, for their prophecy "came not . . . by the will of man." It was not the product of their own unaided reason. What they declared came from God. Many prophecies have already been fulfilled. This gives us assurance that those which foretell the future will yet come to pass. We may safely trust what God has spoken. May He enrich our hearts as we study His Word.

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

The Bible Which Jesus Used (lesson for Sunday, October 3). Lesson text: Luke 4:14-22.

"This Book contains the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners, and the happiness of believers. Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are true, and its decisions are immutable. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, and practice it to be holy. It contains light to direct you, food to support you, and comfort to cheer you."

THE GREATEST AUTHOR





LEFT: Tent revival at Rockville, Indiana, in October 1953 about a month after the meetings began.



RIGHT: Sunday School at Rockville, Indiana, on August 22, 1954. There were 45 in attendance.



“We Didn’t Know the First Soul” —Jimmy Jones

On August 31, 1953, Eddie Fussell and I drove into the city of Rockville, Indiana, for the first time in our lives. We didn’t have a single lead and didn’t know the first soul. It was rather a strange feeling. But there was something burning in our hearts. God had called us to this place. We were here to start a church for the glory of God.

After graduating from Central Bible Institute I had conducted several evangelistic meetings in Indiana. Then the Lord seemed to impress me toward pioneering a new church.

One day I visited the District office. Brother Wead, Indiana District Superintendent, showed me a map of Indiana and pointed out the cities where the District was desirous of having new churches. After seeking the Lord concerning the situation I felt a tug in the direction of Rockville. So we obtained permission to use the sectional tent to conduct evangelistic meetings—and here we were!

The second day we were in this town of 3,000 population we visited the mayor, telling him who we were and why we had come to Rockville. The mayor gave us permission to place our tent on a choice spot opposite the city park. He also gave us permission to use the park benches. God was opening up the doors for us and how we praised His Name!

A local lumber company made us a platform on which to place the pulpit and piano—which had been given to us. The District supplied us with songbooks used

at camp meeting. Within a week everything was ready for the meetings. We drove all over town announcing the “great tent revival” over a public address system.

Many surrounding Assemblies of God churches had been invited to be with us various nights starting with the opening service on Monday night, September 7. Other Assemblies of God churches were a tremendous help in starting the church in Rockville. We knew that a crowd will usually draw a crowd, so we made sure there would be people in the tent revival on the very first night even if we had to import them from other Assemblies of God churches! Almost every pastor in the section was informed of our work.

For about five weeks Brother Fussell and I preached every night with no rest. At the first service there were about 14 local people present. Within several weeks there were 30 or 40 local people attending the services quite regularly.

Thirty-nine were present for our first Sunday School which we conducted the second Sunday under the tent.

At the outset we wanted our people to realize that this new church was their church. It was their responsibility. On

the very first Sunday morning the tithes and offerings were brought into the storehouse. It has been amazing. SINCE THE VERY BEGINNING OF THIS CHURCH IT HAS BEEN ALTOGETHER SELF-SUPPORTING. I HAVE BEEN COMPLETELY SUPPORTED AND HAVE BEEN ABLE TO GIVE MY WHOLE TIME TO THE MINISTRY.

After we had been in Rockville about three weeks God gave our church a wonderful miracle. A man who had been unable to walk for several weeks was instantly healed. After prayer had been offered, he arose from his bed and walked and cried and praised God. A short time later this man and his daughter were gloriously saved in the services under the tent. This miracle caused quite a stir in the community. Many have come into the church as a result of this healing.

We moved from the tent into a house which we have converted into a church by tearing down some partitions.

Here is a quick summary of the year’s work. Twenty-five have been baptized in water. Several have received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Our Women’s Missionary Council was recently organized with about fifteen members. Two weeks ago we had our largest Sunday School attendance, 53. Our Sunday School average attendance for the year was 45. The church tithes its income to foreign missions. We also sponsor REVIVALTIME. Last week a \$57.00 offering was given for a new church being opened in Greencastle, Indiana. We have a new neon sign over the front of the church which proclaims a message to all who pass by, “Christ Is the Answer.”

Next year we are looking forward to erecting a building. Praise God for the vision He has given to the people. We give all the glory to Jesus for everything that has been accomplished, for “without Him we can do nothing.”

Send all offerings for Home Missions to
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Pentecost—God's Answer to Modernism

(Continued from page three)

of your land, thou shalt not make clean riddance of the corners of thy field when thou reapest, neither shalt thou gather any gleanings of thy harvest: thou shalt leave them unto the poor and to the stranger: I am the Lord your God." The strangers and the poor are those mentioned in Ephesians 2:11-13, the Gentiles.

Further, the Leviticus account (vv. 15-23) is a description of the first Pentecost, a feast of harvest, the firstfruits of their labors. While the people ate the first heads of wheat their crops were in the field waiting to be gathered. It was a beginning, not an ending. The firstfruits were but a sample of what the full crop was to be like, a pledge that a great ingathering was to follow. What they ate was a sample of the kind of grain they were to gather and enjoy, the beginning of a great harvest. It was the same on the Day of Pentecost—that experience was not the end, but a beginning. It was not the last fruits, but the firstfruits. The Baptisms received on that day were samples of what the others would be like throughout the Church age.

The importance of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit in Christ's ministry cannot be overlooked. Just before His death He said, "It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you" (John 16:7).

After His resurrection "he breathed on them [the disciples], and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost" (John 20:22).

Just before His ascension He spoke these words: "And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high. But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Luke 24:49; Acts 1:8).

Just as He arrived at the Father's right hand, this promise was fulfilled: "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.... Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear" (Acts 2:4, 33).

And just before He returns, these words are to be fulfilled: "But this is that which

was spoken by the prophet Joel; And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: and on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy: and I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: the sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come: and it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Acts 2:16-21).

It has been my delightful privilege to see hundreds receive this remarkable experience and move into a richer and deeper knowledge of the things of God. I have enjoyed seeing many ministers filled with the Spirit in my meetings, and all of them will testify that their ministry after this experience far exceeded their efforts preceding it. I am positive that this Baptism is God's answer to modernism. Jesus promised this heavenly endowment of power to Christians because He knew assuredly that we must have it to cope with these last days and be ready to meet Him when He comes. I believe in this experience for three reasons—

- 1) The Bible teaches it.
- 2) The Lord promised it.
- 3) I have it. And remember, friend—it is for you, too.

*"Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me,
Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.
Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me.
Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me."*

I am only a wick. It is only when the wick is soaked in oil that it can burn. If you wish for the fullness of the Spirit in order that your church should be crowded, or people flock to hear you, the Holy Spirit cannot work through you. If people begin to talk about the wick, there is generally something wrong with the burning.—D. H. Dolman.

Suppose the Presses Stopped!

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influence of Christ in all phases of life.

I read the story of revival the world over, of the Word of God being preached in hundreds of languages, and of Bibles printed in more than a thousand tongues. I learn of thousands being converted in evangelistic campaigns here and in foreign lands. I find that God is working in His world in amazing ways, making one realize that "My word shall not return unto me void."

Your Christian publication not only informs you but also broadens your vision. As you read from week to week or month to month, your spiritual view is not limited to your earthly horizon. You see beyond your own neighborhood or city or nation. You realize that you have brothers whom you will never see or know in the flesh, who are of different races and cultures, whose food and manners are strange to yours—yet all are bound together with the indestructible ties of Christian love.

Parochialism is no mark of the true Christian. He becomes world-minded in the realization that Jesus Christ is the Saviour of all men who seek Him, and that His salvation binds us to our unseen Christian friends with a closeness and understanding that no political ties can ever develop. Big-mindedness and big-heartedness go hand in hand, and your church paper is priceless in its efforts to enhance such nobility of soul.

You will find that your church paper is an invaluable supplement to the sermon and an aid to worship. Nothing is so inspiring as a sermon preached under the guidance of the Holy Spirit—there must always be the faithful preaching of the Word of God. Yet your memory fails to hold the sermons you have heard. Details tend to fade away as time passes.

But your church paper can be read, digested, and kept for permanent reference. You can peruse it as you wish, and it can serve as a memory refresher for years to come. You can clip it and use the material in it decades later. I have on file gems from church papers which I clipped half a century ago; they are as timely today as when printed. If I took Christian publications for no other reason than what I retain for future use, I would still be getting more than my money's worth.

I consider the Christian press the strong right arm of the Church. The denominations that have well-edited, vigorous publications are advancing all along the line. At no time in history have the masses of people been more zestful for knowledge, and at no time have they

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been more willing to follow the paths that reliable information outlines for them.

An ignorant people is a static people. Poverty of body goes very much with poverty of mind; and poverty of spirit goes with poverty of information about God, His will, and His Church. Nothing can cripple a denomination more, except outright sin or worldliness, than to lack an avenue of communication. Haphazard distribution of literature will not do. It is God's will that people should know and go forward. The efficient, attractive, and consecrated Christian publication not only informs its people, but also inspires them with its varied special articles, quotable bits of exhortation, and its editorials commending loyal, unremitting, joyous service to the Master.

You not only get but also give when you are a loyal subscriber and intensive reader of your Christian publication. You give support, financial and moral, to the Kingdom of God. You are serving God when you subscribe to the church paper as well as to the church treasury. No publication can exist without subscribers or readers, and the larger its clientele the better it can serve you. You inspire the editor and his staff to do their utmost to present vital Christian news, editorials, stories, articles and features. Just as a minister is stirred to preach more eloquently by a large, responsive congregation, so the editor does his best when he has a large number of interested, appreciative readers. More so, when they write him.

As I look back over the years, I see tremendous advancements in the church press. Tract literature, religious leaflets and pamphlets have come alive with color and high-grade typography. And most church publications today are attractive, well illustrated, printed on good stock, and easy to read. You can place many Christian publications today alongside smart-looking national magazines, and they are fully as inviting to the eye.

As to dramatic and romantic writing—not in the sentimental sense—Christian papers take no back seat to any publication. As I read church journals and Sunday School literature, I find them as fully engrossing as the secular publications which pay high prices to noted writers for stories and articles. This is good news, for cheapness has no place in Christianity. We owe our very best to God. Christian editors have a keen sense of that, and in giving their best are winning millions of faithful Christians to a realization that Christian publications are indispensable to an effective blanketing of the world with good news of redemption through Christ.

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COMING MEETINGS

Notices should reach us three weeks in advance, due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 19 days before the date which appears upon it.

BUFFALO LAKE, MINN.—Oct. 13—24 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Billy J. Tims, Slayton, Minn.—by Jake Stroh and Don Miller, Pastors.

MODESTO, CALIF.—Community Full Gospel Church, Oct. 17—31; Evangelist Erling Saxelid, Ceres, Calif. (George Elrod is Pastor.)

NORTH KANSAS CITY, MO.—Oct. 10—24; Evangelist Frank and Gladys Lummer, Davenport, Iowa. (R. A. McClure is Pastor.)

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Pentecostal Tabernacle, 629 E. Delevan, Sept. 26—Oct. 10; Evangelists Percy and Dorothy King. (Frank Cristie is Pastor.)

YORK, PA.—Taxville Full Gospel Church, on Taxville Rd., Oct. 12—24; Evangelist A. D. Skyrner.—by A. J. DeMarco, Pastor.

KERMIT, TEX.—First Assembly of God, Oct. 17—31 or longer; Evangelist Phinis A. Lewis, Wichita Falls, Tex.—by M. F. Hankins, Pastor.

EAST AURORA, N. Y.—Aurora Gospel Tabernacle, 39 S. Grove St., Oct. 12—24; Evangelist Donald Northrup and Party, Port Jefferson, N. Y.—by C. A. Thomas, Pastor.

WINSLOW, IND.—Fellowship meeting and dedication of Zion's Hill Assembly of God (formerly known as Cup Creek Assembly, near Velpen, Ind.), Oct. 4. George Mandel, Springfield, Ill., dedicatory speaker.—by John D. Dearing, Pastor.

PANAMA CITY, FLA.—St. Andrew Assembly of God, Homecoming Rally, Oct. 10. All-day services. Former members and pastors invited.—by O. B. Hunnicutt, Pastor.

ANNUAL CONVENTION, Pentecostal Fellowship of North America, October 26—28, at Springfield, Missouri. Night meetings at Shrine Mosque; morning and afternoon meetings at Central Assembly.

OKLAHOMA DISTRICT COUNCIL—District Auditorium, 4½ miles north of State Capitol, Oklahoma City, Okla., Oct. 4—7. J. O. Savell, guest speaker. Robert E. Goggin, District Superintendent, in charge. District C. A. Rally Monday night.—by Floyd L. Poag, District Secretary.

INDIANA DISTRICT S. S. AND HOME MISSIONS TOUR—Sept. 28—Oct. 8; Victor Trimmer, speaker.

WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WIS.—Assembly of God, Oct. 17—31; Evangelists Joel and Esther Palmer, Lake Wales, Fla.—by Lyle E. Curtis, Pastor.

HAZLETON, PA.—Faith Assembly of God, Locust and Fourteenth Sts., Oct. 1—; Evangelist Michael Mastro.—by William A. Caldwell, Pastor.

WHITEHOUSE, TEX.—First Assembly of God, Oct. 3—17; Evangelist and Mrs. W. L. Jones, Quitman, Tex.—by O. B. Cook, Pastor.

FILLMORE, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Sept. 26—Oct. 10 or longer; Evangelist R. S. Barnes, Pomona, Calif.—by Neville E. Carlson, Pastor.

WICHITA, KANS.—First Assembly of God, 104 E. Lincoln, Oct. 10—; Evangelist and Mrs. Bob McCutchen, Austin, Tex. (R. R. Morrison is Pastor.)

DEPAUVILLE, N. Y.—Old Stone Church, Oct. 5—17; Evangelist Robert Wallace of Maine.—by William H. Douglas, Pastor.

DECATUR, ILL.—Assembly of God, Oct. 3—; Evangelist Robert C. Sellers, Little Rock, Ark.—by W. V. Drake, Pastor.

CORRY, PA.—Assembly of God, Sept. 26—Oct. 10; Evangelist and Mrs. Nelson E. White, Fort Myers, Fla. (J. B. Kelly is Pastor.)

KALISPELL, MONT.—Assembly of God, Oct. 3—17 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Orrin Kingsriter.—by O. W. Klingsheim, Pastor.

FERRIDAY, LA.—First Assembly of God, 801 Texas Ave., Oct. 3—17; Evangelist Charles Reed, Monroe, La.—by R. E. Gilliam, Pastor.

INDEPENDENCE, MO.—First Assembly of God, Oct. 10—; Herbert Bruhn, evangelist and missionary speaker. (Clifford Hamilton is Pastor.)

VINTON, IOWA.—Assembly of God, Sept. 28—Oct. 10; Evangelist and Mrs. Norman Correll, Burton, Nebr.—by Dale Harmon, Pastor.

TACOMA, WASH.—Glad Tidings Assembly of God, 5026 N. Pearl St., Oct. 10—24; Evangelist Wesley W. Fleming.—by A. R. Mattson, Pastor.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—Putnam City Assembly, Oct. 10—24; Evangelist Eddie Hundley, Memphis, Tex.—by Douglas J. Friesen, Pastor.

HAGERMAN, N. MEX.—Oct. 10—24; Evangelist N. B. Rayburn, Henryetta, Okla. (H. E. Wingo is Pastor.)

EMPIRE, CALIF.—Glad Tidings Assembly, Oct. 10—24 or longer; youth revival with Evangelist Betty Thornton.—by Roy Pennington, Pastor.

BETHALTO, ILL.—Assembly of God, Oct. 10—24; Evangelist and Mrs. A. F. DiMusto, Detroit, Mich.—by A. H. Ferguson, Pastor.

PORTERVILLE, CALIF.—Oct. 3—17; Evangelist Ruth Specter, Los Angeles, Calif. (Charles A. Pollock is Pastor.)

BLOOMSBURG, PA.—Assembly of God, Oct. 5—17; Evangelist Niels P. Thomsen. (George Butrin is Pastor.)

FARMERSVILLE, TEX.—Assembly of God, Oct. 3—17 or longer; Evangelists Gale White and Lynn West.—by James H. Pruitt, Pastor.

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT S. S. RALLIES—Oct. 11—22; C. M. Parrish, National S. S. Representative, Springfield, Mo.

WACO, TEX.—Annual Sectional Home and Foreign Missionary Rally, 18th and Pine Assembly, Oct. 7. E. L. Phillips, Missionary speaker. (R. Q. Hankins is Presbyterian.)

PORTLAND, OREG.—First Assembly of God, S. E. 20th and Madison St., Oct. 3—; Evangelist Arne Vick.—by Edith A. Walsh, Secretary. (N. D. Davidson is Pastor.)

MADRAS, OREG.—Assembly of God, Sept. 28—, two weeks or longer; Evangelists Johnny and Ruth Hoskins, Portland, Oreg. (Floyd J. Pappin is Pastor.)

WINCHESTER, VA.—First Assembly of God, 455 N. Cameron St., Oct. 5—17; Evangelist Harry W. Schaumburg, Washington, N. J.—by Herman W. Fry, Pastor.

SPARTA, WIS.—Assembly of God, Oct. 13—31; Evangelist and Mrs. Wendell Reed and Brother Gene Perrault, Denver, Colo.—by Roger V. Haas, Pastor.

FRESNO, CALIF.—Calvary Tabernacle, First and Nevada Sts., Oct. 3—24; R. W. Culpepper and Party, Bellflower, Calif.—by Claude Weaver, Pastor.

LYNCHBURG, VA.—Assembly of God, Oct. 5—, for two weeks or longer; Evangelists Merrill and Ruby Rayner, Lonacong, Md. (Levi S. Beiler is Pastor.)

KOKOMO, IND.—First Assembly of God, 1520 N. Kennedy St., Sept. 28—; Evangelist Bobby Hoskins, Bedford, Ind.—by Cecil J. Enochs, Pastor.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, 915 Mass. Ave., N. W., Annual Missionary Convention, Oct. 20—24. Maynard Ketcham, Mary Martin, Mr. and Mrs. David McCulley, and others speaking.—by Lloyd Christiansen, Pastor.

CORSICANA, TEX.—First Assembly of God, Missionary Convention, Oct. 8—10. E. L. Phillips, Brother and Sister Herbert Sims, speakers. Revival beginning Monday night, Oct. 11 with Evangelist Houston Brumit.—by Guy Phillips, Pastor.

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT S. S. CONVENTION—First Assembly of God, 2209 W. Capitol, Jackson, Monday night Oct. 11 and all day Oct. 12. Cecil Parrish, National S. S. Representative, main speaker.—by E. E. Noland, District S. S. Director.



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NEW ADDRESSES

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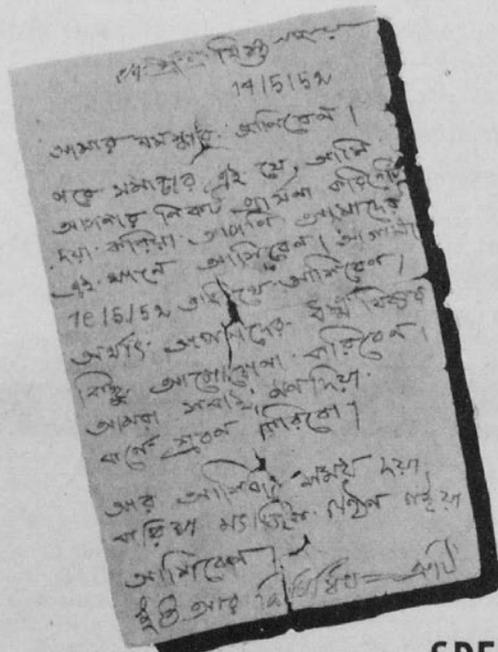
Lester O. Bean, 524 Dewey, Nampa, Idaho. "Attending Nazarene College in Nampa."
 Evangelist and Mrs. Moses E. Copeland, Holton, Kans. "Resigned church at Hardin, Mo. to re-enter evangelistic work."
 Paul R. Ridings, 688 Tonawanda St., Buffalo 7, N. Y. "Pastoring Riverside Full Gospel Tabernacle."
 Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Heath, 3212 E. 8th St., Long Beach, Calif. "Pastoring Calvary Temple, which we started last June."
 Ernest E. Edwards, 7 Sixth, Ave., Mt. Ephraim, N. J. "Pastoring Bethel Tabernacle, Assembly of God."
 Evangelist and Mrs. Ernie Camery, 455 Foote, Ave., Bellevue, Ky. "Resigned church in Florence, Ala. to re-enter evangelistic work."
 David A. Berquist, 1931 Allen St., Allentown, Pa. "Pastoring First Pentecostal Church."
 Evangelist E. R. Winter, Box 3094, Albuquerque, N. Mex.
 M. F. Hankins, Kermit, Tex. "Pastoring First Assembly of God."
 Peter Dahlberg, 315-11th St., Rapid City, S. Dak. "Entering evangelistic field."
 H. E. Wells, Box 203, Shidler, Okla.
 Carl E. Coonce, 307 E. Forest, St., Roswell, N. Mex. "Pastoring Southside Assembly of God."
 Hilliard Griffin, 1279 Wainwright Dr., Jacksonville, Fla. "Left Jamaica because of my wife's illness. Pastoring First Assembly of God."
 J. C. Braddock, Box 100, Shubuta, Miss. "Pastoring New Haven Assembly of God."
 Evangelist and Mrs. W. W. Wright, 707 Allston St., Houston 7, Tex.
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 James M. Bryan, 7627 Buena Vista, Houston 17, Texas.
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 Pastor John Morar, 316 S. Main, Caldwell, Kans.
 Pastor and Mrs. Mirko E. Parlotz, 1410 East Nevada St., Marshalltown, Iowa. "New parsonage address."
 E. R. Schulz, 1842 Olevia St., Jacksonville, Fla. "Pastoring Faith Tabernacle (Southside Assembly of God)."

Evangelist James Nicholson, Route 5, Box 336, Springfield, Mo.
 Evangelist Lula M. Ware, 538 S. Colin Ave., Compton, Calif.
 Pastor Harold J. Snelgrove, R. D. 1, Cresco, Pa. "After four years of ministry in St. John's, Newfoundland, have returned to the U.S. Now acting as supply pastor for David M. Wellard."
 H. A. Christopher, 305 E. Edgewood Ave., Trafford, Pa. "Pastoring Trafford Gospel Tabernacle."
 W. C. and M. I. Buchanan, New Brockton, Ala. "Pastoring El Bethel Assembly of God."
 Willie J. Golden, Route 1, Mineral Point, Mo.
 Albert A. White, Route 2, Post Falls, Idaho. "Pastoring Pleasant View Baptist Church (Full Gospel)."
 Evangelist A. J. Todd, 1912 Moffet, Joplin, Mo.
 A. J. DeMarco, R. D. 10, York, Pa. "Pastoring Taxville Full Gospel Church."
 Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Smith, Gen. Del., Gallup, N. Mex. "Working among the Navajo and Zuni Indians."
 Mr. and Mrs. Clyde C. Rieson, Kountze, Tex. "Pastoring Little Rock Assembly."
 Cyril E. Homer, 2210 N. 13th St., Terre Haute, Ind. "Pastoring First Assembly of God."
 C. A. Nicholson, 914 Webster, Woodward, Okla.
 Mr. and Mrs. Ward Popejoy, 1503 Ave. 4, Dodge City, Kans. "Pastoring Assembly of God."
 Evangelist and Mrs. Raymond Harris, 129 S. Connecticut, Salina, Kans. "Re-entering evangelistic field. Open for calls after Oct. 15."

WITH CHRIST

WILLIAM E. MATLOCK, 56, Flint, Mich. went to be with the Lord August 24, 1954. Brother Matlock was ordained in 1941 and came into the General Council in 1950.
RUTH A. PINSON, 69, went home to be with Jesus July 19, 1954, after a long illness. Sister Pinson was ordained in 1917. She was the former Ruth Hitchcock, one of the quartet of Hitchcock sisters who sang and preached the gospel together for many years. She served as pastor, evangelist, and teacher in two of our Bible Schools in California. In 1945 she married M. M. Pinson who preceded her in death by a year and five months.
JAMES F. LONSFORD, 64, of Talco, Texas went to be with the Lord in September 1954. Brother Lonsford was ordained in 1916. He held the first Pentecostal revival in Tyler, Tex. and founded many churches in that area. He also conducted the first Pentecostal meeting in Colorado Springs, Colo. before the General Council was formed.

**"We beseech you to come to our village . . .
 We will listen with an open ear."**



We wish there were space to quote all of Elsie Bridgman's letter expressing thanks for the Speed-the-Light Jeep in East Pakistan. Enclosed with it was the handwritten note shown at the left, a plea for the gospel sent from Taharpor.

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"After we started home, a group ran after the Jeep, begging us to come back, as they had just arrived from a distant village and did not get a chance to hear.

"If the Jeep had not been here, we could not have gone and attended our school too. The trip by oxcart would have taken at least a whole day. As it was, we could go in an hour and a half.

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SPEED-the-LIGHT DOLLAR DAY IS OCTOBER 17