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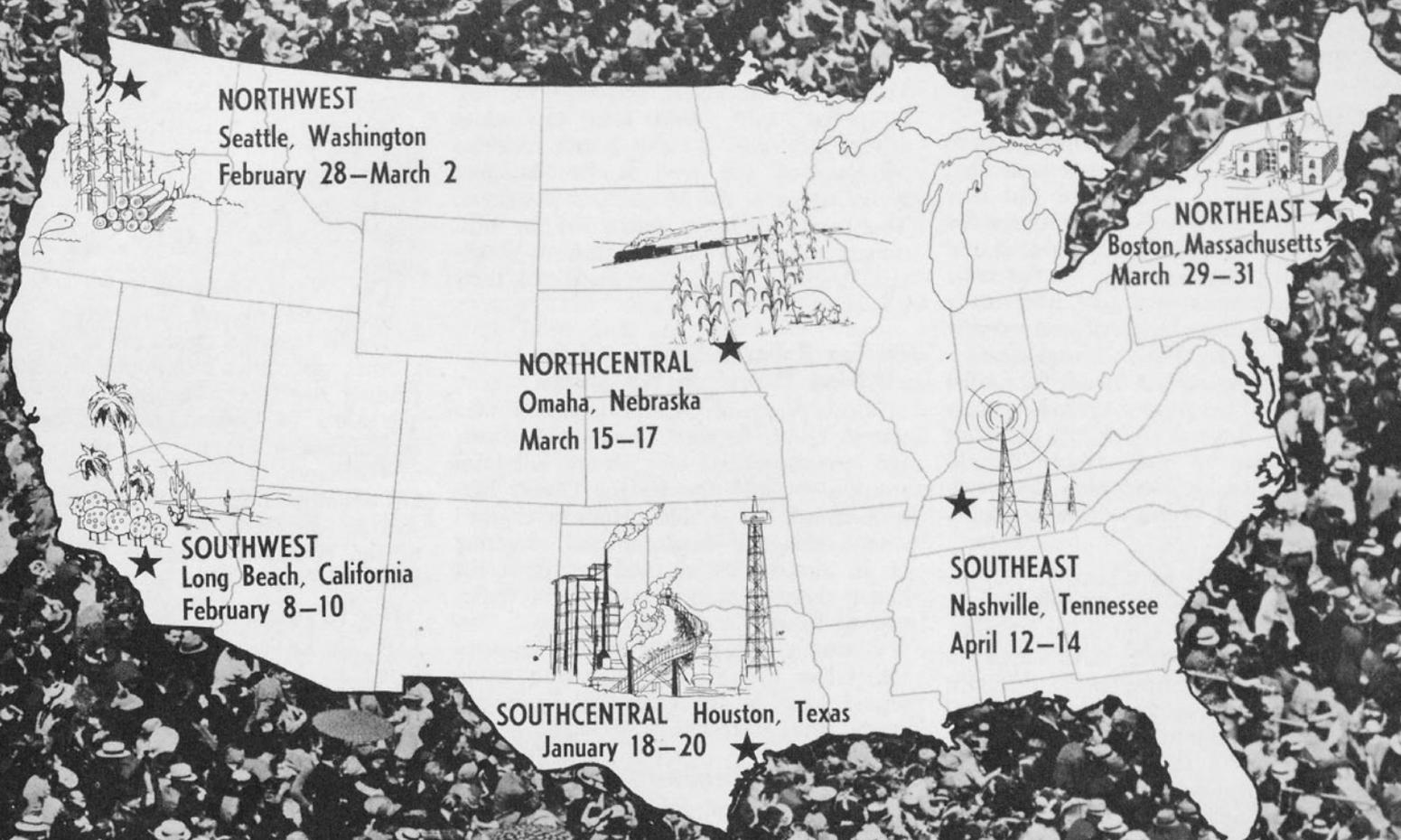
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PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Reduced Fares on Sunday

The trolley cars in Pittsburgh, Pa. have reduced Sunday fares one half for children up to 18, in an effort to encourage Sunday School and church attendance.

Youth for Christ in Indo-China

Youth for Christ work is now established in eighty nations. The newest branch is at Cholon in Viet-Nam, Indo-China, according to Hubert Mitchell, Foreign Secretary of the youth organization.

A Continent Coming Awake

Robert A. Cook, upon his return from Brazil recently, made the statement that "South America is a continent just now coming awake. I found in each country a new awareness of destiny and a new flexing of national muscles. By the same token, Latin America is just now ready for revival among believers and a new surge of New Testament evangelism."

Dr. Cook, president of Youth for Christ International, made a five-week survey trip through Central and South America in preparation for the seventh World Congress on Evangelism which the youth organization will sponsor in Sao Paulo, Brazil, in April.

Missionaries Still in China

There are reported to be twelve American missionaries still held in Red China. A group of seventy-five missionaries in Hong Kong, representing many different Protestant denominations, meets in a hotel every week to pray for these fellow-workers. No word of them has come from behind the Bamboo Curtain for many months. The news that eleven American airmen were sentenced by the Chinese Communists for alleged espionage raised the fear that the missionaries may meet a similar fate or may have suffered it already.

Revival in Indonesia

According to reports from Indonesia, no postwar event in the Protestant communities of Djakarta and Surabaya has excited more interest than the open-air mass meetings held there last fall by Evangelist T. L. Osborn. Never were so many Bibles and Scripture portions sold in a comparable period as during the Osborn meetings. As many as 40,000 attended some of the meetings. Conversions and healings were reported on a gigantic scale. Many Moslems accepted Christ in the meetings. There is a definite increase in church attendance and a greater interest in the Christian faith in the wake of the campaign.

Israel's Ships

It is reported that Israel is second only to Turkey as a Near East shipping power. Israel's merchant marine is capable of transporting close to 180,000 tons of merchandise, which places her as twenty-ninth in size among the fifty-two nations of the world which are rated as maritime nations.

Sacrificing Jewels for Mohammed

A mosque is being built in Marseille, France's Oriental port, and soon the call to prayer will sound from its white minaret to the 30,000 North African Moslems in the city. Similar mosques are going up at the Hague and elsewhere. The costs are being subscribed by missionary-minded Mohammedans in Pakistan. Women and girls are sacrificing their jewels to this end.

Italian Believer Sentenced for Having Prayer in His Home

Nicola Jezzi, an American citizen who retired to his native Chieti about a year ago, was sentenced to a six-day jail term and fined 1,000 lire by the Chieti District Court last month. He was charged with holding an "unauthorized" meeting of an Assemblies of God group in his home there. Chieti is about 100 miles east of Rome on the Adriatic coast.

Giacomo Rosapepe of Rome, attorney for Italian Protestant bodies who represented Jezzi in the case, said he would appeal the sentence to a higher court.

The Cost of Crime

J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has said: "It can reasonably be estimated that \$20 billion annually is the cost of crime in this country. That represents a cost of \$495 for each family in the United States; and for every dollar spent on education, \$1.82 goes to crime; for every dollar donated to churches, \$10 goes to crime."

Crime is outstripping population rate of growth, four to one. Our population has increased 5 per cent since 1950 and crime has jumped 20 per cent.

Miracles, Signs of the Times

Dr. Philip Marquart, Wheaton College psychiatrist, made a significant comment on miraculous healings, in the December 1954 issue of *Christian Life*. He said:

"I certainly don't believe that Christ is any more limited today than He was 2,000 years ago. I believe the lack of miracle healings today is because of an infirm church.

"We should expect to see miracle healings at the end of this age. We are seeing other evidences of the soon return of Christ from current history. Earthquakes, signs in the heavens, and the appearance of angels are to be expected. I believe faith is also increasing, and with it will come more and more miracle healing."

World Goodwill Book

President and Mrs. Eisenhower recently signed the World Goodwill Book of the American Bible Society. The book, when completed, will contain the names of people from more than sixty nations who "love the Bible, have respect for its teachings, and want to see it more widely disseminated."

The World Goodwill Book is a huge gold-covered volume 22 inches by 16 inches. It contains signatures of governors, mayors, and other prominent officials, including the Queen Mother of England, the King of Greece, and the Emperor of Ethiopia. It also contains the signatures of thousands of less-known Christians of all denominations. When completed it will be displayed for one year in each of the twenty-five countries which have Bible societies.

New LeTourneau "Sno-Buggy"

R. G. LeTourneau, who long ago decided to be "God's businessman" and entered into a partnership with God whereby the Senior Partner would get 90 per cent of the profits, has made another spectacular machine. The latest addition to his inventions is called a "Sno-Buggy." It has tremendously large and wide double tires with exceedingly low pressure, for driving over the snow.

The Sno-Buggy has been tested in the Arctic and has broken all records for carrying heavy loads over the deep snow safely and easily. The new vehicle will have many important uses. One which is uppermost in Mr. LeTourneau's mind is the impetus it will give to the gospel work in far northern areas where missionaries have found it so hard to travel in the past.

Hear C. M. Ward on REVIVALTIME . . .

THE SEVENTH TIME (1 Kings 18:44)

SERMON SUBJECT FOR JANUARY 16

SUNDAY 10:30 P.M. ABC NETWORK



The Sinfulness of Prayerlessness

A Heart-Searching Article by W. A. Brown, General Treasurer

Only God can bless us. And only through prayer can we obtain blessings from Him. Prayer brings revival and enables God to meet our every need for spirit, soul, and body.

God wills it that we should pray. We are to "watch and pray"; to "watch and pray always." Jesus said that "men ought always to pray, and not to faint." Again the apostle emphatically commanded us to "pray without ceasing."

Yet one of our great shortcomings is our freely confessed prayerlessness. We complain that we have no time to pray. Often we blame circumstances or lack of a place to pray for our woeful lack in this regard. Yet in the face of God's Word we can only admit that prayerlessness is a sin.

Prayerlessness is a sin because it disobeys the command of God. Nothing could be more plain or clear than God's instructions that we pray. As loyal subjects of God there is only one course for the Christian and that is to obey Him. God's wish should be our command. And yet we allow lesser considerations to crowd out His specific edict to pray.

Prayerlessness is a sin because it forfeits the promises offered to those who pray. What glorious promises there are—and so many: "Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened." God gives the Holy Spirit "to them that ask Him." He is "able to do exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think." Think of the tremendous scope of possibility in these and many other Biblical promises, and think of the great loss in our lives and service if we do not avail ourselves of them by means of a faithful prayer life.

Prayerlessness is a sin because it refuses the means by which we fellowship with God. "Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh unto you." Calvary is full proof that God wants our fellowship. The veil of the temple was torn in two, thus signifying that we may come boldly and directly to the Throne of Grace in the name of our Lord Jesus. What new joys and new strength await us there! How differently we feel after regular seasons of refreshing in His presence through prayer! What a pity if we fail to have our daily communion with the Lord. How it must hurt the heart of our

Heavenly Father if we neglect this fellowship which is so precious and holy.

Prayerlessness hinders individual spiritual growth. Any backslidings and defeats in the lives of Christians can be traced almost without exception to a slackening in daily prayer. Andrew Murray well stated this fact when he said that little of God's Word and little prayer means death to spiritual life; that much of the Word with little prayer means a sickly spiritual life; that little of the Word with much prayer means an unstable life; while a full measure of both the Word of God and prayer means a healthy spiritual life. To neglect prayer is a sure way to drift into spiritual failure.

Prayerlessness prevents God from revealing His will to us. To most of us the Lord does not reveal His will in a great once-for-all panorama before our eyes. Instead He grants a day-by-day unfolding of His plans. As we live in touch with Him each day we find ourselves doing His will. He will prompt us here, or check us there, and as we learn to pray and be guided by God's Word we find to our great delight that we are assuredly walking with Him.

Prayerlessness hinders church growth, too, both in numbers and in spiritual power. Let us be completely frank. We



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And he also taught them by a parable how they ought always to pray and never to lose heart. (Luke 18:1—Montgomery).

want revival. We want growth. Yet the tendency is to depend on some packaged plan or some talented people to produce it all. We do need a proper program and a ministry that fits given situations, but it is a delusion to believe that we can "put it across" without a mighty spirit of prayer on the part of all the church. We can live on momentum for a while, but only a praying church can know the blessing of God's continuous working.

Prayerlessness will rob evangelism of its "spirit" and spontaneous power. What a preacher was Paul, and how often even in his writings the Holy Spirit broke through his great involved sentences with a juicy and rich parenthetical thought! When we pray we twentieth-century Christians also have that in our ministry. When we don't pray our ministry rapidly descends into dry, wordy, and lifeless service. Far from advocating the freedom of fanaticism, we do plead for the spontaneous Spirit-filled outburst of Pentecostal power that prayerfulness brings.

Prayerlessness is a subtle implication that we think we can get along without God's help. We may be talented; we may be intoxicated by the ignoble proverb, "Nothing succeeds like success." If we hope to win on that basis, God have mercy on us for our conceit! The Son of Man had to pray for help in His life and ministry, and so must we.

Do these truths make us conscious of guilt? If so, may God grant that we shall first ask forgiveness for this tragic omission, and then proceed at once to give prayerful attention to our calling. The results will astound us.

DEEP LIVING

We love to spread our branches,
The root-life we neglect;
We love to shine in public,
And human praise expect:
While in the inner chamber,
Where creature voices cease,
We may meet God in silence
And breathe in Heaven's peace.
The secret of deep living
Lies in the secret place,
Where, time and sense forgotten,
We see God face to face;
Beyond mere forms and symbols,
Beyond mere words and signs,
Where in that hidden temple
The light eternal shines.

—Max I. Reich

The Privilege of Prayer

Prayer is not an action—it is a state. It is not so many words said, so many minutes spent upon one's knees, so many emotions, so many tears—it is abiding in Christ and exercising faith toward God as a Father.

This is the truth which Jesus brought out when He said, "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you" (John 15:7); and it is the fact which the writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews set forth when he said, "Without faith it is impossible to please him; for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him" (Heb. 11:6).

PRAY SIMPLY

It follows that prayer may be very simple. As it is the inner rather than the outer man which is exercised in the act of prayer, the process of prayer may be as natural as that of a little child coming to a great and good father. And to the degree that we realize that answered prayer depends, not upon our intensity, but upon God's power and grace, the more simple prayer may become. I have had seven children, and I have never yet seen one of them try to wrest from me by contorted word or act something desired, even if it were greatly desired; they knew their father too well to fall into any such error as that. "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?" (Matt. 7:11). The science of prayer is very simple: we need and hence we ask; God is our Father and hence He gives. The only difficulty in the situation is to be simple enough in order that God may reveal Himself in all the tenderness and plenitude of His fatherhood.

PRAY CONFIDENTLY

More than this, prayer may be very confident. The largess of God depends altogether upon His character. If God is a small God, He will give little when we ask; if He is a mean God, He will close His hand when we pray; if He is a hard God, He will think more of our unworthiness than our need and we shall find it necessary to plead and plead again in order to break through His reluctance and force from Him what He is loath to give. But, happily for us, our Father in heaven is just the opposite of all this. As Christ gave us to understand, God is more willing to give than we are

to receive. What we need then is enlargement of desire and confidence of obtaining.

PRAY TRIUMPHANTLY

And finally, prayer is triumphant. Prayer is a great mystery. We wonder how our petitions can affect, not to speak of changing, the eternal counsel of God. But we find that such a difficulty is with reason and not with faith. Faith is like a chemist who goes into his laboratory with a theory and experiments with it until he finds that it works; then, in spite of reason's difficulties, he is assured that this theory is a fact. So we may experiment with prayer. For instance: there is a missionary who is sick; we pray and he gets well. There is a station where for years there have been no converts; we pray and souls are saved. There is a field where there are no workers; we pray and witnesses go forth. We see then that these are not mere happenings—they are divine orderings and are the result of prayer. Thus we are made bold before the throne of grace (Heb. 4:16). And as time goes on and as prayer is ever more abundantly answered we become bolder and bolder. Thus we come to the place where we have the petitions that we desired of God (1 John 5:15). When we have reached this experience, we have become "more than conquerors through him that loved

us" (Rom. 8:37) and prayer has become triumphant (1 John 5:4).

Let us pray simply, confidently, and triumphantly. When we have prayed, let us look up with wide-open eyes for God's answers, great and many.

—HENRY W. FROST

The Seasoning of Truth

A famous lecturer used to say to his students: "You are not really cultured until you have learned to do graciously the things you DON'T WANT TO DO." To do them is not enough; to do them graciously is the mark of culture. Similarly, perfect truthfulness is noble attainment; but it is not enough. The process of sanctification may still have a long way to go before it becomes natural for us to speak the truth "seasoned with grace." Even the truth, if it is to win its way, must be set forth graciously, attractively and persuasively.

There are two ways to do violence to the truth. One way is to teach that which is contrary to the truth; the other way is to teach the truth in such a way as to cause people to hate it, and to resist or turn away from it. The purest truth presented in a caustic, unkind spirit will fail of its purpose. To be sure, no weapon ever devised is so effective for clubbing people over the head as the plain truth. When the truth hurts, that is additional reason for expressing it gently.

A certain gloomy pastor who had been asked to resign, explained the situation by saying: "I preached the truth, and the people did not want it." But the people commented that he had indeed preached the truth, and that the truth never had a chance, because of the spirit in which he preached it.

Spiritual effectiveness depends on spiritual attractiveness. In the Scriptures we are enjoined to worship "in the beauty of holiness," and to minister in "the sweet reasonableness of Christ." This is easy enough when dealing with persons who are reasonable and agreeable; but we are called to minister also to the unreasonable and the disagreeable. It will help our dispositions if we remember that Christ died not only for those pleasant folk whom we love to serve, but also for rebellious unbelievers, gospel-perverting heretics and some plain cranks. Let us remember also that some of the world's finest and noblest saints have been developed by the Holy Spirit from this kind of raw material.



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"As my Father sent me, even so send I you" (John 20:21), said Jesus. We are not to go with tomahawk and scalping knife to execute judgment upon hell-deserving sinners and heretics, but we are to endeavor to win them to the truth. The counsel of Jacob, when his sons were dealing with that supposed tyrant in

Egypt, might well be given to Christian ministers as well as Christian believers, "Take . . . a little honey" (Gen. 43:11). Ours is not a ministry of denunciation but of reconciliation; and that calls for more than mere truth. It must be TRUTH SEASONED WITH GRACE (Col. 4:6).—C.W.K.

"Under His Wings"

Ethel L. Tenney

THE GREATEST GIFT OF GOD OUR FATHER to the human heart is peace through the Lord Jesus Christ. He will give peace—His peace—to every trusting heart, even in the midst of trouble. I cannot tell you how it can be, but I know that God will keep in perfect peace all who trust Him—all whose minds are stayed on Him (Isa. 26:3).

The other day I stood by my kitchen window looking out. It was one of those cold, rough, windy days with the snow blowing hurricane fashion. Up in one of the topmost branches of a large tree near the house I saw a little bird. He sat there content, in spite of the severe cold. The wind and snow would blow, and the branch would swing back and forth; yet he seemed almost unaware of the storm. I thought, "God has given the birds feathers to protect their tiny bodies." Then it came to my heart that I, too, am safe in the storms of life. He covers me with His feathers and under His wings I can trust. Praise His wonderful name! Marvelous as is His care of the sparrow, how much more will He keep His own Blood-bought and redeemed ones in the hour of trial! We are of much more value in His sight.

Oh, the enemy desires to have us that he may sift us as wheat, just as he desired Peter; but the very same Jesus who prayed for Peter, prayed for you and me. And He ever lives to make intercession for us. The very same Jesus who enabled Peter to preach the Word with boldness, who gave Paul the power to stand, and whose grace has been sufficient for the martyrs, will keep you and "present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy" some blessed day.

We have a Refuge, the very same one that David had. This Refuge is so safe and sure that he could say with confidence, "We will not fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof." The very same pavilion which David made his

hiding-place is ours. And abiding there in the secret place of the Most High, we can have the same assurance.

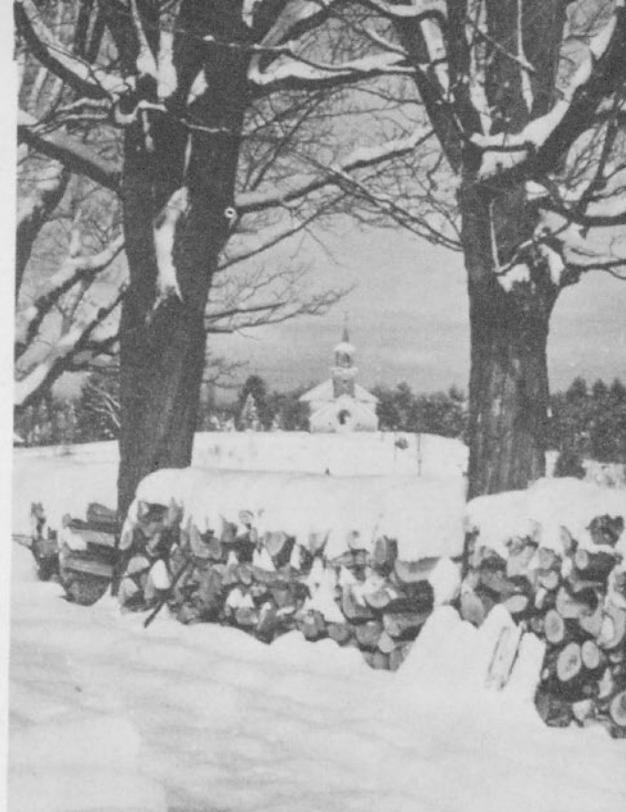
Then trust in the Lord in spite of wind or wave, in spite of pain or loss, though earth's props be removed. We are builded on a Rock that floods cannot sweep away or tempests shake.

Trust Him in the dark. O beloved, God will be with you in the dark. Remember how Moses drew near to the "thick darkness where God was." He's always there! And if in the darkness we find Him, we'll come forth from His presence with the light of heaven upon us. And others will see His glory manifested in our lives.

Trust Him in the night season; in the long weary hours there is someone watching and caring. He who keeps us will not slumber.

Trust Him in the storm. No harm can touch us when we are under His wings. How many times I've noted a mother hen, at the least strange sound or the slightest hint of danger, calling the little chickens and covering them with her feathers; and there under those protecting wings they hide in safety. And I'm remembering how Jesus said to Jerusalem, "I wanted to gather you to Myself like that, as a hen gathers her chickens under her wings, but you refused." He said, "All who are weary and heavy-laden, come to Me. I will give you rest." O heavy-laden heart, come to Jesus. He will cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you may safely trust and not be afraid. There you will find rest, and comfort, and peace. In the world you will have tribulation; in Him—PEACE. In the world—perplexity and fear; in Him—REST. In the world we are but pilgrims, strangers, sojourners; in Him we have a HOME.

"Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid" (John 14:27). We need have no anxious thought. We can be as untroubled as the little bird in the treetop, for God has made His feathers to cover us and His wings to overshadow us. We can trust Him to keep us.



PRISON LIBRARIES NEEDED

Books which are now gathering dust in your home may be put to good use in prison libraries.

One of our Assemblies of God ministers who is Chaplain at a State Prison Farm says there is no library whatever in the institution. Prison chaplains in other states tell of a deplorable scarcity of books. They say that the prisoners would welcome the opportunity to do more reading if books were available. The books would serve a double purpose—they would keep the prisoners out of trouble and would also provide them with valuable knowledge.

Books need not be new, but they must be in good clean condition. No book should be beyond high-school level. Almost any book that belongs in a general library would be suitable—books on science, industry, American history, biography, travel, trades, adult fiction, etc. Religious books can be used, including those in German and other foreign languages.

If you can donate books, kindly mail them (book rate) to the National Home Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Missouri.

—Arvid Ohnell,
National Prison Chaplain

FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH

Pastor Yan Won Son testified of Christ to his North Korean captors, until a soldier struck him in the mouth with a rifle butt. He was beaten and a bayonet was thrust through his body. A bullet finally ended his agonies. At his coffin his wife threw her arm about him and cried: "Dear, you did not fail to give your testimony. Glory be to the Lord!"

MINISTERING TO THE AFFLICTED—Luke 4:38-44

“And he said unto them, I must preach the kingdom of God to other cities also: for therefore am I sent” (v. 43).

It had been a most unusual day in Capernaum. From the synagogue Jesus went to the home of Peter’s mother-in-law; He rebuked her fever and immediately she was well. At sunset He held a great open-air service and many other people were healed.

While the visiting preacher seeks a place of solitude, the official board calls an impromptu business meeting. Early in the morning they seek Him out.

“Master, we extend to you a unanimous invitation to become our pastor. Accept, and we promise to build a new edifice on the corner of Damascus and Jerusalem streets. Under your dynamic preaching and leadership we will soon rival First Church in Jerusalem. The old parsonage is a bit shabby, but we propose to build a new one in Hillcrest Subdivision overlooking the sea. Master——”

Does He not hear? What means that far-off look? What is He saying? “Other cities?” Does He intend to throw Himself away? Is not Capernaum the place of opportunity?

Yes, other cities—and villages too! Thousands of them, even hundreds of thousands! Still they wait in darkness, superstition, and sin. And still today the Master stands before our great spired mausoleums of glass and stone while His yearning gaze scans yonder horizons where multitudes wait for a preacher; and we hear Him say, “Ye shall be witnesses . . . unto the uttermost part of the earth” (Acts 1:8).

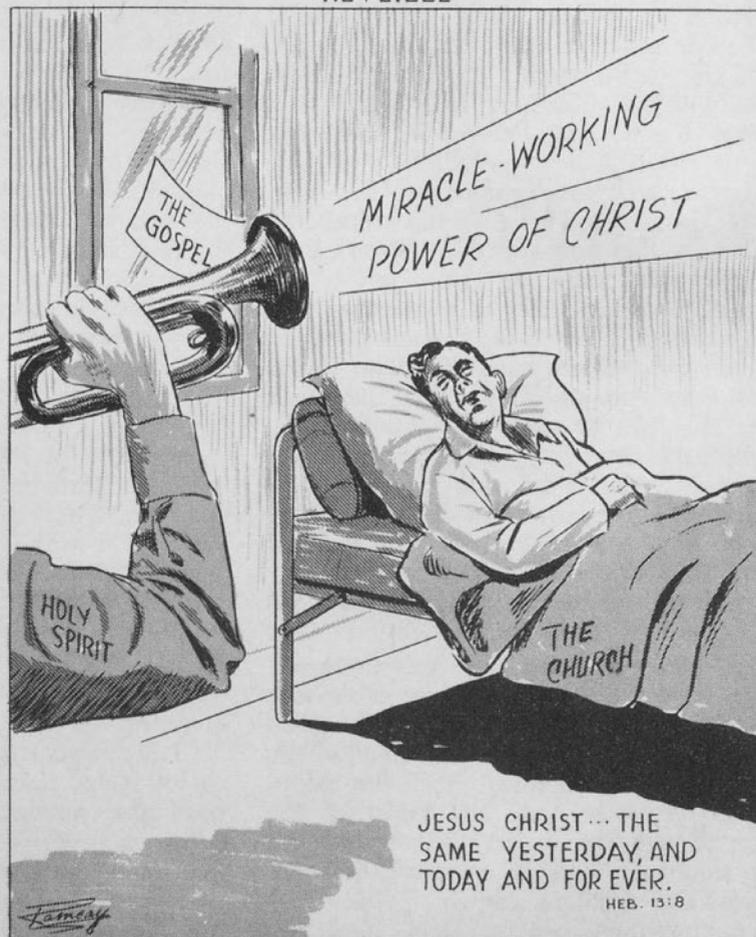
—DONALD G. FOOTE

THURSDAY, January 20

TRAINING FISHERS OF MEN—Luke 5:1-11.

Any art is learned by patient practice. The disciples were

REVEILLE



Daily DEVOTIONS

BIBLE READINGS BASED ON NEXT WEEK'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

...they searched the Scriptures daily

MONDAY, January 17

JESUS BEGINS HIS MINISTRY—Luke 4:16-22, 31-37

“As his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day” (v. 16).

Jesus had some good customs! He had recently undergone the ordeal of the wilderness temptation and was probably exhausted. He had ministered in Cana of Galilee and had performed His first miracle. Now He had come back to His home town of Nazareth. It would have been perfectly natural for Him to go home to rest, but Christ did not think of His own comfort. Even though He was not invited beforehand to be the guest speaker, He went to the synagogue on the sabbath.

The custom of church attendance under adverse circumstances is one mark of true devotion. Regular church attendance provides for the teaching, fellowship, prayer, and worship which are so essential for the development of Christian character. Thank God, His Word still has power to challenge the mind and thrill the spirit. Today, as in that synagogue in Nazareth, those who assemble regularly in the house of God will surely be blessed by the gracious words of Christ as they are made real by the Holy Spirit.

—WAYNE FAGERSTROM

TUESDAY, January 18

ENRAGED LISTENERS—Luke 4:23-30

“But he passing through the midst of them went his way” (v. 30).

Jesus preached a heart-searching sermon to the congregation in Nazareth, and was promptly rejected. The rejection was not one of passive resistance but of violent opposition. Those who rejected Him were worshipers in the synagogue and yet were capable of such wrath as to move them to murder. What a commentary on the depravity of human nature! He passed through their midst and went His way.

This gentle Saviour does not force His presence upon anyone. He is ever present to help, to counsel, to heal, and to bless; but He must be wanted before He will abide with any individual. He will not stay where He is not made welcome. Yea, He must be more than welcome—He must occupy the throne room of the heart; He must be crowned as Supreme Lord and Master.

The people of Nazareth, blinded with religious pride and numbed by a lethal self-complacency, knew not the day of their visitation. They did not recognize the divine Guest in their midst. Unwanted, He went His way. May God give us a sensitivity to things spiritual and the kind of discernment that will enable us to recognize the Lord’s presence.

—RUTH E. GARLOCK

learning many new things in the school of Jesus. The very name *disciple* is taken from the same root word as *discipline*, which means "to learn." It is a rewarding experience to learn new skills. The Christian's joy in part arises from new lessons learned every day in the school of the Holy Spirit. He teaches us.

One lesson a disciple must learn is to obey. Peter, having fished for years in the Sea of Galilee, was disappointed when he failed to catch any fish in a whole night's effort. Tired, discouraged, he was washing his nets. Then Jesus came. First He used Peter's boat as a pulpit and taught the people. Then He said to Peter, "Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught."

The natural reaction under such circumstances would be to remonstrate. Peter said, "Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing; nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net." Peter obeyed. He had learned. In spite of weariness, in spite of past failure, in spite of the labor involved, Peter obeyed. And he caught "a great multitude of fishes."

What an object lesson for the disciples who were learning to be fishers of men! It is not human abilities gained by long experience that enables us to win souls for Christ. It is faith in the Lord and obedience to His directions that will bring success. He who learns to obey Christ and to be led by the Holy Spirit will be handsomely rewarded, for His commands are also His enablements.

—J. ROBERT ASHCROFT

FRIDAY, January 21

HEALING THE SICK—Luke 5:12-26

"And it came to pass, when he was in a certain city, behold a man full of leprosy: who seeing Jesus fell on his face, and besought him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean" (v. 12).

This man came to Jesus because of his great need. Every man needs God, even though he may not realize it. This man was not only a leper, but was "full of leprosy"; he was probably infected from head to feet.

Yet, he had faith. He assured Jesus he knew He could make him clean. And he came in the right attitude, in true humility. He made a great confession, calling Jesus "Lord."

As a son of Abraham this leper knew of the healing of Naaman. But Elisha had been gone for centuries. Naaman had washed away his leprosy in the Jordan, but its waters lacked healing virtue apart from Elisha's word. Then the leper had heard of Jesus, and had believed. He had left his isolation and approached the Son of God. Jesus rewarded his faith. He touched the untouchable leper, and made him clean. Once more the poor man could live a normal life, and take up the broken threads again.

Leprosy is a type of sin. Man has



Some of the people who produce the REVIVALTIME broadcast each week are shown above in the radio studio. Left to right: Lil Sundberg, soloist; Virginia McLaughlin, organist; Clarence T. Beem, office manager; Wilfred A. Brown, executive director; Cyril McLellan, choir director; Bartlett Peterson, narrator; C. M. Ward, radio evangelist; Wallace Fender, engineer; E. M. Clark, director of radio.

Revivaltime Has a Birthday

(The following article appeared in a Springfield newspaper the week of December 19, 1954.)

Revivaltime, the Assemblies of God international radio broadcast, cost \$474,022 during its first year of network operation, the Rev. C. M. Ward, radio voice of the church, announced today. Financial tabulations were released this week by Evangelist Ward as the network broadcast observed its first anniversary.

Income for the first year totaled \$331,281, leaving a deficit of \$142,000. However, Evangelist Ward pointed out at the anniversary broadcast Sunday evening that income during the fiscal year, which began July 1, has greatly improved. Returns since July have amounted to \$225,607 against expenses of \$220,476.

Revivaltime, one of the largest denominational broadcasts in the world, is now heard over 300 stations. During the Sunday evening broadcast from Central Bible Institute, the Rev. Ward told the studio and radio audiences that the program will be contracted for another year.

"We are happy to tell you Revivaltime has made the grade and will be on the American Broadcasting Company network for the next year," the Rev. Ward stated.

Following the broadcast, members of the Revivaltime staff and officials of the Assemblies of God reported briefly on the year's work and offered praise to various workers.

The Rev. Ralph M. Riggs, general superintendent of the Assemblies, lauded the program on behalf of the entire church organization. Other General Council officials speaking included the Rev. G. F. Lewis, the Rev. Thomas F. Zimmerman, and the Rev. Bert Webb, assistant general superintendents of the church.

Evangelist Ward recognized guests attending the first anniversary service and expressed appreciation to the fifteen departments of the General Council for their co-operation in making the program possible.

The broadcast began as a live international program a year ago from what Evangelist Ward terms "scratch," and is now beginning to meet its own financial obligations.

The Rev. Ward said that more than 72,000 letters have been received during the year. In addition to incoming mail around 200,000 letters and pieces of literature have been mailed, he added.

sinned. He is isolated; he is without God and without hope in this world, as long as he wanders among the tombs of sin and rebellion. Jesus invites sinful man to come to Him; He promises to give him rest (Matt. 11:28). "Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out" (John 6:37). Come just as you are, with your sins and your weaknesses. Jesus will accept you, save you, heal you, and set you free from every foul thing that is spoiling your life.

—H. C. BALL

SATURDAY, January 22

SEEKING SINNERS—Luke 5:27-32

"And he said unto him, Follow me. And he left all, rose up, and followed him" (vv. 27, 28).

To each will come this call—"Follow me." Men by their fishing nets heard and immediately obeyed. Professional men heard and forsook all to follow Christ. Never can greater challenge come to a man than this.

If one is to follow Jesus he must begin by leaving all. We cannot be His disciples without first casting off all restraining influences.—Following Him involves surrender—we must forsake our own interests to do His will.

In Psalm 37:5 we are exhorted, "Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass." Only by learning this secret of trust can the child of God be reconciled to any, and all eventualities. The disciples followed the Lord and yet they met with storm, privation, and persecution. Being a Christian does not guarantee anyone immunity from trouble. However, the one who is determined to follow Christ will gladly trust all to a loving Heavenly Father. He will not be moved out of the way by adverse circumstances, but will rejoice in the sweet peace which comes by trusting God. Would you know this joy? You may, if you will leave all and follow Him.

—D. A. HASTIE



Some of the people who were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit—October, 1954

Revival In Indonesia

Mrs. Edna Devin

GOD LOOKED DOWN UPON OUR LITTLE island in the sea. He saw souls of lost men groping in darkness—heathen and otherwise. He saw souls yearning blindly for something, not understanding what; unsatisfied, disillusioned, desperate, hungry for things they never before heard or saw; hungry for God. And so He visited Ambon, Indonesia, with a gracious revival. He showed us once again how much He loves to save sinners, to heal the sick, and to baptize His people with the Holy Ghost and Fire.

Night after night the people came; morning after morning they were drawn to the house of God. People who left their homes in sin and unbelief, to go to the market to buy necessities for the day, were drawn irresistibly to HIM. Many entered the morning meetings and forgot to do their marketing. They forgot everything but Jesus and His love; were saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit, often seemingly in one operation. The youth of Ambon were drawn in great numbers, as they had vacation from school for several days. Whole families were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. Some who had resisted the wooing of the Son of God for years suddenly yielded to HIM. Every barrier broken down, every opposing spirit routed, the glory of God fell.

Men and women, little children, young people by the dozens—until 100 or more were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. God was present to heal. Many testified of bodies made new by the touch

of Jesus' healing hand.

Our Ambon church is full now! New benches and chairs have been bought! Still we are crowded out! God has added about sixty young people to our C. A. group already. These young folk are persecuted daily for Christ's sake—at home, at school and when walking in the street. Please pray God to keep them true.

Over twice as many as formerly now attend services regularly; and the revival fires are still burning to the glory of God. People who but one month ago knew nothing of this new and living way have burned gemots (things of witchcraft and sorcery), have given up the things of the world, and are going everywhere testifying of Jesus' love.

Many little children received the Holy Spirit in one service. They spoke in clear tongues as the Spirit gave utterance and glorified Jesus. Most of these little ones knew nothing of Pentecost. They did not receive any instruction, but just received Christ into their hearts and He filled them then and there.

Precious sound! The anointing of God upon the voice of a little child: holy operation of His wonderful Spirit. "Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." How simply a little child is converted and filled. With this simple faith we, too, can receive the many promises of God, including the precious Baptism of the Holy Ghost and Fire.

brief chats



WITH
NOEL PERKIN

FOREIGN MISSIONS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

VICTORY DAY IS HERE!

TODAY IS VICTORY DAY. YOUR PASTOR has been asked to help by urging everyone to give a dollar to clear "the red menace." What splendid men of God we have among our pastors. Already some have taken offerings in anticipation of our January 16 appeal. One pastor sent \$1,000 from his church; another \$600; and still another \$500. An aged missionary of eighty-four gave half her month's allowance. For fifty-seven years, with only two furloughs, she has been in foreign service. A dear saint of God with little of this world's goods sent \$15.00 to help on Victory Day.

What a needy old world this is. It is estimated that 36,500,000 souls pass into eternity each year. So many have not even had a chance to hear the gospel. A person facing the sentence of death for murder invariably receives scores of letters (in some instances we have heard of tons being delivered) and many of them explain to the condemned person the way of salvation. It is strange we do not take as seriously the needs of others who have not been brought into such prominence through evil deeds. "One hundred thousand souls a day, are passing one by one away to endless death and gloom." God could give life and light and comfort, if only they knew!

Speaking of comfort, our Sister Lillian Trasher, who has brought comfort and love to thousands of Egypt's needy orphans, has just arrived home in the United States after forty-four years of foreign service. This is her first furlough in twenty-five years. Literally thousands give tribute to the blessing this consecrated missionary has brought to them. Incidentally, don't forget that she will be speaking at the Regional Sunday School Conventions to be held this year in six different cities.

Whereas we thank God for those who have been helped by this one missionary, there are hundreds of thousands of other needy people who walk the dusty highways of foreign lands with few to care. Our missionaries are doing a prodigious task in bringing life and light and comfort to those within their reach. As a result of the united efforts of our American missionaries, combined with those

of the Pentecostal missionaries from other lands, well over 500,000 have been gathered into the churches designated as Assemblies of God. The missionaries are looking to us to come to their help on this Victory Day. We give that others may live!

A dollar on Victory Day may help to bring eternal salvation to some soul who otherwise might be lost. We shall be reporting the results of this Victory Day appeal just as soon as the returns are all in. Wouldn't it be wonderful if every church in our fellowship responded? There would be great rejoicing, not only here on earth, but, we believe, in heaven also.



The above photo was taken at the laying of the cornerstone for the Taipei Assembly of God, Taipei, Formosa. The work is in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Benintendi. The large church, seating 600, is being made possible through the gifts of friends in America who are contributing from time to time. One third of the cost (approximately \$7,000) has been contributed by the members in Taipei. This has meant exceedingly great sacrifice on their part. An additional sum of \$1,500 is still needed in order to help the church furnish the new building with necessary equipment and to pay the balance of the share which was originally promised by American friends. All who wish to contribute to this worthy project may send their gifts to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Mo., designated "For the Taipei Church Building."

RAGING STORM FAILS TO HINDER BAPTISMAL SERVICE

by **Howard C. Osgood**
Field Secretary for the Far East

IT WAS THE SUNDAY WHEN ALL OF THE churches in the Tokyo area planned to meet at the Tokyo Evangelistic Center in order to have a union baptismal service. But what a day! The sky was fiercely grey, and the rain was falling in torrents, lashed by a high wind. It was the kind of day when one would prefer to hug a stove and try to keep comfortable at home.

What then was our amazement, on arriving at the Evangelistic Center, to find that the place was packed out! The service began at two o'clock in the afternoon, and it was fifteen minutes after six before the benediction was pronounced. It may have been stormy outside, but all was heavenly sunshine within. Many had come for miles on buses and electric trains, and others had walked in order to attend this glorious service.

Hymn after hymn was sung. There was clapping of hands and waving of hands, and many a fervent *Hallelujah* and *Praise the Lord!* At times there were prolonged minutes of concerted praise. Brother Yumiyama preached a fine sermon on the significance of Christian baptism, and then the candidates retired to prepare for the baptizing.

The dressing rooms were outside the main building, unheated and drafty, but no one complained. Everyone was happy almost beyond description. Groups of candidates from the various churches ranged from one to ten in number, and a total of thirty men and forty-six women

were baptized. The youngest, I would judge, was about fourteen, and the oldest would probably be about sixty. Most of them were young people. As each candidate was immersed, special prayer was offered for him. Many came up from the baptismal waters with hands upraised, praising the Lord. At least one was speaking happily in new tongues. Another was so anointed by the Spirit of God that she fell to the floor in ecstasy and had to be helped back to the dressing room. As I witnessed these scenes, my eyes filled with tears of heavenly joy.

Later in the service, each group came to the front of the chapel and one from each group offered testimony. Most of those who testified were so thrilled with their experience that they could hardly express themselves. The congregation also laughed and praised the Lord and clapped their hands; then there would be more spontaneous singing and prayer. It was wonderful!

It will be a long time before I forget the glory of that service. Most of the young pastors present were graduates of our Central Bible Institute in Tokyo; and Marie Juergensen said, "This is the way that the missionary can duplicate himself over and over. The missionary can train these consecrated young people who in turn will bring in more and more souls to bow at the Master's feet."

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

MISSIONARY News Notes



Marcus Conway Crouch was born on December 2 to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Crouch in Assiut, Egypt. Congratulations!

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Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Hasch have a new address: Box 33, Harbel, Firestone, Liberia, West Africa.

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A cable has been received from the Vosler family telling of their safe arrival in Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa.

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The permanent address for Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Robison is as follows: 244/B-6—12 Street, Drig Road, Karachi, West Pakistan.

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The John Jackson family returned to the United States from Chile, and after spending a few days in Springfield they left for Oregon. Their present address is Prairie City, Oregon.

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Einar G. Peterson of Cuba writes: "We are sounding a note of victory here because at long last we are now able to use the new addition on our building. Although it is far from being finished, it has just about doubled our seating capacity. Last Sunday we had 456 in Sunday School. For several Sundays we have been over the 400 mark. In the evening meetings the crowds have been large and several have been saved."

HEALED

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

CANCER

On September 14, 1952, it was discovered that I had cancer of the uterus. The doctor advised me to quit my job, as he thought I had already waited too long.

While the doctor was waiting for his test to come back I visited my daughter in Eupora, Miss. At her suggestion I went to a doctor there. He also told me that I had cancer. He advised me to have an operation at once, and told me I would not live more than eighteen months without surgery.

I returned home and took a few treatments, but then I decided I would trust the Lord and not the doctors. I knew God could heal me, for He had healed me of severe chills in 1940. Several churches were praying for me. Brother Hutson, our pastor at that time, and Brother Caperton of New Albany, Miss. anointed me with oil (James 5:14) and prayed for me. God healed me.

I returned to the doctor on November 14, 1952, for a check up, and he said I was well. I went back to work at the factory the following January, and I am still working. I feel fine. I do praise the Lord for healing me.—Mrs. Amelia Randall, Box 83, East Tupelo, Miss.

(Endorsed by J. M. Hutson, 1022 Bluffview, Wichita, Kans., formerly pastor at East Tupelo, Miss.)

BABY WITH HERNIA

When my son was born (February 19, 1954), he had a hernia. The doctor said if it didn't heal, the boy would have to have an operation. On April 19 the hernia popped out about half an inch, and his right leg seemed to draw. He began to cry and cry; that was unusual for him, as he was always so good. When I touched the hernia he would scream.

My cousin and I took him to a Pentecostal minister in Casper, and he prayed for him. Immediately he stopped crying and went to sleep. About 30 minutes after we got home I changed his diaper, and I found that the hernia was gone. Jesus had healed him completely.

However, about a month later the hernia came back. I was just a young Christian—I had been saved only about six months—and Satan was trying to make

me lose faith. We took the baby to Brother Chopper in Rangely, Colo.; he rebuked the devil, and the hernia left. My son is still healed and hasn't had a minute's trouble since Brother Chopper prayed for him. I am attending Brother Chopper's Assembly in Rangely, and I praise God for the Pentecostal testimony.—Mrs. Clinton Goodrich, Route 2, Vernal, Utah.

(Endorsed by Pastor E. F. Chopper, Rangely, Colo.)

ACCIDENT VICTIM

In July 1953, I was involved in a very serious auto accident. My knee cap was burst, and my left foot was broken so badly that it could be turned around completely. My ankle bone was crushed, and the main bone severed.

I was taken to the hospital in Anderson, South Carolina; and after being examined I was told I could not live. But God spoke to me and gave me the assurance that I would not only live but would completely recover. The Christians at Dry Oak Assembly prayed and believed God, and in two weeks I was back in church in a wheel chair. I continued to improve, and soon I was back at work.

In March 1954, I had a fall at work and injured my foot the second time; I also hurt my back. I was taken seventeen miles by ambulance to the hospital. I was in constant pain, and my foot was swollen to twice its normal size.

Our pastor, J. L. Gallman, was called; and together he and Evangelist T. L. Gray came to pray for me. I was on the X-ray table when they arrived. After they prayed for me I was taken to a room. There both these ministers laid hands on me and prayed again; and as they did so, God healed my foot and back immediately. The doctor came back and could not find a thing wrong with me. The next day I was dismissed from the hospital and allowed to come home. For all this I give God all the glory.—E. T. Epps, Belton, S. C.

(Endorsed by J. L. Gallman, Pastor, Dry Oak Assembly of God, Belton, S. C.)

HEART TROUBLE

I want to praise the Lord for what He has done for me. On September 9, 1949, I became very sick so I went to our family doctor. He checked my heart and blood pressure and told me I could not live more than six months. My blood pressure was 220 and my heart was in very bad condition. I spent the next six weeks in bed. At this time I did not know Jesus as my Saviour. I kept going on my way, lost.

In 1952 I had another heart attack which almost proved fatal. I had such

terrible pains in my heart and head that I couldn't walk over two blocks. During this time I also had painful lumps in my breast.

The following April I went to Wichita Falls, Tex., to visit my sister. At this time Evangelist Sam Eldridge was holding meetings at the Kemp and K Assembly of God. I went to this revival every night. The Lord kept dealing with me, so on April 8, 1953, I gave my heart to the Lord and was saved.

After I was saved I asked the pastor, C. L. Fuller, to pray for my body. He and Brother Eldridge anointed me; and as they prayed, the Lord gloriously healed me. I went back to our family doctor and he said my blood pressure and heart were normal. The lumps were gone from my breast, too.

Truly the Lord does save and heal. And He has filled me with the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. I do praise Him for what He has done for me. This healing was over a year ago and it still holds good today.—Miss Virginia Black, Marietta, Oklahoma.

(Endorsed by C. L. Fuller, Pastor, Kemp and K Assembly of God, Wichita Falls, Tex.)

SUGAR DIABETES

I am a crane operator for the United States Navy, and each year the employees are given a physical examination. In October 1953 my examination showed that I had sugar diabetes.

I went to the Veterans Hospital in San Francisco and to the University of California Hospital; and at each hospital they verified the fact. At the hospital they gave me a prescription to use for taking tests. I went home took my test, and it too showed that I had diabetes.

My pastor, Carl E. Curtright, prayed for me, but I didn't receive complete healing. But that was young people's night at our church, and during the song service I felt the power of God go all over me. I believed then that the Lord had healed me completely.

The next morning I took another test, and it showed negative. A year has passed since God healed me, and sugar diabetes has not showed in any test since then. For this I give God all the glory!

When I first learned that I had diabetes the Navy Ship Yard said that I would have to give up my job—but, praise God, I am still working. My family and I have been healed many times through prayer. Praise the Lord for His wonderful love and mercy to us.—George G. Butcher, 435 Larch Ave., South San Francisco, Calif.

(Endorsed by Pastor Carl E. Curtright, 109 Drake Ave., South San Francisco, Calif.)

On to a Million

1955 REGIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS

Conferences on numerous subjects of interest to everyone in the church . . . huge evening rallies . . . colorful exhibit booths . . . two visual demonstrations . . . a panel discussion of Sunday School problems . . . all these will be a part of the Six Regional Sunday School conventions soon to begin. Below is a schedule of the daily events. The time will be

changed in some cases, but on the whole, this will give you an idea of the events of the three-night, two-day conventions. At these conventions a Five-Year Plan of Sunday School Advance will be introduced. One goal of this plan is that our Sunday Schools will have a million in attendance by 1960. Plan now to attend the convention nearest you.

DAILY SCHEDULE					
FIRST DAY		SECOND DAY		THIRD DAY	
10:00 a.m.		Theme: "How to Reach the Million"		Conferences	
2:00 p.m.	Registration of delegates	Conferences		Conferences	
6:00 p.m.	Exhibit Booths open	Handicraft Demonstration		Handicraft Demonstration	
6:30 p.m.	Musical Vespers	Vespers: Speaker—Lillian Trasher		Musical Vespers	
7:00 p.m.	Message: "We Can Reach a Million" "On to a Million"—Visual Demonstration of Assemblies of God Sunday School Advance	Theme: "Teach the Million" Panel Discussion on Sunday School problems Message: Ralph M. Riggs, General Superintendent, Assemblies of God		Theme: "Occupy Till He Comes" Message: Bert Webb, National Sunday School Dept. Executive Director, Assist. Gen. Superintendent Assemblies of God. Visual Demonstration—"Train Up A Child"	

R. M. Riggs Bert Webb W. A. Brown Thomas F. Zimmerman Phil Hogan G. F. Lewis



Paul Copeland C. W. Denton Edith Denton D. V. Hurst L. B. Keener Phil Wannemacher



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R. C. Fulmer E. M. Clark D. Mallough L. Trasher Noel Perkin M. O. Bruce



We invite you to join these workers and many others in your Regional Sunday School Convention. They will endeavor to be a blessing to you so that your Sunday School may advance—spiritually and numerically. Write us today for information regarding these conventions:

Southcentral—Houston, Texas
January 18-20

Southwest—Long Beach, Calif.
February 8-10

Northwest—Seattle, Wash.
February 28—March 2

Northcentral—Omaha, Nebraska
March 15-17

Northeast—Boston, Mass.
March 29-31

Southeast—Nashville, Tenn.
April 12-14

NATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
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ADVANCING in Southern California



"A tent or a cottage. . . ." New churches usually have humble beginnings. Some new churches begin in homes, with only a cottage prayer meeting at first. Others begin in vacant store buildings, theaters, or clubhouses.

You might be interested to know where 17 of the new churches opened in the Southern California District in 1954 held their first services. Here is a list:

PLACE	TOWN	PASTOR
Store building	Calwa	Frank Schieman
A home	Westchester	Harry Stemme
Electrical Union Hall	San Bernardino	T. M. Ming, Sr.
Women's club house	Laguna Beach	L. A. Vandergriff
Are buying a church building	Long Beach	Ira L. Heath
Store building	Rosamond	C. S. Holderman
Theater building	Torrance	Clyde Stockdale & Gene May
Church building	Riverside	D. F. Ferguson
Store building	Huntington Park	T. E. May
A rented building	Pacoima	C. T. Ward
Store building	West Long Beach	B. E. Tanner
A cabin	Cantua Creek	Ethel Musick
Ritz Theater building	South Pasadena	A. I. Haun
In the mountains (Indian church)	Earp	J. LaPram
A leased building	Los Angeles	Ernest Hunel
Women's club house	Garden Grove	John B. Deckard
A house	Easton	Ralph R. Hall

No matter how humble the beginning, each of these new churches strengthens the Southern California District, the Assemblies of God, and the kingdom of God. Many souls have been born again in these new churches in 1954.

The following is a testimony from the Westchester, California, Assembly of God:

A couple who had once known the Lord were mixed up in several problems. Walking down the street one day they picked up from the sidewalk an advertising card. This card directed them to Pastor Harry Stemme. They went to his home for an interview. As a result of talking with Brother Stemme they were saved. Three weeks later this couple went into full-time Christian service among the Indians!

The Lord not only saves souls, but also heals bodies and baptizes with the Holy Spirit in these pioneer churches. His Word is confirmed "with signs following." Lives are transformed, miracles are wrought by the power of God!

At one new effort (Calwa, Calif.) a family of five attended the Sunday morning services occasionally. The father, who at one time had known the Lord, had cancer of the throat. The cancer had been

operated on many times. One Sunday morning at the Calwa Assembly he gave his heart to God. A short time later doctors again ordered him back to the hospital. He thought it would be his last operation. Two days before the operation was scheduled, his pastor, Brother Frank Schieman, called on him, read the Bible and prayed. That evening the man's wife and children also came to the young church and gave their hearts to the Lord. At the next service, the cancer patient was back again. In a final examination before operation, the doctors discovered he did not need an operation after all. They released him from the hospital. God had healed him! The following week he was baptized in the Holy Spirit.

These are just two testimonies of the

NINE OF THE NEW CHURCHES

1. South Pasadena Assembly of God meets in a theater building.
2. Eighth Street Assembly in Riverside obtained a former denominational church building.
3. The workers at Earp, Calif. are building the 80-foot building from Army barracks for evangelizing the Mojave Indians.
4. The congregation at the Calvary Assembly in West Long Beach.
5. The Calwa Assembly had 90 people present in nine weeks.
6. The Easton Assembly of God.
7. The new home of the Cantua Creek Assembly.
8. Pastor and Mrs. L. A. Vandegriff standing in front of the Women's Club where they opened their meetings.
9. The Assembly at 3212 E. 8th St., Long Beach, where Ira L. Heath is pastor.



many who have been saved, healed and baptized in the Holy Spirit in these young churches.

From the very outset these new churches cause an increase in the kingdom of God. Thus the Southern California District has advanced in 1954. The Church is strengthened both spiritually and physically by pioneer works.

Every phase of Assemblies of God activity is blessed by new churches such as these. Attendance averages from 10 to 110. Sunday Schools are organized, Christ's Ambassadors services are started, Saturday children's services are conducted and Women's Missionary Council and youth choirs are organized. These new churches also strengthen themselves by giving to World Missions and by supporting REVIVALTIME.

These humble new churches are supported by humble people who listen faithfully to the Holy Spirit as He speaks to hearts. Many are going as well as praying that the gospel might be preached "in Jerusalem and all Judea first." Won't you pray that God through His Holy Spirit will speak to hearts to give as well as pray? If you wish to help struggling pastors, send your offerings to The National Home Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri, U.S.A. designed for the "Less Evangelized District Fund."

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

MAUSTON, WIS.—The "Revival Fires in a Gypsy Camp," as reported in the EVANGEL (Mar. 21, 1954) are still burning. The Lord sent the mother and four of the sons with their families to our church last October. The blessing of the Lord began to fall in our services and other members of the family and relatives gathered from hundreds of miles to be in the services. A number were saved and filled with the Spirit, and five were baptized in water. A number were healed in answer to prayer.

The revival spread to our church. After years of slow, steady growth, the Sunday School attendance record was broken. People who had not attended church for years, have been attending regularly. Our people gave out hundreds of copies of the EVANGEL. Decisions for Christ have resulted from the faithful witnessing of our members. A revival spirit prevails, and we are greatly rejoicing.—C. H. Belkstrom, Pastor.

NASHVILLE, TENN.—In the early part of May, 1954, T. M. Driver and I felt a call of God to pioneer a new work in West Nashville. Our respective pastor, E. R. Driver and C. C. Crace, along with the District officials, encouraged us to answer this call.

Within seven days we rented a new building, got it ready for services, and collected supplies for the church and Sunday School. On May 16 we had our first Sunday School with 17 in attendance. We held our own for six Sundays, and then we called a special prayer meeting with our seven Christian people. The next Sunday the attendance increased, and it has been increasing steadily since then. The first of November we had 96 in attendance, and the following two Sundays, 98 and 99.

The District paid our first month's rent, but since then we have met our own obligations. We have purchased a lot with a five-room house on it, and plans are being made to start the construction of our new auditorium this week (Nov. 23). Our church has been set in order with Brother T. M. Driver as pastor. Sharon Galligan, age 8, plays for the Sunday School and church services.—Jimmy Galligan.

DOROTHY, W. VA.—We recently accepted the pastorate of the Assembly here, and we thank the Lord for the revival spirit in our midst. Souls are being saved and tamed with the Holy Spirit. The Sunday School is growing; the average attendance for November was 184. Our District Superintendent, W. Glen West, was with us for a week. We were blessed by the anointed preaching of God's Word. Four were saved, and many received a deeper hunger for God.—Ernest T. Edmonds, Pastor.

WAKEENEY, KANS.—We have just closed a successful meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Ailen Musbach of Kansas. Three testified to salvation, six were refilled with the Spirit, and many were healed. The singing, musical numbers, and preaching were a blessing to our people. We enjoyed Sister Musbach's drawings each night.

Brother and Sister Musbach conducted children's meetings after school. The attendance reached 36, which is very good for this town. Many of the children knelt at the altar for prayer.—W. T. Mason, Pastor.

COAHOMA, TEX.—Evangelist Quentin D. Edwards of Garland, Tex. was with us for a meeting. The church was greatly blessed by the ministry in Word and in song. Eleven came to the altar for salvation, and some were filled with the Holy Ghost. One night as the evangelist started to preach, a man and woman entered the building and walked to the front. They said, "Preacher, we were outside and we heard you praying for sinners, and we want to be saved tonight." After much prayer, they and their two children testified to salvation.—W. S. McMurtrey, Pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.—Evangelist Danny Lane of Waco, Tex. was with us for a meeting. Four prayed through to old-time salvation, including an alcoholic, and four were gloriously filled with the Holy Ghost. A number of people testified that the Lord had healed them. The Sunday School attendance increased considerably.

A girl who had sprained her ankle came forward for prayer and was instantly healed. Before we prayed for her she could not wear her shoe. When the Lord healed her, she ran to the back of the church and then put her shoe on.—J. M. Stubblefield, Pastor, Glad Tidings Tabernacle.

ROCK ISLAND, ILL.—We recently had a wonderful meeting with the Sunshine Evangelistic Party (Brother and Sister Bruce Thum and Charles Verness) of Covington, Ky. The attendance was excellent throughout the meeting, and over 85 came forward for salvation. Quite a few received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. We reached many new people during this meeting. God blessed the anointed ministry of Brother Thum and the singing and musical numbers of the party.

The Quint-Cities Ministerial Alliance was responsible for the Party's receiving time on radio and TV.—G. P. Hertweck, Pastor.

LAKE CHARLES, LA.—We have just closed a glorious meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. A. A. Calloway of Silsbee, Tex. Night after night the power of God was manifested in a wonderful way. Eight were saved—including a lady over 70. One was filled with the Holy Spirit. Everyone in the church was encouraged by the results of this meeting.

We thank the Lord for the people of the First Assembly who have a burden for souls. Every night before the service, they gathered for prayer, and that is the secret of success. Two have been saved since the close of the meeting.—Nelson Woodcock, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

GARIBALDI, OREG.—We are glad to report God's blessing on our church this year. The Sunday School averaged 84 as compared to 72 the preceding year. We are now running over 100.

We are rejoicing that 37 have bowed at the altar for salvation and several have been baptized with the Holy Spirit. The church membership has grown from 23 to 39. The church has voted to go into Church Extension and a building program.

We have appreciated the ministries of H. C. Dodson, Nancy Boyd, George Davis, Reese Locust, and other visiting ministers and missionaries.—Susan Witt, Secretary. (J. Clifford Murray is Pastor.)

GOODING, IDAHO—On August 13 we came to this pastorate and found a good revival spirit in the church. B. B. Robeson was the former pastor. Due to the unity and earnestness of the saints, we have had the joy of seeing sinners saved and believers filled with the Holy Spirit.

We have just closed a three-week meeting with the Colson Evangelistic Party of Hillsboro, Oreg. Twenty-five knelt at the altar for salvation, 29 were filled with the Spirit, and many other outstanding answers to prayer were recorded.—M. J. Morehouse, Pastor.

JERSEY SHORE, PA.—Evangelist Walter Kronberg of Lake Ariel, Pa. opened our new Assembly of God with a three-week meeting. Many came forward for salvation, a number were healed by the power of God, and six received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

A lady was wondrously healed of heart trouble, high blood pressure, and sugar diabetes. A young man, whose vocal cords were burned, which caused his voice to be very rough and unnatural, was healed. For the first time in many years, his voice returned to normal, with no roughness at all. Many others were healed of various afflictions.—Fred Haddad, Pastor.

REED CITY, MICH.—We had a good meeting (Nov. 9—21) with Evangelist Eleanor Gligor. The spiritual tide that was so evident in the meetings with Brother and Sister MacPherson in September continued to rise. A number were refilled with the Spirit, and the young people were much encouraged.

It was a perfect setting for the Missionary Convention, which followed during Thanksgiving week. Surely God was in our midst. The following missionaries spoke during the Convention: Sophia Erhardt of North India; Paul Goodwin of Jamaica; William Stepp of Venezuela; and Mary Martin of Liberia. We introduced the pledge system for missionary support and the total pledged to date is \$594.00. Last year our missionary support was under \$300.00.—T. B. Thodeson, Pastor.

HOLTVILLE, CALIF.—We have just concluded a successful meeting for the children and the Sunday School with Brother Jack Thompson of West Riverside, Calif. The altars were filled each afternoon with youngsters seeking the Lord for salvation. Children from Catholic, Methodist, Baptist, and other churches attended the meeting. Fifty children knelt at the altar for salvation during the 4-day meeting. There were 260 children enrolled, and 80 did not attend Sunday School anywhere. Our Sunday School increased over 60% the first Sunday after the meetings. Brother Thompson's teaching ministry was also a tremendous blessing to our church, and we will receive benefit from it for years to come.—W. David Higgins, Pastor.

SACRAMENTO, CALIF.—We have just concluded a successful meeting with Evangelist Bill Lewis. God gloriously met us in each service. Over 25 knelt at the altar for salvation and around 30 were baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire. A lady from our Deaf Church was gloriously filled and spoke with other tongues fluently.

Approximately 40 people were refilled with the Spirit. Many of these had not reached the overflow point of speaking with other tongues for years. I believe this is just as wonderful as the initial filling.

A number of people received definite healing and others reconsecrated their lives to the Lord.—Clyde A. Henson, Pastor, Bethel Temple.

ATASCADERO, CALIF.—We have been here almost two years. In has been a struggle to get the church moving as we wanted to see it, but the last few months we have witnessed God's hand in blessing. We started cottage prayer meetings a year ago, and God is answering prayer.

On October 23 we began a meeting with Evangelist Douglas Brown of Grover City, Calif. The meeting continued for ten nights. The Christians were stirred and began to seek the Lord for a deeper experience with God. We broke our Sunday School attendance record with 87 present.

We continued the meeting (Nov. 7—28) with Evangelist J. R. Tucker of Oklahoma City, Okla. A man was saved and delivered from the drink habit, and a young lady was gloriously reclaimed. The attendance was good throughout the meeting.—H. P. Wilde Jr., Pastor.

McPHERSON, KANS.—We thank God for the good five-week meeting we had with Evangelist and Mrs. L. C. Eldridge of Santa Barbara, Calif. Nine were saved, 17 filled with the Holy Spirit, and a number were healed.—Raymond Chappell, Pastor.

GRINNELL, IOWA.—We have just concluded a three-week meeting with Evangelists Arnold and Anita Segesman of Berlin Center, Ohio. Some were saved, and the church was greatly blessed. We highly recommend these young graduates from North Central Bible Institute.—Donald E. Skiles, Pastor.

FEMBROKE, VA.—We had a stirring revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Ottis Denton and daughter, Beverly Jeanne. This is the first revival we have had since we accepted the pastorate here. Fourteen came to the altar for salvation, several testified to bodily healing, and three united with the church. Several are seeking God for the baptism of the Holy Spirit.—M. L. Hardin, Pastor.

TUCSON, ARIZ.—We had a glorious tent meeting with Evangelist John H. Bostrom of San Gabriel, Calif. Quite a number were saved, and some were healed or filled with the Holy Spirit. One man was saved and healed of bleeding ulcers. Recently a quart of blood had been pumped from his stomach.

A Catholic man testified that he was saved one night as Brother Bostrom began to preach.

An 18-year-old girl, who had been saved at a jail service a couple of weeks before, came to the tent a week after her release. She was gloriously baptized with the Holy Spirit.

A spirit of revival prevails in our midst, and we thank God for the evangelistic and teaching ministries of Brother Bostrom.—L. G. Gilmore, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

CENTER, TEX.—We had a successful meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Leo Walker of Fort Worth, Tex. Five came forward for salvation. Sister Walker's ministry with the children each night was a blessing to both the church and the Sunday School.—R. C. Davis, Pastor.

VAN BUREN, ARK.—We have just concluded a meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Cham Livingston of Tulsa, Okla. Approximately 24 were saved, and 28 received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Brother Livingston preached the Word of God fearlessly and the church was greatly benefited.—Edwin Burris, Pastor.

PUNXSUTAWNEY, PA.—J. Lee and Myrtle Gorman of Hamlin, Pa. were with us for three weeks. Their ministry in song and Brother Gorman's down-to-earth preaching stirred our hearts and brought in many outsiders to hear the Word. Souls were saved, some were refilled with the Holy Spirit, and a number were healed by the power of God. Others were more firmly established in the Lord.—Donald E. Berkey, Pastor, Pentecostal Tabernacle.

GRANITE CITY, ILL.—Evangelist Kenneth Marshall and party of Hartford, Ill. were with us for a meeting beginning late in October. There were 35 definite conversions; 23 were baptized in water; many received the baptism of the Holy Spirit; and 25 joined the church at the close of the meeting. The attendance was very good, and extra chairs were brought in to accommodate the crowds. Entire families were saved and added to the church. The meeting attracted community-wide attention, and the last week of the meeting a reporter and photographer from the St. Louis Globe Democrat were there to take pictures of the overflow crowds and to get a report of the meeting.—Robert D. Shaw, Tri-City Park Tabernacle.

ORLANDO, FLA.—We had a meeting with Evangelist John H. Bostrom of California. The interest was good and souls were saved. We appreciate a man who stands for the Word of God and the "signs following."—J. Vernon Cardiff, Pastor.

GOODWAY, ALA.—We recently closed a three-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. W. O. Stephens of Shawnee, Okla. The presence of the Lord was manifested in every service. Twenty were saved, and eight filled with the Holy Spirit. This is the second revival Brother Stephens has conducted here.—by Robert R. Glassbrook, Pastor.

SPENCER, IND.—Almost five years ago we came here to engage in home missionary work. Several told us that this was a hard place, but we definitely felt led of the Lord to come here. For three years we worshiped in the courthouse auditorium, while we prayed for a building site. God wonderfully answered prayer and helped us buy a lot in a good location about one block from the main highway to Bloomington, Ind. We had very little in the church treasury, but we started to build. On July 18, 1954, we entered our new church home. We have a lovely auditorium, 30 x 50, seating 150, and our total indebtedness is only around \$800.00. People are amazed that we were able to build with so few members. We quickly tell them that God helped us. We still need to add a vestibule, restrooms, and classrooms.

On November 17 we began a meeting with Evangelist D. C. Ogden of Memphis, Tenn. We continued for two weeks and the presence of the Lord was very real in every service. A number were gloriously filled with the Spirit. We enjoyed Brother Ogden's chalk drawings, singing and playing, and his anointed messages. The Sunday School average attendance for November was 35.—J. D. Bartlett, Pastor.

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DAYTONA BEACH, FLA.—The congregation of the First Assembly of God enjoyed the seasoned, fruitful ministry of Brother John H. Bostrom of San Gabriel, Calif. Our church was helped by this meeting. We eagerly anticipate Brother Bostrom's return for another meeting in the near future.—Ralph C. Francis, Pastor.

LANCASTER, OHIO—We have just closed a meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. I. A. Shank from Alliance, Ohio. One received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and one was reclaimed and filled with the Spirit. This is a new work, and the rich ministry of Brother Shank stirred our people to seek a closer walk with God.—James A. Hinzman, Pastor.

ELWOOD, IND.—We are rejoicing in the goodness of the Lord. We started this work last July with just our family, but God has increased our number. In October we had a children's meeting with Irene Dedelow and Ann Friederici of San Pierre, Ind. Even though it rained all week, 35 children registered. On the closing Sunday night, two adults confessed Christ as their Saviour.

We felt that God was wanting to move in our midst, so we had Sister Carrie Hunsberger of Fort Wayne, Ind. come for two weeks in November. Our people were drawn closer to the Lord and many began to tarry for the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Nine adults and six children knelt at the altar for salvation. Five new families were added to the church. We had been averaging around 15 in Sunday School, and on the last Sunday of the meeting the attendance was 36.—Raymond M. Bocken, Pastor.

COLUMBUS, MISS.—We have completed our first year as pastor of the First Assembly of God here, and the Lord has abundantly blessed us. Last Sunday (Nov. 21) the Sunday School attendance reached an all-time high. During the past several weeks, people have been saved, filled with the Spirit, or healed in almost every service.

People ask, "Does it just happen?" The answer is, "No." It comes to pass only when the pastor, deacons, Sunday School officials, teachers, and all the Christians in the church get a vision of a whitened harvest field and a soon-coming King.

During the past twelve months we had a number of evangelists, including former Chaplain C. E. Homer, H. S. Phillips, and B. R. Minton. All have been a great blessing to the church.—Carl A. Arnold, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

DALTON, NEBR.—In June 1953 we came here to pastor the church. We found a fine group of people, a thriving Sunday School, and a good C. A. group. Several of the members had not yet received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, so we began to encourage our people to be filled with the Spirit.

Last spring Evangelist Eugene Perrault came to us for a meeting. God made him a blessing to the young and old alike. In the summer Evangelist and Mrs. A. M. Selness and daughter from Davenport, Iowa were with us. Brother Selness' ministry brought great benefit to our people.

The definite "break" for our church came in September and October, when Evangelist H. J. Ketter of Delhi, Calif. was with us for four weeks. Early in the meeting a lady was refilled with the Spirit and an elderly lady of our church was healed of a serious heart ailment. About 10 gave their hearts to God, several others were reclaimed, and five families were brought into fellowship with God. Twenty-one were baptized with the Holy Ghost and 16 were immersed in water. We will not cease to thank the Lord for His goodness to us.

One Sunday following the communion service, a young man on crutches was instantly healed and left his crutches at the church as a testimony. Three doctors had recommended that his leg be amputated. Instead he came to the service and was healed, saved, and delivered from the tobacco habit. Later God filled him with the Holy Spirit.

Two persons were healed of eczema; one of these was also healed of kidney trouble. Another was healed of stomach trouble and a back ailment. A man who had just returned from a veterans' hospital was healed of nervous trouble. Many others were healed of various afflictions, demonstrating again and again the willingness of Jesus to heal today. A man who had been a constant smoker for years, was instantly delivered.

The Sunday School has been increasing in spite of the fact that some members have moved out of the community.—Paul V. Jones, Pastor.



Thanksgiving in December! Officials of the Assemblies of God give thanks for the beautiful campus on which Evangel College will be established. Left to right: J. Robert Ashcroft, Secretary of Education; R. M. Riggs, General Superintendent; and T. F. Zimmerman, Assistant General Superintendent.

NEW COLLEGE TO OPEN NEXT FALL

Evangel College, which will open in the fall of 1955, will be located on an excellent campus in Springfield, Missouri. The grounds are beautifully landscaped with hundreds of trees and shrubs.

There are 70 buildings, providing space for some 40 classrooms besides assembly halls, administrative offices, library, laboratories, studios, shops, and housing for students and faculty. The "ready-made" campus, complete with parking areas, paved streets and sidewalks was given to the Assemblies of God by the U. S. Government for the purpose of establishing a liberal arts college.

Action is now being taken to select a faculty fully qualified to give Pentecostal young people the best college education possible. The school will meet accrediting standards of the State of Missouri, the North Central Accrediting Association, and the Veterans' Administration.

The new college will be the fourteenth educational institution in the Assemblies of God. Other schools include: Bethany Bible College, Santa Cruz, Calif.; Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo.; Eastern Bible Institute, Green Lane, Pa.; New England Bible Institute, Framingham, Mass.; North Central Bible Institute, Minneapolis, Minn.; Northwest Bible College, Seattle, Wash.; Southeastern Bible Institute, Lakeland, Fla.; Southern California Bible College, Costa Mesa, Calif.; and

Southwestern Bible Institute, Waxahachie, Tex. In addition, there is the College of Arts and Sciences at Southern California Bible College. There is also the Junior College at Southwestern Bible Institute. There are two high schools, including one at Southwestern Bible Institute. The other high school, known as the Canyonville Bible Academy, is located at Canyonville, Ore.

The College of Arts and Sciences at Southern California Bible College offers a four-year liberal arts program. Its curriculum is closely connected with the Bible courses. One of its special objectives is the training of teachers.

Evangel College will offer three degrees—bachelor of arts, bachelor of science, and bachelor of education. Subjects from which students may choose will include Speech, English, Foreign Languages, Literature, Art, Philosophy, Science, Mathematics, Social Sciences, Physical Education, Psychology, Pedagogy, Music, and many electives, as well as Bible and Religion.

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Applications for enrollment are now being received. All inquiries about the college program should be addressed to the Department of Education, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

RICHLAND, MO.—When Brother Floyd Garrett and family came to this town of 1,133 to pastor the church, the Sunday School register showed 8 in attendance. The two previous Sundays the attendance was zero. Brother Garrett introduced himself to the businessmen and school officials and then he began knocking on the doors of homes in the community. The work, which is nine years old, began to grow. Thirty children have been saved. During the meeting with the Anspaugh Chordmakers of Naponce, Nebr. the Sunday School attendance was 133—the largest we have ever had. For five straight Sundays the attendance averaged 106. Five were baptized in water, and eight were added to the church membership during this meeting.

Other speakers and evangelists have contributed to the growth of our church—A. A. Benjamin, Robert Salter, Jan Smook, and two former pastors, Billy Hall and D. A. Lunsford.

Brother Floyd Garrett has resigned to enter Sunday School evangelistic rallies and meetings.—Paul Carnes, Sunday School Superintendent.

GALT, CALIF.—We have just closed an outstanding meeting with the Darden Evangelistic Party. The meeting was scheduled for two weeks, but the Lord blessed in such a wonderful way that we continued the meeting for two more weeks. Sister Darden preaches faith, deliverance, and healing under the anointing of the Spirit. Many were saved, baptized with the Holy Ghost, or healed by the power of God. The church was filled every night and a number of people drove many miles to attend the services. Brother and Sister Darden and the twin daughters, known as the Carolettes, play and sing; and the anointing of the Spirit rests on their music.

Every Saturday we have a 45-minute radio program known as the "Bible Deliverance Broadcast." We transcribed the revival singing, praying, and preaching for the radio program. Many said they were deeply touched by the spiritual atmosphere of the program. Entire families came to the church through the broadcasts and were saved and filled with the Spirit.—Harold Burger, Pastor, Bethel Temple.

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COMPTON, CALIF.—We had a wonderful meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Donald R. Hollford of Bell Gardens, Calif. Four were saved, one filled with the Holy Ghost, and many healed. We broke the Sunday School record attendance. Brother Hollford preaches the old-time gospel under the anointing of the Spirit. Sister Hollford's testimony of how God healed her of cancer and raised her from her deathbed was a blessing to us.—Cecil Thorn, Pastor.

DETROIT, MICH.—Evangel Assembly of God experienced a blessed three-week meeting with Evangelist James O. Johnson of St. Louis, Mo. Souls were saved, several received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, lukewarm Christians were set on fire. The entire Assembly thanks God for this spiritual awakening.

We are grateful also for the increase in our Sunday School and church attendance. The church is already too small. God helping us, we will build an addition to the present structure in the spring.—Fred Smolchuck, Pastor.

ALTON, ILL.—We celebrated our sixth anniversary as pastor of the Alton church with the dedication of a new church building. Preceding the dedication we enjoyed the ministry of O. R. Keener, former pastor. Good crowds attended the services night after night.

The dedication was held on November 23, with Ralph M. Riggs, and W. R. Williamson speaking. The auditorium is 40 x 111. It has two nurseries in the front part of the building and a three-deck platform.—James C. Kofhal, Pastor, Edwards Street Assembly of God.

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.

HOPE, ARK.—Hope Gospel Tabernacle, Jan. 23—Feb. 6; Evangelist Stephen Vandermerwe, Springfield, Mo.—by C. S. Walker, Pastor.

HOPEWELL, VA.—Broadway Theater, Jan. 19—Feb. 13; Evangelist Homer Peterson, Portsmouth, Va.

DOROTHY, W. VA.—Jan. 16—30; Evangelist James A. West of Indiana.—by Ernest T. Edmonds, Pastor.

BAKERSFIELD, CALIF.—Calvary Full Gospel Church, Jan. 19—30; Evangelist Carl W. Oney, Pleasant Hill, Mo.—(Harlan Hines is Pastor.)

HOQUIAM, WASH.—Assembly of God, Workers' Training Course, Jan. 26—Feb. 1; Evangelist M. L. Woods, Lindsay, Calif.—by B. B. Robeson, Pastor.

VINTON, IOWA—Assembly of God, Jan. 18—30; Evangelist Oliver Johnson, Powers Lake, N. Dak.—by Dale Harmon, Pastor.

MUSKEGON, MICH.—Central Assembly of God, Jan. 2—; Wright-Myers Gospel Team.—by R. A. Rieben, Pastor.

HAGERSTOWN, MD.—Assembly of God, Jan. 13—23; Evangelist Niels P. Thomsen, New Richmond, Wis. (Ralph M. Jeffrey is Pastor.)

MIAMI, FLA.—Central Assembly of God, 885 N. W. 27th Ave., Jan. 9—23; Evangelist O. E. Carter, Quincy, Ill.—by R. S. Peterson, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Bethel Temple, 4956 W. George St., Jan. 16—30 or longer; Evangelist Lonnie Osborn, Sapulpa, Okla.—by W. L. Williams, Pastor.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. MEX.—Highland Assembly, 201 Valencia N. E., Jan. 23—Feb. 6 or longer; Kenneth Berry Evangelistic Party, Houston, Tex.—by O. W. Keyes, Pastor.

TWIN FALLS, IDAHO—Assembly of God, Jan. 2—; Colsen Evangelistic Trio, Hillsboro, Oreg. (Clay Stephens is Pastor.)

SEATTLE, WASH.—Calvary Temple, Jan. 23—Feb. 6; Evangelist L. B. (Bill) Lewis.—by Watson Argue, Pastor.

MARINETTE, WIS.—Assembly of God, Jan. 9—25; Evangelist and Mrs. Joel R. Palmer, Lake Wales, Fla. (James T. Hamann is Pastor.)

DALHART, TEX.—Jan. 16—; Evangelist and Mrs. William R. Eccles, Mansfield, Ohio. (D. W. Calcote is Pastor.)

PETERSBURG, VA.—First Pentecostal Tabernacle, 935 W. Washington St., Jan. 4—; Evangelist and Mrs. C. Stanley Cooke.—by Gay C. Benson, Pastor.

PIQUA, OHIO—Assembly of God, 331 S. Wayne St., Jan. 9—23; Evangelist Leon Frank, Eaton, Ohio.—by Leroy Whiteman, Pastor.

CAMBRIDGE, MINN.—Assembly of God, Jan. 2—; Evangelists Marjorie Mitchem and Edna Lindblad.—by T. E. Anderson, Pastor.

SPRING VALLEY, MINN.—Jan. 23—Feb. 6; Evangelist and Mrs. Currell Muirhead. (C. G. Scharnberg is Pastor.)

NORTH KANSAS CITY, MO.—Claycomo Assembly of God, Jan. 9—; Evangelists Joe and Betty Calabrese, Kansas City, Mo. (Donald Payne is Pastor.)

GALESBURG, ILL.—Annual Missionary Convention, Jan. 14—17. Speakers: Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Phillips, Alfred Cawston, and Mary Wagoner.—by H. J. Waltermann Jr. Pastor.

LONDON, KY.—First Assembly of God, 434 W. 5th St., Jan. 19—30 or longer; Evangelist Don Carroll, Columbus, Ga.—by Claude Collins, Pastor.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y.—Revival Center Tabernacle, Hyde Park Blvd. and South Dr., Jan. 16—30; Evangelist C. S. Tubby.—by Albert R. Fisher, Pastor.

KERMIT, TEX.—First Assembly of God, N. Poplar and Dallas, Jan. 23—; Evangelists Leslie and Oleta Eldridge, Bakersfield, Calif.—by M. F. Hankins, Pastor.

CROWELL, TEX.—First Assembly of God, Jan. 9—; Evangelist Quentin D. Edwards, Garland, Tex. (Billy Brooks is Pastor.)

FORT SMITH, ARK.—New Bethel Assembly of God, North 8th and "T" Sts., Jan. 12—; Evangelist and Mrs. Bob McCutchen, Austin, Tex. (Floyd L. Garver is Pastor.)

HOUSTON, TEX.—Central Assembly of God, 503 Quitman, Tuesday, Jan. 18. Meeting for District and Sectional Home Missions officers from New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, and Louisiana. Gayle F. Lewis, National Home Missions Director, presiding.

HOUSTON, TEX.—Greens Bayou Assembly of God, 1325 Sheffield Blvd., Jan. 23—Feb. 6; Evangelist and Mrs. Leo Walker. (Mrs. Walker will conduct children's church each evening.)—by Lester P. Summers, Pastor.

BAYTOWN, TEX.—Gayle F. Lewis, National Director of Home Missions, will speak Sunday morning, Jan. 23, at Central Assembly of God where Lonnie Bowlen is Pastor. At night he will speak at Trinity Tabernacle where Bill Graham is pastor.

MICHIGAN DISTRICT MINISTERS' INSTITUTE—Bethel Assembly of God, Cherry and Cedar Sts., Benton Harbor, Mich., Jan. 17—19. Thomas R. Brubaker, Zion, Ill., guest speaker. Theme—"For Such a Time as This." First service Monday 7:30 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday at 10 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. For reservations write host pastor, Arnold Q. Hashman, 1603 Broadway, Benton Harbor, Mich.—by Everett D. Cooley, District Secretary.