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THE WORD FOR THE WORLD

PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

"Christian Amendment" Rejected

The Senate Judiciary Committee voted unanimously to disapprove a proposed constitutional amendment which would recognize "the authority and law of Jesus Christ, Saviour and Ruler of nations."

People may call this a Christian nation if they want to, but the Constitution of the U. S. makes no such claim. The Senators consider the Lordship of Jesus Christ a personal matter, and not something that can be imposed upon unwilling citizens by legislation.

Schools Teach Religious Heritage

An experiment is in progress at Indianapolis, Ind. where courses on America's religious heritage are being taught in eleven of the city's public schools. The courses are confined to the 7th and 8th grades at present, but officials say that if the experiment is a success they will be taught in the 7th, 8th and 9th grades of all the city's schools next year.

The courses do not teach religion—they teach *about* religion. They deal with historical background material and principles, but avoid doctrinal teachings.

Refugee Problem Growing Worst

Church leaders have been informed that the world's refugee problem is growing worse. At a meeting of midwest church leaders in Chicago the situation was characterized as "trying to empty a bathtub with a cup and being unable to turn off the taps." Despite the combined efforts of many churches and nations, the refugee problem is greater now than it was in 1948. The total of refugees is mounting at the rate of 18,000 a month.

New Names in Israel

There is a clamor in Israel for new names. Every month, in addition to the many young ladies who get new names by marriage, there are more than six hundred persons in Israel who file petitions to Hebraize their names. As wives and children are also thus affected, those who change their names in Israel average about 1,500 a month.

We are reminded of Revelation 2:17 where we read that the overcoming Christians are promised a white stone with a new name written therein. What language the name will represent we are not told, but that is not important. The important thing is to overcome our spiritual enemies and qualify to receive that white stone and that new secret name, for it will be a precious stone and a precious name chosen especially for us by the Lover of our souls.

A Record Year for Church-Building

The Departments of Commerce and Labor report that 1954 was a record year for church-building (and the Assemblies of God accounted for a good share of the new churches).

American churches of all faiths started construction on more than \$588,000,000 worth of new buildings in 1954, which was \$100,000,000 more than the previous record set in 1953. The Government estimates that more than \$600,000,000 worth of new church construction will be started this year.

Studying Religious Journalism

Various newspapers are offering brief seminars in religious journalism. The Nashville *Tennessean* (Nashville, Tenn.) conducted its second annual seminar last month, and two Texas newspapers will offer similar seminars or "church news clinics" this month—the *Beaumont Enterprise* and the *Dallas News*. Each seminar lasts one day. It features an address by a newspaper man or some qualified speaker in the field of religious journalism, and a question-and-answer session. The purpose is to acquaint ministers and other church workers with proper methods of preparing religious news releases.

English-Speaking Monopoly

Someone has raised the question as to why the English-speaking nations of the world should have a monopoly on Christianity. Only nine per cent of the world's population speaks English, yet 90 per cent of all Christians are found in English-speaking lands.

Are we sharing the gospel with foreign lands as fully as we ought? Of all the world's ordained pastors, 94 per cent are ministering to the 9 per cent of the world's people that speak English. Of all the funds at the disposal of our churches, 96 per cent are spent to minister to the nine per cent.

We profess to believe that God wants every human being to hear the gospel, yet we spend only four per cent of all our church money to send the gospel to the 91 per cent of the world's population who cannot speak English.

Not one person mentioned in the entire Bible could speak English. Not one verse of the entire Bible was written originally in English. The English-speaking lands have no monopoly on the gospel. It belongs to the whole world, and we are derelict in our duty if we fail to share the gospel with those to whom it belongs.

"The World Challenge"

"The Missionary Challenge," monthly missionary magazine of the Assemblies of God, is slated to take on a new format and a new name. Beginning in April it will be called "The World Challenge," and the editor, Leslie W. Smith, has some interesting revisions in mind. Every Assemblies of God home ought to receive this monthly missionary magazine.

Protestants Object to Shrine

Protestant ministers have protested the construction of a Roman Catholic shrine in the Caberfae winter sports area near Cadillac, Michigan. It is located in a secluded spot off the main road leading to the ski center. Patterned after shrines in European sports centers, it has a wooden crucifix and a small statue of the virgin Mary which is in a wooden case with a glass front.

The Cadillac Area Ministerial Association made its protest to the U. S. Forestry Service on the grounds that sectarian monuments have no place on federal property.

Boy's Body Found in Shark

Japanese newspapers reported on November 1 that the body of a boy 13 years of age, still clad in a shirt and white linen pants, was found in the 2,000 pound shark caught near Nagasaki.

This incident satisfactorily disposes of the false statement often made by Bible-haters that there is no fish with a throat large enough to swallow a person.

Even apart from this and similar incidents, it is stupid on the part of an otherwise intelligent person to assert that Almighty God could not create a fish capable of swallowing a man.

Translators of the Scriptures have used the word "whale" in connection with Jonah's experience (Matthew 12:40); but what the Word actually says is: "The Lord had prepared a great fish" to swallow Jonah (Jonah 1:17).

It is interesting to observe that some of the more recent translations do not have the word "whale" in the passage in Matthew. Such expressions as "sea-beast," "sea-monster," and "the great fish" are used instead. For example, J. B. Phillips renders the verse thus: "For just as Jonah was in that great fish's belly for three days and nights, so will the Son of Man be in the heart of the earth for three days and nights."

The one and only sign which our Lord gave the sign-seekers, has been literally fulfilled; for He was crucified for our sins, buried out of sight for three days and nights, and rose again in fulfillment of the sign.

Let us not be like the many who, after asking for a sign, and being given it, and having it fulfilled in detail, disbelieved it!

—Now

Signs and Wonders in CEYLON

A. P. Guruswamy, Ph. D.

THE DOOR OF CEYLON HAS BEEN CLOSED to foreign missions. The only new missionaries admitted are those who come as replacements of existing ones. That means in the last analysis that the task of taking Christ to the nation falls on the rank and file of the Ceylonese people.

I believe that the greatest hope for the future of Christianity in my country is prayer groups. God has raised up many prayer groups in different parts of Ceylon. Born-again Christian folks are not keeping quiet in my country; they are going about forming prayer groups. Furthermore they are calling their neighbors together that they might pray till God answers. I am thinking of one prayer group in an Episcopal church where approximately 70 to 100 people resort to prayer for three and a half hours each day. They rise at four o'clock every morning and pray and fast one whole day and then pray through the night each Friday. Is it any wonder that signs and miracles are following their ministry?

One day while these people were praying, four of their number were baptized in the Holy Spirit and began to speak in tongues. (Keep in mind that these are Episcopal people.) The next time they met together six more spoke in tongues and began to glorify God. Today there are twenty-eight of the group who have been baptized in the Holy Spirit, who speak in tongues and glorify God. Others in that same group have received the

gift of wisdom and the gift of healing. Many sick people from the eastern provinces are visiting this prayer group to be prayed for. God is answering their prayers in an amazing way.

I have spoken to them personally and with my own eyes have seen amazing things. The quality of their testimonies is remarkable. When the leader calls for testimonies the entire group will arise to testify—no stale testimonies there. They do not tell what the Lord Jesus did five or seven years ago. Everybody says what Christ did for them recently—at ten o'clock that morning or six o'clock the previous day. The oldest testimony I heard in that prayer group was one week old. Everyone has a recent living testimony for the Lord Jesus Christ.

I want to tell you one of the remarkable things that happened through the instrumentality of these people. Here is the story.

In the south of Ceylon there is a most weird Hindu temple. It is dedicated to a certain war god who seemingly exists to enjoy the physical suffering of his devotees. Consequently if a man has committed a terrible sin he will go to that temple and take a vow. In fulfilling that vow, he will carry on his head a pot of live coals. He will go through the entire year with that pot of live coals on his head, suffering excruciating physical agony in order to please the god. The pot of coals is kept alight by some friends or relatives both day and night, and when the end of the year comes round he will go back to the temple, throw down the pot and go away with an eased conscience. He thinks the god has forgiven all his sins. With my own eyes I have seen men with a hundred large fish hooks in their bare bleeding backs. The "victim" carries these fishhooks for an entire year, at the end of which the priest will pull

out the hundred fish hooks leaving the man's flesh lacerated and bleeding. These and many more fierce, hurtful practices the people go through to gain a sense of forgiveness for their sins.

A certain Hindu priest attached to this weird shrine of the war god was journeying toward the temple when night overtook him. Having many more miles to travel and thinking that every home along the way was a Hindu home, he innocently begged for shelter at the door of one of these Episcopal prayer meetings.

"Can I have shelter? Can I have a morsel of food?" he intreated.

"Certainly," they replied, inviting him inside.

While the meal was being prepared these Christians began to tell the priest about the living God. To their surprise he heard the Word gladly. With great fervor, he listened. "Please read on! Read from that book some more! Read and read and read!" he urged.

They continued discussing the Scriptures with the priest until morning dawned. That day the man was gloriously saved. He accepted the Lord Jesus as his personal Saviour; and never again returned to that weird Hindu temple.

The sequence to the story is that this converted priest began to spend his time reading God's Word for himself. If ever you saw any man eating God's Word it was that man. He didn't want his necessary food; he didn't want his drink; he didn't want his sleep; he just wanted to partake of God's Word. Day after day he continued to pore over the Scriptures. What astonished him the most was that everything for the salvation of mankind was done on Calvary's cross. He was amazed to learn that there was no more need for anyone to go through excruciating pain for sins—that one is saved merely by accepting the gift of salvation from the



This picture shows Dr. Guruswamy preaching in Springfield, Missouri, during his recent tour of the U.S.A., and the accompanying article is an excerpt from his sermon. Dr. Guruswamy is a member of the Full Gospel Tabernacle in Colombo, Ceylon. He received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit in 1947. While holding an important government post as deputy commissioner for Ceylon Savings, Brother Guruswamy also serves as Office Manager of the Assemblies of God missionary broadcast "Introduction to Life" which is heard each week over Radio Ceylon. In addition he is chairman of the Evangelical Fellowship of Ceylon and president of the Ceylon Youth for Christ.

Lord Jesus Christ. Could there be anything more simple than that? Oh, the joy that came to his soul!

One day he reasoned, "God is the same yesterday, today and forever. God performed miracles and wonders through the apostles of old who laid hold of His promise in simple faith. I, too, am going to lay hold of that self-same God who changes not; and in God's name I too am going to perform wonders and miracles."

I could relate some astonishing stories of how God answered this man's prayer. The sick came to him. He simply called upon the name of God and laid hands on them, and they were healed.

That converted priest went back to South India. When he arrived there his old associates at the Hindu temple greeted him with open arms. They declared, "Oh, tonight we are going to have a big puja (worship service) because our priest has come along to officiate!"

The man interrupted them: "Not I. I am not stepping into a Hindu temple any more. I now worship the Living God."

"Living God!" they exclaimed. "Living God! Who is this Living God?"

He said, "I am now dedicated to the service of the Living God."

The temple priests challenged him, "What is it that your Living God can do which our gods cannot do?"

He turned around very complacently and replied, "There is nothing that the Living God cannot do."

"Well," they said, "we take your challenge. Can your Living God produce rain? It has not rained in South India for six months. Can your Living God produce rain?"

He answered, "With my God, all things are possible."

"All right, then, you produce rain! Let's see!" they shouted.

He said, "Where are your buckets to draw the water?"

They said, "Now come, come, old man; we are not going to be fooled by you."

He said, "If you want God to produce the rain, you've got to bring your vessels to draw the water with. What do you want rain for? You want the water, don't you?"

The people all agreed they wanted water.

"Well, then, come along to the reservoir."

By that time a huge, skeptical crowd had gathered. "It's no use going to the reservoir," they ridiculed, "there hasn't been a drop of water in the reservoir for four months."

The man of God said, "If you want to draw water, come along with your pots and your vessels to the reservoir and my God will produce the rain."

Suddenly he pointed toward the Hindu

temple and said, "Can your gods in that temple produce rain?"

They replied, "No, we have been making all kinds of sacrifices. For many months we have been making vows but we have had no answer from our gods."

"Well, my God can produce rain."

"Look here!" they shouted threateningly, "we will tear you to pieces if your god does not produce rain! You want us to go to our homes and bring buckets and earthen vessels and tin pots to draw water with! If you don't produce the rain we are going to tear you to pieces!"

The old man only smiled and said, "With my God all things are possible."

Led by that frail, old man with a flowing white beard, five thousand people, their earthen pots and buckets in their hands, went down to the reservoir.

At the reservoir that simple old converted priest stood in the midst of that unbelieving hostile crowd, threw up his hands to heaven, and prayed "Almighty God, glorify yourself in the midst of this unbelieving crowd." His prayer was as simple as that: and in a matter of seconds raindrops began to fall from the brassy skies.

God had honored the faith of His servant. It was a glorious sunshiny day, yet the raindrops began to fall. Then a



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few moments later the sky grew very dark, great clouds banked up, and a severe shower of rain began to fall over the parched countryside. God was glorified before the great multitude of unbelievers.

Our God is able to do the impossible if we have the faith to trust His Word. There is nothing impossible with our God. The One who sent rain in answer to the simple prayer of an aging, converted priest in India is well able to answer our prayers in these days when signs and wonders are so greatly needed throughout the earth to convince men of sin, righteousness and judgment to come.

Broken Neck Healed

On November 2, 1951, I was critically injured in an auto accident, at which time I sustained numerous injuries. My neck was broken, my left shoulder was shattered, and my pelvis was fractured.

I was hospitalized and placed in a neck traction. The next day surgery was performed on my left shoulder. Some of the loose fragments were removed, and the rest were set in place. I was fitted with a cervical brace and dismissed from the hospital on December 21.

We received written statements from two doctors (one of them a bone specialist), saying that I would always have to wear a cervical brace; otherwise the neck bones might become dislocated through a sudden jar, they said, and death would result immediately.

In answer to the many prayers offered in my behalf, God definitely healed my fractured neck, and I was able to lay the brace aside on April 20, 1952. The only remaining evidence of my having had a broken neck is a slight stiffness when I turn my head.

The doctor also said that there would be a hollow place in my shoulder where the bone fragments were removed, but the Great Physician also filled that in. Nor was I left with any limp because of the broken pelvis. That was healed perfectly, too.

Beginning in March, 1952, I was able to do light work. And in February, 1953, I accepted a steady position requiring manual labor. I am still doing this work. We praise God and give Him all the glory for doing what was impossible with man.—Roy E. Schachterle, 1040 Akin, Fort Collins, Colo.

(Endorsed by Charles R. Woods, 796 Oriole St., Eugene, Ore.—pastor of the Fort Collins Assembly at the time of this healing; L. A. Messick, present pastor of First Assembly of God, Fort Collins, Colo.; and R. C. Schachterle, Pastor, Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Denver, Colo., brother of Roy E. Schachterle.)

Facts, Feelings, Fears and FAITH

Evangelist Herschel Murphy

WORDS ARE POWERFUL THINGS. THEY are potential dynamite. They have changed the maps of the world and altered the destiny of nations. Many a "little" word is like a drop of deadly poison; or, it may be a wonderful elixir of life. It may be a beautiful thing, "like apples of gold in pictures of silver" (Prov. 25:11). Let us consider some little words that have big meanings:

1. FACTS

Many today are interested only in "facts and figures." These people are the compilers of figures, the statisticians who pore over long columns and give the sum totals with a flourish. Like Philip they know exactly how many pennyworth of bread it will take to feed the multitude, but it is Andrew who finds the little lad with the lunch! They are more willing to hold the fort than to go out and take a fort. They are usually on the defensive, trying to hold what they have. They are content with the status quo. They run people over their treadmill and sort out and pigeonhole with reckless abandon. They place men in their proper (?) calibers. They deal in facts and figures—cold figures, no heart or soul considered.

2. FEELINGS

There are those who depend solely upon their own feelings. They are either on the mountaintop or in the slough of despondency. They are either walking dry-shod through the Red Sea or worshipping a golden calf! They are either walking on the water or cutting off someone's ear! Either on Mt. Carmel or under the juniper tree! Either killing Goliath or taking the wife of Uriah! There is no middle ground with them. They let their feelings decide their spiritual ebb and flow.

But men who trust their feelings, instead of trusing Jesus, soon become frustrated. When their emotions change they feel disappointed, beaten, whipped, upset, defeated. Life does not seem worth living. There is hope for such folk only in the Lord Jesus. Our feelings are changeable, undependable. But our Saviour never changes.

3. FEARS

Then there is a group who are simply "scared to death!" Phantoms of the past haunt them, dread of the future paralyzes them, while the hopelessness of the present numbs them. They are torment-

ed and bedeviled, harassed and vexed, oppressed and depressed, beaten down and defeated. What a terrible thing fear is!

David said, "I will trust and not be afraid." But many people today are saying by their actions: "I will be afraid and not trust"; "surely doubts and fears shall follow me all the days of my life"; "I will fear all sorts of evil, for Thou art not with me."

Fear is the reason why many are helpless spiritually; the reason why the joy is gone and the glory departed; the reason why there are such terrible inward conflicts, uncontrollable fightings. Fear has robbed them, sabotaged them, derailed and detoured them. They need deliverance! They need to be set free by the power of God. They need to be "loosed and let go!" They are bound hand and foot, shackled, fettered, muzzled, and hobbled by the myriad legions of fears that beset them day and night.

4. FAITH

But thank God for a brighter picture! FAITH is the victory that overcomes the world! Faith is the handle that fits every situation, the bell rope that reaches the throne of God, the key that unlocks the storehouse of the Almighty!

This faith no eye can see, no ear can hear, and no finger can feel. No rule can measure it, nor telescope locate it. Nor can any microscope magnify it, nor surgeon's knife uncover it, nor encyclopedia describe it. No fire can ever burn out this faith; no cold can ever freeze it out!

God has but one prerequisite, one requirement for nomination to His "Hall of Fame"—that is, faith! The names of many Bible characters are among that number because of their simple, child-like faith. The Syrophenician woman made it! The little, pale, thin, emaciated woman who touched the hem of His garment—she made it! Old blind Bartimaeus made it. The 11th chapter of

TEACHERS NEEDED!

From many parts of the country requests for qualified Assemblies of God teachers on various levels (elementary, secondary, and higher education) are being received by the Education Department of the Assemblies of God.

Those interested in applying for teaching positions should write to:

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
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Faith is the key to salvation. Faith unlocks the door to divine healing. Faith is needed by those who would receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Genuine faith brings results! Faith gives man a new outlook on life; everything is different when seen through the eyes of faith.

So away then with facts and figures, fightings and fears, feelings and frustrations—let us have faith! All else beside is useless, fruitless, empty, and vain. "Without faith it is impossible to please God!"

MAKING NEW FRIENDS

The EVANGEL is making new friends all the time. A New Englander sent a dollar last week and said: "I am a new subscriber. Please send me the EVANGEL for eight months. I had some copies given me, and it's just what I want for spiritual food. I am thrilled to know I can have it coming EVERY WEEK. A month is too long to wait for our spiritual food."

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Hear C. M. Ward on REVIVALTIME . . .

RESISTING THE HOLY GHOST (Acts 7:51)

SERMON SUBJECT FOR FEBRUARY 6

SUNDAY 10:30 P.M. ABC NETWORK



PROGRESS IN THE MIDDLE EAST



IRAN

This baptismal ceremony was held at the village of Mushava Rezaiah, Iran. Candidates are in white.



Workers gathered for a conference in Hamadan, Iran. Mordecai and Esther were buried here.

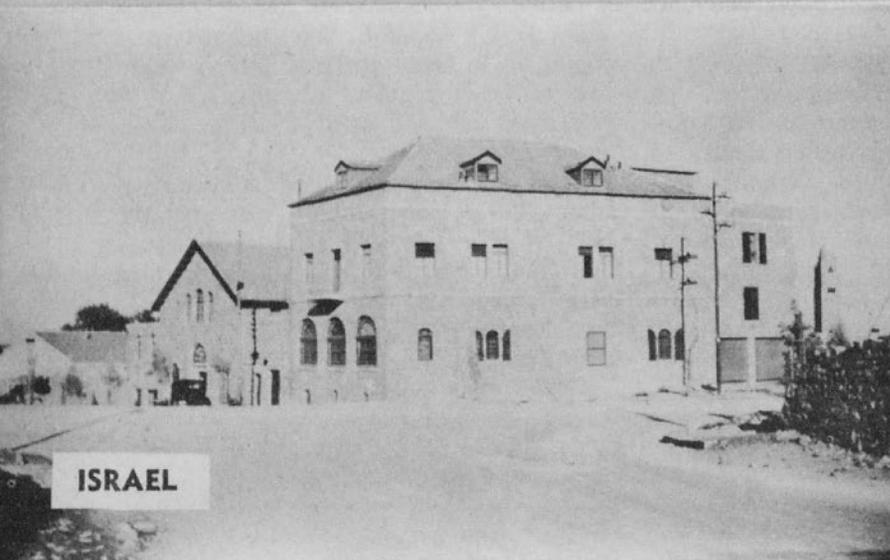


EGYPT

At this baptismal service in Minia, Egypt, fifty-five young men and thirty young women were immersed.



Here are the men students of the Assemblies of God Bible School at Port Said, Egypt, preparing for the ministry.



ISRAEL

The Jerusalem Assemblies of God mission house is seen to the right, and at the left is the church.



JORDAN

This thriving Assemblies of God Sunday School is in the city at Jericho, situated in the Hashemite Jordan Kingdom.

DIVIDENDS IN THE MIDDLE EAST

George H. Carmichael
Foreign Secretary in the Middle East

DURING MY RECENT VISIT TO THE MIDDLE EAST I was burdened with the fact that so many cities, towns, villages, refugee camps and Bedouin encampments are still without the gospel message. The spiritual darkness and hopelessness of these people presented a greater challenge to me. Now that I am home again in America the picture remains unchanged; my burden for the people has only increased with my latest insight into the situation.



George Carmichael

Constant warfare and unstable government have kept the inhabitants of these lands unsettled. However, in spite of the present situation God is moving by His Spirit in many parts of the Middle East. In some areas, revival fires are burning, bringing deep conviction to the hearts of unsaved people.

More than ever, I observed that new converts in the Bible lands are spiritual dividends from the financial investment that EVANGEL readers have made in our missionary program. God is taking out a people for His name from these countries. Chains forged by centuries of darkness and superstition are now being broken by the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

There is no doubt in my mind that the early disciples faithfully carried out the great commission. This is evidenced by the number of church ruins that are being unearthed by archeologists in the Middle East. In the ruins of Jerash alone (one of the cities of the Decapolis) the remains of twenty-six churches have been discovered.

When the statement is made that the area known as the Bible Lands, where Jesus and His disciples ministered, is a needy mission field, many people are amazed. To them, sending missionaries to the Holy Land is like "carrying coals to Newcastle." They are unaware that in the seventh century, Moslem hordes swept across this territory with the result that the Christian church was all but exterminated by the sword of Islam. Today the population is about 92 per cent Moslem. Scores of mosques in the Middle

East were formerly church buildings; some are built upon the ruins of early Christian churches. Today the Moslem call to prayer resounds from hundreds of sites where the gospel was proclaimed formerly.

These lands must be evangelized again! We are debtors and must repay the debt by taking the gospel to them. This can only be accomplished by an aggressive missionary program throughout the Middle East. If we consider our missionary effort in the Bible Lands as mere charity, we will give and pray little. However, if we realize we owe a debt to these lands that gave us the gospel, we will give generously and pray much. As one national worker expressed it to me—PRAY VIGOROUSLY!

While in the Middle East I saw your missionary offerings at work. I saw Assemblies of God missionaries and national workers in action, taking the gospel to their own people. From the mountains of Iran to the sands of the Sahara I saw them "going with the gospel" in Speed-the-Light jeeps, cars, motorcycles, bicycles, on donkeys and on foot.

At the present time the Bible lands are open to the gospel of Jesus Christ. The opportunities have never been greater in our generation. How long these conditions will prevail is a question, for there is strong resurgence of Mohammedanism on every hand. We must get the gospel out to every city, town, village and encampment without delay!

To accomplish this, trained workers are needed. Our objective is to continue the development of an indigenous church that will become an evangelizing agency. This can best be accomplished by trained national leaders. To a considerable extent the need is being met through the Middle East Bible School in Port Said, Egypt. However, many young people who now feel the call of God into the ministry cannot attend school for lack of funds.

It costs only twelve dollars a month to maintain a Bible student. Funds are urgently needed for their support at this time! If you are interested in helping some young person train for the ministry in the Middle East, please send your offering to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri, designating it for "Port Said Bible School."

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New Mexico	1,287.35	Canada	467.06
New York	10,733.88	Foreign	91.58
N. Calif.-Nev.	14,068.36	Miscellaneous	85.01
		Legacies	11,589.35

Total Amount Reported	\$296,025.38
District Funds	\$16,087.91
National Home Missions	3,630.41
Office Expense	4,735.51
Literature	42.01
Given Direct to Foreign Missions	51,466.81
	75,962.65

Received for Council Foreign Missions	\$200,062.73
Received for Non-Council Foreign Missions	2,388.87

Missionary Offering not Allocated to any State	27,284.88
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Total Receipts for Foreign Missions	\$249,736.48
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Basutoland	\$ 490.70	Brit. Guiana	203.50
Belgian Congo	4,045.79	Paraguay	1,446.35
Gold Coast	10,902.42	Peru	4,883.64
Liberia	16,697.84	Uruguay	1,227.65
Nigeria	5,808.31	Venezuela	2,422.52
Nyasaland	2,026.79	Egypt	5,534.78
Sierra Leone	822.00	Greece	330.00
Tanganyika	560.86	Hash. Jordan Kingdom	348.30
Togo Dahomey	14,680.43	Iran	207.15
U. of S. Africa	6,245.62	Israel	1,572.75
Upper Volta	5,368.64	Lebanon	145.00
Europe	7,828.94	Syria	55.00
China	4,297.91	Burma	1,488.00
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Formosa	3,627.47	India	50,717.64
Hawaii	4,627.92	West Indies	11,306.78
Indonesia	2,602.05	Children's Educ. in U.S.	2,039.75
Japan	6,857.71	Deputational Expenses	585.07
Korea	2,996.43	Fld. Secretaries	525.00
Malaya	3,842.00	Literature	42.43
Philippines	13,932.14	N. Y. Office, Shipping	1,200.00
Samoa, Amer.	680.95	N. Y. Office, Public Relations	860.00
Lat. Amer.		Refund & Trans. to Other Depts.	2,436.87
Work in U.S.	317.23		
Can. America	7,992.82		
Mexico	6,685.93		
Argentina	906.96		
Bolivia	4,934.44		
Brazil	2,922.55		
Chile	3,825.50		
Colombia	544.68		

Total Disbursements to Council Foreign Missions	\$246,789.85
Non-Council Missionaries	16,191.56

Total Disbursements	\$262,981.41
Hold Accounts	13,244.93

Total Receipts	\$249,736.48
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Send Foreign Missionary offerings to
**NOEL PERKIN, SECRETARY
FOREIGN MISSIONS
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434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo.



Daily DEVOTIONS

BIBLE READINGS BASED ON NEXT WEEK'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

...they searched the Scriptures daily

MONDAY, February 7

JESUS IS TRANSFIGURED—Luke 9:28-36

“And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him” (v. 35).

Many have been the times when God has spoken to men from “out of the cloud.” Lives have been made better through suffering and affliction. David said, “Before I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept thy word” (Psa. 119:67).

A soldier glanced at an empty sleeve and said, “It seems to me I cannot be grateful enough for losing my arm. It was dreadful to me at first, but this cloud in my life has succeeded in bringing me to Jesus.” In most of our lives the clouds will not be as dark as that. Nevertheless, in every instance the voice of God points us to Jesus. He stands alone as Prophet, Priest, and King. People of old were blessed by the ministry of such men as Moses and Elijah, but New Testament people remember with joy the words of Hebrews 1:1, 2: “God... hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things.”

The disciples on the mount of transfiguration had beheld His glory. Now they were reminded of the solemn responsibility to hear Him. Hearing brings faith, and faith leads to obedience. There are many voices calling to us these days; let us determine to hear only the beloved Son of God.

—PAUL COPELAND

TUESDAY, February 8

JESUS IDENTIFIED—Luke 9:18-22

“But whom say ye that I am? Peter answering said, The Christ of God.”

This was a correct and pleasing answer to the Lord. It makes little difference what people outside the circle of faith have to say, but this bit of spiritual insight from his select group of followers is the keystone for all spiritual revelation. They were immediately charged to keep it a secret. He tried then to prepare their hearts to understand His ultimate rejection, suffering, and death.

On several occasions Jesus tried to tell His disciples of His brief future among them. In verse 44 He said, “Let these sayings sink down into your ears: for the Son of man shall be delivered into the hands of men.” Verse 45: “But they understood not...” The concept that they had for the Son of God was that He would increase in greatness among all men. It would seem that any other course was hidden from their perception. We should learn from their experience that the plan of God does not necessarily follow the logic of human reasoning.

—DICK FULMER

WEDNESDAY, February 9

JESUS' SUFFERING FORETOLD—Luke 9:23-27

“If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me” (v. 23).

It is well to observe at the outset that only a Christian can bear the cross that Jesus mentions here. Cross-bearing is not *enduring* the misfortunes of life, as some believe; many unsaved people do this as gracefully as Christians. Cross-bearing is doing the will and work of God, whatever the sacrifice.

There is both a negative and a positive side of bearing the cross. Jesus said, “Let him deny himself [his self-life], and take up his cross daily and follow me.” The natural man does not like to bear the cross, so self must be denied (that is negative). Then comes the actual cross-bearing (that is positive).

There are many Christians who do not attain this balance in Christian living. They may do one or the other well. A Christian may deny his self-life and live above reproach on the basis of the things a Christian should not do; but at the same time his life may be an empty gesture on the basis of service for the Lord. On the other hand, there are some who seek to bear the cross and do the work of the Lord, but spoil their influence by giving way to the natural man; they allow self to rule (and sometimes ruin) their lives.

Jesus sums up the business of cross-bearing by saying it is so important that it represents the *losing* or *saving* of our lives for God.

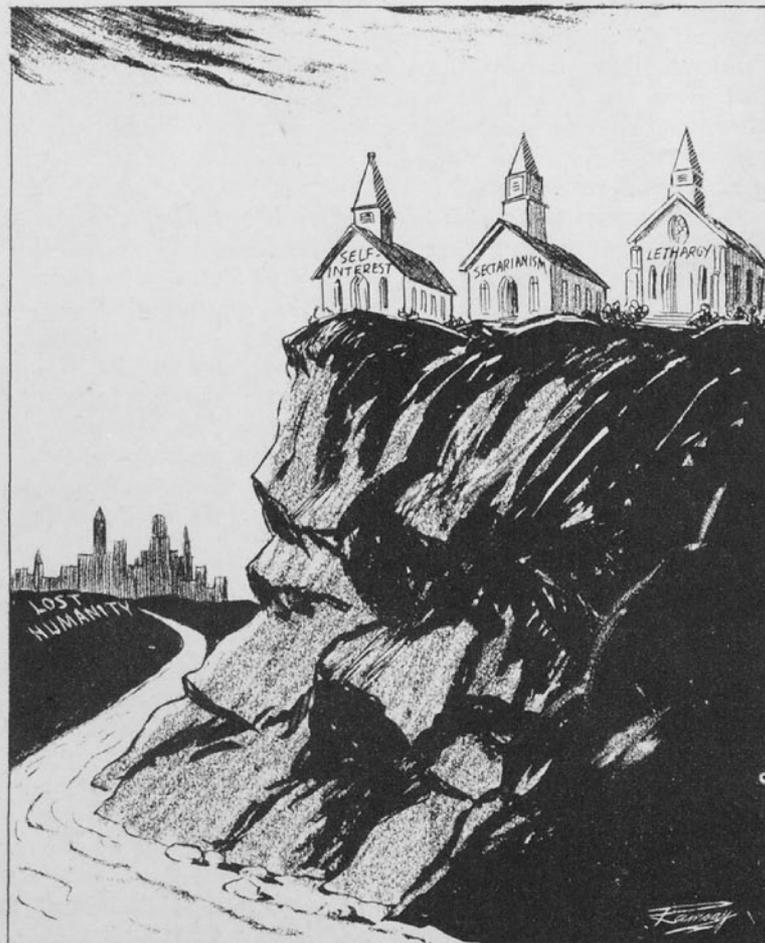
—J. O. HARRELL

THURSDAY, February 10

JESUS DEMONSTRATING HIS AUTHORITY—Luke 9:37-44

“And I besought thy disciples to cast him out; and they could not” (v. 40).

THREE TABERNACLES



THE BOYS AND GIRLS
GIVE ALL THE YEAR AROUND.

Once a year the
grown-ups help
them.

Year 'Round Giving Project



This Sunday February 6th, is BGMC Day in the Assemblies of God Sunday Schools. "You Can Be a Missionary" is the theme for 1955 BGMC Day activities, spearheading the effort for \$10,000 in the BGMC Day offering. Each year on BGMC Day, a special offering is taken to supplement the year-round giving of our boys and girls twelve years old and younger. All members of the Sunday School can assist the boys and girls this Sunday by giving to help send Christian literature to foreign lands.

There is a need to spread the Word of God by the printed page more than ever before. Communists are flooding our mission fields with their propaganda. It is time we as Christians reach the masses who are fast becoming literate. Our boys and girls at present are bearing the load of reaching the lost in other lands through the printed page. Let us do our part in helping them.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
REGARDING THE
BOYS AND GIRLS
MISSIONARY CRUSADE
WRITE TO THE

"An entire village has been won to Christ through BGMC literature received by their chief." When such reports come back from foreign lands, we realize more than ever that the work of BGMC was truly raised up of God to help reach the lost in this last hour! The Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade is a plan of sending Christian literature to the missionaries for distribution on the foreign fields.

If your Sunday School does not now belong to BGMC, just write the National Sunday School Department, stating your desire to join and telling the number of boys and girls in your Sunday School twelve years old and younger. Small wooden barrels will then be sent you, free of charge—one for each child to take home with him and fill during the month with dimes and nickels he himself has saved. At the end of the month, this money is collected and sent to World Missions, designated as a BGMC offering. Proper credit will then be given the church.

Once each year a day is set aside for a special offering when adults too can help. Today—February 6—is BGMC Day and a goal of \$10,000 has been set for the offering. On the first BGMC Day, three years

ago, \$3,000 was given; on the second, \$5,000 was given; last year, \$7,000. Let us all give that the goal for this year may be reached.

Those who already belong to BGMC will have received a BGMC Day outfit. This includes, among other materials, a poster on which to record the monthly giving of the boys and girls; opening worship services for BGMC Day, as well as for the meetings when the monthly offerings are received; and a booklet of "Crusade Plans." A new flash-card story, "A Paper for Fidelia," is available for 50c, ready to color and cut out. This story will encourage the boys and girls to give.

As more money is made available for BGMC, more back-dated Sunday School materials will be sent to Christians in other lands; more translated gospel literature and portions of scripture will be mailed; more tons of paper, and more type and other printing equipment, will be made available to our missionaries to help them spread the gospel speedily. Give liberally in the BGMC offering that the Word in printed form may be given to multitudes who are crying for that which will meet the hunger of their souls.

PRINTING PROJECT FOR BGMC DAY

The money given on BGMC Day this year will go toward a special project. The indoctrination series, "What My Church Believes," by Ralph M. Riggs, will be translated into a number of foreign languages. The entire project—translation, printing and distribution—will be done by BGMC. This project will cost \$10,000 so we are looking to you to give liberally. The series of booklets presents the basic doctrines of the Bible in the simplest, most comprehensive manner possible. Their publication for use in foreign lands will be a great blessing to our missionaries. Encourage your Sunday School to give a good BGMC offering this Sunday.

THE WORD FOR THE WORLD
THROUGH BGMC



National Sunday School Department, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Missouri

Even though the father did the right thing in bringing his tormented son to the associates of Christ, he found no deliverance through their ministry. Merely doing the right thing so far as procedure is concerned will not categorically guarantee a miracle! God requires vigorous faith before He releases His divine energy to bring deliverance to those in need.

“...and they could not”—let those condemning words never be truthfully spoken of us when demons need to be cast out. Unbelief on the part of a Christian is an insult to God’s intelligence. The Lord has said that true believers shall cast out demons (Mark 16:17). God believes His own Word and will work through those who agree with Him that what He has spoken is infallible. Unbelief is an evil thing. Like a malignant cancer it eats away the spiritual life and health of the church.

Unbelief must be recognized, repented of, and removed before positive faith can fill the heart of a Christian. When unbelief goes out and faith comes in, there

will be no more fruitless praying and powerless preaching. There will be victory. “And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.”

—WAYNE FAGERSTROM

FRIDAY, February 11

EYEWITNESSES OF HIS GLORY—2 Peter 1:15-21

Thirty-five years after his experience on the mount of transfiguration, Peter still felt in his heart the glow of that heavenly event. There is danger that gospel truth may be theoretical. It is good to have instead an experimental knowledge of God’s power. The man who can say, “I was there when it happened, and I ought to know,” has something which memory can use to warm his heart again and again.

The new generation of Judges 2 surely knew about the Lord and the things He had done for Israel; the tragedy was that they did not know the Lord nor these experiences for themselves. Only a repetition of Pentecostal experiences will keep us truly Pentecostal and not just Pentecostally orthodox.

“We have not followed cunningly devised fables,” said Peter (v. 16). In spite of recurring attacks from infidels and skeptics, the Bible still stands like a mighty bulwark against the onslaughts of the enemy. “The greatest story ever told” is not the figment of someone’s imagination. As someone said, “It would take a Christ to forge a Christ.” Thank God! Jesus had a supernatural birth, lived a supernatural life, wrought a supernatural salvation, experienced a supernatural resurrection, and will soon effect a supernatural return.

“Beholding... the glory of the Lord, [we] are changed into the same image” (2 Cor. 3:18). The word “changed” here is the same word used to describe the transfiguration of Jesus. Have you experienced your personal transfiguration yet?

—RALPH W. HARRIS

SATURDAY, February 12

SHARING HIS GLORY—Romans 8:14-23

“For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be

Promises Fulfilled



On a recent district tour one of the National WMC Representatives took with her a long list of children’s name and their expressed Christmas “hopes.” The children are those who have been rescued by our Assemblies of God children’s homes—those who have no one else to care and provide for them.

It was almost too much to expect that each child’s wish might come true on Christmas Day, but our WMC Representative hoped that she might find some interest in their Christmas lists while on the tour. For the most part their wants were simple—toy planes and dolls for the little ones, new clothing for the teenagers, plus a few of the extras which boys and girls normally enjoy at Christmas time. One ten-year-old boy asked only for a baseball.

At the conclusion of one of the services, the teacher of a young married people’s Sunday School class asked for the entire list from one orphanage. She was sure her class would be happy to see that each child received exactly what he had asked for. The representative admitted she was dubious. The undertaking seemed too large for one group. If time proved that the teacher was over-zealous and too optimistic for her class, then the orphans would be disappointed.

All along the tour it was thrilling to find the eagerness of the WMC’s, as

they, too, enquired about what they could do to help meet the needs of the children’s homes and the workers—not only for Christmas and other special seasons, but all through the year. The national WMC Department keeps in touch with the needs around the world, and is able to suggest projects where the need is the most urgent at any time. Promises of gifts for Christmas, and promises for future help, were made with enthusiasm all along the tour. Men and women alike caught the spirit of sacrificial giving—and at the end of the rallies the name of each boy and girl with their Christmas lists had been taken, with promises that the packages would be mailed in time for Christmas.

A month later the representative had

occasion to be passing over the same route just at the strategic time. She found the Sunday School teacher and her class packing an immense box of the most wonderful Christmas gifts that any children could wish for, each gayly wrapped and tied, and each tag bearing the name of the individual child who had wanted that particular article. Besides the expressed wants, there were several other packages for each child.

A junior WMC group in the church delighted in canning nut meats, dried fruits, cake mixes and candy to be sent along with the other gifts.

How gratifying to our WMC representative to find that the promises had been kept, and even greater joy was her experience when letters were received from the missionaries and home superintendents, describing the happiness of the boys and girls as they opened those wonderful Christmas gifts sent by the Women’s Missionary Council. Those who had promised to bring gladness to little children DID care. They did not disappoint anyone! The boys and girls, the missionaries, pastors and church members—even outsiders noted with appreciation the fulfilled promises of the WMC’s.

Promises! They are pledges which bring expectation to those to whom they are made, and the women of the Missionary Council honorably consider their word as a bond. Make a promise to God for missions. Make a promise which calls for sacrifice! By fulfilling your promises you will be emulating our Lord, for He is ever faithful.

Help the Women’s Missionary Council in this Ministry of specialized service to our missionaries and children’s homes.

REMEMBER NATIONAL WMC DAY FEBRUARY 13

Send your annual contribution to the **WOMEN’S MISSIONARY COUNCIL**
Edith Whipple, Secretary
434 W. Pacific, Springfield, Mo.

compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us" (v. 18).

It was a raw, windy day in March, and the newsboy tucked first one bare foot and then the other under a ragged pant-leg, seeking a bit of warmth.

"Pretty tough, isn't it, son?" remarked the man, buying a paper.

"Oh, I don't mind it much," replied the lad; "the sun will shine tomorrow."

In all the languages of men there are no more tragic words than these: "Without hope!" Darkness without a sunrise; winter without a spring; prison without a parole; death without a resurrection! Small wonder that the man without hope may lose his sanity and go berserk.

Not so with the child of God. Living in a world under the curse of sin, surrounded by the forces of iniquity, he may groan in tribulation but never in despair. The path may be rugged, but his step quickens as yonder lights of home beckon him on. His mortal body may be racked with pain, but a nail-scarred Hand is stretched out in soothing, healing touch; and the Spirit whispers to his heart, "These manifestations of your Father's bounty by which you are sustained along the way are but a foretaste of the glory to come. That which you endure is but the training and discipline of a child whom his Father loves. One day you shall come of full age; and then, in the presence of angelic hosts and a creation redeemed at last from bondage, you shall take your place as a son in your Father's house and enter into your inheritance."

—DONALD G. FOOTE

Sunday School lesson for February 13, 1955—"Jesus Is Transfigured" (Luke 9:28-36). Lesson outlines prepared by National Sunday School Association.

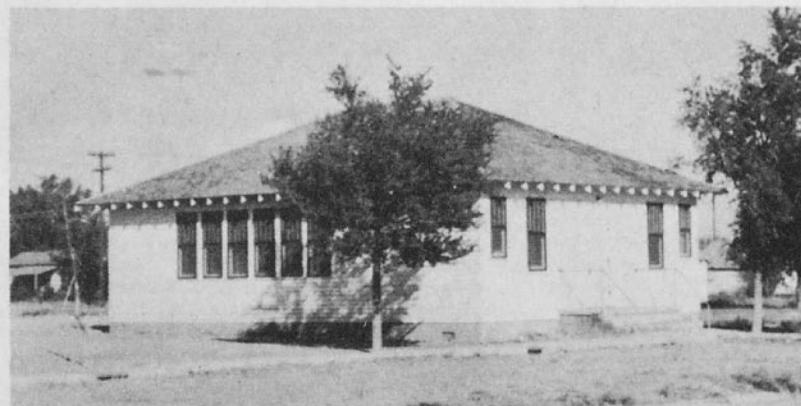
HE IS THERE

In "pastures green"? Not always; sometimes He Who knoweth best, in kindness leadeth me In weary ways, where heavy shadows be.

So, whether on the hill-tops high and fair I dwell, or in the sunless valleys, where The shadows lie, what matter? He is there.

—Henry H. Barry

The music building of the public school in Hugoton, Kansas. The Assembly of God holds its services here.



Ed Weaver Testifies:

"God's Promises Are True"

On July 31, 1954, I looked for the first time at the Kansas town that was soon to be my home. I saw a town of about 3,000 population, the Natural Gas Capital of the world. It was Hugoton, located in southwestern Kansas in the center of the world's largest natural gas field.

There were eight churches in this little city until August 15, 1954. On that day services were first conducted in the new Assembly of God. Our first Sunday School was held in the dining room of the public school; there were sixteen in attendance.

But let's go back to the very beginning of the Hugoton Assembly. It began in the hearts of ten people who for a number of years had been driving thirty-three miles to an Assembly of God in another city. Their hearts were burdened for the city of Hugoton. V. G. Greisen, District Superintendent, was also well acquainted with the need. He felt that Hugoton was ripe for the full-gospel message through a local Assembly.

I was working in the Kansas camp meetings during the summer, when Brother Greisen asked me to go to Hugoton to open the new church. God spoke to my heart and I knew it was His will.

From that time we made our plans for starting the church in Hugoton. God led in a miraculous way. Our first trip to Hugoton was a business trip, since we had no place to hold services. We met with a nucleus of ten people who shared the burden for Hugoton. At that meeting our plans and purposes were outlined and the first building fund offering was received. It totaled \$85—not a big sum of money, but a definite start.

Two weeks later we returned. On August 15, 1954 we had our first services. Since that time God has confirmed His promise to us, "What things soever ye

desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them" (Mark 11:24).

We had seven Sundays to report on the 1954 Sunday School Checkup report. Our School grade was 82. The average attendance was 33. At the recent District Council we received a Silver Crown award. We praise God for His blessing.

We can report one conversion and several healings since the opening of the church. We have been able to help others through personal ministry in visitation. God has confirmed His leading by granting special blessings in each service.

At present we are meeting in the music room of the public school, which is separate from the other part of the school, but we hope to have our own building soon. We have already purchased a lot and architect's plans.

In addition to regular Sunday and mid-week services the church has an active Christ's Ambassadors group, a Women's Missionary Council, and a Men's Fellowship.

Financially speaking, our great Lord has worked a miracle indeed. Since our coming to Hugoton, God has supplied our personal needs through the tithe of His faithful servants. In addition, the church is giving to World Missions.

God and His people here have proved that HIS PROMISES ARE TRUE.

REMEMBER THE HOME MISSIONS RALLIES!

On Monday, February 7, a Home Missions Rally will be held somewhere in your vicinity. Attend the meetings and do all you can to promote the campaign to establish 1,000 new Assemblies of God churches in 1955.

This photo shows the group attending the new Sunday School at Hugoton. One Sunday there were 58!





Dorothy C. Haskin

THE NORTH WINDS DO BLOW!

The young girl in the hospital bed fussed at the nurse, at the doctor, at her visitors. They were patient, trying to comfort her, but she would not be comforted. The north winds of life had blown upon her and drawn out only bitterness. Within her was no pleasant aroma, that she might say, "Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, that the spices thereof may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits" (S. of S. 4:16).

When the north winds blow upon a life, the Lord intends that they shall draw out of us the odor of fragrant spices, the smoothness of vanilla, the pungency of allspice, the bouquet of nutmeg.

The north wind of poverty blew upon Mrs. Stewart for many years. Her husband died accidentally shortly before her fifth child was born. It was during the depression years, but she valiantly faced the task of supporting her family with a meager income, earned by doing washing and ironing for others. Her problems were enough to embitter an average woman. The children were normal, and chafed under the constant denial. During their teens they were as thoughtless of their mother as if she had the strength of a husband on which to draw. But the sweetness of her character poured upon the household, quieting the rebellion of her children. Now that they are grown, they are happy and normal because the north wind could blow upon their mother and bring out the spice of patience, kindness, and faith.

The north wind of sickness has blown

for more than forty years on Martha Snell Nicholson. Most of those years she had been confined to her home; for long periods of time she has been shut in her room. But she has accepted her physical weakness with fortitude. The pungency of allspice has come from her life and her pen. She has blessed the world, not with a pollyanna gladness but with a radiant joy found in Christ Himself. Her poems have brought spiritual help to countless thousands. Here is one of them;

Sometimes I do not pray in words;
I take my heart in my two hands
And hold it up before the Lord—
I am so glad He understands.

Sometimes I do not pray in words;
My spirit bows before His feet,
And with His hand upon my head
We hold communion, silent, sweet.

Sometimes I do not pray in words;
For I am tired and long for rest.
My weary heart finds all it needs
Upon the Saviour's gentle breast.

The north wind of living with a trying relative blew upon Kathryn's garden. Cramped by living with an aging father whose belief in Christ was more like fire insurance for a coming world than an annuity for this present life, she was deprived of many things. She could not go freely with those of her own age to parties and programs. She could not spend money for clothes to make herself attractive. But she accepted the limitations set upon her life with the pungency of nutmeg.

She had a gay word for her father's complaining. She had a cheery refusal when she was invited places. She managed to make many of her clothes and household things. She would make a collar from any old slip, or a lamp shade from a scarf. She did not wait for her father's death to be happy. She was happy in the present. She sang:

"Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me,
All His wondrous compassion and
purity.

O Thou Spirit divine, all my nature
refine,
Till the beauty of Jesus be seen in me."

When these north winds blow upon you, God intends that they shall carry to others the fragrance of a holy life.



**WELL-KNOWN EVANGELISTS
UNITE FOR SERIES OF RALLIES**

Raymond Richey, Gayle Jackson, and Warren Litzman have joined forces for a series of United Evangelism Rallies in various cities. They recently closed a campaign in Oklahoma City, where a large number of Assemblies co-operated in an intensive and successful revival effort.

Evangelist Warren Litzman stresses Salvation and the Second Coming of Christ in these meetings. Evangelist Gayle Jackson deals especially with the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and the endowment with power for service; and Evangelist Raymond Richey builds the faith of the sick with his preaching on Divine Healing.

The team will conduct United Evangelism Rallies in Miami, Houston, and Kansas City during the next five weeks, as follows:

February 22—27, Evangel Temple, 3516 N. W. 7th Avenue, Miami, Florida (telephone 658421). The chairman of these meetings will be the host pastor, J. B. McIntosh.

March 3—6, new Evangelistic Temple, 2000 North 11th, Houston, Texas (phone Twin Oaks 3514). The chairman will be the host pastor, Raymond Richey.

March 8—13, First Assembly of God, 3100 East 31st St., Kansas City, Missouri. The host pastor, A. A. Wilson, will be chairman.

The evangelists and host pastors have extended an invitation to all other Assemblies of God churches in these areas to participate in these revival campaigns.

**GROVER LANGSTON NEW HEAD
OF ATLANTA FELLOWSHIP**

ATLANTA, GA.—Grover Langston, Pastor of Bethel Temple in Atlanta, was recently elected President of the Greater Atlanta Pentecostal Fellowship. This association consists of nearly fifty churches of various Pentecostal organizations, located in or near Atlanta.

Earl Paulk Jr., retiring President, praised the work of Brother Langston very highly. He pointed out that Brother Langston has been affiliated with the Assemblies of God for twenty-four years, during which time he has built new churches in a number of districts and has served in various official capacities.

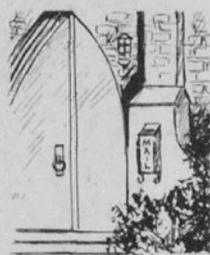
G. R. Watson, Pastor of the Riverside Church of God, was elected Vice-President of the Fellowship, and A. S. Yorkman, Pastor of the East Point Church of God, was appointed to fill the office of Secretary that was left vacant when Brother Langston was promoted to the Presidency.

Ralph Byrd, retiring Vice-President, gave a farewell message to the ministers. He left for a three-month evangelistic tour of the Philippine Islands, after which he will resume his pastoral duties at Faith Memorial Church (Assemblies of God) in Atlanta.—by A. S. Yorkman.

**EUROPEAN REVIVAL PARTY
VISITING CANADA AND U.S.**

Arrangements are being made for a city-wide evangelistic campaign in Winnipeg, Canada, this coming Fall with the Fred Squire International Revival Party from Europe. Brother Squire and his co-workers have been traveling on the European Continent and in England conducting such campaigns. This is the same party that last year conducted the largest evangelistic meeting that France has ever seen, when over 12,000 flocked to the great Sports Palace in Paris and over 4,000 decided for Christ.

FROM HEADQUARTERS TO YOUR CHURCH



Every day dozens of letters are returned to national headquarters at Springfield because the postman cannot make delivery. Some of these letters may belong to your church. If the postman is unable to find a mail box at your church, he must send the mail somewhere so he returns it to the sender.

Maybe the Men's Fellowship of your church would like to install a mail box as one of their projects. Or, maybe someone in the congregation would like to donate a box. You should have one!

The group will arrive in Montreal on August 20, 1955, and will visit a number of cities in Canada and the U.S. Correspondence should be addressed to the Campaign Secretary, Hook Place, Burgess Hill, Sussex, England.

GENERAL COUNCIL

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

WORLD CONFERENCE

WORLD CONFERENCE of Pentecostal churches will meet in Stockholm, Sweden, June 13—20. All inquiries and requests for accommodation should be made before April 1, and should be addressed to Allan Tornberg, Conference Secretary, P. O. Box 6082, Stockholm 6, Sweden.

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

MITCHELL, ARK.—Evangelist Don Smothers of Harrison, Ark. was with us for a week during the Christmas season. One was saved, and two were baptized with the Holy Spirit. The altar was filled each night with people seeking more of God.—Luster Young, Pastor.

CHILLICOTHE, TEX.—Evangelist and Mrs. Zearl E. Amburn of Seminole, Tex. were with us for two weeks. Souls were saved and the church was blessed under the anointed ministry of Brother Amburn.—J. W. Devoll, Pastor.

DAWSON, GA.—We had a good meeting with Evangelist Paul Epler of Tampa, Fla. Several were healed by the power of God, and five sought God for salvation. The Spirit of God is still moving in our midst.—Jack Fowler, Pastor.

FORT WORTH, TEX.—We have just closed a successful meeting at the White Settlement Assembly of God with R. B. Ring of McKinney, Tex. A number were saved, and the church was stirred as a result of Brother Ring's ministry. We are looking forward to his return for another meeting.—R. M. Thompson, Pastor.

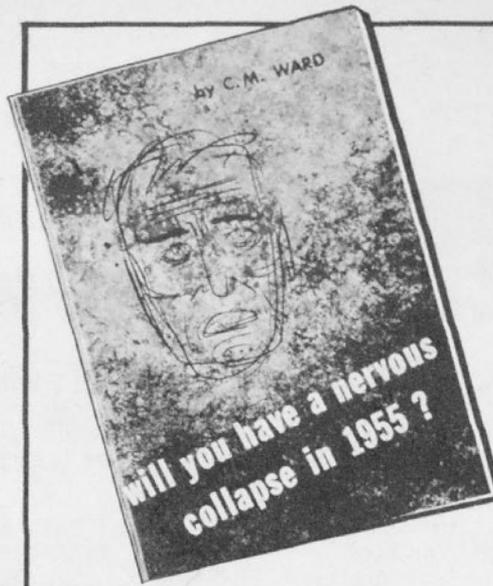
McKINNEY, TEX.—We recently closed a meeting with R. M. Thompson of Fort Worth, Tex. God richly blessed his ministry, and many souls were stirred to a deeper walk with the Lord. The closing night of the meeting, people were slain under the power of God as they knelt around the altar.—R. B. Ring, pastor, Southside Assembly of God.

WILTON, ARK.—We have just closed a successful meeting with Evangelist Quentin D. Edwards. Eight came to the altar for salvation. Many new people were reached with the full gospel. Our church, which is still in its infancy (the new building is less than a year old), is experiencing a gradual growth.—Miss Freddie Salisbury, Pastor.

CLAY CITY, IND.—We had a five-week meeting with the Otis Runyon Family of Loveland, Colo. Some were saved, twelve received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and five were re-filled. Several testified to definite healing. The Sunday School average this past year was the highest in the history of the church.—Roy B. Warner, Pastor.

BELLAIRE, TEX.—Evangelist Gene Nicely of Sherburn, Minn. has just closed a two-week meeting at the Bellaire Assembly, which is near Houston, Tex. Brother Nicely's outstanding ministry and messages in song were used of God to bring blessing to our church. Every service was anointed of God.—N. L. White, Pastor.

LUCAS, IOWA—God blessed in an outstanding way during a three-week meeting with Evangelists Arnold and Anita Segesman of Berlin Center, Ohio. The first night of the meeting, a man came to Christ and was delivered from the tobacco habit. A 70-year-old man was filled with the Spirit. We were thrilled as we saw God dealing with hearts each night. Several times the church was filled and we brought in extra chairs. New people attended the meeting.—Eula Baldwin, Pastor.



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NEEPAWA, MAN., CANADA—We have concluded a profitable two-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Don Tanner of Willmar, Minn. We appreciated the consecrated musical talent which attracted many outsiders. Brother Tanner's anointed ministry of the Word stirred many to seek the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and it brought several to a saving knowledge of our Saviour. On the last Sunday of the meeting, the Sunday School record was broken. We have invited the Tanners to return.—Ray Colver, Pastor, Calvary Chapel.

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.

NEW SHARON, IOWA—Feb. 8—20; Ivor H. Hugh, Welsh evangelist. (O. H. Hamilton is Pastor.)

EL DORADO, ARK.—Workers' Training Course, Feb. 7—13; N. B. Rayburn, instructor. (O. M. Montgomery is Pastor.)

YORK, PA.—Taxville Full Gospel Church, Jan. 30—Feb. 20; Evangelist Leon Morrow, Dallas, Tex.—by A. J. DeMarco, Pastor.

HOUSTON, TEX.—Sunnyland Assembly of God, Feb. 13—27; Evangelist Kenneth Berry, Houston, Tex.—by O. L. Davidson, Pastor.

WILLIAMSPORT, MD.—Assembly of God, Feb. 14—; Evangelist L. C. Robie, Union Springs, N. Y. Prayer for the sick.—V. W. Miles, Pastor.

EDWARDSVILLE, ILL.—Assembly of God, Feb. 13—27; Evangelist and Mrs. Dan Kricorian, Boston, Mass. (Randol L. Mercer is Pastor.)

TRENTON, MO.—Jan. 30—Feb. 20; Evangelists Vera Riley and Jean Lucy, Russellville, Ark.—by W. G. McClure, Pastor.

BUTTE, MONT.—Assembly of God, Jan. 26—, for two weeks or longer; Evangelist John McDuff, Texas City, Tex.—by Elmer M. Trygg, Pastor.

RICHMOND, CALIF.—Central Assembly, 13th and Barrett Ave., Feb. 13—27 or longer; Evangelists Stanley and Ethel MacPherson. (Russell E. Griffin is Pastor.)

SHIPPENSBURG, PA.—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 43 Stewart Pl., Feb. 8—20; Evangelist and Mrs. A. R. Kennedy, Austin, Tex. (Robert T. Eastlake is Pastor.)

SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF.—Bethel Assembly of God, Mill and "K" Sts., Feb. 13—; Evangelist and Mrs. Lloyd B. Wise, Cherryvale, Kans.—by Thomas Mings Sr., Pastor.

CENTRALIA, WASH.—Assembly of God, Feb. 13—27 or longer; "Christ for All Crusade" with Evangelist and Mrs. Paul Hild, Minneapolis, Minn.—by A. W. Nelson, Pastor.

CAMDEN, N. J.—Pentecostal Christian Church, S. E. Cor. Broadway and Ferry Ave., Feb. 1—13; Evangelist Robert Wallace.—by Alfred J. Perna, Pastor.

TACOMA, WASH.—First Assembly of God, Feb. 27. Lillian Trasher of Egypt, and Gayle F. Lewis, Assistant General Superintendent, guest speakers.—by Calvin D. Jones, Assistant Pastor. (Everette Ewing is Pastor.)

HOUSTON, TEX.—Park Place Assembly of God, 7805 Kimble Ave., LaPorte Freeway, Feb. 6—; Evangelists Andrew and Anna Basell, Altoona, Pa.—by Paul W. Klinger, Pastor.

JOLIET, ILL.—First Assembly of God, 725 N. Raynor Ave., Sunday School Seminar, Feb. 21—23. Lester Sumrall in charge.—by Allan G. Snider, Pastor.

GEORGETOWN, BRITISH GUIANA—Jan. 30—; city-wide revival with Evangelist Bobby Hoskins and John Broxson. (J. B. E. Chow is Chairman.)

PETERBOROUGH, ONT., CANADA—Pentecostal Church, Dublin St. at George, Feb. 15—27; Evangelist Evelyn M. Olson, New York, N. Y.—by Fred H. Parlee, Pastor.

NEW JERSEY DISTRICT WMC CONVENTION—Bethel Pentecostal Church, 61 Fourth St., Newark, N. J., Feb. 17. Roy Wead, Indiana District Superintendent, and Mrs. Wead, guest speakers. Services at 10 a.m., 2 and 7:30 p.m.—by Mrs. R. J. Bergstrom, District WMC President.

WILLOWS, CALIF.—Feb. 6—; Evangelist Dewey L. Heath, Pampa, Tex. (Kenneth Bird is Pastor.)

LAWRENCEBURG, IND.—Jan. 30—; Evangelist Opal Boswell.—by Floyd Renfro, Pastor.

CADILLAC, MICH.—Assembly of God, Feb. 6—20 or longer; Evangelist Gene Allen, Dallas, Tex.—by Eugene Fields, Pastor.

ST. PAUL, MINN.—Full Gospel Assembly, Minnehaha and Edgerton, Feb. 8—20; Evangelist Joel R. Palmer, Beaverton, Ala.—by Melford A. Olson, Pastor.

LAKELAND, FLA.—First Assembly of God, Feb. 1—13; Evangelist and Mrs. Carl E. Perry, Winter Haven, Fla. (J. Foy Johnson is Pastor.)

CLEVELAND, OKLA.—Feb. 6—20; Evangelist and Mrs. D. L. Bullock, Bixby, Okla. (Charles Tomlinson is Pastor.)

OROVILLE, WASH.—Assembly of God, Jan. 25—; "Bible Days Revival" with Evangelist Ferdie C. Jay, Wenatchee, Wash. (Einar McGhee is Pastor.)

PHENIX CITY, ALA.—First Assembly of God, 1309 10th Ave., Feb. 6—; Evangelist D. H. Browne, Birmingham, Ala.—by Sammy Mizell, Pastor.

ATLANTA, GA.—Assembly of God Tabernacle, 301 Capitol Ave. Feb. 8—20; the Musical Petersens from Texas.—by George Klarman, Pastor.

ASHLAND, OHIO—Assemblies of God Church, Feb. 15—27; Evangelist and Mrs. Don R. Tanner, Willmar, Minn. (Roy T. McClellan is Pastor.)

STERLING, COLO.—Feb. 6—20; Evangelist and Mrs. O. E. Gaddis, Arkansas City, Kans. (James Call is Pastor.)

ENNIS, TEX.—Feb. 15—, for two weeks or longer; Evangelist G. L. McKinney, Siloam Springs, Ark.—by H. L. Bayless, Pastor.

ONTONAGON, MICH.—Assembly of God, Feb. 15—27; Evangelist David A. Lewis. (Frank E. Sarbo is Pastor.)

DRUMRIGHT, OKLA.—First Assembly of God, Feb. 6—; Evangelist and Mrs. Loyd Evans, San Antonio, Tex. (M. A. Malone is Pastor.)

KEYSER, W. VA.—Jan. 26—; Evangelist and Mrs. Ronald Loy, Miami, Fla. (O. R. Whipkey is Pastor.)

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Blenheim Assembly of God, 7101 Chestnut, Feb. 6—20 or longer; Evangelist D. C. Ogden.—by Milton Beckett, Pastor.

POTEAU, OKLA.—First Assembly of God, Feb. 6—; Evangelists Joe and Betty Calabrese, Kansas City, Mo. (Homer Boyd is Pastor.)

MONROE, MICH.—Assembly of God, Feb. 16—, for two weeks or longer; Evangelist V. L. Wells, Lima, Ohio. (J. Renton Hunter is Pastor.)

ABILENE, TEX.—Park Avenue Assembly of God, 2001 Park Ave., Jan. 30—; Evangelist G. R. Cozby, Stamford, Tex. (Ray McMillan is Pastor.)

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Murray Hill Assembly, Feb. 1—13; Evangelist Mabel Willetts, Midlothian, Md.—by M. L. and Ruth D. Thompson, Pastors.

CLOVERDALE, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Feb. 13—20; Missionary revival with Edith Little, National WMC Field Representative. Other churches co-operating.—by J. L. Jeffrey, Pastor.

SOUTH FLORIDA DISTRICT COUNCIL—Lake Bonny Bible Camp Tabernacle, Lakeland, Fla., Feb. 14—16. J. O. Savell, Assistant General Superintendent, guest speaker. Ministers' Institute on Tuesday and Wednesday, from 9 to 10 a.m.—by J. W. Collins, District Secretary.

HAYWARD, CALIF.—Bethel Assembly of God, 354 B Street, dedication of new sanctuary, Feb. 27. Ralph M. Riggs, General Superintendent, dedicatory speaker. W. T. Gaston, K. M. Haystead, and J. Gerhart, District officials, participating in dedication service at 3 p.m. Thomas Zimmerman, Assistant General Superintendent, speaking at 7:45 p.m.—by James R. Swanson, Pastor.

NEW JERSEY WORLD MISSIONS CONVENTIONS—Central Section, Feb. 6, Neptune, N. J., Full Gospel Church; Southern Section, Feb. 13, Atco, N. J., Pentecostal Church; Northwest Section, Feb. 20, Washington, N. J., Assembly of God; Northeast Section, Feb. 27, Elizabeth, N. J., Trinity Pentecostal Church. Missionary speakers: Ray Pedigo, Richard Palmer, Peggy Anderson, and Hilda Olsen. Richard J. Bergstrom, District Superintendent, will be participating.

VINTON, IOWA—Assembly of God, Feb. 22—Mar. 6 (previously announced Jan. 18—30), Evangelist Oliver Johnson, Powers Lake, N. Dak.—by Dale Harmon, Pastor.

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Sheffield Assembly of God, 5915 Winner Rd., Feb. 6—20; Evangelist Bennie R. Harris and Party. (C. W. Quattlebaum is Pastor.)

KINGSTON, PA.—Evangelistic Temple, 155 E. Bennett St., Feb. 9—20; Evangelist and Mrs. Nelson E. White, Ft. Myers, Fla.—by Louie L. Trotta, Pastor.

HAMILTON, ONT., CANADA—Bethel Church, Brucevale and 15th St., Feb. 6—; Evangelist Johnnie Barnes, Fort Worth, Tex.—by Rae Stewart, Pastor.

ATLANTA, GA.—Bethel Temple, Feb. 1—13; Evangelist Charles H. E. Duncombe. Georgia Home Missions Rally, Feb. 7.—by Grover Langston, Pastor.

DANVILLE, ILL.—First Assembly of God, 428 N. Walnut, Jan. 30—Feb. 13, or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. A. F. DiMusto.—by James E. Hyllberg, Pastor.

ARDMORE, OKLA.—Homecoming service honoring 20th anniversary of the Lighthouse Assembly of God, Feb. 27. All former members and pastors invited.—by Leslie Moore, Pastor.

SHERIDAN, WYO.—Home Missions Rally for Northeast Section of Wyoming District, Feb. 7 at 7:45 p.m. Raymond White, Billings, Mont., guest speaker.—by W. Neil McDaniel, Presbyterian. (James Bailey is Pastor.)

HOME MISSIONS SEMINAR—Bethany Bible College, Santa Cruz, Calif. Feb. 15—16. Speakers: Gayle F. Lewis, Home Missions Executive Director; Victor Trimmer, National Secretary; Herbert Bruhn and Arvid Ohmell, Home Missions Field Representatives.

HOME MISSIONS CONFERENCES—Long Beach, Calif. during Regional Sunday School Convention. Leadership conference at First Assembly, 432 E. 10th, on Feb. 8 for District and Sectional Home Missions officers. General workshop on Feb. 10 at Wilton Hotel for all pioneer pastors, laymen, and Christian workers interested in church extension. Gayle F. Lewis and Victor Trimmer in charge.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW WORK—We are pioneering a new work at Wabash, Ind. If you have friends here, please send us their names and addresses and we will visit them.—Mr. and Mrs. Roswell Dillingham, R. R. 3, Wabash, Ind.

NOTICE—We have started a new work in Tioga, the "Oil Capital" of N. Dak. If you have friends in this area, please send us their names and addresses and we will be glad to visit them.—C. L. Strom, Box 373, Tioga, N. Dak.

WANTED—Full gospel literature for distributing in the Philippines—including Evangelists, C. A. Heralds, Gospel Cleaners, and other Sunday School papers and material. Please send to Ernest Sjoberg, Angeles Christian Center, 182 Rizal St., Angeles, Pampanga, P. I.

NEW CHURCH—We have opened a new Assembly of God in Elk Grove, Calif. Meetings are being held in the Grange Hall on Main Street. If you have friends living here or in the Wilton, Sheldon, or Kranklin area, please send us their names and addresses and we will visit them.—Marie and Mena Filardo, Pastors, General Delivery, Elk Grove, Calif.

NOTICE—The name of the Calvary Full Gospel Church has been changed to First Assembly of God, N. Plymouth at Jones Ave., Rochester, N. Y.—Allen E. Mitchell, Pastor.

NEW CHURCH—We are opening an Assembly of God church in Monterey Park, Calif. At present we meet in the Lion's Club Building, 225 West Garvey. If you have friends in this area, we will be glad to contact them.—Myrl and Gail Copple, 3005 Big Dalton, Baldwin Park, Calif.

WITH CHRIST

MRS. MAE ELEANOR FREY, 89, Stamford, Conn., went to her heavenly reward December 3, 1954. Sister Frey was an evangelist for over 50 years. She came into the General Council in 1921, and was active in the ministry until a few months ago. She passed away at the Birchwood Home for the Aged in Huntington Station, New York.

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The pictures on this page give some idea of the beauty and extent of the grounds at Evangel College. This new Assemblies of God liberal arts school is situated on 58½ acres of well landscaped land inside the city limits of Springfield, Missouri. There are 70 buildings on the campus, providing space for some 40 classrooms besides assembly halls, administrative offices, library, laboratories, studios, shops, and housing for students and faculty.



Klaude Kendrick

Directors of the College, at a recent meeting, announced the names of three of the top officials of the new institution. They are: Klaude K. Kendrick of Waxahachie, Texas, president; Richard D. Strahan, pastor of the First Assembly of God at Angleton, Texas, dean; and Roy W. Ditto, secretary of the city transportation company of Dallas, Texas, business manager.

All three men are well qualified for their new positions. Brother Kendrick and Brother Strahan, besides being Assemblies of God ministers, have an excellent educational background. The former received his Ph.D. degree at the University of Texas and the latter will receive his Ed.D. degree at the University of Houston this summer. Brother Ditto has had many years of business experience, having operated a public accounting office in Dallas in addition to his secretarial responsibilities with a transportation company.

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. Only freshman subjects will be offered the first year. Another year of schooling will be added each year thereafter until the college has a full four-year program offering three degrees—bachelor of arts, bachelor of science, and bachelor of education.



Richard Strahan

