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DON'T PROTESTANTS Believe In Confession?

But Protestants don't believe in confession, do they? Rob asked a friend who was a leader in a nearby Protestant church.

—that is God, God the Father saw the great guilt of sin which would be on every human soul. The Bible says that God showed His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5: 8)

STRANGE Tales ABOUT PROTESTANTS



To WHICH CHURCH did the APOSTLES BELONG?



There is much unnecessary confusion about the beginning of the Christian Church—the early New Testament Church to which the apostles be-

Saviour. It is still made up of all those who are saved. There is close fellowship today among Bible-believing Christians in numerous Protestant groups, just as there was in the fellowship among

Why Protestants Go To Church



Protestants have never your understanding of the Bible, God's message to all mankind. It is here that you

WHO WROTE THE BIBLE ANYWAY?



For 1800 years the Bible has been the subject of much controversy. Is it an authentic book? Is it to be trusted? Where did the Bible come from?

Many people are under the false impression that the Bible was given to the world in the third century A. D.—this is not true. All the authors of the New Testament were firsthand witnesses of the establishment of the Christian Church. The Bible itself tells us that these "holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." (II Peter 1: 21)

These men made it their business to set down an accurate and reliable account of the events which figured in the founding of the Christian Church. Bible-believing Protestants have found that God so directed in the writing of the Scriptures that the result is an accurate record of God's message to mankind.

The Bible itself claims to be from God. In Paul's second letter to Timothy we read

that "All scripture is given by inspiration of God." Either we must believe such a claim, or we must take the Bible to be a completely false record.

Bible-believing Protestants, down through the ages, have put their complete trust in the Scriptures as God's message.

The entire Bible message is centered in Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and in the salvation which God has made possible through the death and resurrection of Christ. The Bible says: "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4: 12)

A true understanding of the Bible message is the doorway to salvation. You may be interested in knowing more about the Bible and what it can mean to you. Many of your questions will be answered in a pamphlet which you may have FREE of charge by simply filling in and mailing the following:



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WAS MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD?



Mary, the virgin mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, has always held an important place in the thinking

century A. D. The truth of the Gospel centered in Jesus Christ, Son of God, not in Mary the mother. The Bible "Thou shalt call his JESUS: for he shall "

How Many Sacrifices?

But don't Protestants believe that every sin must be paid for? Jim asked his friend, a well known Bible-believing Protestant layman.

—Why, yes," Ted replied. "Protestants have always believed that all sin must be paid for." Jim believed that

FAITH OF OUR FATHERS



Faith of our fathers, living still In spite of dungeon, fire and sword."

History reveals that throughout the centuries there have always been those who have stood true to the Faith. It has cost some the price of their lives. Others have suffered terrible injuries and injustices, but in spite of

own moral standing or in the good deeds which they do. Their faith is founded on the Bible message of salvation through Jesus Christ, because they have come to understand that "while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5: 8) The fathers of the Christian Faith demonstrated their

PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Church Construction Up 32%

During April, construction was begun on \$54,000,000 worth of new church buildings in the U.S. This raised to \$215,000,000 the value of church structures started in 1955, and the Departments of Commerce and Labor tell us this is 32 per cent ahead of the figure for the first four months of 1954.

Denominationalism in Africa

Anyone who thinks we have too many religious denominations in America had better not go to Africa. There are 2,000 different churches, sects and denominations listed in Africa, as compared with something over 200 in America.

But a missionary authority says that the multiplicity of sects does not seem to bother anyone in Africa. A survey was made to learn how many different churches were needed in a certain mining town. It revealed that 18 places of worship would be needed. Therefore 18 chapels, all alike, were built in a row.

Looking for the Antichrist

Despite the warning of the Scriptures against accepting false Christs, many people are being deceived by pretenders to that title today. The Negro in New York, known as "Father Divine," continues to draw an amazingly large following.

Recently four people were arrested in New Britain, Connecticut, on a charge of blasphemy because one of their number claimed to be Christ. He exhibited wounds in an attempt to prove his identity. He also wore a crown of thorns which he pressed down on his head until the blood flowed. A huge wooden cross was found in the man's home. All four of the people, Polish refugees, claimed to be two thousand years old.

In France a man named Georges Roux has appeared, claiming to be the reincarnated Christ. He lives at Montfavet (Vaucluse) and is planning the conquest of the world. He pretends to healing powers, denies the existence of evil or of Satan, and declares salvation comes from our own unaided effort.

"The crowning sorrow," says D. M. Panton, "is that all the false religions are awaiting a Messiah. The Moslems look for Mahdi, the Buddhists for the fifth Buddha, the Zoroastrians for Shah Bahram, the Hindus for the reincarnation of Krishna, the Jews for a Messiah [other than Jesus Christ]. They will all find their 'Messiah' in the Antichrist."

Assemblies of God Give Record Amount to Missions in 1954

Nearly four million dollars were contributed to the missionary activities of the Assemblies of God in 1954. It was the fortieth straight year of increase since the General Council was organized in 1914.

During these forty years, the Foreign Missions Department has grown from a little handful of missionaries to a great force of 742 foreign missionaries in 62 different lands. There are now 5,177 Assemblies in these foreign lands, with 4,988 national ministers and 341,351 members. In addition, there are over 200 home missionaries.

Of the \$3,851,059 contributed in 1954, \$2,748,596 was used to advance the foreign missions work. The remainder went to home missions, radio ministry, benevolences, and the projects of the Women's Missionary Council.

Gifts for 1955 are showing a decided increase over last year. Missionary offerings for the first quarter of the year totaled more than a million dollars.

Pope Seen on Television

Television viewers in six West European countries saw Pope Pius XII attending a symphony concert in the Vatican. The program was carried by "Eurovision," a hookup whereby West European countries pool their television resources.

The Pope inaugurated "Eurovision" on Pentecost Sunday 1954 with a fifteen-minute personal appearance.

"If Christ Came Back"

The subject, "If Christ came back," has provoked a great deal of discussion recently in a London newspaper, the *Daily Sketch*. The newspaper ran a series of articles on the subject, and received about 25,000 Letters to the Editor representing all shades of religious thought.

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The Evangelical Protestant position as based on the Word of God is presented in a series of ads now being offered by the National Association of Evangelicals. The ads will correct misconceptions that have arisen in the public mind as the result of other newspaper ads.

The N. A. E. ads will go beyond this immediate need, however, and will provide the general public with a clear-cut presentation of the plan of salvation.

An initial series of thirty ads is planned, in three groups of ten each. Each ad is appropriately illustrated and is made up to fit two columns of newspaper space.

The ads are provided in mat form, without charge, to any local group or organization that will sponsor them in local newspapers. The format of the ad must remain unchanged. The name and address of the N. A. E. must not be omitted, but the group that places the ad in the newspaper may add its name at the bottom if it wishes to do so.

For samples and full particulars, write to: National Association of Evangelicals, 1405 G Street, N.W., Washington 5, D. C.

Boy of Twelve Can Choose

The New York Court of Appeals upheld the right of a twelve-year-old boy to choose his own religion. The mother, who is a "Christian Scientist," had made a premarital agreement to rear him in the Roman Catholic religion, and had permitted him to be baptized in that faith as a baby, but the court held that the agreement was not binding if the twelve-year-old boy preferred to attend a non-Catholic church and go to a public school.

Sacrificing for Missions

The Peoples Church in Toronto, Canada, has done it again! It has broken all its previous records by pledging to give \$282,000 for Missions in the coming year. The money will be used to support 380 missionaries. The members of the church are not rich, but their pastor, Oswald J. Smith, has taught them to give sacrificially and they consider soul-winning work in the homeland and abroad the most important thing in life.

Saying Grace in Georgia

Georgia's State Board of Education has directed that teachers be required to sit with students during meals in school lunchrooms and see that Grace is said at the table. One member of the Board remarked that many children will never hear Grace said "unless they hear it at school."

the woman who put her god to bed!

by C. M. Ward



SAUL'S DAUGHTER MICHAL HAD NO children—but she is the mother of all such as make their religion suit their own ends. When it pleases their fancy they exalt the object of their worship to a position of honor in the home; and when it is expedient to do otherwise they put him quietly to bed and cover him up.

They are found in the Orient, where the worshipers burn fragrant joss-sticks before their idols as long as they are getting what they want, and either cover up the idols or beat them with sticks when things are going against them.

They are found in America, where church-goers worship God one day of the week and grieve Him the rest of the time.

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Michal was a strange, half-converted little minx. She may have seemed to join heartily enough with her husband David in singing, "The Lord is my shepherd," but secretly in her heart she clung to relics of superstition. She had a household god, in spite of the divine commandment that forbade the worship of images.

One day messengers came from King Saul, her father, to spy on David, her husband. The king had ordered them to keep a watch on David and to slay him in the morning. Somehow Michal learned of the plot and induced him to flee for his life. She let David down through a window. Then in order to gain time and let him get a safe distance away before his absence was detected, she "took an image, and laid it in the bed, and put a pillow of goats' hair for his bolster, and covered it with a cloth" (1 Samuel 19:13).

The scheme seemed to work. The messengers kept vigil near the door until morning, then entered the house and demanded that David come with them. But Michal said, "He is sick," and pointed to the form in the bed; so the men went back to the king with the message.

What ignominious treatment of an oft-revered idol! She used her deity for a dummy. She put her god to bed. There was a strange mixture of superstition and irreverence in Michal. Her treatment of her god showed that she had no reverence for him, and that he had no reality for her.

Do you think Michal could ever look her teraphim in the face again without an inward smirk at the remembrance of the day when she treated him so unceremoniously? Do you think that a religion for which this generation has secretly lost respect can ever gain a saving place in its life and thought again?

Michal's trick was clever, but she could not play it twice. That is the worst of being clever—one scheme leads to another. She had scored at the expense of her faith.

It is vitally important that, in our treatment of religious truth, we always show great reverence. We all by nature have a touch of Saul's unregenerate daughter about us. We would not on any account be without some sort of acknowledgement of God in our lives and in our homes, just as Michal would not have slept without that image in her house. But if we are deluded as she was with the idea that we can treat God Almighty anyway we wish, quietly laying Him aside when we have no immediate need of Him or no present desire for Him—if we use religion as a tool of our cleverness, or as a cloak to cover up the true state of things—if we treat the Object of our worship with less actual respect than we show to our friends—then we are sapping the foundations of all morality.

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It was but a short step from Michal's irreverent treatment of her god to her disloyal treatment of her husband. Anyone who will cheat for you today is apt to cheat against you tomorrow!

In what does our irreverence consist? It consists in the blasphemous and God-denying silence in which we tolerate the evil about us. Religion has suffered much and long from a display of piety on Sunday morning and a dearth of godliness on the other six days of the week. We have diligently dusted the teraphim, set him in his place, and done him lip service one day of the week, only to cover him up again until the following Sunday. And this pagan and cavalier treatment has passed for reverence only because it was the popular thing to do. It's the kind of religion which sings about the Redeemer's kingdom stretching "from shore to shore," but finds it

hard to give a dollar to World Missions. Neighbor, the only way to show respect for a sword is to swing it as if you believed in its smiting edge. The only way to reverence God is to let Him arise and scatter His enemies.

James the practical said that you may be very devout and yet be a very devil. The question is, In what kind of God do you believe? Whom do you really worship? One made in your own image—"Altogether such an one as thyself"? Reverence in itself is no criterion, unless you revere the true God. We have no reverence for make-believe, for pretense, for empty ritual.

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Paul faced this question at Athens. He saw so much playing at religion—so much pious tomfoolery—so much humbug. Paul said that God winked at it, so long as people knew no better; "but now He commandeth all men everywhere to repent: because He hath appointed a day, in the which He will judge the world in righteousness by that Man whom He hath ordained."

The object of Michal's worship seemed to be a deity one moment, and a dodge the next. In order to safeguard reverence in the things of the Spirit, we must be careful to recognize their reality.

We face a world that is suspicious of our sincerity. We need to achieve reality in religion at all costs. Perhaps, in order to achieve it, we may have to sacrifice some of our dignity. The world wants to see a demonstration of the power of what we believe. It cares little for mere ritual. It will not mind if you violate custom or say something that sounds unorthodox. You may sound a bit startling in the ears of those who are hushing Michal's teraphim to sleep, but that's all right. There are scores of churches that are dying of dignity. It was not very dignified to be crucified between two thieves; but it was a position of tremendous power.

Don't stand on your dignity. If you do, you won't move anything very far. You will still be standing there when the procession of the redeemed has moved on past and swept in through the Pearly Gates. What we need today is knowledge of the living God, the One who does not stand upon His dignity at the

sight of a hell-bound sinner but stoops to lift the staggering soul to heaven. Michal's pretty, bed-ridden image cannot save us.

Martin Luther tells us that there was a time when even his lion heart was about to quail before the problems that confronted him. His soaring spirit drooped beneath the load of discouragement. But he knew a God with Whom he was intimate, and Whom he had proved mighty to save. He said he did as Moses did—he "stroked God's face" in prayer [for that is the graphic sense of the Hebrew wording] the way a child will stroke his father's face when he wants something very much, without fear that his father may think him lacking in reverence. *Love can never be irreverent.*

So many people act and talk as though God were dead. They have put their God to bed! But, neighbor, *the living God* will not lie quietly in a narrow bed like Michal's god. *The living God* is the most disturbing fact in our everyday life. "It was said unto you of old time. . .," the Master repeatedly insists, "but I say unto you. . . ." There is no "stand-pat-ism" with our God. He insists upon action. He has the habit of appearing on the scene and taking charge. The piety of our people fifty years ago will avail nothing to help us today except it inspire in us that living and onward-moving faith which saved them and made them helpers of their fellows in their day. "For to this end we labor and strive," says Paul to Timothy, "because we have our hope set on *the living God.*" The apostle evidently was acquainted with the type of folk who keep lifeless gods in their homes and in their hearts. "We trust in *the living God,*" he would say so often.

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We are not told what David thought of his wife's scheme to save him; but in the 59th Psalm, which has always been associated with this incident, and in which David is supposed to celebrate his deliverance, there is no mention made of Michal's cleverness. It really is not so difficult to be clever; and anyway, *smartness never saved a soul in desperate straits.* No, David's psalm of deliverance touches a deeper chord than praise of Michal's ready wit. His song is, "Thou, O Lord, shalt laugh at them." He laughs best who laughs with God. The God whom Jesus revealed, as Paul says, removed the ache of uncertainty from life and labor for Him. "For to this end we labor and strive, because we have set our hope on the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, especially of them that believe." There is an ominous ring about these last five words, "especially of them that believe." It is saving faith that counts. Saving faith is a definite thing. It involves a personal action.

The *lifebelt* becomes the property of every shipwrecked seafarer. His need of it constitutes his title to appropriate it. The *lifebelt* is the potential saviour of all men, especially of them that wear it. It can only justify its name for the soul that puts it on. So it is with Christ's

saving grace. "Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ," cries the apostle to those who are battling for life "in the dark waters today. Take Him as your Saviour, and He will hold you safely above the engulfing sea of all your sin, your trouble, and your despair.

OUR MISSION

THE LORD JESUS LIVED HERE ON EARTH under a deep consciousness of having a mission from His Father to fulfill. He continually used the expression, "The Father hath sent me." He knew what this mission was. He knew the Father had chosen Him, and sent Him into the world with the one purpose of fulfilling that mission, and He knew the Father would give Him all that He needed for it. Faith in the Father's having sent Him was the motive and power for all that He did.

The Christian too has a mission, and it is of great consequence that he should know what that mission is, and how he is to accomplish it. Christ said it plainly in the most solemn moments of His life, "that EVEN AS the Father sent Him," so He sends His disciples (John 20:21). He says it to the Father in His high-priestly prayer, as the ground upon which He asks for their keeping and sanctification. He says it to the disciples after His resurrection, as the ground on which they are to receive the Holy Spirit. Nothing will help us more to know and fulfill our mission than to realize how perfectly it corresponds to the mission of Christ; how they are, in fact, identical.

Our mission is like His in its object. Why did the Father send His Son? To make known His love and His will in the salvation of sinners. He was to do this, not alone by word and precept, but in His own person, disposition, and conduct to exhibit the Father's holy love. He was so to represent the Unseen Father in heaven, that men on earth might know what the Father was like.

And after He had fulfilled His mission and ascended into heaven, He transferred His mission to His disciples. They must so represent Him, the Invisible One, that from seeing them, men can judge what He is. They must so exhibit in their persons and conduct the same love to sinners, and desire for their salvation, that from them the world may know what Christ is like.

It was the Father's love that chose Christ for this work, and counted Him worthy of such honor and trust. God has chosen us, fixed His heart on us and saved us, in order that we should

bear an exhibit to those who surround us the very image of His unseen glory.

We are fitted for our mission, as Christ was. No Christian need hold back because of unfitness. The Lord does not demand anything which He does not give the power to perform. Every believer may depend on it, that as the Father gave His Holy Spirit to the Son to fit Him for His work, so the Lord Jesus will give His people too all the preparation they need. The grace to show forth Christ evermore, to exhibit the lovely light of His example and likeness, and like Christ Himself to be a Fountain of love and life and blessing to all around, is given to every one who only heartily and believingly takes up his heavenly calling.

The Lord Jesus gave Himself entirely and undividedly over to accomplish His work. He said, "I must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work." Christ's mission is the only reason for our being on earth; were it not for that, He would take us away. Most believers do not believe this. To fulfill Christ's mission is with them at best

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something to be done along with other things, for which it is difficult to find time and strength. And yet it is so certainly true that to accomplish Christ's mission is the only reason of my being upon earth. Then first when I believe this, and like my Lord in His mission consecrate myself undividedly to it, shall I indeed live well-pleasing to Him. This heavenly mission is so great and glorious, that without an entire consecration to it we cannot accomplish it. Without this, the powers which fit us for it cannot take possession of us. Without this,

we have no liberty to expect the Lord's wonderful help and the fulfilment of all His blessed promises. Our heavenly mission demands nothing less than entire consecration.

"Lord, teach me and all Thy people to understand that we are not of this world, as Thou wast not of this world, and therefore are sent of thee, even as Thou wast sent of the Father, to prove in our life that we are of that world full of love and purity and blessing of which Thou wast."

—Andrew Murray.

A Miracle of God's Grace

The Personal Testimony of a T. B. Patient Saved and Healed on Her Deathbed

I WAS THE VICTIM OF PULMONARY tuberculosis for twelve long years. I doctored here and there, trying to find a cure, but the physicians said my sickness was so far advanced that medical skill could do nothing for me.

I shall never forget the hard coughing that never stopped—the pain—the weariness. I had several light hemorrhages of the lungs. We sold our farm in Missouri and moved to Colorado, thinking the change in climate would help me, but it didn't. So we moved back to Missouri. In six months my weight went down from 137 pounds to 91 pounds.

By this time we had moved into town, and were living across the street from a godly woman named Sister Eckert. She reminded me of my mother and the way she used to read the Bible to her children and pray for them. Many a time I heard my mother ask God to save her children. I had never accepted Christ as my personal Saviour, but the life of my neighbor, Sister Eckert, made me think very seriously of the things of God. I watched her, listened to her, and found that she lived the true Christian life every day. There was a sweetness in her life that seemed to draw me to her. When I felt especially ill I would go across to Sister Eckert's house and ask her to pray for me. When she prayed I could feel the love of the great Jehovah drawing me toward Him.

Finally Sister Eckert persuaded me to attend some Pentecostal meetings with her. I was under great conviction for sin but I refused to yield my heart and life to Christ. Then I became so weak that I had to stay in bed all the time. I had a high fever. Doctors told my family I would never get well. I had a large T. B. knot on the left side of my neck, and one under my left arm that gave

me constant pain. For six long months my feet never touched the floor.

"God let me sink about as low as I could sink, without dying, before I was willing to yield my heart and life to Him. I was paralyzed from the waist down. I could hardly talk above a whisper. Finally in utter weakness, hopelessness and desperation I confessed that I wanted to be saved.

A large group of Christians gathered in my home to pray for me. They knew I was unsaved and they knew I wanted to get right with God. First they sang some hymns that touched my heart; then they all began to pray for me. While they were praying, the Lord put forth His hand and touched me. I felt the mighty power of God go through me. I got out of bed, put my feet on the floor for the first time in six months, and started walking. I walked all over the house, shouting for joy, thanking God for touching me, with my hands raised toward heaven. The Christians were all praising God, too.

In that hour, God had given me a double cure. He had both healed my body and saved my soul. Definitely, instantly, He had made me a new creature in Christ Jesus. I had repented of my sins and I knew that He had forgiven them. He had cleansed me with His Blood from all unrighteousness, as He promised (1 John 1:9). The T. B. knot on my neck and the one under my arm disappeared immediately when the Lord healed me.

Before I had time to gain weight the health board signed papers and put me in a T. B. sanitarium at Webb City, Missouri. I weighed only 72 pounds when I was admitted to the sanitarium. The doctor said my case was hopeless—I would not respond to treatments. He

said that only a "Higher Power" could help me. But I knew God had already saved my soul and healed me to the point where I could walk, so I decided He would take care of my lungs, too.

The first week in the sanitarium I gained 5 pounds. The next week I gained 4 pounds, and I kept gaining until I weighed 151. I took no treatments—I just rested.

When the doctor first X-rayed me, he found cavities in both lungs. The next time he found none. The third time he X-rayed me he said, after examining the pictures, "It's a miracle."

I left the hospital soon after that (on May 30, 1939). I began attending the Assembly of God and received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. I am still enjoying excellent health and I love to tell people that it is all due to the kindness of the Lord. I love to quote the wonderful healing promises that are written for us in the Bible, such as—

"He [Jesus] was wounded for our transgressions; He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed" (Isaiah 53:5).

"Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him" (James 5:14, 15).

—Mrs. Alta Trisler, 700 E. 11th St., Lamar, Mo.

(Endorsed by James Eastman, Pastor of Assembly of God in Lamar, Mo.)

Healed of Chronic Nerve Spasms

Over two years ago I suffered a complete nervous and physical collapse, which left me with chronic nerve spasms in my left side.

I was unable to raise my arms above my head, or to do any work. I suffered untold agony until Brother Burkett prayed for me. Then the condition changed at once, and I have had no more of this trouble since.

For this deliverance I praise the Lord and give Him all the glory. It gives me great joy to be able to do my housework again. It gives me even greater joy to know that I, who was once a Catholic, have been saved from sin and led into the Pentecostal light that is according to the Bible.—Mrs. Robert D. Spooner, 4319 W. 104 St., Lennox, Calif.

(Endorsed by Pastor O. D. Burkett, Lennox, Calif.)

PROGRESS IN AFRICA

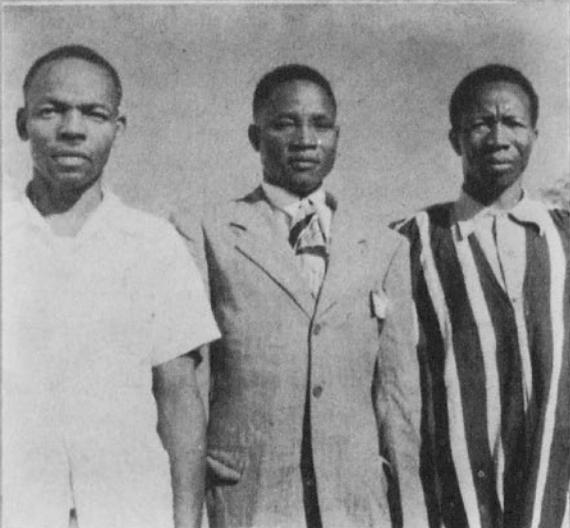
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Great revival fires are burning in South Africa. Here is a group of our Assemblies of God people returning from a water baptismal service in the river.



An African bush church being completed in Nyasaland. The missionary, Paul Wright, is assisting in the work. The money for this building was given by the members.



The newly elected executive officers of the Upper Volta Field, West Africa



Fourteen Bible Schools in Africa are contributing largely to the growth and stability of the work. The Nigerian Bible Institute is shown above.



Two Liberian national pastors using a record-player in gathering a crowd for a village gospel service.



Just one of the problems. The Assemblies of God in Africa operate three leprosariums and three licensed clinics.



Joao Dionisio and gospel tract through which he found the Lord.

Saved Through a Tract

N. Lawrence Olson, Brazil

JOAO DIONISIO IS A CLERK ON ONE OF Brazil's railroads linking the vast hinterland plateaus to the coastal cities. This is the remarkable story of his conversion.

Some months ago Joao Dionisio boarded a train on which an Assembly of God Christian named Oliveira was the conductor. According to habit, Brother Oliveira handed Joao a gospel tract bearing the title, "Eight Questions Regarding Jesus and Your Salvation."

Although Joao Dionisio was a Catholic (he was actually engaged in spiritism, which is often the case in this country) his soul was hungry for reality; he wanted the assurance of salvation. As he pondered the eight questions in the tract, somehow Joao knew that this was what he had been searching for. All at once he realized that he had been deceived hitherto, and that he had been traveling on the wrong road.

Soon Joao Dionisio and the conductor were engaged in personal conversation—conversation that brought his hungry soul closer and closer to the point of decision.

After arriving home, Joao invited a few Christians along with some of his friends to hold a gospel service in his home. During that memorable service Joao accepted Christ as his personal Saviour. It was a time of great rejoicing for all. Later on, his wife and his ninety-year-old mother became Christians also.

Today, Joao Dionisio and his wife and three children are regular members of the Ribeirao Vermelho Assembly of God.

Mission Church Becomes Missionary-Minded

D. G. Foote

Just four years ago (in June 1951) Brother and Sister Huckerby, missionaries to Jamaica, pitched a tent and began evangelistic services in Kingston, the capital city of 200,000. One year later they moved into a beautiful tabernacle with accommodation for 600 people.

Some tangible assistance from missionary offerings was received, but the local congregation assumed the responsibility for a large part of the indebtedness on the building.

This thriving assembly has now launched a definite missionary program of its own. Their first annual missionary convention was conducted April 3 to 10 with exceptional interest and response. Special features of the convention were the early morning prayer meetings beginning at 5:00 a.m.; a missionary skit, written and presented by the young people of the church; and special musical numbers. The attendance throughout the week was very good. On Good Friday and Sunday evenings the building was packed to capacity, with people standing in the foyer.

On the last Sunday evening, the church

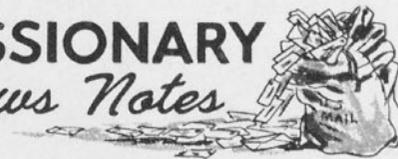


D. G. Foote receives check for \$325.00

treasurer presented a check for approximately \$325.00 to D. G. Foote, Finance Secretary of the Foreign Missions Department. This was a special World Missions offering.

The people stated that since they had received the full gospel message through the missionary endeavor and sacrifice of others, they wanted to help send the gospel into other parts of the world.

MISSIONARY News Notes



Russell and Gladys Kensinger write from Nicaragua concerning special evangelistic meetings held recently. As many as forty souls a night surrendered to the Lord, and a goodly number of healings took place. A major result of the meetings was an interest of the public in the Bible, and requests to purchase Bibles poured in daily. Follow-up work of the national ministers has proved very encouraging. Throughout the four weeks of this effort several thousand people have attended, and we are sure many will be responding favorably to the gospel. The city of Leon is the university seat of Romanism in Nicaragua, but we now have two growing Assemblies there. In one of these churches eleven believers received the baptism of the Spirit almost spontaneously in a service immediately following the campaign.

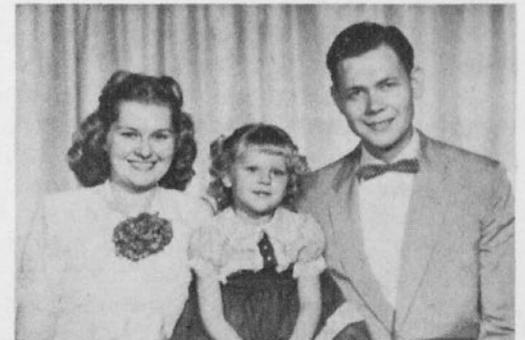
J. Edward Blount and family sailed for the Philippines on April 24.

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Paul and Daisy Goodwin wish to inform their friends of their new address which is: Box 298, Montego Bay, Jamaica.

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The Cecil Goods of South India recently arrived in the States. Their present address is: 750 N. Upland Ave., Dayton 7, Ohio.



The J. E. Blount family
Philippine Islands

A TRUE FRIEND—1 Samuel 19:1-7

"Jonathan...delighted much in David" (v. 2).

The love of Jonathan and David has oft been mentioned as an ideal example of friendship. When we examine the circumstances closely, it appears that *the love of Jonathan for David was the great positive factor in the friendship.*

It must be remembered that, naturally speaking, Jonathan had much to lose and little to gain by his association with David. Jonathan was the king's son and heir to the throne. He knew that David was to reign. He was not ignorant of his own father's misgivings concerning the popularity of David. Yet his love was so intense that he sought not his own advancement, nor allowed envy or jealousy to dim his devotion.

Earlier we are told that Jonathan loved David as his own soul. He had made a covenant with David and stripped himself of his robe, his garments, his sword, his bow, and his girdle, and had given them to David. Later he faced his angry father and interceded for David's life. This is the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians in action. Here is love that "seeketh not her own." Here is Calvary love—love that caused the Son of God to forsake a throne, strip Himself of His royal dignity, and give Himself to save us. What a wonderful Saviour!

—MELVIN L. HODGES

THURSDAY, June 16

JONATHAN PROTECTS DAVID—1 Samuel 20:1-13

The mutual affection between David and Jonathan is a beautiful example of devoted Christian friendship. The bond that exists between the children of God is even stronger than those of flesh-and-blood ties of our childhood. We have been bought with a price, the "precious blood of Jesus."

THE CLOSER BOND



Daily DEVOTIONS

BIBLE READINGS BASED ON NEXT WEEK'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

...they searched the Scriptures daily

MONDAY, June 13

DAVID AND JONATHAN—1 Samuel 20:32-42

The remarkable fact in the story of Jonathan and David is not that Saul hated David and sought to kill him—this is in character for a sinful heart. The remarkable point is that Saul's son Jonathan loved David and was grieved at the taunting insults hurled at David by his father. Custom decreed that Jonathan should succeed King Saul upon his death. Saul craftily tried to use this as a wedge to separate his son and David. A kingdom, worldly acclaim, honor among men, wealth, leadership, prominence might have been Jonathan's if he had delivered up David to his father. But love triumphed! Jonathan was willing to accept God's choice in the matter of the kingship, even though it meant the loss of the throne for himself.

Love always finds a way to bridge the gaps of difficulty, misunderstanding, and even sin. Jonathan found a way—at a price! God, too, found a way to bridge the gap between Himself and unregenerate mankind. His all-consuming love for sinful man sent His Son from a throne of glory to a cross of shame. Why? Because He loved us and wanted us to sit with Him in His throne. Our Jonathan paid with His precious blood to save us from eternal destruction. Oh, what love! How can we help but love this Friend who loved us so!

—M. K. MORRIS

TUESDAY, June 14

A LOVE COVENANT—1 Samuel 18:1-12

"The soul of Jonathan was knit with the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul" (v. 1).

One of the greatest blessings a Christian has is friendship with other Blood-washed saints of God. Apart from the joy of salvation itself there is nothing that thrills the hearts of God's children more than this supernatural love one for another. Love is the badge of true Christian discipleship. Jesus said, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." Are you wearing the badge?

Our text refers to the love of David and Jonathan. Here was a solidly knit friendship that knew no boundaries—they loved each other as much as their own souls. They would gladly have laid their lives down one for the other. How similar to the great love of our Saviour who put into action His words, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends"! May we all pray for a greater baptism of love that will cause us to pray one for another, bear one another's burdens, and exercise one another to godliness (1 Tim. 4:7).

—HARRY M. MYERS

That "blood tie" is the one that binds throughout eternity, until sons and daughters will forsake all (even parents and home, if need be) for His name's sake.

Jonathan must have had a deep regard for God during this period of his life, for he could not condone the attitudes and actions of his own father, the king of Israel. He himself had been reared in the palace as a prince, educated to step up to his father's throne some day, and yet he risked it all for love of a shepherd boy upon whom the smile of God rested.

We need more Jonathans and Davids in this day of divisions. We must fight the spirit so prevalent even among Christian people, "Every man for himself." True, self-preservation is the law of life and of the jungle—but not of the realm of the Spirit. Jesus taught us that if we would save our life we must lose it, that if we would be first we must be last, that if we would be greatest we must be the servant of all. "Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren" (1 John 3:16).

—LOINE C. HONDERICK

FRIDAY, June 17

JONATHAN'S COURAGEOUS ACT—1 Samuel 20:16-31

Jonathan was better as a son than Saul was as a father. It takes courage to stand up for a friend when that friend is not there to defend himself before a council of evil men. The test of real friendship is to stay true in that hour when your friend is becoming more prominent than you are. Jonathan might never kill a Goliath, but he could shoot the arrows of direction and point the way of escape for the man who had slain Goliath. Leaders in all walks of life place their very lives, and with them the destiny of business and nations, in the hands of trusted friends.

Jonathan had all in his character that Saul lacked. Saul finally died without a friend in this world. Friendship depends upon sacrifice but Saul had never learned this. Jonathan on this occasion, and many others, put David's life before his own. Honor was more important to Jonathan than either ambition or fame. Any man is wealthy when he finds a friend like Jonathan.

—C. M. WARD

SATURDAY, June 18

JONATHAN'S CONSISTENT FRIENDSHIP—1 Samuel 23:10-18

"And Jonathan Saul's son arose, and went to David into the wood, and strengthened his hand in God" (v. 16).

Friendships are best proved in adversity. It is the storm that tests the strength

of a ship, and trials that test the strength of love. True friendship is based upon enduring love that is faithful under fire and that exults in another's victory.

Jonathan was to be humbled and his friend David was to be exalted. Jonathan knew this, but he rejoiced nonetheless and his love for David was unabated. Contrast this with King Saul's attitude. Jealousy had driven him to seek the life of the man who had spared Israel the humiliation of defeat.

God created within us a desire for fellowship, and He has provided it for us in the communion of believers. True friends will always contribute encouragement and strength to each other in trying hours. It is written, "There is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother" (Proverbs 18:24). The Lord Jesus Christ is that kind of Friend—He will never leave us nor forsake us. He wants us to be like that too. If we will be a friend to others, in their times of need, we will never be without good friends ourselves. Remember, "He that hath friends must show himself friendly."

—JAMES W. VAN METER

Sunday School lesson for June 19, 1955—
"David and Jonathan" (1 Samuel 20:32-42).

Cheap at Twice the Price!

SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK Z. R. WORD, an old colored preacher in the hills of Alabama, would come to my nearby office asking for money for the church and orphanage he had founded.

Finally one day I got tired of it. I said, "Parson, you are all the time making demands on my time and my pocketbook for that church and that orphanage of yours, and I'm getting tired of it. I am going to stop giving and I'm going to stop right now."

My abruptness and unusual manner surprised and hurt him. As he sat there a few moments in silence, I watched him.

His head was as smooth and bare as a billiard ball, because a gas explosion in the mine had burnt off his hair and it had never grown back. He had beautiful white teeth and his eyes really got on fire when he was "expounding the Word."

I recalled when I had asked him one day what the initials of his name stood for.

He answered, "Zechariah, suh."

"And what is the 'R' for?" I questioned.

He replied, "That's for the 'Riah' part."

Though lacking any formal education, he was a born orator and singer and had a wonderful memory. After hearing others preach, he would come back and deliver the same sermon to his own flock.

As I thought of these things, I felt a bit sorry for hurting his feelings. He was fumbling with his hat in an embarrassed manner.

Finally he looked up, Haltingly he said, "Mr. Jim, I'd just like to tell you something. I think I understand exactly how you feel. I once had a little boy and he was always making demands on my time and my pocketbook. It was a nickel here and a dime there and a quarter some place else. There never seemed to be any let-up. I was everlastingly being called upon for candy, peanuts, a pair of shoes, a hat, a suit of clothes, and many other things. Just when I thought I had him all fixed up I had it all to do over again.

"He'd make demands on my time, too. In the evening when I was all tired and worn out from my work in the mines, he'd climb upon my knee and I'd have to tell him stories. But, Mr. Jim, my little boy doesn't make any more demands on my time and my pocketbook." He paused a few moments before he went on. "My little boy is dead."

Then directly he resumed, "Mr. Jim, when this colored man's church is dead, when they have nailed up the doors and boarded up the windows, there'll be no demands made on your time or your pocketbook. But as long as it's a living force in this community; as long as that little orphanage sits up there on the hill with its doors open to the little helpless black folks of Alabama, it will not only make demands on your time and your pocketbook, but those demands may be even greater as the years go by."

He got up and stood for a few moments, gazing through the window at Red Mountain, and then slowly walked down the steps into the afternoon sunshine with \$20 more than when he came in.

To this day, when I get exasperated at so many demands on my time and my pocketbook from churches, missionaries and other Christian organizations, I think of that good man and I say to myself, "When Communism has nailed up the doors and boarded up the windows of every church here, there will be no demands made on my time and my pocketbook. Then I would wish I had given ten times as much."

—James Worsham, in "The Evidence."

This was the dying confession of Professor David Dickson, the Scots Covenanter: "I have taken all my good deeds, and all my bad deeds, and have cast them in a heap before the Lord; and have fled from both to Jesus Christ, and in Him I have sweet peace." Only as we abandon our own righteousness can we receive God's.

American Indians Meet

Hundreds Attend Colorful Convention of American Indian Fellowship at Richmond, California

To the many people who attended the recent convention of the American Indian Fellowship at Richmond, California, Romans 10:14 will hereafter hold a particular association with the Indian gospel work. For the text was spread across the rear of the auditorium in tall letters:

"HOW then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? and HOW shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? and HOW shall they hear without a preacher?"

Since "HOW" is the traditionally time-honored greeting of the Indians, the text was peculiarly appropriate.

The three-day convention was held in the beautiful Full Gospel Temple in the heart of Richmond, April 19 to 21. It was a time of sweet fellowship in the Lord and a time when the Holy Spirit moved mightily upon the hearts

of His people. As the strains of the last song faded away and the last anthem of praise lost itself in the spacious building, people stood in little groups reluctant to leave the scene of God's blessing. Many wept in thanksgiving.

The general opinion was that the convention had been a success in every way. Every objective was accomplished—a direct answer to the many hours of prayer on behalf of the leaders for this great gathering of Indian people.

The parley featured Indian evangelists and pastors, in addition to many missionaries. Among these were: George Effman, Klamath Indian, Director of the Convention and Indian Director for the Northern California and Nevada District; John McPherson, Cherokee Indian and Promotional Director for the Convention; Chief Phillip Tiger, Creek Indian and opening

night speaker; Charles Pepper, Cherokee Indian; Manuel Corodova, Pomo Indian evangelist and converted medicine man; and Dr. Henry Headrick, Director of the American Indian Literature Crusade.

So many people converged in the Richmond community before convention time that a special "Early Comers" rally was staged. A grand parade of 12 floats made and manned by Indians officially opened the "pow-wow." Many Indians and missionaries in colorful tribal regalia made the parade very effective. The "Chiefs," those who wore complete tribal costumes, rode in the front of the parade in Pontiac convertibles supplied by a local dealer.

Kenneth Haystead, Home Missions Director for the Northern California and Nevada District, spoke in the first afternoon service of the Convention.

The Mayor of Richmond, John J. Sheridan, proclaimed April 17 to 23 "American Indian Week" in the city. He named Brother George Effman honorary mayor during the session. In the same ceremony, Mayor Sheridan was presented with an authentic feather headdress and was given the Klamath name for friend, "Tillicum." The host pastor, C. E. Persing, accepted a similar war bonnet from John McPherson, and received the name "Shosone" which means "Friend" in Cherokee.

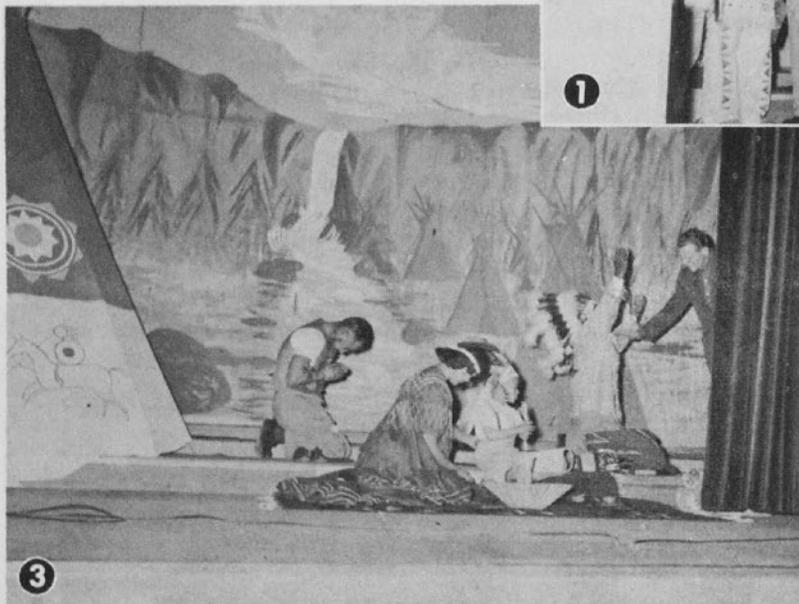
The theme of the Convention—

1. Left to right: John McPherson, Promotional Director for the Convention; George Effman, Convention Director; J. Sheridan, Mayor of Richmond; C. E. Persing, Host Pastor, Full Gospel Temple, Richmond, California.

2. A registration scene in the lobby of the Full Gospel Temple.

3. The closing scene of the all-Indian pageant, "The Great Light," based on Isaiah 9:2.

4. Mrs. Alta Washburn in front of the Arizona Indian display in the exhibit room.





A typical convention crowd in the Full Gospel Temple.



A scene at mealtime. Over 400 Indians were fed at once.

"Why," "How," and "When to Win the Indians to the Lord Jesus Christ" —was presented by the various speakers. Highlights of the Convention were the film, "Persecution, U.S.A." and the pageant, "The Great Light." This pageant, based upon Isaiah 9:2, was presented by John McPherson, Promotional Director of the Convention. Brother McPherson is an artist. He made a backdrop 24 feet long by 15 feet tall, depicting an Indian scene, which was used as the background for the pageant.

Over 400 Indians of various denominations attended the Convention. They came from six states and represented 31 tribes. Various Indian organizations were represented. Missionaries came from Arizona, California, Nevada and Oregon to participate in the Convention. Among the Assemblies of God missionaries present were Mrs. Clarence Washburn, missionary to the Pima and Maricopa Indians in Phoenix, Arizona; Robert Wheeler, missionary to the Apache Indians in Whiteriver, Arizona; Caleb Smith, missionary to the Navajo Indians in Gallup, New Mexico; Bert Parker from Cibicue, Arizona; Luther Cayton of Yerington, Nevada; and others.

The Full Gospel Temple with a capacity of 800 persons was packed on the concluding night with over 1,000 in attendance.

A center of attraction during the Convention was a great display room filled with exhibits of beadwork, basketwork, silverwork, pottery, Indian art and samples of Indian food. Many paused at the Arizona display to read a sign bearing the following lines:

"Why should America's first citizens be the last to hear the Full Gospel?"

During the Convention 1800 free meals were served and lodging was provided for 150 people. By the second evening of the Convention all expenses had been met and surplus funds were placed in the treasury of the Indian Fellowship.

As a result of this Convention, revival fires have begun to burn in many of the Indian churches; and conversions, healings, and new consecrations are seen following the preaching of God's Word.

Funds are urgently needed to help us garner the precious harvest of Indian souls. Will you help us by designating an offering today for "Indian Missions"?

National Home Missions Dept.

434 West Pacific Street
Springfield 1, Missouri



Speak to the Mountain

Len J. Jones

I WANT YOU TO NOTICE THAT MATTHEW 17:20 does not say "pray." It says "say." Here is how it reads: "If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you."

Words are powerful things. Almost everything that has ever been done was begun with words. When God made the world He made it with a word. "Let there be light," He said, and light sprang forth. Jesus Himself is referred to as the Word of God.

It is a glorious thing to "speak the word" in faith. It is a priceless privilege to be able to "say" to this mountain or that mountain, "Be thou removed." Try it, and you will be amazed with the results.

The reason many prayer meetings are dull, and the reason many prayers are powerless, is that we ask God for things that He already says are ours. Either we don't know the Scriptures or we don't believe them. If we ask God for things that He already says are ours, can we be surprised if our prayers bounce back and hit us in the face?

We don't encourage the sinner to pray for salvation. We encourage him to repent, and to pray for forgiveness, but

we tell him to believe and receive salvation as a gift. It is not "praying," but "saying." And yet, either through ignorance or through unbelief, we who ought to know better go on asking God for things that He in His Word clearly says are ours. It is not begging but believing that brings things to pass.

Search the Scriptures and you will be amazed to find how often it tells of "saying" rather than "praying." The people of God in Bible times knew there was power in "saying," so they spoke the word in faith. If they did that in Old Testament days, and before Pentecost, how much more should we!

There were two things revealed to the apostle Paul that were never revealed to men before. One was that the Gentiles should be fellow-heirs with the Jews in the blessings of the gospel. The second thing was our standing in Christ. He wrote, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in Christ Jesus" (Ephesians 1:3). Having so much light, what faith and boldness we ought to have in speaking to every mountain of difficulty!

Just think of the scripture that says we are "heirs of God and joint heirs with Jesus Christ." That was a glorious new truth revealed to us through Paul. And this one: "He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him freely give us all things?"

We have nothing to fear! No need to be afraid of the future. No need to be afraid of life or death. No need to be afraid of sickness or shortage of money. No need to be afraid of sin, for the Scripture says, "Sin shall not have dominion over you." When temptation looms up, speak to the mountain and tell it to depart. Christ has said it shall not have mastery over you. You need not be afraid of Satan himself, for the Scripture says that Christ has given us power over all the power of the enemy. "Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world." Even demons are subject unto us! God has given us power to speak the word of faith. Are we doing it?

Letters to REVIVALTIME

FROM NICARAGUA

Matagalpa, Nicaragua

Dear Brothers Clark, Ward and Beem:

Greetings from down south!

I write to sincerely thank you for the broadcast of last Sunday night. . . . I came in from our service and sat down at the radio to see if perchance I might pick up something before retiring worth listening to, and there (as clear as one could hope for from the States) came in the familiar strains and voices of our own REVIVALTIME.

Your mention of the work of missions was encouraging and challenging to our hearts, and your mention of Mother's Day brought us to life and the calendar for we had not even remembered the day. My little wife didn't get her box of candy, but did get a warm kiss and embrace for Mother's Day as a result of the broadcast.

We are happy here in the work of the Lord and will be anticipating Sunday nights, hoping always for good reception. The station that favored us was KGBT, Harlingen, Texas. I have written also to them my thanks.

God bless you all in the great work of the hour which you are doing.

Your brother laborer,
LOREN O. TRIPLETT

FROM TENNESSEE

Is there an ABC affiliate in someone's town that doesn't carry REVIVALTIME? Then, THEY MIGHT DO WHAT WE DID . . .

East Tennessee is a populous area. It has its share of radio and TV stations. But as far as the Assemblies of God are concerned, it is a pioneer area, a Home Mission field, and as far as REVIVALTIME is concerned it WAS a "fringe area." Only when reception was extremely clear could we get REVIVALTIME, and then only on the more powerful radios. Our people therefore were indifferent toward our great network program.

During discussion at a Sectional Fellowship Meeting it was brought to our attention that there was a strong ABC affiliate station in our area which cov-

ered eastern Tennessee, western North Carolina, and southwestern Virginia, but it was not carrying REVIVALTIME. Why not? The Presbyter was asked to investigate. First, I contacted Brother Ward and Brother Clark at Springfield; then the local station manager. He assured me that they would be glad to carry REVIVALTIME, but said they would have to receive an order from ABC to do it. They were carrying a local church program from 10:00 to 10:30 p.m., taping the network programs for that time and playing them back at 10:30. I wrote Brother Clark. He, in turn, contacted the network, requesting the order be given. Two weeks passed and nothing happened. A phone call went to Brother Clark; then two phone calls came from the station manager apologizing for the delay and assuring me that they would carry our program!

Now every Sunday night we can hear Brother Peterson say, "It's REVIVALTIME everywhere!" And I say, "Praise God!"

—DONALD COOKE

FROM BRITISH GUIANA

The following memo came recently to Brother Ward from Melvin Hodges, Field Secretary for our Latin American Missions. It concerns British Guiana, where Brother and Sister J. B. Chow are doing missionary work.

Mrs. Chow visited the States about two years ago. At that time she and her husband were the only Assemblies of God missionaries in British Guiana. She made arrangements to release REVIVALTIME from Georgetown on her return. Since then wonderful reports have come to us. REVIVALTIME is released by "tape" in the Prison and the Leprosarium, as well as on the radio station itself. The Chows tell us that people in outlying towns are asking for an Assemblies of God mission because of hearing the broadcast.

At this time the Chows are crowded out in their meeting quarters and the work is going forward in a wonderful way.

MEMO TO: C. M. WARD

I have just returned from a visit to British Guiana and I thought you would be pleased to know that the REVIVALTIME program has met with very encouraging response in that Colony. Our Christians identify themselves to others by saying that they are "Revivaltime" people. Brother Chow told me that he was sure that if you could ever hold a meeting there, thousands of people would come from all over the country to hear you. Just now, however, it is difficult to arrange that type of meeting because there are restrictions on outside or open-air meetings because of political conditions of the past few months. I thought it would be an encouragement to you to know of these results which I have seen first hand.

M. L. HODGES

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

LEXINGTON, MO.—We had a most unusual revival with Evangelist Lela B. Haycock. Thirty-two received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Twelve were from our own church, and 20 from a neighboring Assembly where Thomas G. Skoog is pastor. Many others were refilled with the Spirit; God is using Sister Haycock in a special ministry along this line.—Darrell Massey, Pastor.

BANGOR, PA.—The attendance was exceptionally good during the meeting with Evangelist Paul D. Pugh of Hamburg, Pa. God moved in a marvelous way. Nine were saved and a number healed by the power of God.—Robert F. Locker, Pastor, First Pentecostal Church.

BRISCOE, TEX.—In April, Evangelist Glen Lester of Waxahachie, Tex. was with us for nearly three weeks. Five came to the altar for salvation, many testified to healing, and the church was greatly encouraged.—James D. Gitchell, Pastor.

GLASSPORT, PA.—We had a mighty Holy Ghost revival with Evangelist John Higginbotham, which continued for three weeks. The presence of God was in our midst night after night, and the power of God was manifested in saving souls and healing sick bodies. It was wonderful to see people cry out to God for deliverance from sin. Two men who had been bound by the tobacco habit for over 40 years, were instantly set free by the power of God. People bound by fear were delivered.

We prayed for a young woman who had polio when she was nine years old. Her left leg was crippled and she had to wear a special shoe. God touched her and she came back to church wearing regular shoes.

The church was filled every night, and on Sundays we had to move to the Methodist church to accommodate the crowds. The ministry of Brother Higginbotham was a blessing to every department of our church.—Robert W. Schambach, Pastor, Assembly of God.

Near UNION CITY, TENN.—The Lord is blessing the Star of Bethlehem Assembly which is located 15 miles from Union City. We broke all records in Sunday School attendance with 250 present on Easter Sunday. About 2½ years ago there were only 30 attending Sunday School. A continuous revival spirit prevails, and a large number have been saved, filled with the Holy Spirit, and healed. We have enlarged and remodeled the auditorium, built four new Sunday School rooms. We have put in gas for heating, and purchased a new piano.

We have a 15-minute radio program each week over station WENK, directed by the pastor. The C. A.'s also have a 30-minute weekly radio program over station WFUL. They sponsor a jail service each week, and 16 have been saved the last four months. They are "mothering" a mission at Wynnburg, Tenn. Within six weeks, 14 have been saved, and four filled with the Holy Spirit.—Clyde McCullough, Pastor.

Hear C. M. Ward on REVIVALTIME . . .

"Let Me Die the Death of the Righteous."

SERMON SUBJECT FOR JUNE 12

SUNDAY 10:30 P.M. ABC NETWORK



FRISCO, TEX.—We were happy to have Evangelist Jack Pruitt of Tulsa, Okla. with us on C. A. Day, April 24. The Lord blessed us in a wonderful way. Souls were saved, and several reclaimed.—M. L. Milton, Pastor.

KALISPELL, MONT.—On April 17 we concluded a meeting with the David Godwin Evangelistic Party of Dallas, Tex. Nine received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, several sought the Lord for salvation, and a goodly number were healed of various ailments. We enjoyed the musical numbers, singing, and straight-forward preaching.—O. W. Klingsheim, Pastor.

CLOVERDALE, CALIF.—The Lord met us night after night during the two-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Earl McMilin. We had a record attendance of 129 in Sunday School, and we averaged 102 for the month of March. People are moving into this little sawmill town. Pray that we will be able to expand our building to accommodate these folk.—J. L. Jeffrey, Pastor.

KANKAKEE, ILL.—We have concluded a three-week meeting with the Wetzel Brothers Trio of Jefferson City, Mo. Fifteen came forward and accepted Christ as their Saviour, and one was filled with the Holy Spirit. People from other denominations came to hear these young men play, sing, and preach for the glory of God.—H. H. Brehm, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

LIVE OAK, CALIF.—Evangelist and Mrs. Carl W. Oney of Pleasant Hill, Mo. came here for a meeting. Altogether 16 were saved and four were filled with the Holy Ghost. Most of them are high school students. We had 294 in Sunday School on Easter Sunday. We have been averaging over 200 since the first of the year. The Oneys' singing and music were a real blessing to the church.—J. A. Rogers, Pastor.

FORT WAYNE, IND.—We have just closed a good meeting with the Sunshine Party of Covington, Ky. These evangelists are very congenial and co-operative. Their illustrated sermons attracted large Saturday night crowds. Around 250 people attended our church for the first time during this meeting. With the help of the Sunshine Party, we were able to break all previous Sunday School records with an attendance of 1377.—Paul E. Paino, Pastor.

PORT ANTONIO, JAMAICA, Apr. 24—We are in our first week of meetings with Brother and Sister Harold Burger, from Galt, Calif., and Verlyn Skore, from Livingston, Calif. Ninety-nine have come forward for salvation. The church is packed out and some have come from outdoors to give their hearts to Christ. A number have been healed by the power of God, in answer to prayer. A woman who was totally blind was miraculously healed. She was enabled to read letters on a sign hanging on the wall.—Vivia Phillips, Pastor.

TYLER, TEX.—The Lord has been blessing our church in a wonderful way. There has been a good revival spirit among us. There was no summer slump in the Sunday School last summer, but we had an increase in attendance during the severe hot weather. The attendance to the mid-week and Sunday services also increased. We are trusting the Lord for similar blessings this summer.

We have had a number of evangelists including Mrs. Dewey Ellis, R. T. Bigham, Bob McCutchen, Bill Samford, and R. L. Davis. The Lord blessed in all these meetings.—D. D. Lewis, Pastor, Rose Center Assembly of God.

SAN JOSE, CALIF.—We have just closed a five-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Thomas B. Don Carlos. Several received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, some were saved, a number were reclaimed and several were healed. The Sunday School increased in attendance. We enjoyed watching Sister Don Carlos paint beautiful scenes which were given away each evening. She also painted a picture for our baptistry.

During the eight months we have been here, we had two other meetings with good results. One was with the Evangelaire (Brother and Sister Earl Gould, Eddie Kramer, and Stephen Asmuth) and the other with Brother and Sister John McPherson, the Indian evangelist.—R. J. Thurmond, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

DUMAS, ARK.—We had a wonderful five-week meeting with Evangelist C. L. Dixon of Covina, Calif. Fifty-three were gloriously saved, and about 12 received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.—G. A. Stubbs, Pastor.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—We had a two-week meeting with Evangelists D. E. Legge and Dora Lane. Several were saved or filled with the Holy Ghost. We praise God for the Pentecostal preaching of the Word.—W. W. McKnight, Pastor, Woodcrest Assembly of God.

RIVERTON, WYO.—We are rejoicing in the goodness of God to us during our first year as pastor of the Glad Tidings Assembly. Souls have been saved, believers filled with the Holy Spirit, and the sick have been healed. Our Sunday School is growing and we have moved into our two-story educational building (32 x 40), which gives us 13 additional Sunday School rooms.

The Sunday School averaged 128 in April. We plan to double our Sunday School staff, split our classes in half, and continue to "multiply by dividing." We are expecting an influx of population in Riverton due to the discovery of uranium, and we want to be prepared to take care of them.—J. J. and Mrs. Wagner, Pastors.

PUEBLO, COLO.—We praise God for the moving of His Spirit in our midst, both in revival meetings and in the regular services. In January Evangelists Samuel and David Antes, Navajo Indians preached to us with very good results. Souls were saved and baptized with the Holy Spirit. The altar services continued until midnight, and some of our high-school students stayed to pray with others. Following this meeting, God baptized someone with the Holy Spirit each night for five consecutive services. Later on we had a ten-day meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. W. V. Beauford. God honored their solid Pentecostal preaching by saving ten people and baptizing two with the Holy Spirit.—C. F. Ferguson, Pastor, Central Assembly.

FOREST HILL, LA.—God blessed us during the meeting with Evangelist Harlen J. Pate of Houston, Tex. One of the converts was an 80-year-old man.—D. E. Stroud, Pastor, Midway Assembly of God.

Near ELLINGTON, MO.—For three weeks Evangelist Lillie Farrow was with us at the Degonia church. The Lord gave us an old-fashioned Holy Ghost meeting. Nine were saved, and many were healed. One lady fell under the power of God, and as she lay there speaking in tongues, her daughter came to the altar and was saved.—James Hahn, Supply Pastor.

ROCKVILLE, MD.—We concluded a profitable two-week meeting with Evangelist Karl Wooster of Atlanta, Ga. We were inspired by the Spirit-anointed preaching of the Word. The altar was filled each night with sinners coming to the Lord for salvation, and Christians receiving the baptism of the Holy Spirit in the old-fashioned way. Several testified to definite healing.—B. M. Slye, Pastor.

CLIFTON, COLO., Apr. 26—About nine months ago we resigned the church in Lynwood, Calif. and accepted the pastorate here. There has been a steady growth in the Sunday School and church, and the people have been drawn closer together. During the first six months, eleven united with the church, 14 new families started to attend the services, and several were saved.

On February 20 we began a six-week meeting with Evangelists Gladys Norwood and Marie Carlquist. Ninety-three knelt for salvation, and around 30 were filled with the Holy Spirit or were refilled. Several received bodily healing.

We broke all previous records on Easter Sunday with an attendance of 276. Twenty-two people affiliated with the church that day. At the close of the revival, a Bible Readers Class for young people was organized. It is well attended and a good interest is being shown. The revival spirit continues.—J. E. Austell, Pastor.

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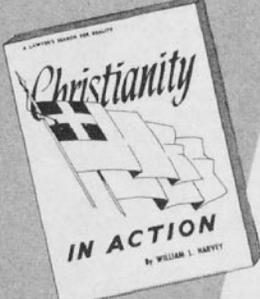
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DISTRICT	DATE	AGE	LOCATION
Alabama	July 4-9	15-35	Oak Mountain Park, Birmingham.
Appalachian	July 25-29	10-35	Glenwood Park, Princeton, W. Va.
Arizona	June 27-July 2		
Arkansas (boys)	June 27-July 1	8-17	Dist. Camp Grounds, Hot Springs.
(girls)	July 4-8	8-17	Dist. Camp Grounds, Hot Springs.
Eastern	July 2-12	15-35	Maranatha Park, Green Lane, Pa.
Georgia	July 18-22	13-35	Roosevelt Park, Pine Mountain.
Illinois	July 11-15		Petersburg, Ill.
Indiana	July 4-8	15-35	Hartford City, Ind.
Kansas	July 4-8	13-19	Augusta, Kans.
Louisiana	Aug. 22-26	13-35	Lake Bistineau Park, Doyline.
Michigan	July 1-6	15-19	Fa-Ho-Lo Park, Grass Lake, Mich.
	Aug. 8-12	20 up	Fa-Ho-Lo Park, Grass Lake, Mich.
Minnesota	Aug. 1-6	13-20	Alexandria, Minn.
Mississippi	June 6-10	13-21	Dist. Camp Grounds, Hurley, Miss.
Montana	July 25-30	9-15	Hungry Horse, Mont.
	Aug. 1-6	9-15	Frazier, Mont.
	Aug. 14-20	9-15	Red Lodge, Mont.
Nebraska	June 6-10	13 up	Lexington, Nebr.
New England	July 9-23	13-35	Camp Ambassador, Steep Falls, Me.
New Jersey	Aug. 6-13	13-35	Camp Hope, N. J.
New Mexico	July 4-9		Mountainair, N. Mex.
New York	July 2-8	13-35	Mountainview Camp, Sherburne, N. Y.
	July 16-22	13-35	Lakeview Camp, Troutburg, N. Y.
North Carolina	July 11-15	13-35	Cullasaja, N. C.
North Dakota	July 11-15	9-18	Lakewood Park, Devils Lake, N. Dak.
	July 25-29	9-18	Badlands Camp, Medora, N. Dak.
N. Calif.-Nevada	July 11-16	13-35	Mineral Camp Ground
	July 17-23	13-35	Santa Cruz, Calif.
	August (?)	13-35	Garberville, Calif.
Northwest	Aug. 15-19	15-35	Silver Lake Camp, Everett, Wash.
Ohio	July 30-Aug. 5		Dist. Camp, Big Prairie, Ohio
Oregon	July 18-23	13-35	Butte Falls, Oreg.
	July 25-30	13-35	Brooks, Oreg.
Potomac	Aug. 8-15	13-35	Falling Waters, W. Va.
Rocky Mountain	June 13-17	13-35	Ogden, Utah
	June 20-24	13-35	Palmer Lake, Colo.
	Aug. 15-19 (?)	15-19	Grand Mesa, Colo.
South Carolina	Aug. 15-20	13-35	Kings Mountain State Park, S. C.
South Dakota	July 5-9	9-16	Rapid City, S. Dak.
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South Florida	July 4-15		Lake Bonny Camp, Lakeland, Fla.
Southern California	June 18-25	13-35	Camp Pine Crest, San Bern. Mts.
	June 25-July 2	13-35	Camp Pine Crest, San Bern. Mts.
	July 30-Aug. 6	13-35	Camp Pine Crest, San Bern. Mts.
Southern Idaho	Aug. 8-13	13-35	Ketchum, Idaho.
Southern Missouri	July 18-22	13-35	Dist. Camp, Lake of the Ozarks
South Texas	July 19-23	13-35	Baytown, Tex.
Tennessee	June 20-24		District Camp Grounds.
Texas	June 28-July 4	13-35	Southwestern Bible Institute.
West Central	July 18-22	13-35	Storm Lake, Iowa.
West Florida	Aug. 8-12	9-35	Baptist Assembly, Panama City.
Wisconsin-N. Mich.	July 4-9	13-19	Lake Nebagamon, Wis.
	July 11-16	13-19	Spencer Lake, Waupaca, Wis.

(The above Directory was compiled by the National C. A. Department. In addition to these Youth Camps, there are Children's Camps for younger boys and girls in many of the Districts. Information concerning Children's Camps may be obtained from the National Sunday School Department, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Missouri.)

MOUNT AYR, IOWA—We just closed a three-week meeting with Evangelists Arnold and Anita Segesman of Berlin Center, Ohio. Over 100 new people attended our church during the meeting. The chalk drawings and musical numbers were a blessing to all. We set an all-time high in Sunday School on Easter and the following Sunday. Seven people gave their hearts to Christ.—Clifford and Wanda Gerard, Pastors.

FORT MADISON, IOWA—We have just closed a meeting with Evangelist Robert C. Hanson of Minneapolis, Minn. A number were saved. Eleven were baptized with the Holy Spirit, many others were refilled. We surely praise the Lord for His goodness to us. The revival fires are still burning.—Fred R. Gottwald, Pastor.

VALLEJO, CALIF.—Our Easter meeting was conducted by Evangelist Charles C. (Dad) Robinson of Dallas, Tex. "Dad" Robinson is one of the few living men who has been actively engaged full-time in the pulpit for 60 years. He is now 73 and preaches as if he were only 40. His ministry in the Word was profitable to our church. There was not a "dry" service during the four weeks. A new Sunday School attendance record was set Easter Sunday with 709 present.—Keetch Jones, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

PORTALES, N. MEX.—We had a successful meeting with Evangelist Kenneth Berry and the Musical Berrys of Houston, Tex. Brother Berry's ministry was a blessing to our church and to the many visitors who attended. Many extra chairs were brought in the night Brother Berry gave his testimony of how God saved his life in Korea. He also told us about the missionary work in Japan and about the Assemblies of God Bible School there. The theme of Brother Berry's messages was the soon coming of Christ.—Earl G. Vanzant, Pastor.

BICKNELL, IND.—On November 1, 1954, we had a church dedication with John Dearing, Sectional Presbyterian, and Walter Solmes, Sectional Treasurer, as speaker. God gave us a most wonderful fellowship meeting and dedication.

Then we began a three-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Pete Podruchny of Hebron, N. Dak. The Lord gave us a precious time, and we certainly enjoyed Brother Podruchny's anointed ministry of the Word, also the duets and violin numbers.

In April we concluded a meeting with Evangelist Fred and Kathryn McDonald of Versailles, Ky. Their ministry in song and in the Word was uplifting. People were saved and healed.—John L. Riggle, Pastor.

ALTON, ILL.—We wish to report the blessing of God upon our church here. We had the dedication of our building recently. R. M. Riggs, General Superintendent, and W. R. Williamson, District Superintendent, were with us.

O. R. Keener, former pastor, was with us for a meeting. God blessed his solid preaching of the Word. The attendance was good and there were many decisions for Christ. Paul W. Evans also ministered for one week. His preaching was an inspiration to all who attended. Then Evangelist Christian Hild came for a ten-day meeting. One night 15 came to the altar, and on the closing night 19 responded to the altar call.—James C. Kofahl, Pastor, Edwards Street Assembly.

NEVADA, MO.—We thank God for the gracious showers of blessing He so wonderfully poured out upon us during the meeting with Evangelist Paul Epler from Tampa, Fla. God mightily anointed Brother Epler as he preached the Word. Sixteen were saved. God raised up a 77-year-old man, who had been confined to his bed because of heart trouble, so he was able to attend the meeting. He grows stronger each day. A Marine, who had served in Korea, was delivered of "war nerves." Others received the mighty touch of God.

Brother Epler has been a missionary to Colombia, South America, and each night he told us about the work there. Our people have been stirred to pray more for missions.—India Norwood, Pastor.

BOYES HOT SPRINGS, CALIF.—Since we came here to be pastors in August, 1954, several have been saved and a number baptized with the Holy Spirit. We now have 18 active members. Four candidates are ready for water baptism. There are 13 C. A.'s and there are several women participating in the W.M.C. The average Sunday School attendance during March was 64.

We had a Workers' Training Course with George Hunter, Sectional S. S. Representative, as instructor. Seven received certificates, and there is evidence of increased efficiency in the Sunday School as a result of the Course. We thank God for the steady growth we have seen in all departments of the church here.—Albert P. and Mrs. Finch, Pastors.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—The Putman City Assembly of God has just experienced a great revival. The revival spirit began to move upon us in January and February when folk were saved and baptized with the Holy Spirit in our regular services. People prayed at the altar until near the midnight hour.

On April 5, Evangelist and Mrs. Bob McCutchen of Austin, Tex. came for a meeting. From the very beginning the power of God was present, and the attendance was above average.

Eight were saved, nine received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, 10 were baptized in water, and several joined the church. The Sunday School reached 170.

Brother McCutchen's preaching was positive and powerful. Many came from other denominations and had a glimpse of Pentecostal power. We praise God for the mighty surge of His Spirit in our Assembly.—Douglas J. Friesen, Pastor.

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.

ANTIGO, WIS.—Tent meeting on Fair Grounds, June 8—July 3; Evangelist Russell B. Park.—by Elmer L. Hoff, Pastor.

ABERDEEN, WASH.—Assembly of God, June 21—July 3; Children's revival with Virgil and Edythe Warens. (Werner Uhlman is Pastor.)

TRUESDALE, IOWA.—June 21—July 3; Evangelist and Mrs. Carl W. Oney, Pleasant Hill, Mo. (LaVern Golbricht is Pastor.)

FRISCO, TEX.—Assembly of God, begins June 12; Evangelist Clarence G. Mitchell, Fort Worth, Tex. (M. Leon Milton is Pastor.)

NEW ENGLAND, N. Dak.—Assembly of God, June 5—26; Evangelist and Mrs. Orrin Kingsriter.—by Herman G. Johnson, Pastor.

SHERIDAN, ARK.—June 19—July 3; Evangelist and Mrs. R. G. Hancock, Springhill, La.—by Harold Thompson, Pastor.

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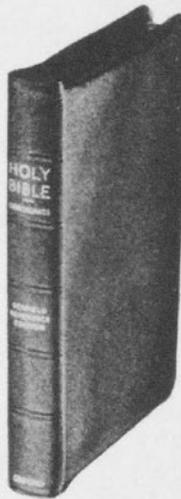
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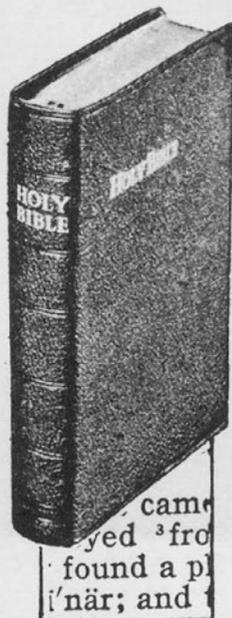
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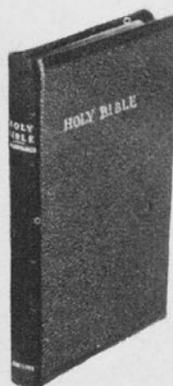
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CARLSBAD, N. MEX.—Revival Tabernacle, began June 5; Evangelist Nina Rozelle and daughter, Billy Faye, Oberlin, Kans.—by W. A. Vanzant, Pastor.

AUGUSTA, GA.—Olive Road Assembly of God, began June 5; Evangelist and Mrs. Jesse Ray, Atlanta, Ga. (Mrs. Lura Mae Andrews is Pastor.)

AUSTIN, TEX.—Union tent meeting, Barton Spring Rd. at S. First St., begins June 19; Evangelist W. V. Grant. (J. Paul Joyner is Chairman.)

BAYTOWN, TEX.—Assembly of God, June 12—26; Evangelist and Mrs. James Colburn, Houston, Tex. (J. R. Woods is Pastor.)

PACIFIC, MO.—Assembly of God, June 7—19; Anspaugh Chord Makers, Naponee, Nebr. (C. A. Pankey is Pastor.)

FARIBAULT, MINN.—Assemblies of God Church, June 12—26; Evangelist Evelyn Bethurum.—by Gilbert Mort, Pastor.

JASPER, TEX.—First Assembly of God, begins June 12; Evangelist and Mrs. LeRoy Fleck, Houston, Tex. (E. W. Labby is Pastor.)

BATHURST, N. B., CANADA—Pentecostal Tabernacle, began May 25; Evangelist and Mrs. A. C. Bristol, formerly of Houston, Tex. (Sifton Irvine is Pastor.)

LIVE OAK, CALIF.—Area-wide tent meeting, on Highway 99E, near Live Oak, June 3—19; Evangelist Wilbur Ogilvie. No meetings in tent on Sunday nights. (J. A. Rogers is Chairman.)

CLARKSBURG, W. VA.—Tent meeting, located on Rt. 19, south side of city, begins June 7; Evangelist James Parton, Glen Alpine, N. C.—by Russell W. Harvey, Pastor.

ANGLETON, TEX.—First Assembly of God, June 19—July 3; Evangelist and Mrs. Stephen Vandermerwe.—by Richard Pruett, Associate Pastor. (B. V. Robison is Pastor.)

ASBURY PARK, N. J.—Tent meeting, Sunset Ave. and Wickapecko Dr., begins June 7; Evangelist and Mrs. Watson Argue Jr., Seattle, Wash.—by William H. Scott, Pastor.

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 325 W. 33rd St., began June 5; Evangelists Frank and Gladys Lummer, Oceanside, Calif. (Marie E. Brown is Pastor.)

BETTENDORF, IOWA.—Bettendorf Gospel Tabernacle, one-night missionary rally, July 5; Lillian Trasher of Assiut, Egypt, speaker.—George H. Davis, Pastor.

FARMERSBURG, IND.—Tent meeting, began June 5; Evangelist Donnie Whitlow, Linton, Ind.—by Karl Strader, Pastor.

ELGIN, ILL.—Assembly of God, 400 N. Crystal Ave., June 14—26; Evangelist Joel and Esther Palmer. (C. Merrill Johnson is Pastor.)

LEESBURG, VA.—Assembly of God, began June 5; Evangelist and Mrs. Frank C. Mays, Charlottesville, Va. (George Gowans is Pastor.)

LITTLE FALLS, MINN.—Assembly of God, 3rd and East Broadway, begins June 14; Evangelist and Mrs. Eddie Lothar.—by Neale Shene-man, Pastor.

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BOISE, IDAHO—First Assembly of God, June 12—26; Musical Mathans, Kansas City, Mo. (Roland Buck is Pastor.)

DUNN, N. C.—Glad Tidings Church, S. Magnolia at Canary, Sunday night, June 12; Lillian Trasher of Assiut, Egypt, speaking. Campaign with Evangelist Dana H. Spence of Canada, June 14—26.—by Robert E. Palmer, Pastor.

GEORGETOWN, S. C.—Assembly of God, June 15, Lillian Trasher of Egypt. Neighboring Assemblies invited to attend.—by A. T. Hickman, Pastor.

Near PONTIAC, ILL.—Esmen Assembly of God, 6 miles northeast of Pontiac on Route 23, began May 24; Evangelist Walter D. Lascelle.—by R. B. Cunningham, Pastor.

TORONTO, CANADA—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 833 St. Clair W., June 12—July 3; Evangelist and Mrs. J. Earl Douglass, Tampa, Fla.—by H. R. Pannabecker, Pastor.

MERIDIAN, MISS.—East End Assembly of God, June 19—July 3; Evangelist Leslie C. and Oleta Eldridge, Bakersfield, Calif.—by Aaron M. Wall, Pastor.

BLAKELY, GA.—Sectional revival, June 5—19; Evangelist and Mrs. Carl W. Barnes, Tullahoma, Tenn. Services 9:30 a.m. and 8 p.m. daily. All churches in this section invited.—by P. Z. Smith, Pastor.

RIVERSIDE, CALIF.—La Cadena Dr. Assembly of God, began June 5; Evangelist R. W. Culpepper, Bellflower, Calif.—by D. F. Ferguson, Pastor.

HAGERSTOWN, MD.—Tent meeting, Memorial Blvd. (between Frederick and Potomac Sts.), June 5—26; Evangelist David Nunn, Dallas, Tex. Sponsored by Assembly of God in Williamsport, Md.—by V. W. Miles, Pastor.

LOUISIANA DISTRICT COUNCIL—Central Assembly, Monroe, La., June 28—30. A. A. Wilson, Kansas City, Mo., guest speaker. G. E. Chambers is host pastor.—by Vincent Roccaforte, District Secretary-Treasurer.

BETTENDORF, IOWA—Bettendorf Gospel Tabernacle, Fathers' Day services, June 19; T. F. Zimmerman, Assistant General Superintendent, guest speaker. Father-son dinner at 6 p.m., Saturday, June 18.—by George H. Davis, Pastor.

CBI-BETHEL ALUMNI RALLY—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 325 W. 33rd St., New York City, June 25, 7:30 p.m. Andrew C. Maracle, minister to Mohawk Indians in Hogsburg, N. Y., guest speaker. Delegations from churches in Metropolitan Area especially invited to attend.—by Swen E. Johnson, President N.Y.-N.J. Alumni Association.

MISCELLANEOUS

MEETING CANCELLED—Meeting in Lineville, Iowa announced to begin June 7 has been cancelled.—by Evangelist Carl W. Oney.

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2 You desire to do the most possible to further gospel work with your means. At the same time you establish yourself a worry-free income for life, Assemblies of God Annuities help you perform a genuine Christian service. For without wills, lawyers or court proceedings you provide that what remains of your estate at death will go directly into Christian activities, such as our world-wide missionary program, ministry to youth, Bible schools, and many other avenues of service.

If you qualify, write at once for the free booklet on Assemblies of God Annuities. Simply address "TODAY—AND FOREVER," 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

*Annuities are available for younger people, although the rate of return decreases in proportion to the earlier age at which the Annuity is acquired.