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## God's Plan for Peace

Will armaments preserve the peace forever? Can the nations prevent another world war by continually frightening one another with threats of their military might?

The U. S. recently demonstrated its power by extending its testing range for guided missiles far down into the South Atlantic. Russia retaliated by boasting (whether truly or falsely) that it already had a guided missile that will span the ocean and drop atomic or hydrogen warheads on American cities. Meanwhile the free nations of Southeast Asia were demonstrating their military power by staging war maneuvers in that part of the world. And America began to sell arms both to Israel and to the Arabs in the hope of thereby preventing a major incident in the Near East.

Statesmen know that an armament race eventually and inevitably leads to war. They know that the only path to peace is through disarmament—but they also know how much the nations distrust one another and how unlikely they are to discard their weapons. What hope is there, then, for a lasting peace? God's Book says there is no hope apart from the coming of Christ. His return will bring the Golden Age of which men have dreamed for so long. We call it the Millennium because we read in Revelation 20 that it will last a thousand years.

Jesus said, "Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father" (Matthew 13:43). In that day swords shall be beaten into ploughshares, and spears into pruninghooks. The promise appears twice—once in Isaiah 2:4 and again in Micah 4:4. But notice that in both cases it stipulates that this universal disarmament shall occur when Christ rules as Judge over the nations. There is no promise of lasting peace before Christ returns. "He (not the armies of democracy) maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth" (Psalm 46:9). "He (not the United Nations) shall speak peace to the heathen" (Zechariah 9:10). His name shall be called, "The Prince of Peace," and as a Prince He shall one day reign over mankind. And of the increase of His government and of peace there shall be no end.

Satan is called the prince of this present evil world, and as long as he rules in the hearts of men there shall be wars and desolations in the earth. Though a world ruler (the Antichrist) shall rise previous to Christ's coming, his reign shall be short. "When they shall say, Peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh upon them" (1 Thessalonians 5:2, 3). Christ at His return shall depose the Antichrist and destroy the devil's power; then, and only then, shall there be lasting peace.

The world wants peace but it also wants its sinful pleasures, and God's Book says, "There is no peace, saith the Lord, unto the wicked" (Isaiah 48:22). In vain do men try to make peace with other nations without first making peace with their Creator. How tragic it is that they persist in ignoring the ancient invitation, "Acquaint now thyself with Him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee" (Job 22:21).

But the individual can have peace, even in a world of strife. He can know the peace that passes understanding, and can enjoy a foretaste of the Millennium in his own heart by accepting the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour here and now. Without Him there can be no peace, no salvation, no eternal life. As it is with the world, so it is with the individual—the divine promises are all wrapped up in the person of Christ. "He that hath the Son hath life, and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life, but the wrath of God abideth on him" (1 John 5:12). Our future, as individuals and as nations, depends upon our acceptance or rejection of the claims of Christ.

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# The Night

# *The CITY FELL!*



**A** PRINCE OF THE REALM OF BABYLON looked out his window one afternoon and saw a messenger riding rapidly toward his palatial residence. It was a messenger from the king, bearing a letter sealed with the king's signet. What could it mean? Was this urgency due to further attacks by the Medes and Persians, who were laying siege to the capital?

Quickly the prince broke the seal. With relief he read that it was a summons to attend a great feast at the king's palace. Belshazzar, young and cocky, was going to give a quasi-religious banquet for a thousand of his lords and princes. To bring calm to the beleaguered city, he and his lords would feast in honor of the Babylonian gods. Anyway, there was no need to fear; for the walls of their city were impregnable, the water supply was sure; food stocks were ample for a long time to come. Were not the walls broad enough for six chariots to ride abreast? And did they not tower some 100 feet into the air? Who could attempt to scale such ramparts without forfeiting his life? What could puny battering rams do against the wall's thick flanks? As for the water supply, the mighty Euphrates flowed through the city's heart. And besides, this feast reflecting the calm and security of the city and its leaders would be the biggest propaganda stunt in the history of Babylon the Great.

The prince was pleased with the letter's contents. Everyone knew that no one could give a feast as could Belshazzar. The young king spared nothing at his elegant banquets. Then, too, it would be good to relax for a while and to stop thinking on the secret fears within his heart. Tonight he could eat, drink, dance, and be merry—and at the king's expense. The Babylonian gods would be pleased, and so would the populace when beholding their leaders' piety. It might be that the gods would even give them a speedy deliverance from the pestiferous armies around their walls.

The prince dressed meticulously. He called for his chariot. He must not be late. As he approached the king's palace, his heart was stirred by the sight. What a king was Belshazzar! With the enemy at his gates, he could coolly arrange a festival like this! The nation's flag floated high above the palace roof. The king's ensign waved proudly from its staff. Gay pennants fluttered from every window. At the sight the prince forgot his fears and eagerly hastened forward to join the assembling guests.

Once inside the palace, he found the atmosphere brisk and gay. Long tables lined the room. At one end was a dais prepared for the king and his leading lords. From an orchestra floated strains of pleasant music. Suddenly the music stopped and the trumpets rang out. All

chatter ceased. The thousand lords and princes and their wives stood at respectful attention as Belshazzar entered and took his place. The guests were then seated and the festivities began. The wine flowed freely and spirits rose. The company laughed at the thought of the Medes and Persians held outside the city walls. They boasted of their own bravery and of the might of Nebuchadnezzar, their former monarch. They spoke of his victory over the Israelites and their great God called "Jehovah." They recalled how he had looted the Temple of Israel's God and brought the sacred vessels of silver and gold to Babylon.

Then suddenly Belshazzar's eyes gleamed brightly! He would show his bravery and prove the greatness of the Babylonian gods who had given them victory upon victory and raised them to power! Drunk with wine and heady with pride, he ordered: "Bring the golden and silver vessels which Nebuchadnezzar brought from the Temple in Jerusalem. We will drink from them in honor of our gods!"

The vessels were brought. The wine was poured. The gods of gold and silver, of brass and iron, of wood and stone were praised. The sacred vessels of Jehovah were lifted to the unclean, slaving lips of the drunken blasphemers.

And then without warning a hand ap-

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## It seemed so safe within those walls; but the hour of judgment had come

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peared high up on the wall and began to write. As the hand wrote, silence fell over the room. Conscience-stricken, Belshazzar's face became white with fear, his knees shook and his body trembled. This was the hand of God! The God whom he was reviling! The God of Israel was writing! Never once did Belshazzar question the author of the mystic writing. He questioned only the meaning of the writing.

Now the laughter in the hall was still. The gaiety had ceased. The fun was over. Bragging was done. The God of all the earth had written, and men feared the writing. Their consciences told them that it spoke of judgment. Though the writing was unintelligible to the king's wisest men, an inner voice told all present that sin had run its course, that payday had come.

Then Daniel, a prophet of the God who had written, was called. Before this his services had not seemed necessary. He was too serious, too holy, too wise. But now only he in whom dwelt the Spirit of the most high God could interpret the writing which had interrupted the impious feast. "Daniel, if you will only help me now, I'll make you third ruler in the kingdom," Belshazzar said. But it was too late to help. Daniel did not wish to belong to this ungodly system lest he perish in its doom. He sought no favors from Belshazzar for his services, but instead rebuked his sin.

Daniel reminded Belshazzar of God's blessings upon his grandfather, Nebuchadnezzar. He reminded him that God had given Nebuchadnezzar his position of power and honor. But when Nebuchadnezzar had become filled with pride, God humbled him so that he lived as a beast in the field, until he learned that appointments to power were in God's control. And then Daniel said: "And thou his son, O Belshazzar, hast not humbled thine heart, though thou knewest all this; but hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven. . . . and the God in whose hand thy breath is, and whose are all thy ways, hast thou not glorified. The interpretation of the [writing is:] God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it. . . . Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting. . . . Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians."

Despite Daniel's protests, Belshazzar proclaimed him the third ruler in the kingdom. Perhaps he thought that this act would give him favor with Daniel's God. How sadly mistaken he was. God

demands a broken and contrite spirit. Flattering gifts are only an abomination to Him. Sinner, if you would have God's merciful favor, you must repent!

As Daniel left, the war cry of the Medes and Persians rang out in the palace court. Cold fear gripped the hearts of the festal crowd. By diverting the river, the invading army had marched up the river bed under the wall. The army of Darius stormed into the banqueting hall with swords flashing in the lamplight. Tables overturned, and wine and blood ran thickly across the marble floor. The Bible says: "In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain." Hear it again: "In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain!" That was *Belshazzar's last feast*. It was his last night on earth. It was his price for sinning. From the boastful banquet he went to the horrors of hell. "The soul that sinneth, it shall die." "The wages of sin is death."

Oh, the awful pronouncement of God's judgment upon sin! Take it to heart. Don't sin against knowledge, as did Belshazzar. Don't mock God with your pride and conceit. Don't lift up yourself against God, the Lord of heaven. Rather humble



A well-known atheist once said: "I can stand all the arguing of Christian apologists; but I have a little servant who is a disciple of Jesus, and her pure, honest, truthful life staggers me sometimes." The one irresistible argument for the gospel's truth and power is a regenerated and consecrated life.

—BANNER



yourself before Him and confess your guilt. Your breath is in His hands. Your ways are known to Him. Do not wait for judgment. Rather call on His name now for mercy. Plead His grace, which has been made known by Christ's atoning death and assured you by Christ's resurrection. You are not secure within your intellectual shelter of self-deception. You cannot hide from God's just vengeance. Call upon the name of the Lord while He is near and while He may be found. Call upon His name and be saved from sin and its penalty. Call in faith. Call now in honest prayer.

# "All

THE CORINTHIAN BELIEVERS HAD ENTERED into rivalry concerning the ministry of Paul, Peter, and Apollos. The apostle sought to show them the folly of such bickering, and he ended the third chapter of his first letter to the Corinthians with these assuring words: "For all things are your's; whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are your's; and ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's." In this assurance Paul included the Christian ministry—all these ministers are yours—but went far beyond that, saying that "all things are your's."

In order that we may fully understand this scripture, let us look first at the relationships and attitudes of our Lord Jesus. "Christ is God's." As to relationship, Christ is the eternal Son of the Father. In His ministry on earth, He made Himself also the Father's servant. In this relationship Jesus did always those things that pleased His Father (John 8:29). With Him, fidelity to God was of utmost importance.

In His earthly life Jesus met the same circumstances as we do. As Paul set them forth, these circumstances include human associates, the world, life, death, things present, and things to come. Jesus met all these conditions of life in such manner as would find approval from the Father. At His baptism the Father declared He was the beloved Son in whom He was well pleased. On the Mount of Transfiguration this approval was repeated. In His resurrection and ascension the approval came in all its fullness. He always did those things which pleased the Father.

Next, let us consider the attitude of Christ in relation to "things." Many things He yielded to, in order to demonstrate His perfect submission to the will of God. From man He suffered abuse, false accusation, heartless criticism. He was "in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin."

But with His yielding to the will of God, Christ's attitude was ever that of victory, never of defeat. Men might abuse Him, but Jesus went on healing

It is never the purpose of God that those who love Him should have an attitude of defeat

# Are Yours' "

by E. S. WILLIAMS

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and delivering mankind, setting forth the nature and blessings of the Kingdom. He overcame human opposition by paying little attention to the injustice of man. He triumphed over sickness and Satan by healing the sick and casting out demons. If a hungry multitude was with Him, He would bless some food and have it distributed; if there was a storm at sea, He would arise and rebuke the waves. Never do we find a record of Jesus in defeat. It is never the purpose of God that those who love Him should have an attitude of defeat. Always submissive to the will of God, they are to be "more than conquerors" in meeting the circumstances of life.

What is our relationship? We too are the sons of God, made so through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus. We are also God's servants, placed here on earth to live for Him and to do His will. As to our attitude, we need to realize that we are not our own, but that we are bought with a price; when we have learned this we have gone far in development of the divine purpose of victory in our life. Self is too important with many of us. In order to have Christian victory we need a triumph over ourselves, a triumph which cannot be ours unless we have the right attitude.

Paul declares that *all Christian ministers are yours*. If you are a layman you probably prefer the speaking ability of one minister more than another. Each minister has his strengths and his weaknesses. Different personalities admire different abilities. No minister should be offended if certain members of his flock enjoy the ministry of another man of God more than his own. Others will prefer him. There need be no rivalry among ministers. If there should be any contention, is it not evidence that we have lost sight of our position as servants of Christ, and are indulging in self-esteem?

All godly ministers are the servants of

God; each has a message and a ministry. We sin against our own souls when we become so captivated with one preacher that we find ourselves unable to profit from the ministry of another. Truth is more important than personality. Every faithful minister is a steward of the truth; therefore all have a ministry of edification. God gives us a variety of ministers with different temperaments and different manners because He sees that we need this variety. They "*all are yours*" for your profit. They serve you as you gather help from them. Let nothing deprive you of this valuable service.

Then the apostle says that *the world is yours*. In the world is much sin, distress, and misery. But there is also much of beauty and opportunity. Either the world serves us, or we serve the world. We are either its master, bringing it into subjection to proper use, or we are its slave, bound by its carnal requirements. We grieve at times as we see God's children becoming enslaved to the world and its fashions and desires. Christ has come to set us free from bondage to the world. He wishes us by the grace of God to make the world our servant, subject to us for the glory of God; we must never become subject to it. If Satan is the "god of this world," then the world

## RELIGIOUS SPOTLIGHT



FOR MANY YEARS THE CITY OF SAN MARINO, CALIFORNIA HAD NO CHURCHES—BECAUSE OF OBJECTIONS THAT THEY WOULD DEVALUE PROPERTY.

is his kingdom. Let us therefore not be "conformed to this world, but... transformed," making it serve us.

*Life is yours, too.* Life has been given that it may serve you to the glory of God. Some waste life, letting its precious hours slip through their fingers. They live to please self rather than to fulfill the high purpose of God for them. The apostle made life serve him. Whether he ate or drank, he did all to the glory of God. If it brought hunger, he rose above hunger in spiritual worship. Life brought to him cold, nakedness, perils of many sorts. When his flesh would seek ascendancy he would force it into subjection. He determined not to encourage carnal living. He would live unto God.

What are you doing with life? Are you using it to the glory of God? Are you seeking to serve God in your business, your associations, your enjoyments, your desires? "If ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live." Life may be worth while or it may be wasted.

What about death? May it serve us? Yes, Paul included death among the things which "are yours." While Paul lived he looked forward also to death. His testimony was that "whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord." He purposed that he would be ready for death whenever it might come. And why not? How can one tell what accident may take him, what sickness may call him away?

The hour came when Paul faced death. Because of the way he had lived, he did not dread to die. His soul was at peace because he had "fought a good fight" and "kept the faith." Death for him was a glorious hope.

Peter had a similar attitude. The Lord Jesus had shown him that he would soon put off his earthly tabernacle (2 Peter 1:14) and exchange it for a heavenly one. He, too, was ready to go. How sad it is to see those who have professed the name of the Lord Jesus come to the end of life's day with regret. *Death is yours* in order that you may prepare for it.

We live in the present. *The present is yours*, Paul said, with its opportunities for service, for legitimate success and legitimate satisfactions. Make the most of the present. Take advantage of it by making it your servant. Seek to do all to the glory of God today, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do. Make the most of the present. Do not waste it. It is yours.

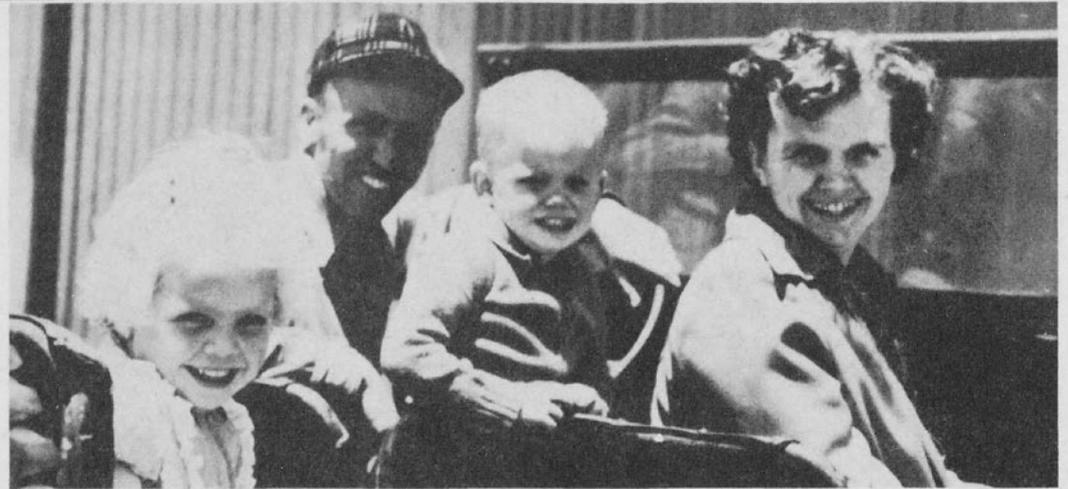
Then comes the *future*. There are many experiences which lie ahead—some

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The five widows and eight orphans left by the five American missionaries who were slain by savages in the jungles of Ecuador in January. The women are (from left to right): Mrs. Edward McCully, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. Roger Youderian, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. Peter Fleming, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. James Elliot, Portland, Oreg.; and Mrs. Nate Saint, Huntingdon Valley, Pa.

Nate Saint and his wife Marjorie, with two of their children. One of Nate's biggest assets in missionary work was his faithful and talented wife. He never could have surmounted jungle barriers and overcome the heart-breaking setbacks of pioneer missionary work without the encouragement he received from Marjorie. Besides being mother to three small children, she was nurse, teacher, radio monitor, a wonderful partner in the gospel work.



## Missionary **MARTYRS** in 1956

**A**LL THE CHRISTIAN WORLD WAS STIRRED in January by the violent deaths of five consecrated missionaries who were seeking to take the gospel to savage Auca Indians deep in the upper Amazon jungles of Ecuador.

Other missionaries, undaunted by the fate of their friends, have persisted in efforts to reach the savages, and on January 31 another friendly contact was made.

The mission to the Aucas began about a year ago, when the missionaries learned some of the language from four Indian women who had fled the tribe. Since last October Nathanael (Nate) Saint, a pilot in the Missionary Aviation Fellowship, had made more than a dozen weekly air trips to the Auca territory. At first, using his own "bucket drop" device, Saint lowered jungle knives, aluminum kettles, bright colored ribbons, clothing, and other items to the ground, and the savages accepted the gifts. They even

responded by putting gifts of a feather crown, a parrot, and various native foods in the bucket!

Later on, other evidences of the Indians' friendship were observed. They cleared brush and trees to facilitate gift-exchanging, placed a crude replica of the plane on the roof of one of the jungle huts, and even constructed a platform twenty feet up a tree to receive the bucket-delivered goods.

In January, after Saint and four other missionaries had established a camp in a 200-yard clearing on the riverbank, a group of three nearly naked Aucas came to their camp "completely unafraid and unembarrassed"—a man of about 20, and two women, one about 18, the other 30. The man was taken for a ride in the missionaries' plane after he expressed deep interest in it.

What happened on the final trip, and how the relationship shifted from one of apparent friendliness to hostility and

murder, remains a mystery; it may never be known until these people are actually converted. All we know is that on the morning of January 8 Saint radioed his wife, who had stayed at the mission air base at Shell Mera, that they had landed safely and would communicate again at 4 p.m. Exactly at that hour he established radio contact with her, but had spoken only a few words when he interrupted himself to say excitedly, "Here come a group of Aucas we've not known before!" That was the last word from the group.

When the missionaries failed to return to their base, rescue parties began searching for them. All of the bodies were found near the plane, one of them run through by a primitive lance into which a page from a New Testament had been woven. Now five white crosses mark the place where they were buried. The missionaries' plane, "Wings of Mercy," will be left at the scene as "a witness of their sacrifice." Searchers said the Indians had

stripped the craft and ripped the fuselage.

What kind of men were these martyrs? Why did they choose a pioneer missionary career to the least civilized Indian tribe of South America? A glimpse into the life of Nate Saint may provide the answer. Specifically, what caused young Saint to leave the comforts of life in America and risk his life daily flying a Piper Super Cruiser over the "green hell" of the upper Amazon valley?

Of course, Nate was human like the rest of us. He was a member of a godly family, and seventh of eight children. Their mother and father faithfully took their children to church, taught them the Bible, maintained a family altar, and sought to lead each child to a personal experience of salvation.

His father, Lawrence B. Saint, is a famous stained glass craftsman, but the family was not wealthy. Mr. Saint was an invalid for a number of years and unable to provide a living for his family. Clothes were patched and handed down from one child to the next. Sickness was a frequent visitor in the home. Almost miraculously, none of the children died, and all grew to maturity.

By the time Nate reached high school age, he had become a bold witness for Christ. When some of the Christian (?) young people were compromising with the world, attending dances and other worldly amusements, Nate refused to lower his standards, even though it meant the ridicule of his classmates and the dishonor of being called to the principal's office. While others were frivolous and carefree he was serious and consecrated, quietly going on with the Lord.

In his younger days Nate spent his extra minutes taking clocks apart and tinkering with old cars. It was only natural for him to develop an interest in flying. Planes became a part of his very life, and his ingenuity and precision became well-known. Methodical and meticulous, he became an expert in handling small craft.

Then came World War II. He tried to join the Air Force as a pilot, but failed his physical exam. So he settled for mechanical work on airplane engines. There in the great aircraft shops the genial, philosophical mechanic was being prepared of God to blaze a trail in Missionary aviation.

After that, he attended a Christian college, but his burden for missions grew so overwhelming and the call of the Spirit became so clear that without waiting for a diploma he went to South America to begin his missionary career.

For a number of years Nate operated a flying service in northeastern Ecuador and adjacent parts of Colombia for missionary groups working in the area. On one occasion Nate's plane was wrecked and he himself lay in a hospital with his back broken and his sight gone; but his

## *Mining Disaster!*

**Should he save his own life or the lives of the other unsaved workmen? That was the decision he had to make.**

by A. H. TOWNSEND

**G**EORGE BRENT WAS AN OLD-COUNTRY mine foreman. It was his duty to inspect the mine diggings before the men began their day's work. He knew the Lord Jesus experimentally, and possessed an ardent faith and trust in God.

His daughter, Mrs. John Hutchins, personally told me this story about her father's heroic sacrifice.

One night George had a vivid dream of a disaster in the mine. The next morning he told of his dream, and his wife pleaded with him not to go into the mine that day.

But he said, "I am ready to die. Jesus Christ is my Lord and Saviour. If I do not go, the assistant foreman will take my place. He may be killed, and he is not ready to meet a just God."

Before the men went into the mine that morning, George Brent prayed with his men, then witnessed to them of Christ. The men later said, "We never had heard a prayer like it."

spirit was undaunted. He testified with fervor, "If I must be blind and crippled the rest of my life, it will be worth it all, if only we can reach the Indians with the gospel of Christ." Such was his consecration and determination throughout his entire missionary career.

A quotation from a letter written by Nate Saint just three weeks before his death will express the purpose and feeling of the entire group of men and give a very justifiable reason for risking their lives to reach these savage Aucas:

"As people have a high old time this Christmas, may we who know Christ hear the cry of the damned as they hurtle headlong into the Christless night without ever a chance. May we be moved with compassion as our Lord was. May we shed tears of repentance for those whom we have failed to bring out of darkness. Beyond the smiling scenes of Bethlehem may we see the crushing agony of Golgotha. . . .

"If God would grant us the vision, the

When they reached the diggings, deep in the mine, Foreman George Brent moved forward to make his required inspection for the day. While he was making the safety check a charge of powder, which should have exploded the day before, belatedly went off and killed him instantly. How true are the words, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13).

Our hearts thrill to think of this brave Christian miner who was willing to die that others might live. But I am thinking of One who gave Himself to die for us upon a cross of wood while we, the human race, were yet sinners. For "God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:8).

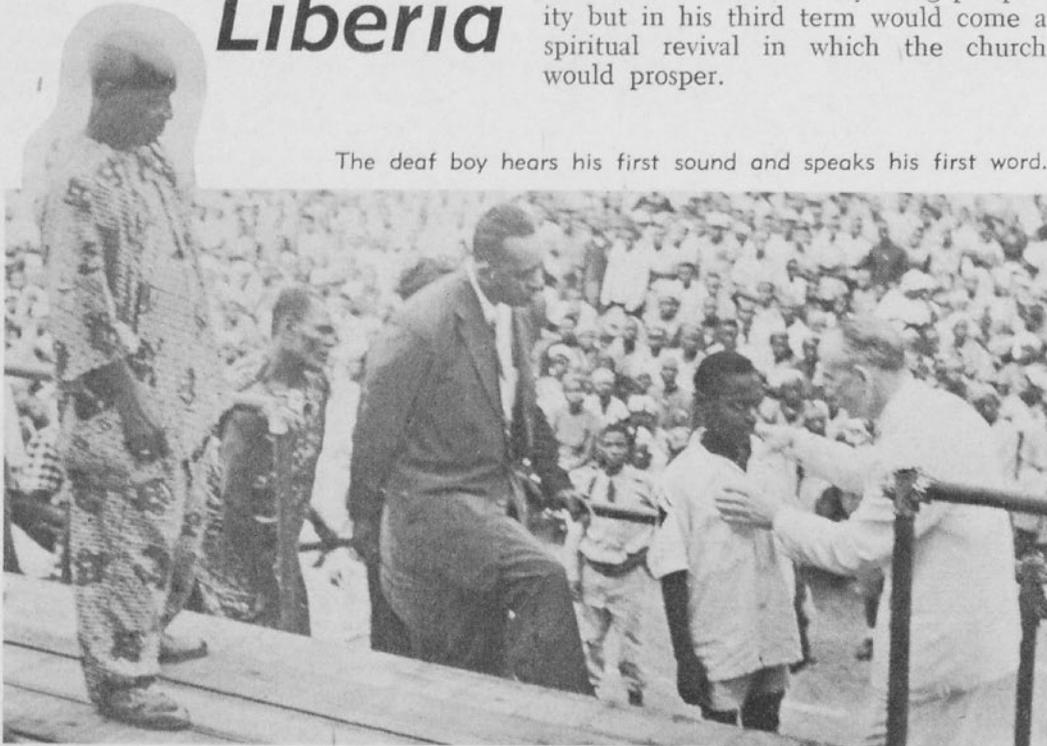
My friend, God's love is unfathomable; it reached from heaven to earth to rescue you from sin. Jesus died that you might live eternally. Accept Him today as your Lord and Saviour.

word 'sacrifice' would disappear from our lips and thoughts. We would hate the things that now seem dear to us; our lives would suddenly be too short; we would despise time-robbing distractions, and charge the enemy with all our energy in the name of Christ. May God help us to judge by the eternity that separates the Aucas from the comprehension of Christmas, and of Him, who, though He was rich, yet for our sakes became poor, so that through His poverty we might be made rich."

Nate Saint never knew what it meant to be idle, or even to take a vacation as such. Always he was figuring out some new ingenious device for increasing the safety and effectiveness of missionary aviation. He introduced the previously unheard-of idea of lowering a bucket on a rope while flying in a tight circle. This pick-up and delivery device has stimulated the imagination of some of the top leaders in aviation. Other plans were being

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# Miracles of Healing in Liberia



The deaf boy hears his first sound and speaks his first word.

Methodist Church, made a few remarks. He said:

"President Tubman has not only been inaugurated, but this salvation-healing revival is an inauguration of the kingdom of God in Liberia. We have seen the blind eyes opened; the deaf hear; the dumb speak; and the lame walk. This truly is the kingdom of God, and we are determined to receive this power in order that we may keep this revival in Liberia."

Many members of the Cabinet, the House and the Senate were present. Included in this number was the Hon. Momolu Dukuly, Secretary of State.

In presenting the President, the Secretary said: "The minister who spoke at the intercessory service spoke in prophecy when he said that President Tubman's third term would not only bring prosperity but in his third term would come a spiritual revival in which the church would prosper.

ciples needed a special power to heal the sick and alleviate suffering, so we need the same power.

"That power is the power of Pentecost. That power does not come easy; we will have to pay for it, but let us pay whatever the price.

"They fasted and prayed and stayed in that room ten days and nights. Let us stay and let us wait until we have received the same power, and then we too can minister to the needs of Liberia, both the spiritual and the physical needs."

After President Tubman's address, Brother Byrd spoke on "The Church." He said Christ has never withdrawn His power from the Church, and the only way to build His Church is by the power of Pentecost. "Even devils and the gates of hell cannot prevail against a Pentecost-empowered church," he said.

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The evangelists will remain in Liberia until the latter part of March. Following their campaign in the Monrovia area they will conduct meetings in various coastal cities before returning to America.

Brother Horst reports that God is stirring up the ministers and members of the various denominations to seek the Lord and receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. The night meetings were being turned into Holy Ghost receiving services, and the sick were being prayed for in the morning services. He writes:

"The Methodist conference closed last week. The conference passed a resolution wishing the President a successful and a prosperous third term. In the resolution they thanked him for bringing Ralph Byrd to Liberia, for in so doing, they said, 'you have brought the kingdom of God to Liberia.'

"In his reply, the President said: 'Every department and phase of Liberia has made progress except the church. Now that this revival has come to Liberia, I expect you preachers and the church to get this power. Keep this power in Liberia, for I do not believe that it is necessary for us to have to send to America in order for us to have a Salvation-Divine Healing Revival.'

"This," concludes Brother Horst, "has been the burden of our hearts. We feel that the ministers are the key to revival. Pray with us that the Holy Spirit will be outpoured upon the ministry. Ask God to lay His hand mightily upon these men and use them in the continuation of this mighty revival that has now come to their Republic."

I can see how it might be possible for a man to look down upon the earth and be an atheist, but I cannot conceive how a man could look up into the heavens and say there is no God.

—Abraham Lincoln.

## **LIBERIA'S PRESIDENT ATTENDS SALVATION-HEALING REVIVAL**

**A**CCORDING TO THE DAILY NEWSPAPER, President Wm. V. S. Tubman attended the revival meeting being conducted by the Assemblies of God evangelists from America, Ralph Byrd and Glenn Horst. It was a Sunday afternoon, and a large crowd had gathered at the Antoinette Tubman Stadium in Monrovia for the service.

The following report is taken from the newspaper:

After good spirited singing the congregation was led in prayer by Chaplain Steady.

Dr. Elliott read the Scripture lesson, while Dr. Ward, pastor of the First

"We have seen this prosperity in the few short weeks since the President's inauguration. I take pleasure in presenting the man who made possible this revival. Ladies and gentlemen, the President of Liberia!"

President Tubman then spoke and thanked Brother Byrd for coming to Liberia and for giving himself without reserve to the people of Liberia. He said, "When Christ was here, many of the religious leaders not only stayed away but sought to keep the people away. History repeats itself; but the common people heard Him gladly and I note that the people are coming out to hear Dr. Byrd and to be healed.

"The more of Christ and His Spirit that we have, the more we will minister to the common man. Even as Christ ministered to the sick and the suffering, so He commanded His disciples and so He commands us today. Just as the dis-

*A German woman who escaped from behind the Iron Curtain tells of a strong gospel campaign being waged in prison camps*

# A Mighty Christian Youth Movement in RUSSIA

**T**HE LITTLE MONKS" NUMBER SEVERAL million who are carrying on missionary work all over Russia—even in the prison camps—a spontaneous movement that has come into being through Bible reading.

The Christian youth represent the greatest opposition group against the Communist regime in Russia. Thus says the first prisoner to come out of the forced labor camp at Vorkuta. This prisoner is the 35-year-old German woman, Birgitte Gerland. She has spent seven years in Vorkuta, to which she was banished together with 8,000 young Christians who had received sentences of from 10 to 25 years for having participated in opposition to the regime.

Frau Gerland's account from Vorkuta agrees in detail with what has been told by the American, John Nobel. He was the second prisoner to escape from the big camp.

## RELIGIOUS REVIVAL

A religious revival is taking place over the whole of Russia. So says Frau Gerland, whom we recently met in London. The revival began during the closing phase of the war, and has been going on ever since. It has found expression in the official church communities, but it is still stronger in "God's underground movement," which arranges more services and meetings in secret than are held in the churches. These secret services are very well attended, and the addresses given are in the highest degree practical.

## MONACHKI—THE LITTLE MONKS

Vorkuta is a camp where exclusively political prisoners are assembled. The prisoners belong to four different opposition movements, and they have been sentenced for taking part in them. The largest and the strongest is the organization of Christian youth who call themselves "the believers." They have been given by the wardens the nickname of "monachki"—the little monks, and this appellation the young Christians have proudly accepted. The movement is now known over the whole of Russia as "monachki." In the seven years Frau Gerland has spent in prison she has been moved

from one camp to another, 20 different ones in all—and in every one of them she met the monachki.

## FROM ALL GRADES OF SOCIETY

The Christian youth movement is recruited from all grades of society, but chiefly students, clerks and shop assistants. They gather for Bible study in their districts. It is difficult in Russia to get hold of Bibles, and the few copies obtainable are hand-written. These Bible manuscripts are distributed by monachki, even among the prisoners in the Vorkuta camp.

The monachki have no ritual or ceremonies. Their services are much like those of the Quakers. Anyone who feels led to do so reads from the Bible and gives a short talk, in which he or she always tries to apply the words of the Bible to life and the community today. Similar services are held in the prison camps, and almost all the prisoners attend. At first the guards tried to prevent these meetings, but when that failed, they contented themselves with keeping the prisoners away. Now, the services are only interrupted when bigger contingents of guards arrive.

## PASSIVE RESISTANCE

Among the "monachki" there are a number of conscientious objectors, who without exception are sent to the prison camps. The sentence used to be 10 years, but this has been increased to 25 years. But this does not scare the young men, and every year a new year's class brings its quota of conscientious objectors.

The movement has also made contact with the illegal remnants of the Russian Mennonites, Stundists, and other pacifist religious groups. The numbers of those

attached to the monachki are given as several million.

The Christian youth proclaim the method of passive resistance. They will not hear of any violence, and do not therefore co-operate with groups who are preparing a new revolution. Instead, they support all strike action (Frau Gerland says this actually does occur in Russia) and advise people not to work for the godless state.

Young people are also leaving their situations and going out as evangelists to the remotest parts of Russia. There they preach the Gospel among collective farm laborers and organize special agricultural Christian communities. As a rule such an evangelist can reckon on carrying on for a year before he is arrested. They are all quite clear about this, but they count the year as well worth 25 years in the slave camp.

## A PURELY RUSSIAN MOVEMENT

Inside the camp walls the young Christians continue to carry on the struggle. This revival movement began as a purely Russian movement, without preachers and without help from churches abroad. The only thing that has brought the young people into this movement is the reading of the Bible, and the desire to carry out the principles of Christianity in their communal life. The whole of the secret police with their machinery are mobilized in the fight against the monachki, but they are powerless against these young people who, says Frau Gerland, derive their inspiration from Christ Himself.

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# REVIVAL IN ALASKA

*Missionaries report over half of villagers have accepted the gospel*

GOD IS WORKING MIGHTILY IN THE small village of Minto, Alaska, where Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Olson, formerly of Willmar, Minnesota, are laboring as missionaries. Brother Olson recently wrote to the Home Missions Department saying that at least twenty accepted Christ during the month of January.

"It hasn't been that the people just came to the altar. This work of God is the kind that has completely changed the lives of drunkards, gamblers, and those who have been living in all forms of sin. Whole families have found Christ as Saviour, and now well over half the villagers have found salvation. I have seen families that used to be unhappy because of the effects of sin now stand up and testify that Christ is so real they can hardly express it.

"Brother B. P. Wilson, who began this work by flying over from Fairbanks where he pastors, came out a few weeks ago. During the testimony meetings he was thrilled to see the transformation in the lives of the people. Even the school teachers have noticed that there is a shine on the faces of the people that has not been there before.

"A woman came over one afternoon and told us she was discouraged. She was the only one in her family who had accepted Christ as Saviour, and she felt so alone. She especially wanted prayer for her husband. So after explaining the promise of the Lord, we prayed with her for her family.

"The next morning her husband came to our house. He said he had dreamed during the night that he should come over to see me, and I would tell him how to get right with the Lord. The effect of this dream was so strong that he could hardly wait to come. We pointed him to the Saviour, and before he left the burden of sin was gone. Less than an hour later one of the sons came over, and he too wanted to get right with the Lord. This was a remarkable answer to prayer.

"Last Sunday night the chief of the village came forward and gave his heart to the Lord. On Monday he brought his wife, and she too gave her heart to Christ. The chief said that all during the service he felt a strong force urging him to go forward, and he couldn't resist any longer. Another man felt the Holy Spirit speaking to him so strongly that he accepted the Lord after the service. Both he and his wife were gloriously saved and they gave their testimonies at an impromptu prayer meeting Monday night.

"The people are now seeking the baptism of the Holy Spirit. We ask your prayers that they might receive this wonderful infilling.

"The Lord has spoken to several people in dreams and signs, and we have felt the presence of the Lord so strongly in the services. The Lord has done so many wonderful things that we can only humbly thank Him.

"We feel that this is what the Lord has desired to do in the lives of the natives here in Alaska. We are sure that

this is but the beginning of a real move among these needy people. The natives have been bound for so many years by sinful living and a religion that has given them a false hope, that at times we doubted if they really could be saved.

"The Lord has burdened our hearts to do everything we can to help these people find salvation and healing. The natives don't have many material possessions, and many have sickness in their homes. This year trapping has been poor, but the people have been happy because Christ lives in their hearts. . . ."

The Olsons are only one of our missionary couples in Alaska who must look to us here in the States for their support.

Offerings are needed for the support of village works like the one at Minto, and pledges of monthly help, whether large or small, will help these workers. Let us do our part in this sacrificial work of taking Christ to native Alaskan villages.

Send your offerings for ALASKA MISSIONS to—

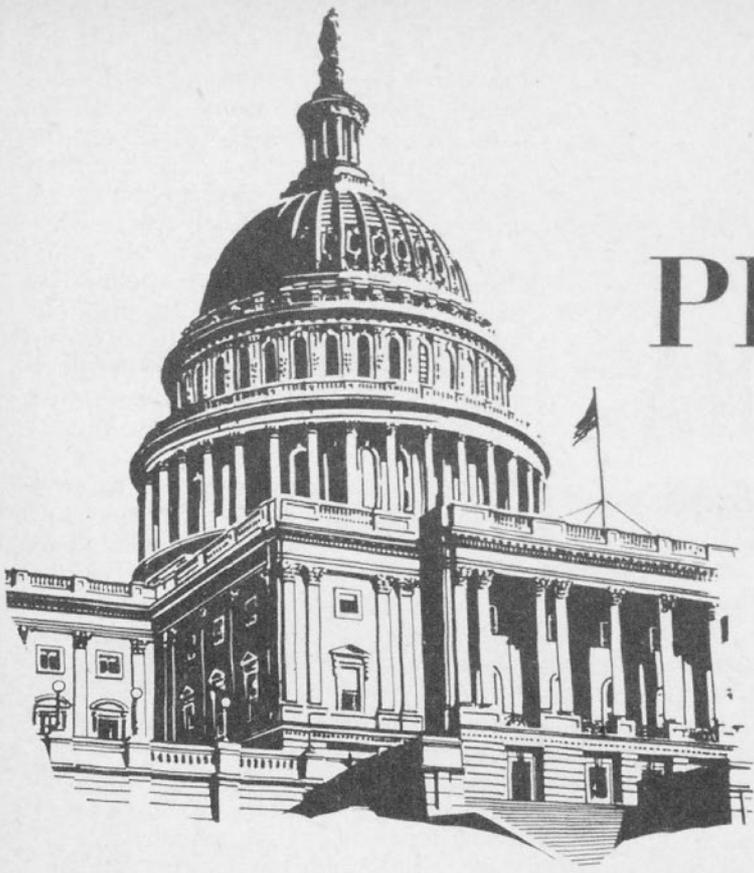
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434 WEST PACIFIC STREET  
Springfield 1, Missouri

## NOTHING CAN HINDER

Frequently the most outrageous wickedness of the ungodly is followed by a revival. If Christians are made to feel that they have no hope but in God, and if they have sufficient feeling left to care for the honor of God and the salvation of the souls of the impenitent, there will certainly be a revival. Let hell boil over if it will, and spew out as many devils as there are stones in the pavement—if it only drives Christians to God in prayer it cannot hinder a revival.—Charles G. Finney

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Olson, missionaries in the village of Minto, Alaska





# PRAYING for Our *government*

**T**O MANY IT MAY COME AS A SURPRISE that it is a manifold sin for a Christian to fail to pray for the men who head our governmental affairs. It is disobedience to God, a sin against the Saviour, a grief to the Holy Spirit, a wrong to the officials, and a sin against our own best interests and the peace of the world.

It would be well if every Christian would read very carefully the inspired command given by the Lord Jesus Christ through the apostle Paul: "I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; for kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. . . . I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting" (1 Tim. 2:1-8).

In this passage there are six factors of great concern to all who profess to be followers of the Lord:

1. Neglect of prayer for all men in authority is a sin against God the Father, since it ignores His will. "This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour" (v. 3).

2. It dishonors the Lord Jesus Christ, the "one mediator between God and men, . . . who gave himself a ransom for all" (including public officials), and who desires that these men shall "come unto the knowledge of the truth" (v. 4).

3. It robs Christians of four major blessings of life, unless God in special mercy orders differently: public quietness,

heart ease, godliness, and a good conscience. ". . . that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty" (v. 2).

4. It means also that we shall be held chargeable to the Lord if we do not pass on to others by precept and example this holy commandment that we always remember to pray "for kings, and for all that are in authority" (v. 2). As Paul passes on to us this commandment, so it is our duty to see that other Christians understand His will for them concerning government. If we really love the Lord we will keep His commandments. Paul tells us that the exhortations written by him are definitely "the commandments of the Lord" (1 Cor. 14: 37, 38). Let us be careful, then, to observe this duty, for it is "good and acceptable" unto God, desired by the Lord Jesus, a joy to the Holy Spirit, and of incalculable blessing to government and our own souls.

Such intercession is far more important than we may realize. In all this world and the next, nothing which is in itself eternally good happens apart from prayer. By this means our chiefest blessings come from the throne of God. Thus we may have a glorious partnership in God's bestowment of blessing.

The Holy Spirit uses the heart of a righteous suppliant as a sort of holy place for the offering up of our Bible-taught prayers through Christ our Saviour and Mediator. Christ receives them and offers them on the ground of His atonement. He presents these prayers to the Father, with the merit of His blood and the interest of His loving heart.

Paul wrote these instructions about

praying for rulers while Nero, probably the most cruel despot of all time, sat on the throne. Pleaders for government officials must have the grace of love in their hearts if their prayers are to be received by the Lord.

And there must be no doubting; our prayers must be "without . . . doubting" (v. 8). How little is our faith! When it comes to governments, we despair when we should be on our knees in believing prayer. Who but God would have put these words into the passage we have quoted: "Who will have all men [public officials as well as others] to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth"? Who has the faith to request the salvation of men in high government offices? Yet God holds before us this astounding blessing!

To enliven his faith, let every Christian go through the Scriptures, noting the references to government officials. Notice especially the influence of Abraham and Jacob with kings. Watch the prophets and the apostles as they witness before dignitaries. Jacob "blessed" Pharaoh of Egypt. Jonah had mighty influence with the king of Nineveh. Paul pleaded with Festus and Agrippa to turn to God. Daniel got from Nebuchadnezzar his great confession that God is sovereign ruler of the universe.

Prayer for government is one of the most neglected ministries. The world has yet to see what God will do in governments in answer to concerted prayer. A revival of intercession for our nation in hearts, homes, and churches will secure new mercies for our land and the world. May you and your church heed the call of God to effectual, fervent prayer for our government.



# THIS PRESENT WORLD . . . NEWS AND NOTES ON OUR TIMES

## More Students Studying for the Ministry

Enrollment in America's theological schools is 7.7 per cent higher than last year. There are now 30,965 studying for the ministry. Men outnumber women five to one. About one out of every hundred students in American colleges and universities is attending a theological school.

## Script-O-Dial to Be Introduced on C. A. Day

The young people's department of the Assemblies of God has announced that on April 22, National C. A. Day, a Scripture memorization campaign will be launched. The unique feature of this effort will be the Script-O-Dial, a copyrighted idea developed by the National C. A. Department to aid Scripture memorization. With the Script-O-Dial, one can instantly "dial" a scripture and text directly related to one of the four distinct doctrines of the Assemblies of God—Salvation, Divine Healing, Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and the Second Coming.

## Federal Scholarship Loan Plan Is Proposed

A bill that would provide \$15,000,000 in federal scholarship loans was introduced in the House of Representatives by Peter Rodino, Jr., of New Jersey. Under the proposed plan, grants of up to \$1,000 a year for undergraduate study and \$1,500 a year for graduate work would be available to worthy students wishing to attend state or private colleges of their choice. The money would be repayable by the students, without interest, after graduation.

Mr. Rodino said that rising tuition costs, particularly at private colleges, have made it difficult for worthy students to get an education.

## Sunday Fishing Made Legal in Georgia

The House of Representatives in Georgia reversed itself on the matter of Sunday fishing. Earlier, a measure to make Sunday fishing legal in the state had been defeated by a margin of four votes. The measure was brought back and passed 106-48. Church members were told they could now go on with their Sunday fishing untroubled by a guilty conscience; but a minister who is also a member of the House of Representatives reminded the Georgia legislators that the Bible still sets one day aside as a day of worship, and that man's law cannot change God's law.

## Adventist in North Carolina to Get Compensation

The North Carolina Supreme Court ruled that a Seventh-Day Adventist woman is entitled to unemployment compensation benefits, even though she refused to work on a Saturday.

The woman was fired by the mill for which she worked for thirteen years, because she refused to work a late Friday shift that would have required her to be on the job after sundown, when her Sabbath would begin. She sought unemployment compensation but was denied it because she had declined Saturday work. She had to take her case all the way to the North Carolina Supreme Court to get a ruling that would entitle her to unemployment compensation benefits.

## Over 30,000 Added to Sunday Schools Last Year

Over 30,000 pupils were added to the membership rolls of Assemblies of God Sunday Schools during the past year, according to the latest totals compiled by the National Sunday School Department.

Charles W. Denton, National Sunday School Secretary, states that there were 7,063 Assemblies of God Sunday Schools in the U. S., as of October 1, 1955. These Schools had a total enrollment of 805,182 as compared with 775,100 a year earlier.

On an average Sunday morning last year 586,229 could be found present at Sunday School. Two other facts of special significance: (1) more Schools reported on the annual check-up forms last year than ever before; and (2) approximately 20% of the Schools received the Gold Crown award. Here is a complete listing of the latest statistics:

Total number of Sunday Schools .....	7,063
Total number of Schools reporting .....	6,214
Total Sunday School enrollment .....	805,182
Average enrollment per School .....	114
Enrollment increase during the year .....	30,082
Total average attendance .....	586,229
Average attendance per School .....	83
Increase in average attendance for the year .....	26,809
Total officers and teachers .....	84,756
Average officers and teachers per School .....	12
Increase in officers and teachers for the year .....	3,876
Souls won to Christ during the year .....	84,756
Average number of conversions per School .....	12

## Missionaries Teach Dancing in Foreign Lands

In Africa, Roman Catholic missionaries in the Belgian Congo have "worked out large-scale religious dances to express in collective fashion the sacred events commemorated by Holy Days."

"The effect has been tremendous," according to Sister M. Juliana, of Maryknoll, who declares: "For the African, dancing is not merely an amusement. It is an expression of his emotions and his aspiration."

Another item in the news concerns an 18-member Methodist choir from India which has just arrived in the U. S. for a six-month concert tour. Dressed in traditional Indian garb they will offer songs, orchestral numbers and folk dances. Do Methodists, as well as Catholics, give missionary offerings to teach foreigners how to dance?

## Will Good Friday Become a Public Holiday?

There is a campaign to make Good Friday a public holiday in the United States. Legislation has been introduced to this effect in Congress. On another level, a bill has been introduced in the Rhode Island House of Representatives to permit banks in that state to close from noon to 3 p.m. on Good Friday. Labor groups also are asking for the holiday. New union contracts being drawn up between the Quaker Oats Company and the union in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, will designate Good Friday as an additional paid holiday.

## President Joins Laymen at Prayer Breakfast

President Eisenhower joined 800 laymen from all walks of life at a prayer breakfast in Washington last month. It was the fourth annual prayer breakfast of the International Council for Christian Leadership. Members of the Cabinet, Congress, the judiciary, and others were present.

Senator Frank Carlson (Kansas) presided at the meeting. The host was Conrad Hilton, who presented the President with a silver plaque of the prayer he offered at his inauguration.

In accepting the plaque, the President made several fine statements about the importance of prayer and faith in God. He said: "There has been too much of the world that believes the United States to be completely materialistic, boastful, proud, and arrogant. It is meetings such as this prayer breakfast, continual, repeated, that has helped to dispel this very great illusion. It is still a nation that is founded on a religious faith... trying to follow the footsteps and the principles of religion and to establish a just peace for the world."

The chairman reported that there are two prayer groups that meet at the United States Capitol every week. One is a group of 12 to 20 Senators who meet every Wednesday morning. The other is a group of some 40 members of the House of Representatives who meet every Thursday morning for a time of spiritual fellowship and prayer. These groups have been meeting regularly for several years, and upwards of a hundred Senators or Representatives attend the meetings from time to time.

The presidential breakfast marked the opening of the annual council of Christian leaders which lasted for several days. Senator Price Daniel (Texas) was elected President of International Christian Leadership. Judge Boyd Leedom, new chair-

man of the National Labor Relations Board, was named Executive Vice President. The conference voted in favor of teaching school children "the close and essential relationship between our religion and our way of life." It also approved plans to establish Christian Leadership organizations in all 48 state capitals.

The laymen were addressed by several government leaders. One of them was Secretary of the Army Wilber M. Brucker who said he prays daily that the nation's great defense establishment will never have to be used to destroy, but that other ways may be found to bring world peace. Mr. Brucker stated that a great many people in government and public life have a "deep and abiding conviction of the power of God." He said such leaders arrange their affairs so they can actively participate in personal and corporate worship.

## April 15 Is Ministers' Deadline on Social Security

The Government has announced that April 15 will be the deadline for ministers to enter the Social Security program. Under this program a minister and his wife may obtain retirement benefits, partly at their own expense and partly at the Government's expense. Participation is entirely voluntary. All licensed or ordained ministers of the gospel who are actively engaged in the ministry are eligible for Social Security under the new law.

April 15 is also the deadline for withdrawing from Social Security. If any minister who has filed an application for social security coverage now wishes to withdraw, he must fill out a prescribed form in writing not later than April 15. Otherwise, he becomes an active participant from that date on, and once a minister is an active participant he cannot withdraw from the plan.



President Eisenhower arrives at Mayflower Hotel in Washington for the Prayer Breakfast. He is being greeted by Abraham Vereide, Executive Director of International Christian Leadership. In the center is Senator Frank Carlson of Kansas.



Employees of the Solar Aircraft Company, San Diego, California, leave All Faith Chapel with members of their families. The chapel was built on the aircraft plant property by the employees. The company donated the materials and the employees donated their time for the construction work. Services in the chapel are conducted by ministers of various faiths.



Interior of the Full Gospel Tabernacle, Bakersfield

FULL GOSPEL TABERNACLE, BAKERSFIELD, CALIF.—

# Reports on CONVENTION

by GRACE SHAFFER

**T**HE GIGANTIC PROCLAMATION "LET'S GIVE THE TABERNACLE A WORLD-WIDE VISION"—hanging high above the platform with a backdrop of a mighty world pierced at the exact location of Bakersfield, California, with the huge glittering cross and portraits of representative nations suspended high at the sides, formed the impressive back-

ground for Full Gospel Tabernacle's Eleventh Annual World Missions Convention, conducted January 4-8. Wesley P. Steelberg is the pastor.

The five-night program featured Bob Williams, renowned gospel artist, doing rapid 3D drawings with spectacular lighting, beautiful coloring and special musical background. His drawing was presented

to the person bringing the most first-time guests each night.

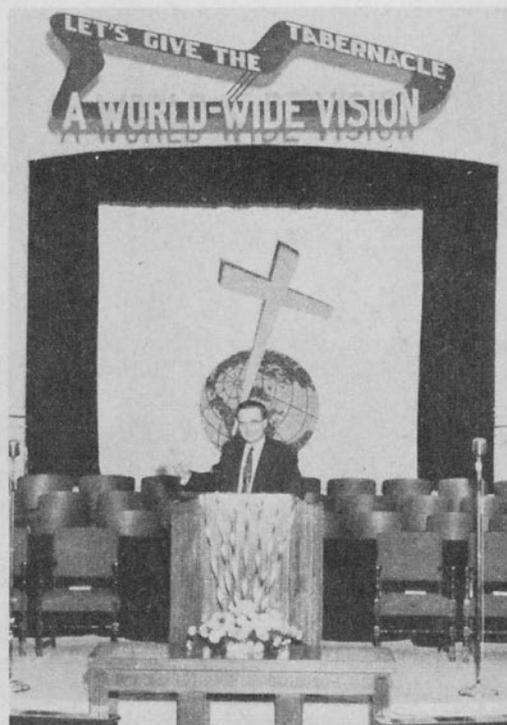
From the opening service, the blessing of the Lord rested upon the convention. Thrilling missionary experiences were related; missionary pictures were shown; and the audience was invited to examine a large array of curios representing the customs of the various lands.

The ladies' slant on missionary life was depicted at the Ladies' Luncheon of the Women's Missionary Council, where

The missionaries participating in the convention



Pastor Wesley P. Steelberg



the missionary wives told of experiences interesting to ladies only. Men and women alike were present at Saturday night's World Missions Banquet at Bakersfield Inn, when the missionaries were honored with a special program.

The missionaries themselves were busily engaged for twelve hours each day, starting at 10:00 a.m. with a devotional and prayer service. Newspaper interviews and pictures, television and radio appearances, were also on their agenda.

The Tabernacle reached a new Sunday School attendance record when 852 were present. There was a grand march of the costumed missionaries into every department, and the Sunday School children were given a visual demonstration of missionary work. All four Sunday services had capacity crowds in the Tabernacle as our fine group of missionaries depicted the foreign and home missionary program of the Assemblies of God.

After the final service on Sunday night, the tabulation showed \$15,340 in cash and pledges received. The Tabernacle members have always felt that "the life and prosperity of the home church depends upon the extent and energy with which she prosecutes her foreign missionary enterprise," and this has been demonstrated again in subsequent revival and prosperity following the convention. Our church finances have not been weakened and our altars have been filled with hungry souls.

Our splendid missionary speakers this year included: Mr. and Mrs. James Baker, Formosa and China; Mr. Paul Bruton, Dahomey, Africa; Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Harrel, Liberia, Africa; Mr. and Mrs. Philip Crouch, Egypt; Mr. John Hall, Upper Volta, Africa; Mr. Arthur Chesnut, Korea; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin C. Harrel, India; Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Pepper, American Indians.



Mrs. Ahlberg (at the extreme left) directing the distribution of food relief parcels at the Assemblies of God Tent at Chai Wan Refugee Camp, Hong Kong.

## GOOD NEWS

by G. KINDERMAN, Secretary for Relief

**D**URING THE PAST YEAR THE FOREIGN Missions Department through its Foreign Service Committee shipped 535,974 pounds (268 tons) of food, including United States surplus commodities such as powdered milk, butter, butter-oil and cheese, besides clothing, valued at \$212,401.43 at an ocean freight cost of \$15,958.61.

Words cannot justly convey the heartfelt appreciation which has been shown by the recipients in various countries, but in eternity the faithful servants shall receive their reward. (Matthew 25:34-40).

Now the United States Government has released additional surplus food commodities for overseas relief. This time

it is rice, wheat, beans and corn; each commodity to be in lots of not less than 80,000 pounds; very desirable for countries and areas which have been ravaged by floods and famine, or where thousands of refugees are being held in camps and have no work to provide for their subsistence.

However, it is necessary to process the wheat into flour, and the corn into meal or grit, prior to export. The costs of flour-mill processing, package marking, insurance for overseas transportation, possible storage and final distribution will be up to \$2.00 per 100 pounds; and in countries where ocean freight is not reimbursable an additional cost for ocean freight transportation must be borne by the Assemblies of God.

Towards the end of January, 1956, we received word from our missionary in Korea, John Stetz, that the Korean government is seriously concerned regarding this winter's food supply to meet the needs of the widows, orphans and disabled.

The communication from Korea and other lands compels us to urgently appeal to you, dear friends, for funds to make these food supplies available to the needy in Korea, Hong Kong, Germany, Egypt, Greece, Italy, Austria and other countries.

All our overseas distribution is handled by Assemblies of God missionaries and national workers.

We will greatly appreciate your kind contributions for OVERSEAS RELIEF which may be directed to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

### MISSIONARY News Notes



Hattie Hacker went to be with the Lord on January 29 from Pinellas Park Home, Pinellas Park, Florida. She suffered a stroke on Tuesday, January 24, at which time she went into a coma. On Friday she had a second stroke and passed away the following Sunday.

Miss Hacker first went to India in 1908 and served four terms on the field. While in India she established an industrial school for women. For several years she served as matron in the Missionary Home in New York City and was also active in Pinellas Park until her illness.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ahlberg arrived from Hong Kong on January 25. Their temporary address will be 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Mo.

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Paul E. Brown and family are home from Argentina and can be reached at 5432 Watt Ave., North Highlands, Calif.

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Cledith Cox returned from Nigeria, West Africa, arriving in New York on February 3. Her address for the present is 56 S. Warman Ave., Indianapolis, Indiana.

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Word has reached us that Mr. and Mrs. William Sakwitz arrived safely in Japan after a rough voyage.

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Doris Trigg has returned from India on furlough, arriving January 30. Her address is Route 2, Blue Mound, Kansas.

# Assemblies of God Yearbook

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION



It may be news to some to learn that one of the reasons for the organizing of the Assemblies of God in the year 1914 was the promotion of schools. There were some independent schools serving the movement from the very beginning, but it was not until 1922 that Central Bible Institute was established in Springfield. Now there are nine Assemblies of God Bible institutes and Bible colleges, besides Evangel College. There are 2483

students enrolled in these schools, representing every state and many foreign countries. Some of the careers for which the students are preparing are: pastor, evangelist, missionary, children's evangelist, youth director, chaplaincy, etc. It is reported over 1,000 were saved and twelve new churches started as a result of student ministry last year. The school program of the Assemblies of God is an important definite factor in the evangelization of the world.

*J. Roswell Flower*

## BETHANY BIBLE COLLEGE

Like many Californians, I was born in another state but moved to California as a small girl. I am from Atwater in the San Joaquin Valley. Coming to Bethany Bible College was almost a foregone conclusion. Like a lot of young people out here, college to me has always meant just Bethany.



The Lord has enabled me to work my way through school as bookkeeper in the office of the Northern California-Nevada District, and has given me the privilege of being editor of the college yearbook. As a member of several musical groups and choirs, I have visited various churches almost every Sunday. These activities have been real training for Christian service.

I have always been interested in missions and plan to be married after graduation to a young man who has a missionary call. We hope to work in a mission school in Africa.

*Dorothy Lawson  
Atwater, Calif.*

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BIBLE COLLEGE



Since coming to SCBC three years ago, my life has taken on a new perspective—in personality development, Christian service, and preparation for my future work as an Air Force chaplain. Service as Wing Chaplain for the C.A.P. while in high school initiated my considering the chaplaincy as a career, but since attending SCBC many things have strengthened this decision.

It was here that I found opportunity to discover and apply values in their correct proportions through encouraged times of personal devotions, excellent classroom instruction, and physical development. (Ed. note: In choosing to attend SCBC, Sam turned down several athletic scholarships in Washington colleges because of his basketball ability.)

Believing that the chaplaincy is a great evangelistic field, I plan to attend seminary after graduation next year and then go into the chaplaincy to serve my Master.

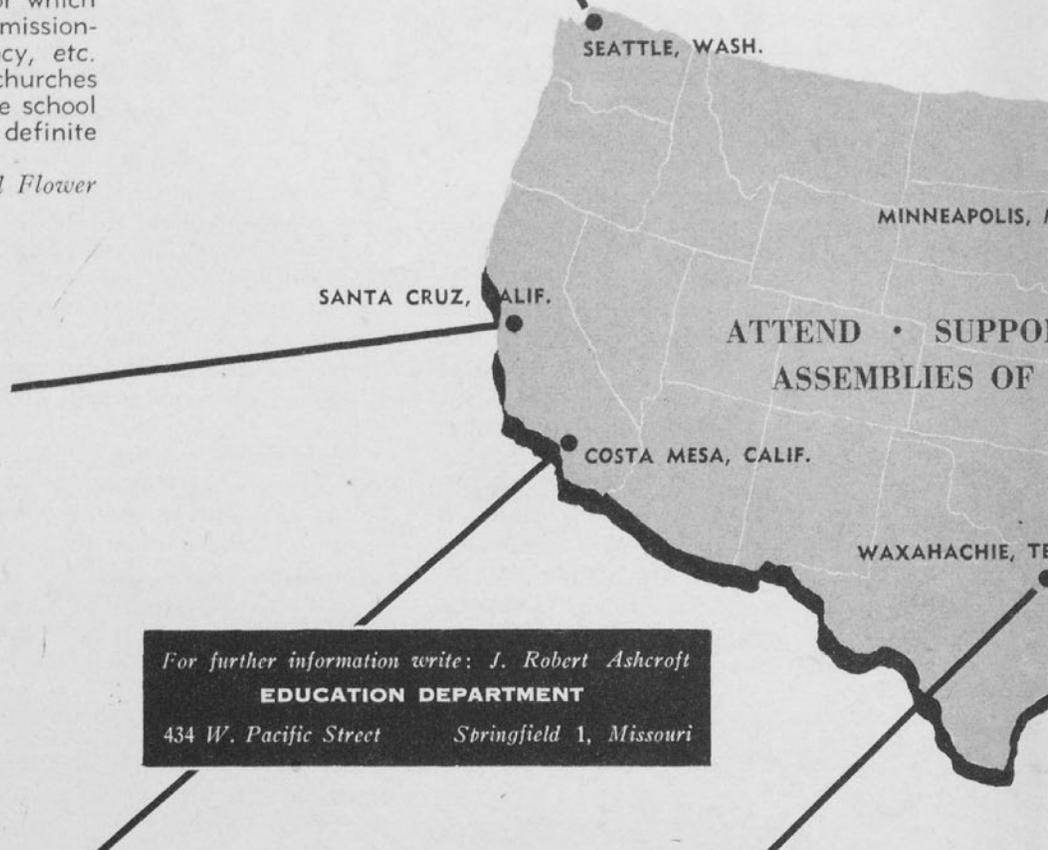
*Sam Hochstatter  
Moses Lake, Wash.*

## NORTHWEST BIBLE COLLEGE

"And He gave teachers" is a quotation from 1 Corinthians 12:28, and certainly it refers to teachers in the church, but there is an urgent call for Christian teachers in our public schools also. Today's school children, tomorrow's adults, need to be under the influence of teachers whose lives show Christlikeness. I have begun to prepare myself for such service at Northwest Bible College, where I am becoming better acquainted with truths from God's Word. I am also learning service for Christ by "doing" as a member of an NBC Gospel Team. After graduation from NBC I plan to complete my education at another college and teach in the schools of my home state, desiring to influence young persons to give their lives to Christ.



*Joann Perkins  
Hood River, Oreg.*



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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT  
434 W. Pacific Street Springfield 1, Missouri

## SOUTHWESTERN BIBLE INSTITUTE

While attending Southwestern Bible Institute in preparation for the ministry I have obtained practical experience and training in Christian service as assistant pastor, Sunday school superintendent, and classroom teacher.

I am also interested in the Educational Department, in which I have studied the requirements for a competent teacher and the environmental influences upon the social, intellectual, and spiritual development of young people.

After graduation I intend to serve as a minister and educator, with qualifications to work in released-time religious education and supervise the type of Christian day schools that are being established in this region.

*Elmer C. Andrews  
San Diego, Calif.*

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## NORTH CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE



I came to North Central because I needed a curriculum and metropolitan locale where I could obtain employment and education at the same time. Then too, the Twin Cities provided me many outlets for Christian service. I am now associate pastor of a suburban church.

Sound scriptural evangelism is promoted by my instructors—their Spirit-filled lives guide me in Holy Ghost living, the appalling need today. After having evangelized in a dozen states I felt a need for musical training. Both theory and private instruction are excellent here.

Upon completion of the new fourth-year course, I plan to continue evangelizing and eventually extend this ministry to Africa.

*Delbert Tarr  
Minneapolis, Minn.*

## NEW ENGLAND BIBLE INSTITUTE



While attending New England Bible Institute I have had opportunities to engage in activities that have furthered my interest and desire to become a trained worker in the local church. Teaching others gives incentive to be better taught oneself. Conducting Bible clubs and teaching an intermediate Sunday School class have given me an appreciation of the value of Bible school training.

In this cosmopolitan area, the extension department of a church may have a wide ministry. During my three years of Bible school I have gone with a group each Sunday afternoon to a Chinese Sunday School in Boston. While teaching young Chinese immigrants to read, we have been able to bring God's Word to them.

It is my desire to be spiritually prepared and adequately trained to serve the Lord as a worker in the local church.

*Caroline Kingsley  
Dalton, N. Y.*

## EASTERN BIBLE INSTITUTE

I praise God for the practical Christian work available at Eastern Bible Institute. While attending Eastern I have had the privilege of working with children, ministering at street meetings, and in various churches of this area. Also it is my joy to be North America Prayer Band leader.

Because of the demand for pioneer workers, Eastern has prepared an excellent course stressing a vital dependence on God plus the mechanics and methods of pioneering. Thank God I can "Know Him by the Spirit and by the Spirit make Him known" as I begin laboring in Newton in the near future.



*David Dippold  
Delair, N. J.*

## SOUTH-EASTERN BIBLE INSTITUTE

Elementary school in England and a diploma from Graceville (Florida) High School prepared me for South-Eastern Bible Institute. Classes, jail and street services, and establishing a church have kept me busy; but I have found time to be senior class president and to work on the school yearbook. Travel with the choir and quartet has taken me throughout the Southeast.

The month of May brings graduation from SEBI and immediate enrollment at Florida Southern College, Lakeland, Florida. Within a year a B.A. degree will be mine, and then I plan to enroll at a theological seminary.

My ambition? To wear the uniform of chaplain, U.S. Air Force.



*Paul Harthern  
Tallahassee, Fla.*

## CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE



Attending Central Bible Institute has been one of the outstanding experiences of my life. Not only have I been privileged to secure what I consider to be the finest in Pentecostal education, but the opportunity for answering the call of God in my life has been tremendous. While preparing for the ministry I have augmented my classroom studies by serving as pastor of a small community church in the Ozark hills, 53 miles

from CBI. The Lord has used this outlet for service to impress upon me, not only the needs of people, but also the responsibilities of a pastor. Singing with the King's Choraliens, CBI's mixed choir, and traveling with a school quartet last summer have also been wonderful open doors for active Christian work.

*Earl Hance  
Lorain, Ohio*

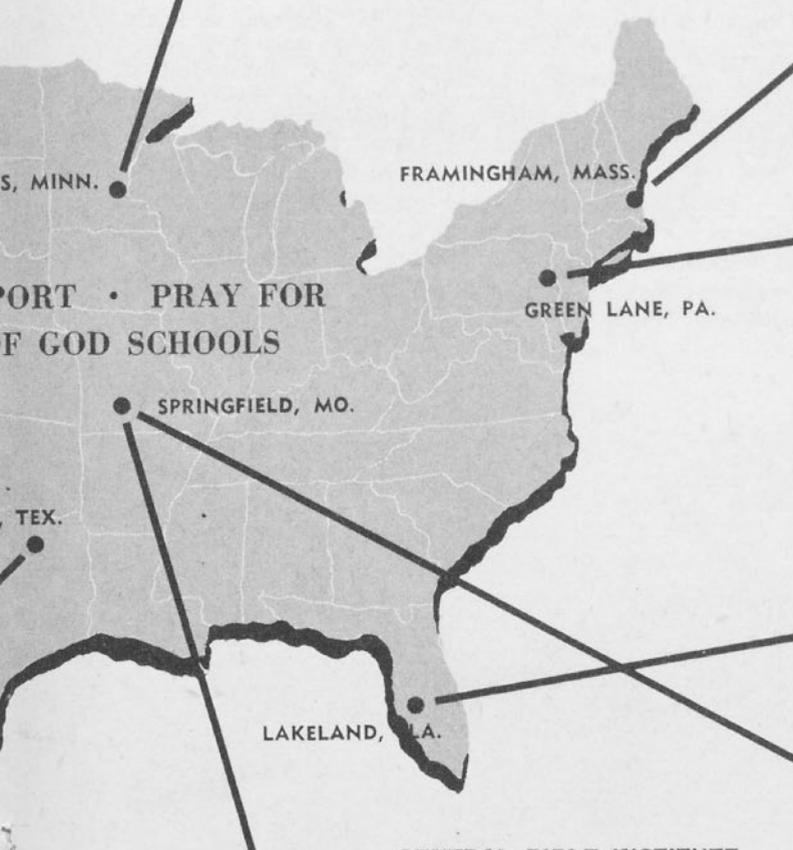
## EVANGEL COLLEGE



I came to Evangel College for my undergraduate work so that I might study under Christian Pentecostal influences. It affords me a distinct privilege to be among those of the pioneer class of Evangel College—unique privileges and problems are ours. I have found the leaders and faculty here most helpful and understanding. It proves very interesting and educational to associate with young people from various

parts of the United States and the world. It is my aspiration to become a certified public accountant. I belong to the Future Business Leaders of America and manage the campus bookstore.

*Robert A. Casebeer  
Eureka, Calif.*



# SUNDAY'S LESSON



## THE VINE AND THE BRANCHES

Sunday School Lesson for March 18, 1956

John 15:1-16

"Arise, let us go hence," said our Lord (John 14:31). And with these words, He and His disciples moved from the upper room where they had observed the Passover, to the streets of the city of Jerusalem. As they passed on their way to the garden, it is possible that they stopped at the Temple, which remained open during the Passover season for the sake of those who prepared for the Paschal Feast. There on the great doors of the Temple was engraved the golden vine which was the symbol of the national life of Israel (Psalm 80:8; Isaiah 5:1, 7; Jeremiah 2:21). The golden vine was to Israel what the shamrock is to Ireland, the thistle to Scotland, or the lily to France. It could be that Christ stopped in front of the great doors of the Temple, pointed to the golden vine which adorned the gates, and then uttered the wonderful words of the allegory of the vine and the branches. Or, it could be that the little company passed by some of the grapevines which cover the hillsides of Israel. And looking at these vines, bathed in the light of the Passover moon, He indicated them to His disciples, and uttered the truths of this last great discourse.

### WHY CHRIST USED THIS PARABLE

The disciples were greatly disturbed. They feared the future. Christ had told them that He was going to leave them. It was this that confused them. They believed that Christ was indeed the Messiah; that He was truly the long awaited King of Israel. How could it be that He must be crucified? What would happen to the Kingdom? What would happen to them? These were the questions that troubled them.

To allay their fears, Christ made them a most remarkable promise: "I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you" (John 14:18). The literal translation reads: "I will not leave you orphans!" This was just what they feared—that they would be set adrift, alone, deserted! The Lord Jesus assured them He would send "another Comforter;" One who would always be within call; who would keep alive in their minds the teachings of their Lord; who would make Christ's presence a glorious, vital reality.

Pointing to the vine, Christ said, "I am the true vine . . . ye are the branches." As the life and the vigor of the vine flows into the branches, so the life and the power of Christ flows into each believer, producing through him the fruit of God's great purpose. Instead of being cut off from Him, they would be more vitally linked to Him than ever! What a perfect illustration! How could the relationship between Christ and His disciples be more wonderfully stated. He, the Source of Life; they, the channels for the expression of His life! He, the invisible secret of life; they, the outward manifestations of that life! As branches, they would reach out in every direction, bearing the fruit of God's eternal purpose. God's fruit would be borne on earth, not by Christ, but by His branches.

### FRUITLESS BRANCHES

The Saviour had some very stern words to say concerning branches that were fruitless. "Every branch in Me that beareth not fruit he taketh away!" (John 15:2). The vine exists for

fruit. Branches are worthless except they bear fruit. You cannot build houses from the wood of the vine. You cannot make furniture from it. It is not practical for fuel. There is but one function for the vine branch—to bear fruit. To fail in this would be to fail completely.

Christ illustrated this same point of the necessity of fruit-bearing in the parable of the fig tree (Luke 13:6). Patiently the master of the vineyard gave the tree time to bring forth fruit. For three years he waited! "Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard. Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground?" The vine dresser pleaded for the tree. "Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it: and if it bear fruit, well: and if not, then after that thou shalt cut it down."

In the light of this parable, Christian, ask yourself the serious questions, "Am I bringing forth fruit unto God? Am I fulfilling His purpose in me? If not, is time running out on me? Has the divine order been given, 'Cut it down?'"

### PRUNED FOR GREATER YIELD

Fruitbearing branches are of great importance. They are tenderly cared for by the Heavenly Father. And incidentally, please note, *the Father* is the husbandman! Let us not try to wield the pruning knife. We would only succeed in slashing and destroying the vine. The Heavenly Father knows just *where*, and *how*, and *when* to prune!

The branches have a tendency to produce heavy foliage, and unfruitful off-shoots. Unless it were carefully pruned, there would be no fruit, or fruit of small, inferior quality. California's great vineyards provide an excellent illustration of the value of pruning. The vines of California are much like the vines which grow in Israel. When the California vine-dresser has completed his job of pruning it almost appears as though there is nothing left of the vine. The branches are severely cut back to the main trunk. And when the foliage

### FRUIT OF THE VINE



begins to reappear, the "sucker" growths, which sprout out of the branch, and are fruitless, and carefully thinned out. A fine, abundant crop results.

The Father's plan is to magnify His Son, and to proclaim His great salvation throughout all the world. Christ-likeness, and winsome witnessing—this is the fruit He seeks in you. If the spiritual life He gives you is directed into producing foliage, and unfruitful off-shoots, then His purpose is defeated. He knows that, ultimately, the grief of failure is worse than the pain of pruning, and so He faithfully severs from you those self-produced interests which dissipate the life He pours into you. "Herein is My Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit!" (John 15:8). The Father's ideal is "fruit," v. 2; "more fruit," v. 2; "much fruit," vv. 5, 8; and "fruit unto eternal life" (John 4:36).

Beecher beautifully wrote, "I know enough of gardening to understand that, if I would have a tree grow upon its south side, I must cut off the branches there. Then all its forces go to repairing the injury; and twenty buds shoot out where otherwise there would have been but one. When we reach the garden above,

we shall find that out of those very wounds over which we sighed and groaned on earth have sprung verdant branches, bearing fruit a thousandfold."

#### ABIDING IN CHRIST

And so He promised the disciples, "I will not leave you orphaned. I will come to you." The disciples were to be linked to Him in a new relationship through the Spirit. He would be with them, in them. As branches, they would bear Christ's fruit for which the world waited.

The basic condition of fruitbearing is *abiding*. Christ Himself made this point. "As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in Me" (John 15:4). The indwelling is reciprocal—"abide in Me, and I in you." He is in us, and we are in Him. He is in us as the source of our being; we are in Him as filled with His fullness.

Hattie Hammond once used this excellent illustration. She said: "I sat looking at a fish bowl in which two goldfish were lazily swimming. At times the little creatures seemed to be perfectly still, motionless in the water. The only action

was that of the gills as the fish breathed. The water was above them, beneath them. They were totally surrounded by water. This was their element. They were at home in it. And then the reality of what it means to abide in Christ broke in upon me. He is my life. In Him I live, and breathe, and have my being!"

Abiding in Christ does not necessarily mean that we are unceasingly conscious of His nearness, and that He is always in our thoughts. You abide in a house, and you are so perfectly at home there that you scarcely give conscious thought to the house itself. The fact that you do not have the house in your conscious thoughts does not in any way affect your abiding there. But you always know when you leave it! And so we may not always be aware of our Saviour's nearness. We may be occupied with necessary duties. But when we turn from those duties, and seek Him in worship and in praise, the glory of His presence breaks upon our consciousness in thrilling blessing. He has been there all the while! We abide in Him, and He abides in us!

—Emil A. Balliet

## NEW CHAPEL ERECTED IN MANACAS, CUBA

WHEN HOWARD S. BUSH, SOUTH FLORIDA District Superintendent, was in Manacas, Cuba last year he realized how urgently the Bible School needed a chapel, and he told the missionaries he would return with a crew of workers to help put up the building. He kept his promise, and he and his five companions helped the missionaries, Cuban ministers, and Bible School students to erect the walls, build the partitions, and pour pilasters twelve feet high. The building is 40 by 85 feet in size. The work done by the visiting brethren insures the early completion of the building.

Besides Brother Bush, the group included E. F. Pierce, pastor of the First Assembly in Edmond, Oklahoma; S. Joseph Westbury, Georgia District Assistant Superintendent; Glenn Miller, pastor of the Central Assembly in Savannah, Georgia; E. P. Pruett, Georgia District Superintendent; and Jimmy Walker, a contractor of Vero Beach, Florida.

On the island of Cuba there are 35 Assemblies of God missionaries among six million people. Obviously the only hope of evangelizing Cuba is to train young Cuban men and women for the ministry, and this the Cuban Bible School is doing. Since its founding in 1943 it has graduated 90 students, of whom 83

are now in active Christian service. The school was filled to capacity last term with 70 students enrolled.

For only fifteen dollars a month a scholarship can be provided for some worthy young person who has demon-

strated a call to the Lord's service (of whom there are many). Offerings for the school or for the support of students should be so designated, and sent to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

This photograph shows what was accomplished when six Assemblies of God ministers visited Cuba for two weeks to assist in the construction of the new chapel of the Cuban Bible School at Manacas.



# God is Faithful

by L. THOMAS HOLDCROFT

**T**HE PEOPLE OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA will not soon forget December 23, 1955. It was a day of steady, soaking rainfall, and it had been preceded by a week or more of similar storms. Edith Whitford, one-time Yuba City pastor, writes:

The storm in its fury came on us,  
And rain from the heavens did fall;  
It seemed there would ne'er be a letup,  
Disaster 'twas feared would befall.

All rivers were filled to their fullest,  
The soaked earth could not hold any more;  
"Please, Lord, won't there be any letup?  
Will all earth be a flood as before?"

Then emergency warnings were sounded  
"Get your families and flee for your life!"  
Things once thought so dear now seemed  
nothing;  
The air with anxiety was rife.

The call to evacuate came to one Northern California community after another, and everywhere people were plunged into confusion and fear. Pastor Ingram of Klamath Assembly of God tells his experience: "In response to the call to leave, we set out from our church and parsonage at 12:30 a.m., leaving behind all our personal belongings. We went to our daughter's home, believing that there we would be safe. At 6:00 a.m., however, we had to start moving her furniture and putting it on crates and boxes. By 7:30 we were in water a foot deep in the living room, and at 8:30 we were being rescued by boat and

taken to higher ground. Arriving there, we stood with a large group of other refugees and watched house after house go down the river and be broken up at the mouth."

The Yuba City people did not have the opportunity of a leisurely flight. There a levee broke and a wall of water swept across the city.

Then it came like a horrible nightmare;  
Screaming sirens told us our fate;  
Angry waters, that would not be harnessed,  
Broke through—we must run and make haste!

Words cannot describe the great chaos,  
So helpless and fearful and cold;  
Muffled cries 'mid mad waters and sirens,  
Such pathos can hardly be told.

Calvary Tabernacle, Yuba City's Assembly of God, had been anticipating their annual Sunday School program that

night. It was late afternoon before the threat of the flood became sure enough that Pastor Dave Colbert announced the cancellation of the program. Soon there were appeals for levee workers and Pastor Colbert volunteered. As the evening wore on, and the levee gave signs of collapsing, Pastor Colbert went home and prepared his family for evacuation. He then went to awaken and assist those families of the church that he knew might need him. By this time, the evacuation of 20,000 people was on. When the wave of water boiled over the area some never made it—their cars were swept off the road and wholly engulfed.

We all thrust ourselves on God's mercy,  
Life and death are in His power alone;  
And He guided us over to safety,  
What grace and compassion were shown!

Probably many live a lifetime and never know what it means to cast oneself utterly upon God in the manner that men found necessary this night.

Pastor Ingram tells of his vigil in the Klamath area: "At 11:30 a.m., we watched a large building go floating by. From where we were it looked like the church. I thought of 14 years and 10 months of labor drifting down to destruction. . . ."

If ever we once had been strangers,  
This night our hearts were as one;  
Perhaps it took this disaster,  
To teach us division to shun.

As news of the calamity went forth,

## HEAVY LOSSES AT REDWOOD CAMP

We are sorry to learn that heavy loss was sustained at the Redwood Regional Camp, as a result of the Northern California flood. Where once there were lovely grounds and buildings, only mud and debris remained after the flood waters subsided.

At Bethany Park, however, flood damage was comparatively light.

Flood scene at Klamath, California



(photo by Proctor's Photo Lab, Eureka)

people everywhere rallied to help. The Colusa church was made a refugee center, and under the direction of Pastor Reuben Wilson, Jr. a host of flood victims found a haven of rest. Pastors Mel Steward of Marysville and Dave Colbert of Yuba City were given Civil Defense passes, and for many hours they went from one refugee center to another ministering what help and comfort they could. From time to time they found some of their own members, often wandering about in an aimless daze.

The day came for the trek home. Strong men wept as they surveyed the ruins of all their worldly possessions. Upwards of sixty Assemblies of God families in the Yuba City-Marysville area alone suffered extensive losses; some who had been comparatively prosperous were left penniless. The aggregate loss of Assemblies of God families in this area was well over \$200,000 and 90 per cent of the Yuba City Assembly of God people were in some way affected. Throughout the District the experiences were similar. Pastor Raymond Murray of Santa Cruz returned home to find his basement totally flooded and his garage swept away. People found that what hadn't been damaged directly by the flood was swept away by landslides, or cave-ins, or severely damaged in the high winds which accompanied the rain.

And yet the picture wasn't all black. So far as has been reported, there was no loss of life or bodily injury among any of our people, and only two Assemblies of God churches suffered more than minor damage.

So we found it His mercy—not judgment—  
That this havoeking flood came our way;  
It caused us to turn our thoughts heavenward,  
From earth's night to eternity's day.

And tho' stripped of all earthly possessions,  
Yet richer in spirit we'll be;  
If we'll turn to our God in our troubles,  
His goodness and mercy we'll see.

Pastor Ingram returned to what was left of the town of Klamath. He reports: "When we came in view of the town, there all alone stood the Assemblies of God church. What a testimony it was to the grace of God!" And at Yuba City, Pastor Colbert found that though the water outside had risen to three or four feet, the level in the church rose to only 15 inches. Water had risen to the doorstep of the Yuba City parsonage, but not a drop came inside.

Pastor Bowers of Healdsburg had watched the rising waters until they lapped the edge of the church property. Then, in the style of Moses, he had prayed for God to roll back the flood. From that moment the waters rose no higher.

Before long, help from outside was pouring into the stricken areas. The Marysville church was made a clothing and food depository for the Assemblies

# NOAH--

## A Preacher of Righteousness

by GLEN D. ANDERSON

**T**HOUGH NOAH WAS A CARPENTER, HE was an outdoor preacher. Even if he had built a church no one would have come to his services, for he lived in a very wicked generation.

Noah was a practical preacher. In obedience to the command of God he preached a series of illustrated sermons which lasted for a hundred and twenty years. Every word of his message was confirmed by a stroke of his hammer. He was persistent, too: for over a century the subject of every sermon was "Coming Judgment."

The Bible tells us that men did not take heed to the earnest warnings of this preacher of righteousness. Why not? First of all, it was an unpopular message that this fellow preached. Who likes to be reminded of his sins? Who likes to be told that calamity is coming to him if he does not change his ways? The people of that day could hardly tolerate the kind of preaching that Noah had been led to give them.

Then, it was an unreasonable message. In those days "the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, . . . but there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground." Though the ground had been cursed for man's sake, the winds and the waters had not, and man had not known the sorrows of continued drought or repeated floods. These men could not understand what rain was, and even when Noah explained they would not believe that a flood would come.

Noah's preaching seemed to be less effective as the years went on, for judgment did not come for a long time. If

in the beginning the sight of the ark under construction brought consternation to anyone, after fifty years every heart was calm and courageous. In fact, a hundred years went by without the dire prediction of this prophet coming to pass.

For half another generation God's man worked and preached. Then came the command of the Lord: "Come thou and all thy house into the ark . . . for yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights." That was a sad day for Noah, for no one had yet accepted his message, except for his own family. Though he was busy choosing animals to take into the ark, I am sure that he must have made one last earnest appeal in the hope that someone would believe. But judgment seemed remote, and men went on with their sinful pleasures.

After seven days the rain came, and the water began to rise. Too late the men began to cry and beg Noah to open the door for them and their families. God had shut the door. The day of grace had ended, and the time of judgment had come. All their own efforts then to escape the falling rain and rising waters were in vain, for one cannot hide from the Judge of the whole earth.

Friend, where will you be when God begins to judge this world for its sin? Will you be "safe in the arms of Jesus," because His blood has cleansed your heart? Or will you still be trusting vainly in your own righteousness to make you acceptable to God? Do not neglect receiving this salvation. Though judgment for sin be delayed, it is certain to come at length. Take refuge in Christ, our Ark, today.

of God people of the area. WMC groups all over the District had emergency meetings, and almost immediately parcels of warm bedding and clothing were on their way to where they were needed. So much was given, in fact, that our churches were able to help many outside of our fellowship.

Even the long, tedious, discouraging job of clean up was made lighter by many willing hands. C. A. work crews dispatched from Biggs by Pastor Ray Oliver

and from Colusa by Pastor Reuben Wilson, Jr. were soon on the scene at the Yuba City church. They waded through mud and slush and went to work eagerly. The Biggs church alone contributed 45 man days of labor in this task. At Klamath, Pastor Ingram found help from an unexpected source—the Simpson Logging Company. This large commercial organization very kindly sent a large crew of loggers to aid in the restoration. The

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# Fagots From the Torch of Evangelism

Compiled by the Department of Evangelism, 434 West Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—Faith Tabernacle recently enjoyed a profitable two-week revival with Evangelist P. A. Fleming. Souls were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. As a result of a special Sunday School drive, there was an increase of 60 in Sunday School attendance.

—W. E. Larson, Pastor

MOULTRIE, GA.—A very successful revival was held recently with Robert and Charles Raburn and Ernest Holbrook of Plant City, Fla. Their ministry in song and preaching was well received. Several were saved and healed, and the meetings were well attended.

—R. B. Palmer, Pastor

CORBIN, KY.—Revival meetings recently held by Evangelist George Sutherland of Taylorsville, Ky., proved a great blessing to the church here. Souls were saved, backsliders reclaimed, the sick were healed, and many received a refilling of the Holy Spirit.

—Mrs. Marjorie Loomis, Pastor

SAN DIEGO, CALIF.—A glorious water baptismal service climaxed the three weeks of special meetings held by Evangelist Noble L. Ballew. During the services ten were saved, and five were filled with the Holy Spirit. There was an exceptionally good attendance throughout the revival.

—Hilton Park, Pastor

HARTFORD CITY, IND.—In a 10-day meeting with Brother and Sister Comer Hawkins of McMinnville, Tenn., 21 came forward for salvation, five were filled with the Holy Spirit, about 15 were refilled, and a number testified to divine healing. The revival spirit burns on as souls continue to be saved and filled with the Spirit.

—J. W. Jordan, Pastor

MORIARTY, NEW MEX.—The ministry of a number of evangelists has contributed to the growth of this new work in Moriarty. Most recent was a glorious three-week revival conducted by Dora Lane in which six souls were saved and 18 were filled with the Holy Spirit. New interest is being shown in the services.

—C. D. Holley, Pastor

McPHERSON, KANS.—During the first two weeks of January the McPherson Assembly was privileged to enjoy one of its

finest revival campaigns. The entire church was blessed as Evangelist and Mrs. O. E. Gaddis ministered in word and song. Outstanding among the many miracles of healing was the deliverance from a very serious heart ailment experienced by one of the Sunday School teachers.

—Raymond R. Chappell, Pastor

FLEMING, COLO.—One of the greatest movings of the Spirit of God was experienced at the Fleming Assembly during recent services conducted by the Singing Sandalls—Evangelist and Mrs. David Sandall and family of Augusta, Kans. Souls were saved, backsliders reclaimed, believers baptized in the Holy Spirit, many refilled, a good number received healing, and many serious problems were solved.

—Harold Hartzler, Pastor

RIPLEY, TENN.—The two weeks of revival meetings held recently by Evangelist and Mrs. R. W. Hastie of Springfield, Mo., brought great blessing to the folk at the Dryhill Assembly of God. Six souls found Christ as Saviour. Christians were drawn closer to the Lord, and several testified to definite healings. The blessings of this old-fashioned revival will not soon be forgotten.

—Eugene C. Davis, Pastor

SIOUX CITY, IOWA—Revival fires continue to burn following a three-week campaign held with the "Musical Lambertsons" of Barnard, Kans. At least 17 souls were saved and about five were reclaimed. One received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and a number were refilled. Several received definite healings. The anointing upon the preaching and the special music and singing was evident.

—John D. Neese, Pastor

AURORA, N. Y.—The entire church was strengthened by the ministry of Evangelist Leroy K. Dodge of Williamson, N. Y., during a three-week revival effort. Several were saved, 11 received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and others were healed by the power of God. Especially appreciated was the manner in which Brother Dodge gave himself completely to his ministry and joined with the folk in labor, fasting, and prayer for a real move of God.

—Charles A. Thomas, Pastor

MUNCIE, IND.—Northside Assembly was spiritually blessed and the Sunday School showed a marked increase in attendance during a three-week revival conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. David A. Lewis of S. Dak. There were 18 conversions, several definite healings, and one believer was filled with the Holy Spirit. The anointing of God rested mightily upon the preaching of the Word. In spite of adverse weather conditions, this was one of the best revivals in this pioneer work.

—Charles E. Fussell, Pastor

LAPWAI, IDA.—The folk at the Nez Perce Indian Reservation are rejoicing over a gracious visitation of God in recent months. Prior to the special meetings conducted by Evangelist Norman E. Erickson and songleader Larry Knopp of Spokane, Wash., prayer meetings and a week of tarrying services were held at which time one received the Holy Spirit and two were healed by the power of God. During the four-week revival a number were saved, some were reclaimed, 26 received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and at least 18 experienced a refilling of the Spirit of God. There were numerous healings from a wide variety of disorders. A two-year-old who had swallowed a one-inch screw was remarkably delivered after being rushed to the morning prayer service. A baby who had been declared mentally deficient showed decided improvement after prayer was made in her behalf. Truly the hearts of the people have been stirred by this mighty manifestation of God's power.

—O. B. Skogstad, Pastor

PORTLAND, ME.—West End Gospel Tabernacle rejoices over a mighty moving of God's Spirit in services recently conducted by Evangelist Philip Bongiorno of Erie, Pa. In response to timely soul-stirring messages, 20 souls knelt for salvation, several believers were filled with the Holy Spirit, and many testified to definite healings. A girl who was to be hospitalized because of a heart condition and liver ailment was miraculously healed after being prayed for. She went to the hospital and was sent home again as repeated tests proved to be negative. In spite of severe weather conditions, each service was well attended.

—Anthony Pegano, Pastor

# Quotables

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## HOW ONE CHURCH OBTAINED FREE RADIO TIME

Why doesn't your church broadcast? If it's because of the high cost, here's a method our church has found that will solve the problem.

The special days of the calendar year, such as Easter, Memorial Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas are often difficult days as far as the program director of a radio station is concerned. On these days listeners expect good religious music rather than the regular run of commercial tunes.

Our church has taken advantage of this fact for several years at the Easter season. Some days before Easter Sunday

I secured copies of all the Easter music which our choir would be singing during "holy week." Then I arranged the more suitable pieces in a chronological order, starting with Palm Sunday, and wrote in narrative fashion, combining words and music, "The Last Days of Christ."

Our choir, which had been practicing for many weeks, was very co-operative in meeting with me for a recording session. We used our tape recorder and recorded the 30-minute program at 7½" per second.

After completing the recording, I made an appointment with the program di-

rector of our local station and told him about our broadcast. He was pleased with the possibility of securing such a program and gave us 30 minutes on Easter Sunday. The program cost us no money. In addition to providing incentive for our choir, it was a splendid means of proclaiming the gospel story as well as publicizing our church work.

Many radio stations can be approached on this basis. They often are quite willing, if the caliber of recording is good, to schedule such a broadcast.

—by Edward Hales, Pastor-Broadcaster, in *Christian Life*.

### OMENS OF PEACE

In the early Christian centuries the number 8051 was inscribed on the doorpost of a Christian home in Dalmatia. This number is the numerical value of all the letters of Psalm 121:8—"The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore."

Duncan Matheson, a well-known evangelist, asked that the one word, "KEPT," might be engraved on his tombstone. It was the sum of his Christian experience. Christ is the guard and guide of the believing soul.

## The Golden Year of Pentecost

*Fifty Years of Fruitful Harvest Because They Have Been Steadfast!*

*April, 1906—April, 1956*

It has been fifty years since the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in Los Angeles, California. These have been years of abundant spiritual blessing. They have been years in which our Pentecostal pioneers have been loyal to the full gospel message.

We must pledge ourselves to continued loyalty in the years ahead. April 8 is the first day of the Loyalty Campaign in Assemblies of God Sunday Schools. Let us join together throughout the nation on that day and pledge ourselves to STEADFASTNESS in the faith that has been delivered to us!

Pastors and Sunday School superintendents, there are only a few more weeks until the beginning of

the Loyalty Campaign. On Easter Sunday, you will be launching the campaign in your church. Have you made those final preparations? The Loyalty Planbook contains suggestions for each department of the Sunday School, ideas for posters, direct mail, and other campaign helps. Those of you who started the Loyalty Award Pin System last year will be recognizing your faithful members this spring with their permanent pins and the one year discs. Order your supplies at once if you have not already done so! Others may wish to start this system of rewarding achievement. For full details on the pin system and the Loyalty Campaign in your Sunday School, write the address below.

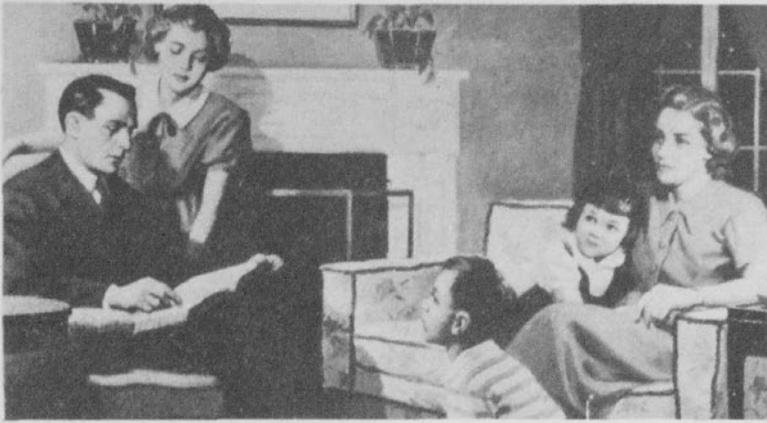
## "Be Ye Steadfast"

1956 Loyalty  
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April 8—  
May 20



CLIMAX LOYALTY CAMPAIGN  
WITH SIMULTANEOUS REVIVALS

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



BIBLE READINGS BASED ON NEXT WEEK'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

## DAILY DEVOTIONS

MONDAY, March 12

THE VINE AND THE BRANCHES—John 15:1-16

This intimate little talk may have taken place on the way to the Garden, after Jesus and His disciples had left the Upper Room. It sets forth three conditions for a fruitful life.

*Cleansing or purging* is mentioned in verses two and three. Every good branch is purged by the Husbandman, our Heavenly Father. This consists of cutting off useless shoots and growths that would rob the vine of strength to produce fruit. Every true Christian experiences this painful cutting process.

*Abiding in the vine* is stressed. The word *abide* appears eight times in this lesson. A fluctuating, vacillating life will never produce fruit. We must abide in Him.

*Obedient sacrifice* is also stressed in verses twelve to fourteen. A willingness to lay down our lives will promote us from the position of *servants to friends* of the Lord.

Three degrees of fruit-bearing are mentioned: "fruit" (v. 2), "more fruit" (v. 2), and "much fruit" (v. 8). So much effort is effervescent and non-enduring, and does not produce permanent results for the Master. It is only the fruit that remains until the harvest that can please our Heavenly Husbandman.

—FRANK J. LINDQUIST

TUESDAY, March 13

AN UNFRUITFUL VINEYARD—Isaiah 5:1-7

"And he looked that it should bring forth grapes, and it brought forth wild grapes" (v. 5).

The key to the interpretation of this passage is verse 7, where it is stated, "The vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah his pleasant plant." In the first six verses, apostate Israel is served a stinging rebuke in the form of a parable of the vineyard.

Everything possible in the natural was done to assure an abundant harvest: fertile ground was chosen, the land was fenced, and the stones were gathered out. Only the choicest vine was planted. A tower was built, and a winepress installed. Everything was handled properly. But to the owner's dismay he found only wild grapes after all his labor and expense. Then judgment was pronounced (verses 5 and 6).

These verses serve as a warning to God's people today, for whom everything possible has been done to guarantee abundant life through Jesus Christ. The experiences which befell Israel serve as warnings to us, lest we too become unfruitful towards God through sin (1 Cor. 10:1-11).

—WALLACE S. BRAGG

WEDNESDAY, March 14

AN EMPTY VINE—Hosea 10:1-6

The vine was used in Scripture as a symbol of the national life of Israel. The setting of this Scripture portion shows the

pollution and punishment of the people. Here is a picture of the national failure of Israel, and the causes for this are given. Israel is shown as putting forth fruit, but it is his own fruit instead of God's. That is not the fruit God is looking for. This is a story of failure—a story of "an empty vine."

The chosen people of God had failed Him and the nation had become degenerate. They had built many altars, ornate and embellished, but God was lost amid the forms. They put artistry before God. The root of their trouble was that their heart was divided (v. 2).

What sort of fruit are we bringing forth? We cannot at the same time bear both our own fruit and the Lord's. When we allow God and something else to enter and compete for mastery, then there is spiritual chaos. Mere religion and its symbols must never take the place of God in our lives. May our hearts be united to fear the name of our Lord.

—T. J. JONES

THURSDAY, March 15

THE INGRAFTED BRANCH—Romans 11:11-21

"Thou . . . a wild olive tree [shoot]" (v. 17). Anything wild just grows up—unattended, untrained, unpruned, undisciplined, unclaimed! Being grafted into the good olive tree speaks of our being made partakers of the divine nature of Christ, as a shoot of one kind of vine or tree lives on the sap of the other into which it has been grafted.

Salvation through Messiah's death and resurrection, which had been considered for the offspring of Israel only, is shown to be by grace for all of us, who were by nature "aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, . . . and without God in the world" (Eph. 2:12). When we realize this, where is there room for us to boast?

Oh, the wealth of this grace and salvation! The stumbling of the Israelites resulted, so to speak, in great and *permanent* riches being spilled over on us Gentiles, whereas to Israel the loss is *temporary* only.

In the near future, the Jews will again see Him whom they once pierced, and they will recognize Him. If their temporary rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead (v. 15)?

—J. J. MUELLER

FRIDAY, March 16

ACCEPTABLE FRUIT—Galatians 5:22-26

The men who saw the fig tree, with its withered leaves, remembered that Jesus had cursed it only a few hours earlier, and took note that it was a miracle. The withering wrath of God at a fruitless tree taught them a lesson they were never to forget.

Jesus further emphasized the necessity of fruit in the lives of His people by saying, "Every branch in me that beareth not fruit, he taketh away" (John 15:2).

There is no uncertainty as to the kind of fruit God expects us to produce—"love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance." No man can produce such fruit in himself, for it is the fruit of the Spirit of God. Fortunately for us, the Bible gives us the key to a fruit-filled life—"If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit" (v. 25).

No heathen religion, no un-Christian system, can simulate this. In my travels throughout the world, I have seen no other religion that can produce love or joy or peace, or any of the other fruit of the Spirit. We should thank God earnestly every day we live for saving us by grace, and for working in us by the Holy Spirit.

—D. LEROY SANDERS

SATURDAY, March 17

THE HEAD AND THE BODY—Ephesians 4:11-16

Christ is the head; we are the body. He is the vine; we are the branches. Let us walk worthy of our wonderful calling,

"with all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering." The root of our confidence is not in ourselves, but in Him and His relationship to us.

When Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I have dreamed a dream. . . I have heard say of thee, that thou canst understand a dream to interpret it," Joseph wisely answered, "It is not in me: God shall give Pharaoh an answer of peace." Joseph was relying

upon a power beyond himself.

The imprisoned apostle Paul worded it thus, "I was made a minister . . . by the effectual working of his power." We are not isolated; we are not left alone; we are not without resources. "The life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."

As we daily abide in Christ, His life is

manifest in the lives of the members of His body, and is offered to the needy about us. There is a sufficiency flowing from the Head to meet the needs that confront God's ministering saints and servants. Thus, as the evangelists preach or the missionaries witness, you and I may be in intercession and help gain the harvest.

—ZELMA ARGUE

## 2,420 Enrolled in Three Teacher Training Courses

### BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA

January 16 through 20

Eleven churches of the South San Joaquin Valley Section (Southern California District) held their second annual area-wide training course with Phil Wannemacher, National Sunday School Representative, as instructor. Two one-hour periods were held each night for the study of the book "INTO ALL TRUTH," written by Stanley Horton. Between sessions, thirty-minute special features included departmental workshops, a panel of experts, teaching aids and visual demonstrations.

The Full Gospel Tabernacle was host to the training course at which there were 410 enrolled. Out of that number, 321 received certificates. The audience was refreshed each evening with manifestations of the Spirit, until at times it seemed like a revival meeting. One lady was healed from an incurable disease while reading the book at home.

### TULSA, OKLAHOMA

January 16 through 20

A snowstorm and a flu epidemic failed to hinder the Tulsa City-wide Training Course. It was the greatest in local history. Forty churches participated and 1,006 workers enrolled. There were 611 who received certificates for successful completion of the course, "Into All Truth."

The course was conducted at the Central Assembly of God in Tulsa. The school was divided into two sessions nightly with departmental sessions for specialized study and a general assembly during the closing hour. Instructors for the departmental classes included: Mrs. Bert Webb, Nursery; Mrs. T. J. Noah, Beginner; Mrs. Jim Copeland, Primary; Mrs. Vivian Higgins, Junior; Raymond Brock, Intermediate; Mrs. J. Roswell Flower, Senior-Young People; Boyd Wolverton, Administration; and Stanley Hor-

ton, Adult. A Bible school was held for children while the adult course was in session. There were Bible classes for Beginners, Primaries, and Juniors.

Paul Copeland, former National Sunday School Secretary, spoke at the general assemblies. The Spirit of God confirmed the study of His Word with manifestations of the gifts of the Spirit and spontaneous praise. One night, without an altar call, two women rushed to the front to accept Christ as Saviour.

The school was sponsored by the Tulsa Assemblies of God Ministerial Alliance

with the following committee in charge: L. J. Underwood (chairman), R. G. Helvey, J. R. Cissna, Jack Hayhurst and Jim Copeland.

### OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

January 23 through 27

There were 1,004 enrolled in the Oklahoma City Workers' Training Course. Thirty-three churches co-operated in this meeting which was held at the South Side Faith Tabernacle. The departmental sessions were taught by the following staff: Mina Arnold Young, Nursery; Juanita Brown, Beginner; Mrs. Bert Webb, Primary; Mrs. Charles Denton, Junior; Maxine Mitchell, Intermediate; Mrs. J. Roswell Flower, Senior and Young People; Edgar Bethany, Adult; and Cecil Parrish, Administration. Brother Bethany taught the general session course on soul winning.

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The crowd at the final night of the Tulsa, Oklahoma, Workers' Training Course. The chairman of the meeting, L. J. Underwood, is at the pulpit.



South San Joaquin Valley Workers' Training Course. Standing on the platform are: Wesley P. Steelberg, host pastor; Phil Wannemacher, instructor and National Sunday School Representative; J. Raymond Ton, Southern California District Sunday School Director.



E. M. Clark (extreme left), National Radio Secretary, presents plaque to D. H. McLaughlin, Northwest District Superintendent, as T. F. Zimmerman (extreme right), Executive Radio Director, presents a similar plaque to Joseph Flower, New York District Superintendent.



Guests of honor at the Revivaltime broadcast on February 12 were District Superintendents D. H. McLaughlin (left) and Joseph Flower. They hold the bronze scroll plaques awarded their districts for outstanding church giving to the Revivaltime radio ministry in 1955.

# REVIVALTIME Presents Awards

Sunday, February 12, was a very special day in Springfield. The Radio Department chose this day to honor two districts which led in giving to REVIVALTIME in 1955. Dwight H. McLaughlin, the District Superintendent and radio representative from the Northwest District, and Joseph R. Flower, District Superintendent and radio representative for the New York District, were the guests of honor.

On the broadcast of February 12, a beautiful award was given to each of the guests in recognition of the faithful support which has been given to REVIVAL-

TIME by the churches and members of their districts. The Northwest District topped all other districts in total giving by contributing \$19,162.17 during the year. Honorable mention for second place in this category was won by the Eastern District which gave a total of \$18,176.68.

The New York District led all the districts in "Average Giving Per Church." The churches of New York averaged \$110.26 each for 1955. Honorable mention for second place in this class goes to the New Jersey District which gave an average of \$94.14 per church during the year.

Districts with over 80% of their churches giving at least one offering to REVIVALTIME during the year were Nebraska, New England, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Potomac, and Rocky Mountain.

THE GOAL FOR 1956 is for every church to make REVIVALTIME a consistent part of its missionary budget. REVIVALTIME is the largest single missionary effort of the Assemblies of God. Missionary credit will be given for your REVIVALTIME offering if you ask for it. By putting REVIVALTIME

The guests were honored at a supper to which the Executive Presbyters, Radio Department officials, and their wives were invited. The cost of the supper and of the plaques was paid by Christian businessmen of another denomination who have become interested in the ministry of Revivaltime. The same businessmen paid the travel expenses of Brother McLaughlin and Brother Flower in coming to Springfield for the presentation and bought each of them a wrist watch.



on your church missionary budget you will help to support a MISSIONARY OF THE AIR WAVES. Over 114,000 letters came in response to REVIVALTIME'S message last year. The greatest portion of these came from people with desperate needs, financial, spiritual, and physical. REVIVALTIME can only help these multiplied thousands of individuals as each church stands behind this great work.

We need your letter this week containing the assurance of your full support and regular co-operation. Not only will you be helping to put YOUR DISTRICT on the top of the list at the end of 1956, but you will be helping REVIVALTIME reach souls for Christ THIS YEAR.

We never test the resources of God until we attempt the impossible.—F. B. Meyer

Satan outwits himself when he drives us to God.

# REVIVALTIME Giving

FOR MONTH OF JANUARY, 1956



Church giving for REVIVALTIME is off to a good start for 1956. Watch this column in THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL for regular reports on the top ten Districts in each category. Your District can be at the top in one column or the other. It depends on the co-operation of every church in giving generously to the radio ministry.

TOTAL GIVING		AVERAGE GIVING PER CHURCH	
1. Eastern .....	\$3,063.69	1. Eastern .....	\$13.92
2. South Florida .....	1,582.42	2. So. Florida .....	11.46
3. Northwest .....	1,362.72	3. Wisconsin .....	9.85
4. Wisconsin .....	1,320.28	4. New York .....	8.56
5. Illinois .....	1,281.56	5. Ohio .....	6.99
6. Ohio .....	1,202.34	6. New England .....	6.97
7. New York .....	1,112.94	7. So. Idaho .....	6.71
8. No. California .....	1,076.95	8. Illinois .....	6.67
9. So. Missouri .....	1,012.80	9. New Jersey .....	6:63
10. So. California .....	953.64	10. Nebraska .....	6.36

## God Is Faithful

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task was not little—there was three feet of debris through the parsonage consisting of mud, clothing, furniture, and personal belongings. In the church the deposit of mud, hymnbooks and broken seats made an 18-inch layer of debris. The piano was fit only to be burned.

The Assemblies of God church was one of only a handful of buildings in Klamath that withstood the flood. A worker reported to Pastor Ingram that at the height of the flood "the largest tug in Klamath tried to tie up at a stump alongside the church and yet with its twin engines straining it couldn't move against the current." Surely God kept His hand upon the building. Says Brother Ingram: "One of the most beautiful things I have ever seen occurred the night after we finished cleaning the mud out of the church. The electricity came on, so I pushed the switch. To my delight, there, out across that ruined town, shone in block letters the sign, 'Assembly of God.'"

When the storm abated at Yuba City, the saddened residents were somewhat cheered by rays of sunshine and a rainbow in the sky.

And then, when the long storm was lifting,  
God put His great bow in the sky;  
To remind us He's still in the heavens,  
And through all, He is still standing by.

Elsewhere, there may not have been a rainbow, but Christian people have a right to look upon their God as the Author of a rainbow of promise whatever may be their temporary tragedy. Perhaps,

more than any of the rest of us, these flood victims are impressed:

He's building a home over yonder,  
He'll grant us the deed bye and bye;  
It's eternal—and floods cannot harm it,  
This we learned from His bow in the sky.

Pray for all who were affected by the flood. Disasters like this will come from time to time, but with the help of God and the co-operation of one another they need not be crippling disasters to any

of our Assemblies of God brethren. May we continue to maintain the trust in God and the co-operation with one another that has been evidenced everywhere in the face of this tragedy.

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## "All Are Your's"

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of them joyful, others painful. We cannot meet them until they have arrived, but we can be prepared. The future may bring golden opportunities or perhaps surprising sorrows. Whatever it may hold, this one thing we know, that "all things work together for good to them that love God."

Before leaving his friends to go to Jerusalem, Paul looked into the future and said, "I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there." But he added, "None of these things move me." He kept a right relationship to God. He was God's child, sealed for eternity. He maintained a right attitude toward God; he was God's consecrated servant. His attitude toward life was therefore one of hope and confidence. He could do all things through Christ who strengthened him; therefore he could always triumph. He did not know what was before him

when he went to Philippi, but he had the testimony, "I know whom I have believed." He was thus prepared when stripes and imprisonment met him there. He did not know what might be before him at Lystra, but when the men of Lystra stoned him and left him for dead, he still had the spiritual victory. Finally it came time for him to give his life. He had already prepared for such an eventuality and in triumph he could say, "I am now ready to be offered." Best of all, he knew his eternal future was secure, and that there was laid up for him in heaven a crown of righteousness.

God purposes that every person, every event, every circumstance in life shall work together for our good. Often we do not understand how something may be good for us; then we must trust the Lord. We live in time; we live for eternity. May God help us that we may use all associations and circumstances in our lives for our spiritual profit. "All are your's; and ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's."

## Missionary Martyrs in 1956

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developed when death intervened and Nate with his four dauntless companions were called to their reward.

The untimely death of these men has inspired many others to take up the Cross and renew their consecration. Nate's brother Phil Saint has recently dedicated his life to evangelizing in South America. Translators like his sister Rachel will push back into the interior of the jungles. The Missionary Aviation Fellowship, to which Nate belonged will continue to expand its world-wide ministry.

Two pilots, Grady Parrot and John Keenan, felt they could not rest till they had made "at least one more friendly flight" to show their love and interest toward the tribesmen who killed their comrades, so on January 31 they flew over the jungle and swept down low over the riverbank site where the massacre occurred. They saw the damaged plane still standing there, and the five white crosses. Then they flew on to the remote jungle village where the slain missionaries had traded gifts with the savages. They observed that the native canoes were gone, and that all of the big houses in the village had been burned, as is customary with the Indians when they move to a new area. However, they made several passes over the scene, and on the third pass they were surprised to see three Auca youths appear. One was conspicuously "dressed" in a green checked shirt, one of the gifts dropped by the martyred missionaries.

The two pilots dropped the only garments they could spare—a pair of swimming trunks and a red checked shirt. The Indians caught up the garments and "waved and waved them in very friendly fashion." The Indian youths appeared to the pilots to be "built like young Tarzans," and they were "bounding about in delight."

## Teacher Training

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Special children's services were held at the Capitol Hill Tabernacle. Evangelist and Mrs. Norman Pearsall conducted the nightly services for children between the ages of four and twelve. There were over 250 children in attendance at each of these sessions while their parents were taking the training course. Each night, the altar was lined with those making their decisions for Christ.

The missionaries have wondered if the Auca Indians are not divided, the old against the young. It seems that the old ones are hostile, while the young ones are more friendly. The older Indians remember how severely their relatives were massacred by white men working for a rubber company years ago, and they hate the white men. The younger men, however, must have heard how some of their

tribesmen have left the jungle and have found happiness living in the white men's land. If this be so, there is reason to hope that this very division may hasten the day when missionaries may be able to freely preach the gospel in Auca land, and vindicate the sacrifice made by the five missionary martyrs.

Meanwhile, the missionary work will go on until the last dark corner of the world is lighted, till the last savage in the remotest jungle shall have heard of God's love, till Christ shall return again for His glorious Church gathered from all nations and peoples of the earth.

## When Joshua Stopped the Sun

by M. A. ARTHUR

All through the ancient writings of the different peoples of the world there is this story of a day that lasted twice as long as it should. The ancient Egyptian priests showed the Greek historian Herodotus records which spoke of this long, long day. In the ancient writings of the Persians, it is found. Even among the Polynesian peoples of the islands of the South Seas there is a legend of a time long, long ago, when the sun seemed to stay and did not go down until a day later. The Chinese have preserved it, claiming it was in the reign of Yeo, a ruler of China who was a contemporary of Joshua. The Bible has the solution and gives the original account.

If you read the tenth chapter of the Book of Joshua, you will find that as the battle progressed between the Israelites and their foes and the day began to wear on to the afternoon, Joshua commanded the sun to stand still until he had finished the battle and won.

The late Professor Charles A. L. Totten, of Yale University, made a study of "Joshua's long day."

Joshua's long day, when he won the battle, it will be recalled, was not a complete day. It lacked forty minutes of being twenty-four hours. In the 20th chapter of the second Book of Kings, you will find another stepping back of the calendar which rounds out the time to a full day.

Hezekiah, king of Israel at the time,

became very ill. He wanted to live a little longer and prayed to the Lord, whereupon God promised him fifteen years more of life. As a token that this would happen, Hezekiah was told that the shadow of the sun would be turned backward 10 degrees, the equivalent of 40 minutes.

Thus was the full day rounded out in the Old Testament, the day that Professor Totten says with other astronomers is missing from the astronomer's calendar and which has never been accounted for.

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### THE WORLD'S NEED

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—Bishop W. F. McDowell

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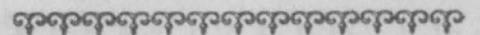
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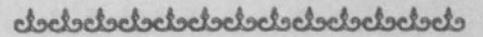
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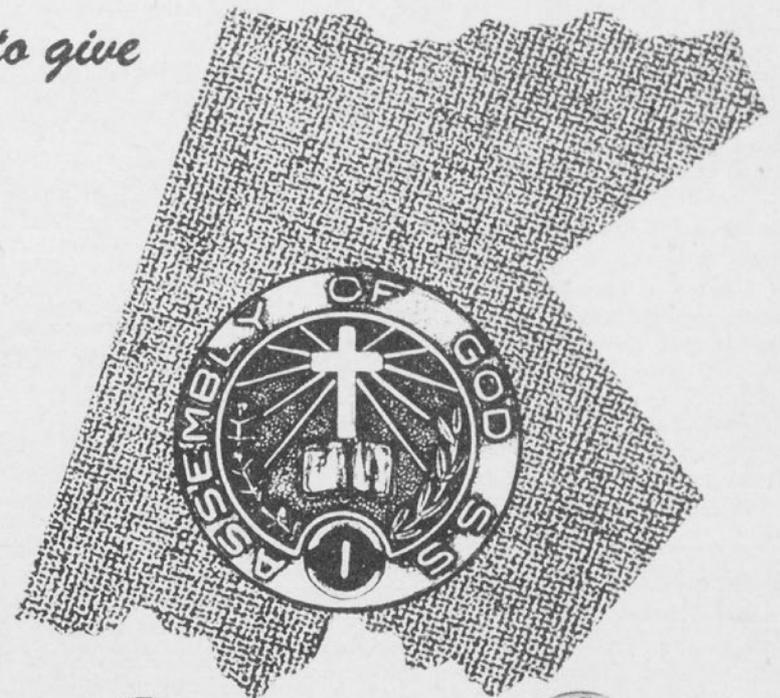
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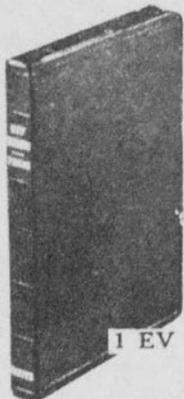
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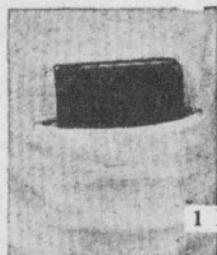
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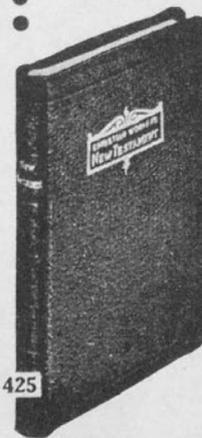


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# Are You Missing the Saviour?

by F. B. MEYER

To be "within the veil" is to understand our heavenly citizenship, to know our holy calling, to realize that we are no more of the world even as Christ is not of the world, and to sit with Him in the heavenlies. Alas for us then, when we are content with anything less than the best!

It is a marvelous fact, however, that though Christ has rent the veil embroidered with cherubim, which curtained off the Holy of Holies, His people make many veils for themselves which screen Him from their eyes.

Some weave the veil of ritualism. Their access to God is through the rites and ceremonies of the church, and their veil is embroidered with emblems of the chalice, the paten, the altar, and all the splendid symbols of ornate and gorgeous ceremonial. They cannot pray except in a church. They cannot feed on Christ except they eat of the consecrated emblems. Ever seeking God, they never really meet Him. Ever hearing about Him, they do not hear the

Shepherd's voice calling them by name.

Some weave the veil of doctrine. It is emblazoned with creeds, definitions, and orthodox statements of truth. It is not Christ, but doctrines about Christ, which inspire them with hope. It is the death of Christ, rather than Christ who died; the resurrection rather than the Risen One; the priesthood rather than the Priest.

You may be so taken up with the correctness of your notions about the Saviour, that you may miss the Saviour Himself.

## FELLOWSHIP NEWS

### OFFICERS RE-ELECTED IN ARIZONA DISTRICT

PHOENIX, ARIZ.—The 17th Arizona District Council convened here on January 31 at the First Assembly of God. All reports showed that this was the greatest year in the history of the Arizona District. Carl L. Stewart, pastor of the Boulevard Assembly in Fort Worth, Tex., was guest speaker.

All officers, except one presbyter, were re-elected and a fine spirit of unity prevailed. The glory of the Lord fell in every service and most of the business sessions. J. O. Harrell, manager of the Gospel Publishing House, was a guest at the Convention.—J. K. Gressett, Superintendent.

### THREE SAVED, SEVERAL HEALED, AT MISSION USA RALLY

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—The North Central Section of New York held a Mission USA Rally here at Grace Tabernacle on Feb. 6. Charles H. Robertson was host pastor.

Evangelist William A. Caldwell spoke at both the afternoon and evening services. His messages were unique and inspiring. A large number gathered at the altar to make a fresh consecration at the close of the afternoon service. At the evening service, three were saved and a number instantly healed. One woman was healed of a deaf ear.

The offering was very good, due, no doubt, to the fact that Brother Caldwell so ably presented the need and the people had a mind to give. Twelve of our home missions workers, representing seven of our ten home missions churches, were present. We were greatly blessed by their testimonies.—William H. Douglas, Sectional Home Missions Director.

### COMING MEETINGS

Notices should reach us a full month in advance, due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 23 days before the date which appears upon it.

TRAVERSE CITY, MICH.—Mar. 21-Apr. 1 at First Assembly of God; Evangelist and Mrs. Bill Sharp. (Leo Tomko is Pastor.)

IRONWOOD, MICH.—Mar. 19-Apr. 1 at Assembly of God; Evangelist D. A. Lewis, Mitchell, S. Dak (William Venske is Pastor.)

QUINCY, CALIF.—Begins Mar. 18 at Assembly of God; Evangelist Dewey L. Heath, Tex. (M. M. York is Pastor.)

CHETOPA, KANS.—Mar. 18-Apr. 1 at Assembly of God; E. C. Lagmay, Filipino evangelist.—by Rueben Ruiz, Pastor.

LA JOLLA, CALIF.—Mar. 11-18 with Evangelist and Mrs. Carl W. Oney, Pleasant Hill, Mo. (Bill Popejoy is Pastor.)

HOUSTON, TEX.—Begins Mar. 18 at Sunnyland Assembly of God; Evangelist Melvin McKnight. (O. L. Davidson is Pastor.)

BASSETT, NEBR.—Mar. 14-Apr. 1 at Assembly of God; Evangelist Bennie R. Harris, Bennett, Colo. (Lynn Nichols is Pastor.)

MORTON, MISS.—Mar. 11-25 at Holmes Assembly of God, Route 2; Evangelist and Mrs. E. H. Sherratt, Oakland, Calif.

ABILENE, KANS.—Begins Mar. 18 at City Auditorium; Belknap Evangelistic Team, Shawnee, Okla.—by A. W. Murnahan, Pastor, Assembly of God.

BASTROP, LA.—Mar. 11-25 with Evangelists Beauford and Celia Hannon, Oklahoma City, Okla.—by James E. Allen, Pastor.

AINSWORTH, NEBR.—Mar. 13-Apr. 1 at Assembly of God; Evangelist and Mrs. Howard Cummings, Edgemont, S. Dak. (J. M. Peck is Pastor.)

ENSLEY, ALA.—Begins Mar. 16 at Assembly of God; Evangelist and Mrs. Jack Fowler. (C. E. Cox is Pastor.)

ANTHONY, KANS.—Began Feb. 28 at Assembly of God; Evangelist Bobby Ray, Denver, Colo.—by David Matweyiw, Pastor.

PITTSBURG, KANS.—Mar. 13-Apr. 1 at First Assembly of God, 9th and Pine St.; McColl-Gerard Trio.—by Russell Rexroat, Pastor.

VINTON, IOWA—Mar. 11-Apr. 1 with Evangelist C. A. Beebe, Nampa, Idaho.—by Dale Hannon, Pastor.

HAMPTON, ARK.—Begins Mar. 11 at First Assembly of God; Evangelist Gene Thompson, Camden, Ark.—by Jess L. Bowen, Pastor.

ROSWELL, N. MEX.—Mar. 14-25 at Southside Assembly of God; Evangelist and Mrs. Bob Laughlin, Breckenridge, Tex. (T. J. Howard is Pastor.)

WYLIE, TEX.—Begins middle of March with Evangelist and Mrs. L. L. Ammons, Dallas, Tex. (R. D. Nance is Pastor.)

DRAIN, OREG.—Begins Mar. 6 at Assembly of God; Evangelist Johnny Hoskins, Prineville, Oreg. (Dwight L. Roys is Pastor.)

CHAMBERSBURG, PA.—Mar. 13-25 at Bethel Pentecostal Church; Evangelist Frederick Huber, Elizabeth, N. J.—by Samuel Weidler, Pastor.

HARTSHORNE, OKLA.—Mar. 11-25 at Assembly of God; East Main St.; Evangelist George R. Wood and son, Paul. (George L. McGee is Pastor.)

MARYVILLE, MO.—Begins Mar. 13 at Assembly of God, 309 E. Second; Evangelist Walter D. Lascelle, Seattle, Wash. (A. J. Sovern is Pastor.)

AMERICAN FALLS, IDAHO—Mar. 7-18 with Evangelist Christian Hild.—by Martin Dormier, Pastor.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO.—Mar. 18-Apr. 1 at First Assembly of God; Evangelist and Mrs. R. W. Hastie, Springfield, Mo. (Fred H. Brand is Pastor.)

FREEPORT, PA.—Mar. 7-25 at Freeport Gospel Tabernacle; Martin Busse Evangelistic Party.—by Charles Martin Shaffer, Pastor.

GRINNELL, IOWA—Mar. 11-25 with Evangelists Helen Cox and Mabel Brown, Virginia, Ill. (D. E. Skiles is Pastor.)

APPLETON, WIS.—Mar. 13-25 at Assembly of God; Evangelist and Mrs. Joel R. Palmer, Beaverton, Ala. (H. Redfield Brown is Pastor.)

TROY, N. Y.—Mar. 25-Apr. 1 at First Assembly of God; Evangelist John and Olive Kellner, Geneva, N. Y.—by Joseph C. Tubby, Pastor.

OSAWATOMIE, KANS.—Mar. 13-Apr. 1 at Assembly of God; Evangelist and Mrs. David Sandall and family, Augusta, Kans.—by I. D. Rayborn, Pastor.

LAS CRUCES, N. MEX.—Mar. 20-25 at Bethel Assembly of God; Evangelists Oran and Audrey Duncan, North Hollywood, Calif. (R. L. Franks is Pastor.)

SOUTH BEND, IND.—Mar. 11-Apr. 1 at Faith Memorial Church, LaSalle and Taylor; Evangelist and Mrs. Jimmy White, Columbus, Ga.—by D. A. Edwards, Pastor.



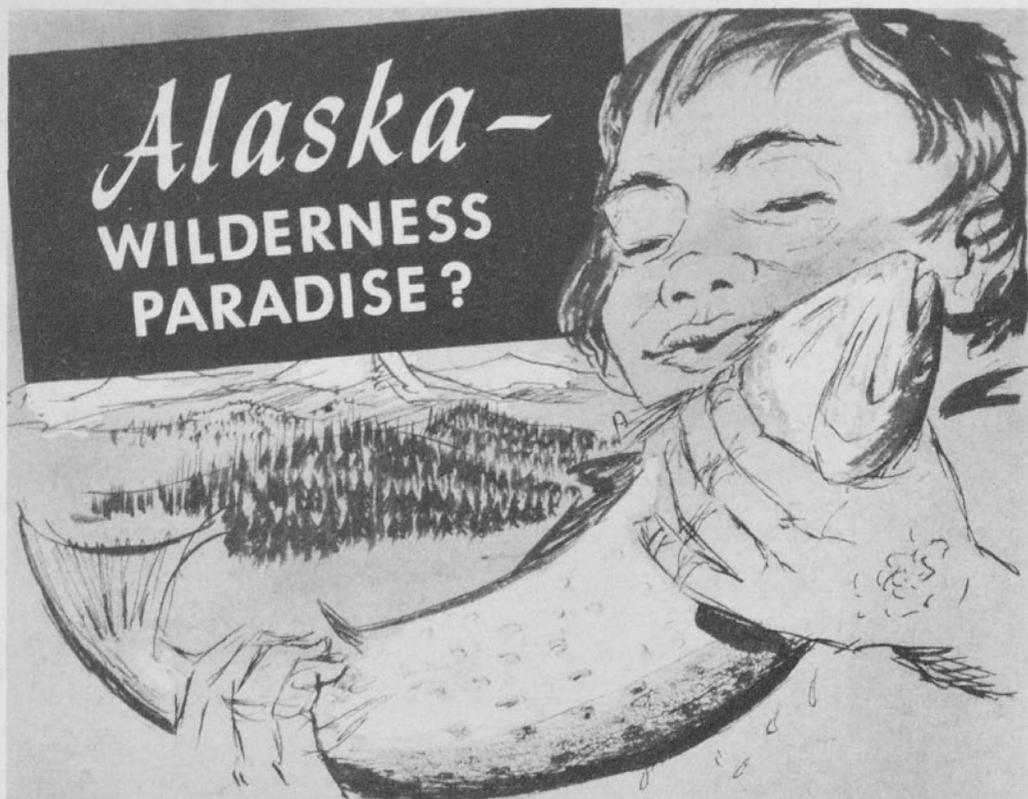
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# Alaska- WILDERNESS PARADISE?



MEADVILLE, PA.—Mar. 13-25 at Assembly of God, 719 Washington St.; Evangelist and Mrs. J. E. Risner, Burwell, Nebr.—by D. W. Brubaker, Pastor.

OMAHA, NEBR.—Mar. 18-Apr. 1 at Bethel Assembly of God, 67th and Corby Sts.; Evangelist R. R. Fairchild, Memphis, Tenn.—by Kenneth H. Wray, Pastor.

LAMESA, TEX.—Feb. 26-Mar. 18 at First Assembly of God; Evangelist Quentin D. Edwards, Garland, Tex. (James Farmer is Pastor.)

CARLSBAD, N. MEX.—Began Mar. 4 at Riverside Assembly of God, Cor. W. Church at Olive; Evangelist Jack Brock, Albuquerque, N. Mex. (C. L. Tillery is Pastor.)

WICHITA, KANS.—Mar. 18-Apr. 1 at Douglas Avenue Assembly of God, 4501 W. Douglas; Lambertson Musical Evangelists, Barnard, Kans.—by Charles W. Shumway, Pastor.

EVANSVILLE, IND.—Begins Mar. 13 at Calvary Assembly of God; Evangelists Bob Bryson and Kenny Foreman, Beaumont, Tex.—by H. P. Vibbert, Pastor.

NAMPA, IDAHO—Fellowship Meeting and Dedication of new parsonage, Mar. 15. D. E. Snider, Presbyterian, speaking.—by Ray D. Murphy, Pastor.

BRISTOL, PA.—Mar. 13-25 at Bristol Pentecostal Church, Wood and Walnut Sts.; Evangelist and Mrs. R. V. McIntosh, Piedmont, W. Va.—by Anthony A. Marinacci, Pastor.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Mar. 20-25 at Arabi Assembly of God; V. G. Greisen, former Kansas District Superintendent.—by C. E. Peak, Pastor.

MERCERSBURG, PA.—Mar. 20-Apr. 1 at First Pentecostal Assembly of God; Evangelist and Mrs. John Giannattasio, Bridgeport.—by Earl W. Winand, Pastor.

PEMBROKE, BERMUDA—Began Feb. 26 at Evening Light Pentecostal Church, Parsons Rd.; Evangelist Harvey McAlister, Rochester, N. Y. (Harold R. Thomas is Pastor.)

WICHITA, KANS.—Mar. 11-Apr. 1 at Glad Tidings Assembly, 15th and Park Place; spring revival and Sunday School round-up with Evangelist J. F. Pepper.—by Floyd L. Dennis, Pastor.

EASTERN DISTRICT C. A. CONVENTION—Mar. 29-30 at Education forum of the Pennsylvania State Capitol, Harrisburg, Pa. Laurie Price, Belleville, Ont., Canada, speaker. Services Thursday night and all day Friday. For accommodations write William Farrell, R.D. 1, Dover, Pa.—by Gordon F. Preiser, Publicity Chairman.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA INDIAN FELLOWSHIP—Bethel Temple, 21st and "W" Sts.; Sacramento, Calif., Mar. 28-30. Open to all interested in Indian missionary work. For further information write George Efferman, Director, 2566 - 16th St., Sacramento, Calif.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION of the Italian Assemblies of God, Mar. 16-17, at Italian Pentecostal Christian Assembly, State and Laurel Sts., Syracuse, N.Y. Speakers: J. Falcone, Philip D'Angelo, John S. Marckese, Joseph Mignano, Elizabeth De Santis, and Matthew De Santis. Frank Maccarone is host pastor.—by John S. Marckese, S. S. Director.

CANADIAN REGIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS—Five Regional Sunday School Conventions have been planned by the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, as follows: ONTARIO, Mar. 21-25 at Evangel Temple, Toronto. Speaker: Paul Copeland, West Palm Beach, Fla. MARITIME, April 4-8 at Pentecostal Tabernacle, Bathurst, N. B. Speakers: J. Montgomery and E. C. O'Brien, Toronto. CENTRAL, May 16-20 at Bethel Temple, Brandon, Man. Speaker: C. W. Denton, Springfield, Mo. WESTERN, May 23-27 at Pentecostal Tabernacle, Calgary, Alta. Speaker: Ray White, Billings, Mont. PACIFIC, May 30-June 3 at Broadway Tabernacle, Vancouver, B. C. Speaker: Wayne M. Adams of Oregon. For further information write James Montgomery, 50 Euston Ave., Toronto 6, Ontario, Canada.

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