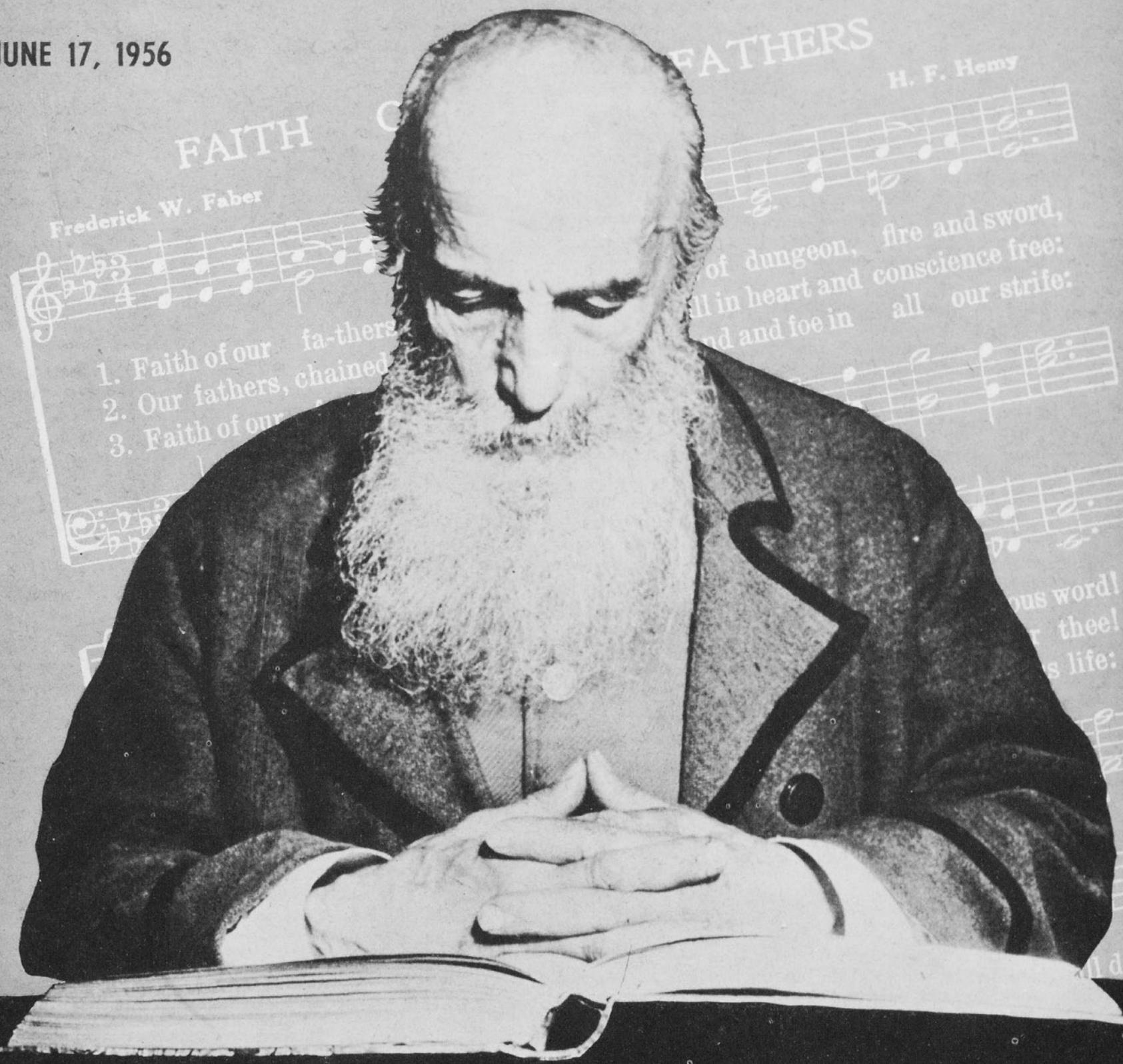


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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD

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Father's Day Calls For a Faith as Well as a Flower

A Throne for Dad

This is the day when Dad wears the crown. For twenty-four hours he sits upon his throne in undisputed sovereignty. His slightest wish is the family's command. His wife serves his favorite food and his children present him with gifts. From morn to night he is the center of attention; and whether he admits it or not, he likes it. He knows they won't make so much fuss over him again until another Father's Day rolls around!

Dad probably deserves whatever honor he gets. After all, who pays the grocery bills, and who is the household handyman? Who is the "supreme court" when disputes arise? Who has the final word in important decisions? Dad is the head of the house, the captain of the ship, the president of the corporation. He carries a heavy responsibility—and if he is a *Christian* dad he deserves double honor.

God has given each father a throne and expects him to sit on it—not for just a day, but all year long. He wants each father to be the fountain-head of authority in the home. Many fathers, unfortunately, have abdicated. They have handed the reins of government over to their wives and that's the cause of many a tragedy. As a secular magazine writer points out: "One trouble with marriage is plain—*nobody teaches fatherhood in America.* The American child has had, for some generations, very little experience with fathers engaged in simply being fathers. After the birth of the child the American father pretty much vanishes. He is at the office all day. At night, if he and mother are not stepping out while a 'sitter' takes over, he is probably either entertaining adult friends or else is too tired to take an interest in the family. The father's affection, sympathy, understanding, leadership and intense personal care just aren't."

A noted psychiatrist says that this female domination at home and at school, from cradle to grave, has had an unmistakable effect on American manhood. "One result of this female domination is that increasing numbers of American youths are growing up to be inadequate males, as revealed during the war when so many young men had to be rejected because their mothers had made neurotics of them."

A father suffers when he abandons his God-given position in the home. He may become a stranger to his own family. He may lose their admiration and respect unless he asserts himself and summons the moral courage to be a spiritual leader. And the whole family suffers if he is too lazy or spineless to take the lead.

A father can be either a figurehead or the representative of God in his home. He can be merely a weak, passive male or he can become the priest of the family. Thank God for so many men in our assemblies who are mounting the throne and providing spiritual leadership. They are leading their children to Christ, leading them to Sunday School, leading them in family devotions. Such men are walking in the footsteps of Abraham, of whom the Lord said: "For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment, that the Lord may bring upon Abraham that which He hath spoken of him" (Genesis 18: 19). God has a throne for each Christian father—not only in this life but also in the life to come.

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*The Greatest Soldiers of History Are the Spirit-filled
Christians Who Fight the Good Fight of Faith*

THE CHURCH MILITANT

by C. W. H. SCOTT

Michigan District Superintendent



ONE OF OUR OUTSTANDING GENERALS answered the question, "What is wrong with our age?" when he said, "We have too many men of science and too few men of God. We have grasped the mystery of the atom and rejected the Sermon on the Mount. Man is stumbling blindly through spiritual darkness, while toying with the precious secrets of life and death. The world has achieved brilliance without wisdom, and power without conscience. Ours is a world of nuclear giants and ethical infants. We know more about war than we know about peace, more about killing than we know about living."

The impressions of this military leader are tragically true, for he indeed pictured the times in which we live.

As the church faces its task in these troubled days, it is no time for hysterical wringing our hands or indulging in spiritual frustrations. The church must factually appraise the situation, seek the anointing of God upon its program, and fight the good fight of faith. Too often "Hold the Fort" becomes our theme song instead of "Onward to Victory."

The church of Jesus Christ should be a militant force against evil. Hell should fear its banners. Satan should tremble before its onslaughts of prayer. The powers of darkness should wither in its presence. God help us to be a nuisance to sin and Satan as we go forth to conquer sin and rescue souls from the enemy.

In Acts 4:31 the secret of the accomplishment of this task is revealed—"And when they had *prayed* the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all *filled with the Holy Ghost*, and they *spoke* the word of God with boldness."

This formula for a militant, aggressive church is further illustrated in the first three chapters of the Book of Acts. In the opening chapter we see the church on its knees, or the church going up to the Upper Room for prayer. Chapter

two shows the church in the Upper Room, going in for power from on high. The third chapter shows the church on the street, going out to do service. If the church today will seek to emulate the pattern of the early believers, it will have comparable results accompanying its ministry.

THE CHURCH PRAYING

"They went *up* into an upper room. . . . These all continued with one accord in prayer" (Acts 1:13, 14). Prayer is the preliminary to the power of the Holy Spirit. It is the avenue over which the church traveled to the dynamics which made it an influence for good.

The church on its knees can overcome every obstacle, defeat every enemy, clear the atmosphere of spiritual wickedness, and bring victory to the cause of Christ. When the church prays, it is filled with the Spirit of God; it is given a new awareness of strength and guidance and purpose from beyond itself. Prayer is a realignment with the omnipotence of God, so that we do not merely talk about miracles, but we become miracles—centers of abundant life indwelt by the living presence of God Himself.

If the church is to discharge its obligations to this materialistic age, it must maintain its spiritual integrity by remaining a praying church. We have a supernatural work to do and we must

have supernatural power with which to do it. Remember, the church on its knees, going up for prayer, was also the church going in for power.

THE CHURCH RECEIVING

The second chapter of Acts gives us a vivid picture of what happened to the church when the supernatural power of the Holy Spirit came upon it. The sound from heaven, the rushing mighty wind, the cloven tongues as of fire that sat upon each of them, the miracles of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance—this was the event that brought the curious multitude together and resulted in the conversion of three thousand people. Here is a graphic picture of what can happen to the church which will return to a place of prayer for that same power for service today.

The church's second infilling with the Spirit, recorded in Acts 4:31, further illustrates the results of prayer. "When they had prayed, . . . they were all filled with the Holy Ghost." As a result of that infilling, great unity characterized the church. Love swept away all their differences. Great power to witness was given them, and great grace was upon them all. Healings and miracles followed their ministry, and there was a great ingathering of souls. They exerted such an influence that they soon filled Jerusalem with their doctrine.

If the early church needed this power for launching its work two thousand years ago, we need the same power to

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CAPTAIN BARRON'S

Last Flight

by EMMETT MAUM

AS AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT 476 winged its way from Springfield, Missouri, toward St. Louis, with veteran pilot Captain Hugh C. Barron at the controls, the twenty-nine others aboard felt no concern at all.

And for good reason. Captain Barron had proved himself one of the most capable pilots in the world, one thoroughly devoted to duty.

It was good to have Pilot Barron on this flight, August 4, 1955.

On two occasions when trouble had developed, Captain Barron had brought his planes down safely, without a casualty.

Newspapers had heralded the great skill of Pilot Barron in bringing down his Convair, headed for Chicago's Midway airport, to an emergency landing at Glenview Naval Air Station, on November 9, 1954. He set the plane down safely despite a jammed landing gear. Among his passengers on this flight was the wife of Illinois governor, William Stratton.

Then on January 2, 1955, Pilot Barron landed another Convair safely at a small airport in Cushing, Oklahoma, after he was unable to feather the propeller of a dead engine.

And now Flight 476, also a Convair, made its way to St. Louis for a stop before continuing to New York City. Suddenly an alarming report went out over the American Airlines system from Pilot Barron. The right engine of the plane, nearing Lebanon, Missouri, was on fire!

"I will attempt a landing at Fort Leonard Wood's Forney Field," came the voice of Pilot Barron. He said everything was being done to try to bring the plane down safely. He and others of the crew, First Officer William G. Gates and Stewardess Thelma Ruth Ballard, were keeping the passengers calm.

About fifteen hundred yards from the air strip, Pilot Barron fought desperately to guide the crippled plane down without trouble. Now only a thousand yards separated the plane from the field

—and that wasn't far for an airliner racing through the skies.

Ten more seconds and the plane would be landing safely!

Suddenly, the right wing dropped off in flames. Then the left wing clipped some of the tall timber which provides a dense covering to the hilly country-side around the airport.

The plane exploded into flames, crashing to the ground. Fire remained so intense that rescue workers were hampered for hours.

Pilot Barron, the other crew members, and all twenty-seven passengers perished in the crash.

Pilot Hugh C. Barron, handsome grey-haired 45-year-old pilot who had flown 15,000 air hours during his fourteen airline years, had gone on his last flight.

His wife, back in Tulsa, Oklahoma, was stunned as she heard the tragic news. A staunch Christian and then a Sunday School teacher at Sheridan Assembly of God in Tulsa, she was even more saddened as this thought hit her:

"Lord, how could my husband die without being saved? I remember exactly the hour and the date of the covenant you made with me to save all of our family."

The Holy Spirit spoke then to Mrs. Barron: "Remember your husband's words to you two weeks ago?"

Indeed she did!

And Mrs. Barron recalled many years ago when she and young Hugh Barron became friends at their home town of Dublin, Georgia.

She remembered that both of them in those days attended a Methodist church, before she had received the light on the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Once Hugh Barron had an experience with the Lord. He felt that God had some job for him in His work. Just what it was, he did not know. Later he had told his wife: "I've had this call for a long, long time, even when I used to go in the barn and pray, while I was a child."

And on one occasion, Hugh Barron had said he would never fly again on Sunday. Yet, Mrs. Barron recalled, he forgot that vow and did fly on Sunday.

As the years went by, Mrs. Barron and the children—Margaret, Hugh, Don, and Bill—realized their father was unsaved. He was kind and considerate to all of them. He attended Sunday School and church with them sometimes. As Mrs. Barron says: "My husband was happy for our family's religion, and while he did not live for the Lord in those days, he knew that what we had was real. One by one, all of our family were saved except my husband."

The salvation of "Dad" was uppermost in the minds of those at the Barron household in Memphis, Fort Worth, and Tulsa, where the pilot was alternately based.

No doubt about it, though, Hugh Barron was one of the world's finest fliers. And he was a self-made pilot, which made it even more amazing.

Now, as Pilot Barron had made his last trip, Mrs. Barron recalled the circumstances of his first one in a plane.

One day she had asked him: "Hugh, where are you going with those sheets?"

"Oh," he said, grinning, "they're to cover the wings of my plane."

Finally the work on Hugh's plane was completed—in his own bicycle shop. At last he touched the stick of his man-made plane and he was off!

"How'll I get this bird down?" he had asked himself. Trying the few controls, he managed to set the plane down—without damage to himself and very little to the plane.

After that he managed to draw from his small budget enough money for two and a half hours of flight instructions. He was on his way, aeronautically speaking. Hugh Barron spent the next few years in various business enterprises. They included a mattress factory, shoe shop, and sign painting. After that he and Johnny Chapman formed the Barron and Chapman Air Circus in 1941, furnishing spectators thrills galore.

Then there were long hours of study before his Instrument Rating. After he received his Flight Instructor's Rating, he earned extra money with his own flying school, in addition to his regular income.

World War II came along. And Mrs. Barron recalled how her husband had

become an instructor in flying for the Air Force. "Afterward," she said, "American Airlines needed pilots, so Hugh realized his lifetime ambition when he was hired."

Part of his work was flying supplies from Natal, Brazil, to the Gold Coast of Africa in a DC-4, and bringing wounded soldiers back to Brazil. On one trip back to Natal in the spring of 1943, Pilot Barron found one of his engines had cut out over the Atlantic Ocean.

Yet he did not seem greatly concerned. The co-pilot heard him say: "Fellow, you'd better be glad you're in the plane with me, instead of somebody else, because my wife and my mother are back home praying for us right now."

After the war ended, Pilot Barron was sent to Memphis by American Airlines. He was honored with the rank of captain and received a Million Miler Award. Eventful days then—and more ahead of him.

Among those days were times when he sat deeply interested in services at the First Assembly of God in Memphis. Somehow he could not get around to a full and complete surrender to Christ. Prayers continued for him.

The Barron children were growing up. Don received a call to preach.

"Don," his father said to him one day, "I want you to be the best preacher in the world. You know, there is always an airport you're headed for, if you are following the original direction. And every pilot has an alternate airport on every flight."

This became a stirring part of an evangelistic message by young Barron. He saw the airport originally chosen as heaven and the alternate airport as hell. This and other illustrations about planes were used to make the sermon one of Don's best.

Pilot Barron had an interest in religion all right. When his wife's stepmother was desperately ill, Mrs. Barron tried to win her to the Lord, but without avail. "I believe I can write her and help her," remarked Pilot Barron one day.

"Then you had better do what you can, quickly," said his wife.

This was the story told afterward. Pilot Barron wrote his wife's stepmother: "I want to meet you in heaven some day. Be sure you're ready for that—because I'll be looking for you there."

In feeble handwriting, the reply came back: "I'm ready now. I'll meet you in heaven, Hugh."

As Mrs. Barron looked in retrospect at their happy life together, her mind now went back to just the day before the fatal flight.

She had left their home in Tulsa and gone just a block on an errand, then had returned. "My, how I missed you," said her husband. His words had never been more kind and sincere, though he had always been a wonderful husband and father.

Somehow it seemed as if Pilot Barron were going on a longer trip than usual. Maybe he was remembering that earlier day in 1955 when he was delayed. Pilot Barron was scheduled to bring a flight back to Springfield, Missouri. But some minor mechanical work was needed on his plane, and he was stuck at Springfield, Illinois.

The Springfield-bound plane he was due to be aboard had crashed, killing sixteen people.

Yes, the hand of God seemed to be upon Hugh Barron.

But, what happened two weeks before the crash that took his life?

Mrs. Barron was joyful now as the Holy Spirit brought those moments to her remembrance. "We were talking at home about a couple we knew," said Mrs. Barron. "I said that if only the wife

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Eagle Symbol, center foreground, can be seen amidst the wreckage of an American Airlines plane that crashed near Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, airport, August 4, 1955, killing all thirty persons aboard. Behind the smoldering wreckage are civilian and soldier personnel examining part of the wreckage and at extreme left is one of airliner's engines. White-helmeted air force police can be seen through the smoky haze, left.



"FATHERS, YOUR CHILD

Every father who loves his son or daughter should read this searching article by C. M. Ward

PAUL THE APOSTLE WROTE A MESSAGE to the head of the house. He said, "*Ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord*" (Ephesians 6:4).

If ever fathers handed children a torn-up world, it is today! And today's children are angry about it. Two world wars, a "police action" in Korea that snuffed out 20,000 young American lives, scare headlines in each day's newspaper, a steering wheel with anywhere from 250 to 325 "horses" in front of it and roads only wide enough for a "surrey with the fringe on top"—this is the kind of world today's fathers have given their children. The plain, unadulterated fact is that children are rioting against today's conditions.

This is not a new story, this failure of fathers! The Old Testament history of Israel presents a classic example. You will find it in the fourteenth chapter of the Book of Numbers. Here are some striking paragraphs from that story:

"... To morrow turn you, and get you into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea" (v. 25).

"Because all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and have tempted me now these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice: surely they shall not see the land which I swear unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked me see it..." (v. 22).

"Your carcases shall fall in this wilderness; and all that were numbered of you, according to your whole number, from twenty years old and upward... shall not come into the land... But your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, them will I bring in, and they shall know the land which ye have despised" (vv. 29-31).

"But as for you, your carcases, they shall fall in this wilderness. And your children shall wander in the wilderness forty years, and bear your whoredoms, until your carcases be wasted in the wilderness..." (v. 32).

Forty years is a long time to get sand in your shoes—especially when you are reminded by every painful step that it was Dad's stubbornness and unbelief that are to blame. I think those forty years produced some angry children. Amid the burrs and the snakes, the

thirst and the constant tramping, I think those teen-agers who had to turn away from the verdant valleys of Canaan must have felt riot and rebellion in their souls. Their lives had been confiscated. They had been pushed into a world not of their own choosing. Their parents had handed them a bill to pay, a debt that was not of their making. Fathers and mothers for those forty years of exile were not worthy of the respect of their sons and daughters. How would you like to have been one of those teen-agers?

And what about today? Well, Mister, there's plenty to make the teen-ager angry! There's enough in the modern home to provoke him. When millions of children hardly know who will be their next daddy or mamma from day to day, how can you keep from provoking riot in their souls? If parents have a right to walk out, to tear up holy vows of matrimony taken before God's altar, to treat as scraps of paper solemn covenants made with each other, can you expect teen-agers to respect rules and regulations? When a boy is told that "quitters" and three- or four-time losers are his parents, isn't it a miracle you are asking of him to stick to anything very long, to exercise a sense of loyalty? He is likely to ask the question, "Why are Dad and Mother out in this wilderness? Who is responsible for this mess, anyway?"

Neighbor, there's no doubt about it, today's children are angry about their home life. The child is deprived even of home cooking. Today's baby starts out with a formula, grows up on a can-opener, and graduates to a nationally advertised cake mix. His finest memories of today's kitchen are images of built-in appliances and the brooding presence of the deepfreeze. The kitchen used to be the place where Mother made cookies a couple of times a week;

PROVOKE NOT CHILDREN TO WRATH"

where the odor of homemade bread built a memory that stayed with you as long as you lived; where you could lick the icing from the mixing spoon, and Mother handled her rows of spices and seasonings like a master organist handling the stops on the console of his instrument.

Today's children hardly know their parents. Their first bed is in a hospital, not at home. They are tucked in bed by a baby sitter, not by Mother. They learn the facts of life from some youth organization, not from their parents. No wonder youth is in revolt! How much farther can they be provoked?

Nobody wants to bother with them. School teachers are deserting them. Ten thousand a year forsake the profession in the State of California alone. There's more money working in a factory than sitting behind a teacher's desk. The children have no place to play. Property is more valuable for subdivisions and freeways and skyscrapers. Why use such valuable land for playgrounds? Supervised recreation is a gimmick we can't afford. We must cut down somewhere, so we take it away from the children. They can't talk back. But they *are* talking back. Their revolt, their organized resistance, their flaming anger is a language we ought to listen to. They are trying to shock us into sanity and sobriety. Will we wait until it is too late?

King David waited too long. His sob, "O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! would God I had died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son!" could not bring a dead boy back to life. Regrets are poor companions. David's own sin killed that boy. Dad grew lazy and lustful in middle age. He became too busy with his love affairs to take care of his business properly. He sat in someone's boudoir when he should have been sitting in the gate of the city dis-

persing justice and wisdom. His boys grew up and hardly knew their dad. They became a pack of hoodlums, carrying knives and running in gangs, raping and killing. They never knew what home life was. David was a big success in the rotogravure section but he was a miserable failure at home. He thought about Absalom too little and too late.

I'll say it again—an older generation is *provoking* a younger generation. Youth is rioting against the lack of authority in the home. There's no one to tell the boy or the girl to pick up his clothes and hang them up, to do the chores around the house, to see that there are more A's on the next report card or certain privileges will be curtailed, to make sure that curfew is kept, to make Sunday School and church attendance compulsory! A wishy-washy, spineless apathy has replaced the time-honored position of head of the house. And are today's children happy about it? No, they are not. They cast envious eyes toward the hard discipline of totalitarian ideologies. They lose respect for courts and law-enforcement agencies that handle them with kid gloves. We just *think* we've outgrown the need for spanking!

I've always thought that one of the sweetest descriptions of old-fashioned woodshed tactics which produced so much character for so many American generations is found in one of the most unlikely portions of the Bible—the Epistle to the Hebrews. Here it is: "No *chastening* for the present seemeth

to be joyous, but grievous: *nevertheless* afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of *righteousness* unto them which are *exercised* thereby. Wherefore *lift up the hands which hang down*, and the feeble *knees*; and make straight paths for your feet. . . ."

There's nothing like old-fashioned spanking administered by parents to "make straight paths for the feet." Young people aren't happy with this "pass the buck" attitude among parents. They are tired of being messed with in school, in the home, and in the church.

Even in the church it is the same. The idea of a family pew is a thing of the past. Dad no longer has his family sit with him in church. From infancy the child is segregated in the house of God. He is inbred with a sort of idea that he is a nuisance to older people in their worship. So he makes the round of fringe auditoriums until he is old enough to get away from it all. The old idea that Dad and Mother were responsible to sit with their children in church and to see that they heard the gospel and felt the gospel, that they should be first to lead their children to the altar and kneel beside them and pray with them, is outmoded. Mother and Dad must be free from such encumbrances in church. Youngsters must be turned over to specialists elsewhere—from church nurseries to church gymnasiums.

Fathers, you are provoking your children to wrath! They are saying, "Why have parents? You don't see them anyway! Mother is never there to help you with your homework and lessons after school." She is too busy at her club, or viewing her favorite television program, so Daughter is sent over to a girl friend's house. Instead of going there, she meets the gang down at the corner drugstore. And we ask, "Why delinquency?"

May God help me to impress you with this text! This storm and riot among today's youth is a protest against our present social structure. Something is wrong! That's what all this trouble means.

Parent, I want to ask you a straight

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Hear C. M. Ward on REVIVALTIME . . .

WHAT IS A DISCIPLE? (Hebrews 6:9)

SERMON SUBJECT FOR JUNE 17

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

Bible Society Distribution Near Half-Billion

The American Bible Society expects to distribute its half-billionth volume of the Scriptures some time next spring. To date 481 million Scriptures have been distributed by the Society since its formation in 1816.

"Stone of Faith" Dedicated

Evangel College, the Assemblies of God liberal arts school at Springfield, Mo. recently dedicated a "Stone of Faith" on its campus. The huge Carthage stone will bear the names of all persons who contribute \$1,000 or more to the college.

Two Arrested for Sunday Closing Violations

Due largely to complaints made by retail workers' unions, two supermarket operators were arrested in Cleveland, Ohio, on charges of violating the Ohio Sunday closing laws. Both had been warned by Police Prosecutor Bernard Conway that warrants for the arrest of violators would be issued.

The Five Great Plagues of 1956

The *Methodist Review* lists the following as the five great plagues of our day: (1) disregard for authority; (2) hatred between man and man; (3) an abnormal aversion to work; (4) an excessive thirst for pleasure; (5) a gross materialism that denies the reality of the spiritual in human life.

UN Finds Israel a "Burdenstone"

George Cabot Lodge, U.S. delegate to the UN, states that since the armistices were signed in August, 1949, the "Palestine question" has appeared on the Security Council's agenda no fewer than 90 times—more than any other question before the United Nations.

One cannot help but remember the scripture in Zechariah 12:3 where God said, "In that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people."

Liberian President Declines Kremlin Offer

Time magazine reports that "an invitation to come to Moscow and live it up with the hospitable Kremlin folk was politely turned down by Liberia's wary President William Tubman."

We cannot help but feel that President Tubman's action was based largely on his Christian faith which was demonstrated quite dramatically earlier this year during the Inaugural Salvation-Healing Campaign conducted by two Assemblies of God ministers, Ralph Byrd and Glenn Horst. These evangelists came to Liberia at President Tubman's personal request. His wholehearted support of the gospel meetings was an indication that President Tubman realizes Christianity and Communism have nothing in common.

Bishop Asks Campaign Against Smoking

An Irish Roman Catholic bishop believes that a campaign against smoking is "long overdue." Noting that "there is no doubt of the risk to life and lung run by heavy smokers, particularly heavy smokers of cigarettes," he said that "smoking, like drinking, is best avoided altogether. . . . Total abstinence is the one reliable safeguard against excess," he added.

Presbyterians Observe 250th Anniversary

The first presbytery of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., was organized in Philadelphia in 1706. The 250th anniversary of that historic event was celebrated by the denomination's General Assembly meeting in that city from May 24-30. Delegates attending the assembly learned that membership in their denomination increased over 77,000 in 1955 to a new high of 2,736,241.

The Shoe Is on the Other Foot!

A report from Poland indicates that Communists are finding the shoe of persecution pinching a little. A Polish Communist newspaper complained that children of *atheistic* parents are being "persecuted" in the schools by children of Christians. The newspaper called upon religious people to show more respect for the rights of others.

It seems almost humorous when the champions of intolerance must themselves call for tolerance.

New Name Being Sought for "Gospel Gleaners"

The Church School Literature Department of the Assemblies of God is looking for a new name to go with a new format of "Gospel Gleaners." The department will pay \$25.00 to the person who selects the best name for this weekly Sunday School paper, according to Ralph W. Harris, Editor of Church School Literature. The new format of "Gospel Gleaners" will begin with the October issues. Send your name suggestion to "Gospel Gleaners," 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri, before July 15.

Unhappiness May Be Principal Cause of Death

The president of the National Commission of Mental Illness and Health said recently that unhappiness may be the principal cause of death in modern society. "In the long run, satisfaction is as important as nutrition in the preservation of health," he said.

How wonderful to realize that the Lord knew about this need of ours for happiness and satisfaction long before scientists began considering it in this light. The psalmist David recognized God as the source of satisfaction when he said, "Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing." Only in a complete consecration to Christ is there real happiness and satisfaction.

Senator Seeks Bibles for Federal Prisoners

Senator William Langer (North Dakota) introduced legislation in Congress to require all federal penal and correctional institutions to "maintain a supply of Bibles and religious literature to be furnished to any federal prisoner at his request." The Senator said he felt such religious literature would be helpful to prisoners in their rehabilitation.

Parents Criticize Student's Religious Fervor

Strange as it seems, though parents want their children well-prepared for life they are often quick to complain when they feel their children are getting too much of that which really prepares them for living—a heart-felt religion.

This sad state of affairs was again illustrated recently by a group of parents in Charlotte, North Carolina, who found fault with an evangelistic fervor, sparked by a recent student-sponsored youth crusade, among students of one of the city's high schools. Parents complained about the "over-emphasis on religious activity" at the school, even though the activities are part of a voluntary Bible instruction program. One parent stated that his child returned home from a meeting in a highly emotional state.

While we recognize that uncontrolled emotionalism is dangerous, yet we cannot help but wonder why parents expect teen-agers, emotional by nature, to express their feelings in everything else except the field of religion. From the reports it is evident that these students find reality in Christ—and it is not surprising if they are emotional over such a discovery. Undoubtedly the parents who criticize know nothing of this reality themselves.

British Doctors Cautious About Divine Healing

A committee of British doctors, appointed by the British Medical Association at the request of the Church of England Commission on Divine Healing, reported it can find no evidence of any type of illness cured *solely* by spiritual healing which cannot be cured by medical means.

Declaring, however, that in a sense all healing might be considered divine, the committee hastened to add that "many aspects of healing are still outside our present knowledge and this we should honestly and humbly admit."

While the cautious attitude expressed in this statement is understandable, nevertheless there are multitudes of people all over the world ready to testify that the Great Physician has healed them, even after doctors shook their heads and said, "There is no hope."

Colombia's Evangelicals Have Day of Prayer

Evangelical believers in Colombia joined together in a day of fasting and prayer last month, especially remembering these specific requests: (1) the many evangelical churches closed in the country—over 30 churches were closed in April within two weeks; (2) the pastors and believers who suffer in prison for the cause of Christ; (3) the gatherings celebrating the centenary of evangelical work in Colombia; (4) freedom to hold evangelical meetings throughout the country—certain areas are reserved by the government for the Roman Catholics only; and (5) a new dedication on the part of all believers in that land to glorify God.

Evangelical believers in Colombia greatly need the prayers of all Christians in this hour of persecution.

FIRST FRESHMAN CLASS COMPLETES YEAR'S WORK AT EVANGEL COLLEGE



Evangel College, the Assemblies of God liberal arts school, ended its first full year of operation on May 24. The first freshman class (pictured above) looks back with gratitude on the accomplishments of the year.

While attention to academic matters played a vital role in the college life, one of the things which the students will probably always remember was the emphasis placed upon spiritual matters and the Pentecostal blessings which rested upon the activities.

All through the year there was a high spiritual tide. This seemed to be climaxed by the great Religious Emphasis Week for which Charles Blair, pastor of Calvary Temple, Denver, Colorado, was guest speaker. College President Klaude Kendrick reported that Brother Blair "was marvelously used of God in his ministry of the Word, both morning and evening, during the week."

President Kendrick added that "God's glory and blessing were enjoyed from the first day. Students were filled with the Spirit in every service. Many were prostrated under the power of God and spoke in other languages for hours. Some services continued (all night) until 8 a.m." Many of the students testified

that it was the greatest impact of God's power and influence that they had ever felt.

Prior to the revival, students conducted their own prayer chains. There was an air of expectancy on the campus. And God met them in mighty Pentecostal revival power.

This outpouring, coupled with many other remarkable visitations during the school year, indicates that the administration, faculty, and staff of the college are reaching their goal "not just to establish another college, but one distinguished for its spiritual influence." Evangel College already is noted for emphasizing spiritual life and standing uncompromisingly for our Pentecostal testimony.

For its second year of operation, which begins on September 11, 1956, Evangel College will add sophomore classes to its present curriculum. Plans call for seven additional persons to be added to the present eighteen members of the faculty and staff. Some 250 new students are expected to enroll this fall.

Truly this institution, given to us by a miracle, is providing a school where our young people may obtain a liberal arts education in a Pentecostal atmosphere.

MODERN SCIENCE HAS MUCH FOR which it must answer. A century ago a man could read in the Bible how God made the world in six days and then pass on to see what else the Bible taught. But now man's knowledge is such that he is brought up short at the very first page. He has studied geology and been taught that the rocks which compose the earth's surface were laid down over a period of several million years. So he demands an explanation of what the six days of creation mean. Sometimes he may go as far as to say that if he cannot believe the first page, he cannot believe the rest. Because his mind becomes fixed on a comparatively unimportant detail, he misses the vital and essential.

There is no need to deny that a difficulty exists. To some it is a very real difficulty. Among the explanations offered is the one that the "days" constitute long periods of time. Other students see a gap of time between Genesis 1:1 and Genesis 1:2, so that all that follows does not refer to the original creation, but to a re-creation that followed a great catastrophe. But these things are not the most important truths of this chapter. It contains something more than a record of creation. Its real theme is not so much the creation as the Creator.

In my opinion the first chapter of Genesis should really end at what we consider Genesis 2:4. Adding these four verses to the thirty-one of the first chapter gives us a total of thirty-five verses. In these verses the word "create" (Hebrew, *bara*) appears six times, but the word "God" (Hebrew, *Elohim*) occurs thirty-four times. The subject of the chapter is GOD. It is *God* who speaks, *God* who acts, *God* who creates.

It is fitting that we should first be introduced to God-as the Creator. How does one begin to teach a little child about God? We say, "You see the flowers, the trees, the birds, and the butterflies; God made them. And the stars, the sun, and the moon—He made them, too. And He made *you*." Then we proceed to tell the child of the God who loves, cares, and protects—but we begin with God the Creator.

After all, God was first the Creator. When He created the world it was "very good." It had no need of a Redeemer. It was not until sin entered that God became Redeemer as well as Creator.

What the First Chapter of the Bible Teaches About God

by E. J. G. TITTERINGTON

First of all, then, the world had a Creator. It did not come into existence by chance or accident—by what some have called "a fortuitous concourse of atoms."

And there was only one Creator—not two or several; and that Creator was God Himself.

The Persians believed in two creators—one good and one evil. The things they considered good, such as corn, fruit, trees, sheep, oxen, etc., were supposed to have been created by the good creator. The things they felt were bad, such as snakes, rats, insects, they believed were made by the evil creator. Notice how God refutes this idea when speaking through the prophet Isaiah about Cyrus, a Persian. God said, "I am the Lord, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me: that they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the Lord, and there is none else. I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil. I the Lord do all these things" (Isa. 45:5-7).

Neither did God make use of an intermediary, as the Gnostics of the first century and some philosophers believed. They felt that God was too pure to have anything to do with the creation of something as gross and material as the earth; and so He created a series of beings until at last there was one so far removed from God that this being could be the creator. They regarded matter as evil. But God said of that which He created that it was all "very good." Paul, writing to the Colossians who were troubled by this heresy, said, "By him [God] were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they

be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: and he is before all things, and by him all things consist" (Col. 1:16, 17).

Another false teaching is pantheism, which confuses the creator and the creation, making all that exists a manifestation of divinity. This means that the rocks and trees and animals are all a part of God. Followed further, it also means that the criminal is as much a part of God as is the saint, thus making God responsible for all the evil that men do. But the very first chapter of the Bible clearly answers this false teaching by showing a distinct difference between God and all His works.

The teaching of polytheism—the belief that there are many gods—is also refuted here in Genesis 1 and in other passages we have quoted. God is the one sovereign, supreme, true Lord, and there is no other.

Another false idea about God is one that is quite prevalent, for instance, in Africa. Many of these people are not without their beliefs in a God who is great and good and who was the Creator. But they say He is too far remote to take any interest in them or have any concern for them. Since they feel that they are surrounded on all sides by evil powers, they must placate those powers lest they harm them. But Genesis 1 tells us of the God who maintains the closest touch with His creation. This thought is more fully developed, especially in the fortieth chapter of Isaiah, but it is already here in Genesis in God's communion with the man He has made. God is not only transcendent, high over all; but He is also immanent—very near to each one of us, for "in Him we live, and move, and have our being."

In the account of creation we see

God revealed as a God of wisdom, power, and order. Every step in the work of creation not only reveals the wisdom and power of God, but it is also orderly. God is not the author of confusion, but of order, whether it be in the sphere of creation, in the life and worship of the church, or any other way.

Thus we see how the Bible at the very outset contains the answers to false ideas about God. But it is not merely negative, telling us what God is not; for it tells us also what God is.

There is also in this first chapter of the Bible a hint of the Trinity. But

we must be careful. Some have tried to see this in the form of the Hebrew word for "God," which is *Elohim*, used with a singular verb. We cannot rely too much on this argument, for the word is also used of a heathen god (1 Sam. 5:7). The plural is the "plural of majesty" as when a king speaks of himself as "we." But the thought of the Trinity is not absent, as we notice in verse 26, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness." The part of Christ in creation is several times mentioned in the New Testament, as, "Without him was not anything made that was made" (John 1:3); "By whom

also he made the worlds" (Heb. 1:2). Crete Gray, commenting on Colossians 1:15, says, "Paul maintains that He [Christ] is not one out of many. He is not even the greatest; He is the only. He only, because He is God, can show us God as He is."

The Holy Spirit is also mentioned in relation to the work of creation in Genesis 1:2. So God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit worked together in creation as they work together in redemption.

This is the teaching of the first chapter of the Bible.

(Next week: *What Chapters 1 to 3 in Genesis Teach About Man.*)

"TURN THE TIGER LOOSE"

**God's Word needs no more defense than a tiger.
Turn it loose and it will defend itself.**

by HAZEL THOMSON

A MISSIONARY IN JAPAN PUT A JOHN 3:16 poster in his hallway. When the grocer came to the door, he stopped to read it. The missionary proceeded to explain the meaning of God's abounding love. It impressed the grocer so much that he knelt right there and accepted Christ. Then he promptly requested a poster for his grocery store.

A businessman riding a Canadian bus was quite astounded when he looked up and saw a sign which read, "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." For months he had been distraught over financial reverses. His passion in life was to make money and keep it, so these losses kept him awake nights. He needed sedatives for his nerves. But now he was reading the

basic cause of his troubles—he was reaping what he had sown. Deep conviction surged through him as he acknowledged that it was true. Today a new passion—the passion of serving Christ—possesses his life.

These are but two of the numberless incidents where the simple, impressive, conscience-awakening Word of God has done its work. There was no church advertisement, no preacher's name, no denominational emphasis—simply the unadorned Word of the Living God. The effects of its mighty power are potent. Martin Luther once said, "The Word is a tiger—turn it loose."

And that is what Best Seller Publicity has been doing for over eighteen years. It all began with a burden that became a ministry to Miss Jo Peterson.

Sitting in a musing attitude on a Chicago "L" train one day, she scanned

the various advertising cards. She noted their attractive, colorful appeals. Suddenly the thought occurred to her, "Why not advertise God's Word? It's more important than chewing gum, corn cures, and hair tonics!"

With enthusiasm and persistence she set to the task, but it was not easy. For a time she found no encouragement. Then one day she managed to gather a group of seven men and five women together for lunch. When she presented the challenge to them, they saw the desperate need to bring the Word to those who were unchurched. And that day, December 3, 1937, Best Seller Publicity was born.

Christian artists were contacted to fulfill the organization's slogan, "An attractive illustration to catch the eye and God's Word to reach the heart."

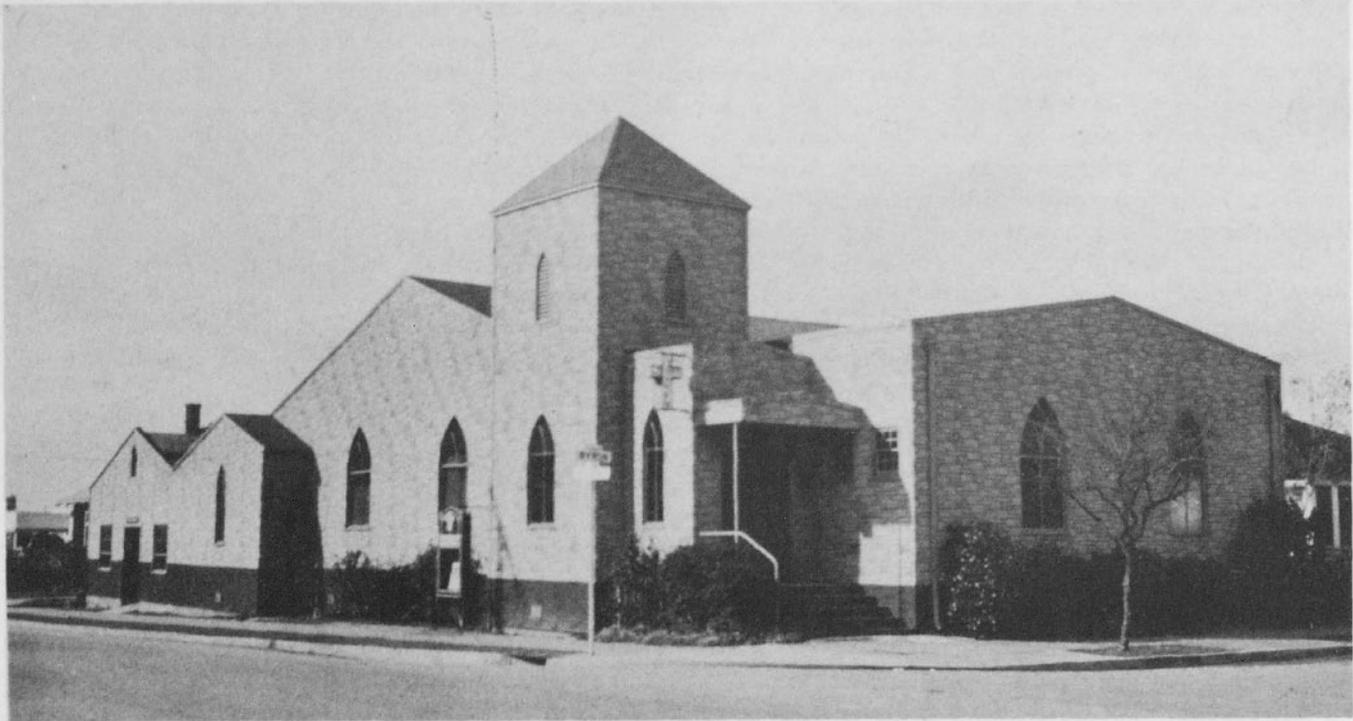
On February 20, 1938, the first posters made their appearance in Chicago streetcars with the verse, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Dr. Harry Ironside called it "the greatest invitation in the world."

Responses began to come from those who wanted and accepted that rest. And responses came from those who wanted posters in their towns.

Today Best Seller posters encircle the globe—written in 28 languages and dialects. Truly the burden of Miss Jo Peterson has become a ministry that has helped to "turn the tiger loose."

This large billboard is located at one of Chicago's busiest intersections. It is one of a hundred such billboards being displayed in Chicago (and of five hundred across the nation) through the efforts of Best Seller Publicity, 189 West Madison, Chicago, Illinois.





First Assembly of God, Berkeley, California

Big Missions Convention in a Small Church

by ELEANOR JOHNSON, Pastor, Berkeley, California

A church need not be large to have a successful missionary convention.

ALTHOUGH WE ARE LOCATED IN A metropolitan area, ours is not a large church, nor are our people particularly prosperous. We have some sixty enrolled members and can expect usually about one hundred at our worship services. Nevertheless, we find a local church missionary convention readily possible and most definitely worth while. Recently we concluded our fifth annual convention, and we judge it to have been the largest and most profitable thus far.

Our planning began some five months prior to the actual convention. I began by bringing the matter to the church board for their consideration. They were unanimous in endorsing plans for a fifth convention. It was the opinion of the brethren that missionary conventions in our church achieve more lasting spiritual results than any evangelistic meetings that we have ever had. Accordingly, with their enthusiastic approval, work on the convention began. Being a busy pastor, I saved myself

some work by taking advantage of the Christmas mail to make the first contact with our prospective missionary speakers. Along with a Christmas card to those who happened to be personal friends, I included a little note telling of our planned convention and inviting them to participate. At the same time I contacted the District Office and enlisted their help to supply other missionaries along with those whom I personally invited. As a consequence, when our convention finally got underway, we had some thirteen participating missionaries, representing nine mission fields.

We figured that part of the convention is "missionary atmosphere" and therefore we applied to the District Office for the loan of their missionary flags and posters in order to decorate

the church. These were gladly provided. Further, we invited each missionary to bring as many missionary curios as possible. We carefully planned for the display of these curios, and were privileged to have a very impressive collection.

For our publicity we depended upon the missionary bulletins offered by the Foreign Missions Department at Springfield—along with ads and write-ups in our local newspaper. The bulletins had space for imprinting by the local church, and when these were prepared we distributed them to our members and sent them by mail to all our friends and adherents. The local newspaper gave us two very nice news write-ups without cost, and for a nominal price ran our display advertisements. The newspaper reporter worked with us in the preparation of the write-ups. We made use of the mimeographed stock news releases that some of the missionaries brought with them, and also, in one instance, of a newspaper mat photograph. As a consequence of this publicity, we had a very gratifying response with consistently good crowds throughout the convention.

Send Foreign Missionary offerings to
NOEL PERKIN, SECRETARY
FOREIGN MISSIONS
DEPARTMENT
434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo.

Since the meetings ran for a full week including two Sundays, omitting only the Saturday evening, we made a special drive towards the last Sunday. That day, in addition to our missionaries, we invited the choir of Bethany Bible College to be with us. For the evening service, we had as our special speaker the District Missionary Secretary, Kenneth M. Haystead. In the afternoon meeting, we had a colorful missionary parade with the missionaries in their native costumes. Our church, which seats about 300, was nicely filled for these meetings.

The participating missionaries included: Ruth Couchman from Peru; the James Bakers from Formosa; the Leonard McNutts from French West Africa; John Wright, under appointment to India; Mel and Norma Steward, under appointment to the Philippines; A. J. Morrison from Hawaii; John McPherson and George Effman representing the American Indians; Eileen Edwards from India; and Daisy Kennedy from Sierra Leone. Not all of the missionaries were present for the entire convention; some came for only one or two evenings and then left for other commitments. Each evening two missionaries or fields were featured, one giving a sermonette, or showing pictures, and bringing special music, and

the other giving the main address.

The offerings taken throughout the meetings were given to the visiting missionaries. The members of the assembly rallied nobly to provide housing and entertainment for all of them. The church treasury took care of incidentals connected with the convention including publicity and the visitors' travelling expenses. No particular drive was made to secure missionary pledges, although the people were given opportunity to do so if they chose.

All of us at the Berkeley First Assembly of God are thrilled with the results of our missionary convention. Our young people, and older ones too, have been lifted to a new level of consecration and zeal for God. In an altar call during the convention one woman was saved; she now attends church regularly. Our people are impressed with a new vision, determination, and conviction for godliness, and there is in our midst a new sense of reality and stability in spiritual interests. We hope to have another missionary convention next year.

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NOTE: Though Sister Johnson did not mention it, in checking records later we noticed that the Berkeley First Assembly of God, even though a small church, stands in ninth place in total



Missionaries at the convention

missionary giving in its District, and in fourth place in per capita missionary giving. Sister Johnson and her people seem to have discovered a secret of divine blessing and progress that well could be adopted by other small assemblies.

PRAYER AND PROMISES

God's promises are dependent and conditioned upon prayer to appropriate them and make them a conscious realization. The promises are inwrought in us, appropriated by us, and held in the arms of faith by prayer.

Let it be noted that prayer gives the promises their efficiency, localizes and appropriates them, and utilizes them. Prayer puts the promises to practical and present uses.

Prayer puts the promises as the seed in the fructifying soil. Promises, like the rain, are general. Prayer embodies, precipitates, and localizes them for personal use. Prayer goes by faith into the great fruit orchard of God's exceeding great and precious promises, and with hand and heart picks the ripest and richest fruit.

The promises, like electricity may sparkle and dazzle and yet be impotent for good till these dynamic, life-giving currents are chained by prayer, and are made the mighty forces which move and bless.

—E. M. Bounds

MISSIONARY News Notes

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Anderson and son returned to their field of labor, South India, on May 15.

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Richard W. Palmer wishes to announce a change in address. He is now located at 912 E. 34th Street, Minneapolis 7, Minnesota.

Mrs. Carl Hixenbaugh returned to Liberia, Africa, on May 17 for another term of service.

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The John Garlock family sailed from New York on May 18 for South Africa to resume their work there.

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Prayer is requested for Lorene Thompson of India who has suffered a nervous breakdown. Miss Thompson's birthday is on June 22nd. Let us send up a great volume of prayer on this day on her behalf.



The John Garlock family Mrs. Carl Hixenbaugh Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Anderson

1956 Camps for the Deaf

by Earl Walpole

SUMMER CAMPS FOR THE DEAF play a highly important part in the program of leading deaf men and women, boys and girls, into personal spiritual experiences with the Lord.

Men's hearts, as well as their lives, must always be made ready for the work of the Holy Spirit. They must be tender, eager, and willing for God to accomplish His work. As the deaf, adults and children alike, gather together in warm Christian fellowship, an atmosphere of intense spiritual fervor is created. Sinners' hearts grow tender; faith is generated; the work of God in these lives begins. Wholesome games and handwork activities for the children all play their part in the pattern.

Many of the children, especially, have come to our Assemblies of God camps from unchurched homes. In many instances their parents who could hear were unable to explain to them God's Word or the plan of salvation in an understandable manner. In a few days of concentrated study and spiritual emphasis, miracles have occurred. Under the inspiration of God's Spirit, qualified teachers were able to explain to them the simple way of salvation with pictures and the language of signs. When they could understand, countless numbers of these boys and girls opened the doors of their hearts with childish faith to receive the Lord Jesus Christ.

During the summer of 1955 the Spirit of God was outpoured in a marked way in each of the camps that were conducted. Sessions were held in Colorado, Kansas, Indiana, and Michigan. Miss Maxine Strobidge, director of the Michigan 1955 camp, writes:

"The Lord met with us in a wonderful way. A number accepted Christ as their Saviour, and many of the others reconsecrated their lives to the Lord. Every night large numbers responded to the call for prayer at the close of the service. Several were filled with the Holy Spirit, and many received healing from various afflictions. Campers were

often seen in various places on the grounds talking about the things of the Lord. The entire camp was filled with praise to God."

Letters and testimonies found their way back to the directors of various camps as the campers returned to their homes with new-found faith and experience in God.

Here are some of the testimonies:

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"I, Charles Smith, am just a young fellow, but I had become an awful sinner. I tried to enjoy the ways of the world. On several occasions my brother talked to me about being saved and ready to die, but I wasn't interested. All of it went 'in one ear and out the other.' I thought I was having a good time in sin.

"In the summer of 1954 I had one week of vacation left, and I didn't know what to do with myself. My brother and a few other Christians had been urging me to attend a camp for the Deaf (Assemblies of God). In fact, one of the Christian ladies wanted me to go so badly that she even gave up her place in the car for me. They all wanted to see me saved.

"When I arrived, I saw that this camp was different from any I had attended before. I could see that this was a Full Gospel Camp where the people were being saved from sin, healed of sicknesses. At first, though,

I was much more interested in the handcraft and recreation projects. The preaching of God's Word was good, but it disturbed me. When someone asked me if I was saved, I lied to him and said, 'Yes, sure!' Then one night in the service I really felt convicted and knew something was wrong. I didn't know how to talk to God, though, or understand how to ask Jesus for forgiveness of my sins. Someone came along and helped me pray.

"This kind Christian counselor told me that Jesus suffered and died on the cross for my own sins, and that His blood had purchased my pardon. It surprised me to learn that all I must do was ask Him to forgive me. As I prayed for the cleansing of Jesus' blood from all my sins, I began feeling completely different in my heart. I knew my name was written in the Book of Life that day. My soul rejoiced and I felt wonderful. At the close of that wonderful week I was baptized in water to show my stand for Christ. When the camp was finished I felt disappointed that it was time to return home.

"There are many things in my life that have changed, and many of those old habits of sin have dropped off. Some of my friends even mocked me and became angry. I am happier, though, than I ever was before. I have always been nervous when I stood before people. But now, since I have been filled with the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4, I feel none of that. I have no fear when it comes to talking and telling others of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Since that one week at the Camp for the Deaf, my life has been changed completely."

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"I am Mary Louise Hill of Pasadena, California. I want to tell you about the wonderful vacation I had last year at the Kansas Camp for the Deaf. Being twenty-five and working, of course I had to look for a place where I could have recreation and good times in the

After reading what this work means to the Deaf, you may wish to send an offering to the Home Missions Department to help defray the cost of the 1956 Camps.

Lord at the same time. This was certainly what we had at the Deaf Camp. When I reported back to work I felt refreshed in my soul as well as in my body.

"I made the trip by bus, and when I arrived in Kansas I was met by fine Christian friends and taken to the Camp. I truly enjoyed every minute I was there. We had picnics and all kinds of recreation as well as good spiritual times in the Lord. There were Bible classes each morning and a service in the chapel each evening.

"My eyes have been bad all of my life and I had worn glasses. Something very wonderful happened to me while I was at Camp that week. When I was prayed for in one of the meetings, the Lord touched my eyes and I no longer have to wear these glasses. Praise His Name! My mother was surprised when I arrived home without my glasses."

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"I am Mrs. Olen James of Liberty, Missouri. I have attended the Assemblies of God Camp for the Deaf in Kansas for the past three summers. You can be sure I am planning to attend the camp again this year. Each time I have attended, the camp has seemed better than the last one.

"Every moment seems wonderful. We study God's Word, have wonderful Christian fellowship, and the food is always delicious. The evening worship time is 'food to my soul,' as we can each worship and praise God in our own way.

"Words fail me in describing the wonderful time we have at Deaf Camp. Every moment, in work, in play and in study is just grand and I always feel sorry when it is time to return home."

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Your National Home Missions Department is happy to announce that plans are now complete for four more camp sessions for the Deaf in this summer of 1956.

If you know of deaf people in your community who seem to be unreached with the gospel, or who might be interested in attending a summer camp for the Deaf, please send his name and address to Earl Walpole, Home Missions Department. Literature and information on the nearest camp will be sent at once.

Your offerings for DEAF CAMPS are needed now. Send them today to the Home Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.



Going to Camp Meeting?

This summer thousands of Assemblies of God families will gather in camp meetings across our nation. The wonderful singing of the songs of Zion under a tent or in a great tabernacle will echo and re-echo through the camp. And our souls will be blessed and lifted higher in God as we listen to the great preachers of our Pentecostal movement expound the Word of God. New consecrations will be made—prayers will be answered—friendships will grow through this great institution—the Pentecostal camp meeting.

But what about the man or woman or child who is deaf? If he attends your camp, he will only watch and wait for a few crumbs to fall from your apparently bountiful table. But probably he won't attend. Why should he? He can't hear what is going on. He can only guess.

For this reason, our ministers to the Deaf have planned special camps for the Deaf in four districts: Kansas, Indiana, Michigan, and Southern California.

In addition to teaching sessions during the day, special evangelistic services are held in the evening. Many Deaf who will not attend a local church meeting will welcome the opportunity for fellowship in a camp atmosphere.

Our workers among the Deaf look forward to this opportunity for camp ministry each year, knowing that they will meet many new Deaf who have not yet heard the full gospel. In the language of signs they will deliver special messages, slanted for the Deaf, under the anointing of the Spirit. Every year a good number of the Deaf are saved and baptized in the Spirit at these camps.

But because these camps are comparatively small, and there must of necessity be several workers at each camp, financial assistance is needed to carry on the work. Your offering, designated DEAF CAMPS, will contribute to the success of these camps this summer. Funds are urgently needed now. Will you, in thanksgiving to God for the fact that you can hear, use the coupon below to send your offering for DEAF CAMPS today.

HOME MISSIONS DEPARTMENT
434 West Pacific, Springfield 1, Missouri

I enclose my offering of \$..... for the Deaf Camps.

My name is

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City State



Seventy Children in One Family

*It's nice to have children to remember you on Father's Day—
but how would you like to provide for seventy of them every day?*

by EDWARD WEAVER

ARE THINGS A BIT DULL AROUND YOUR HOUSE? HAS LIFE become monotonous? If so, come with me for a brief visit at *our* National Children's Home at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Yes, it's *our* Home—yours and mine. It is *our* responsibility. Let's drop in on a bright May afternoon.

As we enter the grounds we find ten buildings which are *home* for some eighty-five people—seventy children plus those who care for their everyday needs.

It surely is quiet! Is everyone having an afternoon nap? No, it's just that most of the boys and girls are still at school. But they will return soon. Look, here come some little tots who aren't old enough to go to school yet. They seem groggy, and their eyes are still swollen from their nap. Now that they're awake the place won't be quite so quiet!

The little half-awake kiddies go to the windows as if they are expecting someone. Come to think of it, there's an air of expectancy all around us. Even the Supervisors seem to be breathing deeply, as though they are bracing themselves for something that is about to happen.

And now it's beginning to happen! From a distance there comes the chatter of excited boys and girls. The sound grows louder. Then, suddenly, the door bursts open and here they come. Sounds like a stampede—or a herd of wild elephants—or a runaway freight train—but it's only fifty-five boys and girls home from school with all the events of the day fresh on their minds (or, I should say, on the tips of their tongues). They are bursting to share their experiences with someone.

Supper is a busy hour, followed by a variety of chores. Eventually the milking is finished, the pigs and chickens are fed, and the boys and girls are in their respective dormitory wings. A comparative quietness settles over the entire family. We notice that some of the younger boys have their

pajamas on. The supervisor is calling them into her room. Shall we go over and look in on their meeting?

There are nine or ten little fellows seated on the floor in a semi-circle. "Mother" Kvistad has the Bible on her lap and reads to the eager hearts before her. They seem to drink in the Word of God. When she finishes reading, the supervisor asks four of the little fellows to close in prayer. As each sincere prayer is offered, we can't help noticing the simplicity of the language and also the faith which is expressed. We recall the words of the Master, "Except ye become as little children..." What faith they have.

As the last little fellow is praying to his heavenly Father in complete sincerity he hesitates, stutters, seems to grope for the right words to express his thought, then in desperation says, "Oh, never mind, I'll tell you later." To him, prayer is a simple matter. It simply means talking to God.

Oh, that we could understand the basic lessons of God's Word as easily as little children do. For His Book says, "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction..." How clear, how simple—and yet how often we forget. To further clarify its meaning, one translator puts it this way: "Pure, unsoiled religion in the judgment of God the Father means this: to care for the orphans and widows in their trouble..."

These children for the most part are not orphans in a literal sense; nevertheless they are orphans in that their fathers and mothers have left them. "Why?" you ask. The reasons are as numerous as the families represented in the Home. But these boys and girls are OURS now. Their support and the entire expense of the National Children's Home depends on the offerings which members of the Assemblies of God send to the Department of Benevolences, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.



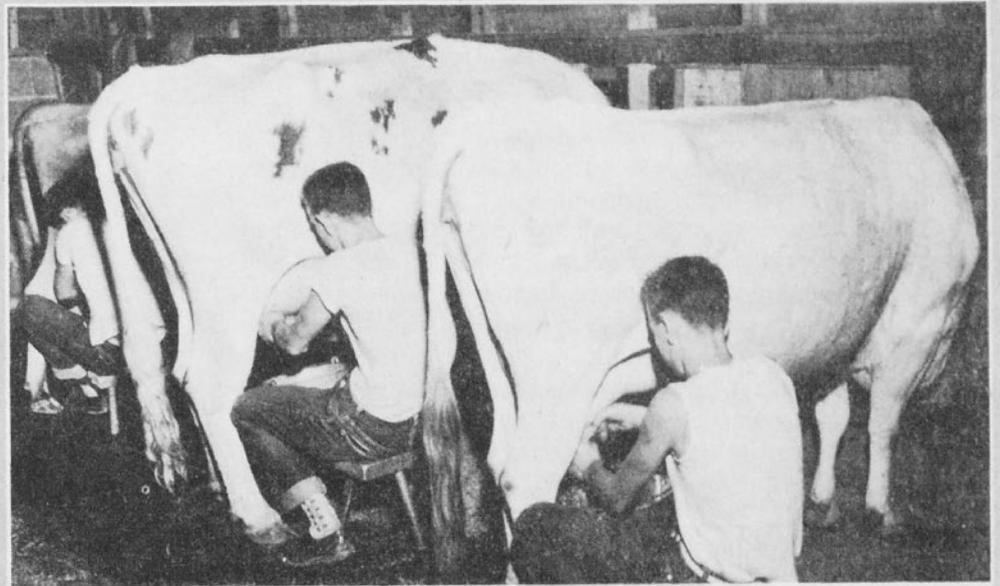
Mother Kvistad reads the Bible to the children at bedtime.



Our one BIG happy family.



It's bedtime, boys!



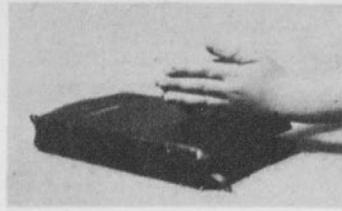
It takes milk from "Bessie," "Boss," and the other cows to supply all the family.

"We have lots of fun too!"

"Better hurry up, you're going to be left!"



SUNDAY'S LESSON



THE KINGDOM DIVIDED

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR JUNE 24, 1956

2 Chronicles 10:12-19

Snap judgments of Rehoboam in an hour of great crisis proved disastrous to himself and to all God's people. Israel was in a transition from one king to another. This is always a critical hour. Whenever individuals or institutions are moving through transitions there is need for caution, humility, and acceptance of divine guidance.

Adolescence is a time of transition from childhood to adulthood. Good advice and spiritual help are valuable then. When churches obtain new leadership, change their locations, or build new edifices, deep humility and wise counsel will pay large dividends.

A ROUGH ANSWER (vv. 12-14)

"Grievous words. . . ." Rehoboam assembled all the people to hear his "policy" for his reign. He answered them roughly. "My father (Solomon) chastised you with whips, I will chastise you with scorpions."

From whence does such stupidity and arrogance come? It comes from a sinful nature! Sin cripples the intellect and poisons the human spirit! Worse, it adds a veneer of ignorance that blocks a correct perspective of life situations. Here is "moral insanity." Did Rehoboam stop to consider, weigh and evaluate history, human values, divine providence, and the inexorable laws of the universe? No—he based his judgments upon personal aggrandizement, political expediency, and an emotional "jag"—he said, "I'll be bigger and tougher than my father." This sounds like an unseasoned "pup" who cannot control his own spirit, much less rule a nation!

Here are great lessons. No wonder God has given us this story. It should remind us of our need of the Holy Spirit who is able to guide us into all truth.

Rehoboam consulted with the "old" men (those who had served his father) and they advised kindness. There's a built-in law, "Whoever would be great, let him be your servant"—we need to learn it. It's Christ's lesson taught by precept and practice. *Where are the servers today?* The advice of the old men, according to the account in 1 Kings 12:6-7, was for Rehoboam to "serve the people today and they would serve him FOREVER!" Remember that to lead well is to render a genuine service!

A HASTY DECISION (v. 16)

Anger is stirred by grievous words (Prov. 15:1) and Rehoboam's grievous words stirred Israel. They cried, "To your tents, O Israel." "So all Israel went to their tents. . . ."

Israel's spirit was poisoned by the venom of Rehoboam's spirit. Little did he realize that there is a contagion in the way words are spoken. Few realize the implications of the communication of one's spirit. Right action may be taken in a wrong spirit and cause great damage. It is doubly destructive when evil words are expressed in a bad spirit.

John and James of the New Testament are examples of careless and carnal Christians. Jesus said to them on one occasion, "You know not WHAT SPIRIT ye are of." Do I know my own spirit? Perhaps not. For to know oneself is a giant step toward maturity and wisdom. The "self" cannot be improved until it is known for what it is. Then we fly to Him who is abundantly able to subdue our human spirit and make it like unto His Holy Spirit.

A TERRIBLE DIVISION (v. 19)

"Split" is a tragic word for any group of people, church or fellowship. But, to agree on division for growth and development is commendable. All life is built on division. Physical cell division is in the structure of growth.

To divide and fight is tragic. This Israel and Judah did. "And Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day" (2 Chron. 10:19). Stupid warfare! Fratricide, of all conflicts, is outrageous. To think of brothers fighting is almost unbelievable. But, this is the tyranny of evil.

The treasures of God's house were stolen! It is inevitable that "treasures" are lost when God's children war (2 Chron. 12:9)! Then a battle followed in which half a million choice men were slain (2 Chron. 13:17). Sad! Yes, it is sad to see God's people warring among themselves. But the most tragic part of it is undisciplined tongues and rebellious spirits.

Turn to the solution. It is found in Paul's way of dealing with divisions and carnality in the church. He said, "Be ye kind, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you."

—by J. Robert Ashcroft

SPIRITUAL SABOTEURS



FATHER TO FATHER

"IF YE THEN, BEING EVIL, KNOW HOW TO GIVE GOOD GIFTS
UNTO YOUR CHILDREN, HOW MUCH MORE SHALL YOUR

Father

WHICH IS IN HEAVEN GIVE GOOD THINGS TO THEM
THAT ASK HIM? — CHRIST (MATT. 7:11)



What Is Fatherhood?

Feeding the family, administering advice,
swinging the strap, a once-a-year day of glory—
Is that all there is to fatherhood?

FEW FAMILIES CAN BOAST OF TWO sons as famous as John and Charles Wesley. They were God's instruments for revival in England in the eighteenth century. John's teachings and Charles' hymns are still powers for good today.

But sons like these two don't just happen, for back of them was a Christ-centered home with a godly mother and a godly father.

Much has been said about Susanna Wesley's influence upon her sons—and rightly, for she was indeed a wonderful mother. But John and Charles also paid high tribute to their father, Samuel Wesley. Many of Samuel's letters of wise counsel and records of personal exhortation to his sons have been preserved. To John he once said, "The inward witness, Son, the inward wit-

ness! This is the proof, the strongest proof, of Christianity!" And Charles told of his father's prophetic words to him, "Be steady! The Christian faith will surely revive in this kingdom. You shall see it, though I shall not."

Like Abraham of old, Samuel Wesley was a father of whom God could say, "For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord." Samuel Wesley's influence was felt in the nation-shaking events that transpired through the lives of his famous sons—and that influence is still being felt today!

Surely, then, we cannot say too much about the effect a father has upon his children. And thoughtful dads are realizing that the best way to influence their

children to righteous living is by building confidence through early companionship.

Take Jack Smither for an example. His neighbors were astounded to see him, evening after evening, playing ball with his sons. The neighbors remonstrated, "How can you do it after working hard all day?"

"I'd rather have a backache now," drawled Jack, "than a heartache later."

Like other wise fathers he realized that fatherhood is more than foraging for food, administering advice and swinging the strap. It is more than a position, an honor, or a once-a-year day of glory. Fatherhood is the priceless privilege of sharing with mother the youthful joys of their offspring and of shaping future lives. This is especially true of Christians, for the father is ordained to be the spiritual head of the family.

John Gibson, president of the Los Angeles City Council, is a good example of this. Though he had no sons, he made pals of his two daughters, taking them on many outings. Their times of entertainment were always kept Christ-centered. Then, when teen-time came, he made a special effort to take them to Youth-for-Christ rallies. Though he lived more than twenty miles from the place where the rallies were held, each Saturday night he took a truck load of the young people from his home church plus a number of his daughters' friends to the services. Many of them were saved at the meetings.

And his own daughters? Today one of them is a missionary on a foreign field. The other is just as active, serving in her own church and winning souls in her neighborhood. To them there never was a question of how a Christian's time should be spent. All their lives they had seen their dad practice the adage, "Don't *tell* your children the way—*show* them." —by B. A. O.

"See, Father," said a small boy who was walking with his father by the river, "they are knocking the props away from under the bridge. What are they doing that for? Won't the bridge fall?"

"They are knocking them away," said the father, "that the timbers may rest more firmly upon the stone piers which are now finished."

God often takes away our earthly things that we may rest more firmly upon Him.

—Selected

The Church Militant

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complete our task in these closing days of the Church Age.

Among devout Christians everywhere there is a yearning for something more than a mere profession of faith. An editor of an influential religious periodical expressed this desire when he wrote, "Christians are longing for something more than the present-day level which Christianity provides. We should read again the Book of Acts, laying aside our preconceived notions, and ask the Lord Jesus to show us exactly how He wants the Holy Ghost to operate in us."

God help us as a church to go often on our knees and remain there until we are endued with divine power. This will catapult us into the street; it will send us out for service.

THE CHURCH SERVING

The church must not be a passive institution with a you-come-to-me attitude. It must be an aggressive militant body, fired by consuming zeal through prayer and anointed with spiritual authority through the Holy Spirit. It can then carry its message of hope and life, salvation from sin, the baptism with the Holy Spirit as an endowment for service, the truth of divine healing, the message of Christ's soon coming, and a Scriptural presentation of the doctrine of holiness.

We are responsible to carry this message according to the pattern followed

by the early church, as "daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ." This pattern for the propagation of the gospel has never been improved upon.

If we will pray until the power of the Spirit fills our lives, then go with the message to our neighbors—in house

Captain Barron's Last Flight

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would live a consistent Christian life, I felt that her husband would get saved."

Pilot Barron's wife will not again forget the few words he said, quietly:

"Well, I'm saved."

She had never heard him profess salvation before. Yet she knew this was the answer to the prayers of their family, the fulfillment of God's covenant with Mrs. Barron.

That then is the story of Hugh C. Barron's life, and how he confessed the Lord Jesus Christ two weeks before his last journey.

His departure brought sadness to his family, but the grace of God has molded them into stronger Christians than ever before.

For fifteen years, Pilot Barron talked about how nice it would be for his family to start a pioneer Assemblies of God church. At this moment, plans are underway for such a church near Memphis, where Don plans to preach the gospel, the Lord willing.

Don and Bill are active in Christ's Ambassadors and Youth for Christ work; young Hugh, eldest son, is a Christian pilot with Central Airlines, and their sister Margaret teaches Sunday School. Mrs. Barron testifies to the great faith she had in God, which brought her husband into the Kingdom not long before he went into eternity.

to house visitation and personal evangelism—we will indeed become *the church going out for service.*

We can do no less than obey, for our time for service is short. The church holds within its hands the solution of this world's ills. It has the only power which can change hearts and lives. It has the truth which can bring new life to our existing social order. Let us accept the challenge to go into the streets with our message, and to carry it into the homes of our fellow-citizens so that they, too, might know the power of this wonderful gospel.

Together they all agree: "... My grace is sufficient for thee" (2 Corinthians 12:9).

The troubled seas became calm waters of reassurance, even in the time of tragedy for the family of Captain Hugh C. Barron.

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Fathers, Provoke Not Your Children

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question, "Were you at the altar of God today?" You say, "Brother Ward, why do you ask?" Because your children are going to reflect your character. The sins left unconquered in your life will rise in the lives of your children to haunt you. I know where Reuben and Gad and Naphtali got their streak of lying. They got it from their daddy, Jacob. Jacob needed that night with God. And there are other dads today who need a night alone with their Judge.

One more thought—will fathers and mothers reading this message provoke their children to such evil and riot and insubordination that the wrath of God

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will fall upon this generation? Evil can become so malignant. Youth can become so unrestrained. Riot and delinquency can reach such excess that the tragedy of Eli and his sons can be repeated. Eli provoked it. The boys reaped God's wrath. Here is that record: "Now the sons of Eli were sons of Belial; they knew not the Lord. . . . Wherefore the sin of the young men was very great before the Lord. . . . Wherefore the Lord God of Israel saith, . . . Them that honour me I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed. . . . I will cut off . . . thine house. . . . And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left in thine house shall come and crouch. . . for a piece of silver and a morsel of bread. . . ."

That's what happened to one noble house in history—the story where men who were princes became beggars—and it started with parental neglect. God help us today!

Parents, don't you think it is time for you to kneel at the altar? Isn't it time for you to seek God's help? Isn't it time for you to ask, "What have I done to my children?" Ask yourself, "Would I want to live in the kind of home and atmosphere that I am providing for my children?" It's time for parents to do some thinking and some praying, and there's no better time than the present. Face your own soul and your God now! Ask for pardon for your sins and help for the future. He who knew an earthly mother's love will not turn you away.

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The foregoing sermon was given on REVIVALTIME and there were so many requests for copies of it that Brother Ward prepared it for printing. Extra copies of this remarkable message to fathers may be obtained by writing to the Radio Department, P. O. Box 70, Springfield, Missouri.

If we cannot be a lighthouse, let us be a tallow candle. In the old times, people used to come to the evening meetings bringing their candles with them. The first one would not make a great illumination, but as more came there was more light. Suppose all Christians today were burning with even a candlelight, would not God be more glorified? If we cannot be a lighthouse let us be a tallow candle. Or even a farthing rushlight! That is well enough if it is all you can be. Be all you can.

—D. L. MOODY.

Reach up as far as you can, and God will reach down all the rest of the way.



Pictured at the left is Vernon McLellan, Associate Editor of the C.A. GUIDE. With Brother McLellan is Grant A. Wacker, Promotional Director for the C. A. Department. They are conferring about material to be included in future issues of the C. A. GUIDE.

C. A. GUIDE Assumes New Role

TO CARRY EXCLUSIVE SPEED-THE-LIGHT MATERIALS

In an action which was interpreted both as an economy measure and as a move to strengthen the C.A. GUIDE, national C.A. leaders have announced that materials formerly mailed separately to all churches for Speed-the-Light Dollar Day will now be included in the GUIDE. The C. A. GUIDE for the past twelve years has provided local C.A. leaders across the country with varied helps for the weekly C.A. service. Its Idea Bank and Know-How sections have proved almost as popular as the topical material which makes up the heart of the quarterly.

In the past, planning brochures and materials for Speed-the-Light Dollar Day and other C.A. activities have been sent free of charge to all churches. Special production costs and the loss which came because of the mass mailing procedure (some churches have no facilities for receiving mail; others have no active youth program, etc.) made this method rather expensive. The new policy will not only mean a substantial saving; it will also make the C.A. GUIDE more valuable than ever to the thousands of groups now using it.

The third quarter GUIDE will feature special articles and topics in keeping with the autumn personal witness campaign known as TRACTemphasis.

The fourth quarter GUIDE will go all out for Speed-the-Light Dollar Day, with complete materials, including all that was formerly included in the Dollar Day Brochure, plus the special handy envelope. These materials will not be available separately.

C.A. officials urge all groups that have not yet subscribed to the C.A. GUIDE to get their subscription orders in immediately so that ample allowance can be made in estimating the quantity for printing. The new GUIDE will of course contain all the regular features. A subscription order form, with complete information about the low rates, will be found on the opposite page.

A visitor of Coleridge argued strongly against the religious instruction of youth and declared his own determination not to "prejudice" his children in favor of any form of religion, but to allow them at maturity to choose for themselves.

The answer of Coleridge was pertinent and sound. "Why prejudice a garden in favor of flowers and fruit? Why not let the clods choose for themselves between cockleburs and strawberries?"

—Presbyterian Record

Daily Devotions

Daily Bible Readings Based



MONDAY, June 18

A DIVIDED KINGDOM CANNOT STAND
—Matthew 12:22-30

"Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand" (v. 25).

A divided nation is a weak nation, and open to the successful attack of the enemy. "United we stand, divided we fall."

A divided home is a tragedy. Children tend to idealize their parents and follow in their steps. If Mother is serving God and Father is not, in whose footsteps shall the children walk? A divided home is fertile soil for delinquency on the part of the children.

A divided church is no credit to Christ; it is a reproach to His name. A "split" church bears no effective testimony for Christ in a community. "Where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work." How often the apostle Paul exhorted the saints to oneness of heart, mind, and purpose. Note the number of times he used the word *together*. He admonished the believers to "endeavour to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."

Division—whether in the nation, the home, or the church—has within itself the seeds of disintegration. A united church, serving God with singleness of purpose, can truly become "fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners."

—LELAND R. KEYS

TUESDAY, June 19

THE UNITY OF THE SPIRIT—Ephesians 4:1-13

"There is *one* body" (v. 4).

Unity is everybody's business! It cannot be *imposed* from without; it must be *cultivated* from within. In this eloquent appeal for Christian unity the apostle strikes at the heart of the mat-

ter in the second verse of the chapter. He lists five qualities that are indispensable if there is to be unity among believers: lowliness, meekness, longsuffering, forbearance, and love. Actually, the first four are products of the last named, for out of the soil of love God grows all the other graces. The Danes have a proverb, "Where love is thick, faults are thin; and where love is thin, faults are thick."

Paul here dwells on the wide areas of agreement among God's people rather than on possible points of difference. He reminds them of the many great things in God they mutually share and possess: "one body, and one Spirit, . . . one hope. . . ; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all." If these seven major truths are seen and accepted they will be the death of division, the finish to friction, the swan song of schism.

—ARNE VICK

WEDNESDAY, June 20

THE NEED FOR UNSELFISHNESS—James 2:1-9

When James spoke on Christian conduct he was never vague. He is trying so hard here to teach the truth that God is no respecter of persons, and that to please God this principle must be maintained, especially in the church: "For if there come unto your assembly a man with a gold ring, in goodly apparel, and there come in also a poor man . . . and ye have respect to him that weareth the gay clothing, . . . are ye not then partial in yourselves, and are become judges of evil thoughts?" (v. 2). God's spiritual gifts are not given on the basis of how much or how little of this world's goods one might possess. Those who love God are "rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom" (v. 5).

James sums it up by saying that it is actually the keeping of the "second commandment." It was Jesus who said,

"And the second [commandment] is. . . Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself" (Matt. 22:39). To do less is to sin, and to offend on this one point is to be guilty of all (James 2:10). So let us respect all men, and love one another as we love ourselves. If we succeed in this, James says, ". . . ye do well" (v. 8). —J. O. HARRELL

THURSDAY, June 21

THE CHRISTIAN WAY—Colossians 3:12-23

The Christian religion is not a code of ethics for a manner of life beyond our reach. It is a very practical, workable, everyday, down-to-earth way of living. This scripture tells us how to get along with the people about us—our family, friends, and neighbors; it tells us what our attitude should be when difficult and trying situations arise, even when dealing with close family and household relationships. The general key is to do everything wholeheartedly as a service to the Lord, and not just to please an individual man.

Such an attitude in the mundane routine of daily living will lift the soul above the petty irritations of the carnal nature, will bring a tranquility to the human spirit, and will assure an abiding sense of deep, comforting peace. Working wholeheartedly as unto the Lord will eliminate favoritism, grudges, selfish interests, partiality, and subtlety. When every heart is in tune with heaven there can be no discordant notes between individuals. That is the Christian, the Christlike way.

—RUTH E. GARLOCK

FRIDAY, June 22

THE VIRTUE OF HUMILITY—James 4:1-10

"God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble" (v. 6).

These are solemn words, and it is all too easy for us to place ourselves in the class of the humble. Humility is often claimed and as often misunderstood. What is true humility, and how does it work? Here is the answer from a great man of God who was recognized as the personification of true humility: "Humility will save you from self-consciousness, from self-assertion, from the desire for display. It will take out of you the brag, the blow, the bombast. It will give you the love which is not rude. It will keep you from talking about yourself. It will save you from taking offense. It will save you from arrogance,

haughtiness, self-importance. Humility makes us unassuming, natural, and simple. It will save you from looking for flattery or praise."

Humility is one of the most Christ-like of all virtues. In Christ humility found perfect expression, yet no mortal would have had such reason to be proud as He. "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 2:5-8). As we share in His humility, so will we share in His exaltation!

—J. BASHFORD BISHOP

SATURDAY, June 23

THE LAW OF FORGIVENESS—Matthew 18:21-35

"Shouldst not thou also have had compassion on thy fellowservant, even as I had pity on thee?" (v. 33).

Like the servant in the parable of our Lord who owed his master ten thousand talents, our debt was great and we had nothing with which to pay. But when we cried for mercy our Lord through compassion forgave us also. Should we not forgive those who trespass against us when God has been so merciful to us? No one could ever be so unkind and mean to us as we were to our Heavenly Father. If He has forgiven all of our many great transgressions, why cannot we forgive our fellow men their few small wrongs to us? He who receives mercy should show mercy.

Men may not listen to our preaching, our arguments, and our doctrine. The testimony of our lips concerning our wonderful Saviour may not greatly impress them, but if we manifest the Spirit of Christ by showing love, compassion and forgiveness toward our fellow men, especially when we are falsely accused and unjustly wronged, the world will be convinced.

—NOAH P. WHITE

REST

There are many promises of rest. Each is connected with some condition. We must meet the condition if we would claim the promise. Perhaps it is to take His yoke upon us and learn of Him. Perhaps it is to "be careful for nothing." Perhaps it is to trust and stay our mind on Him. If we meet the condition, we shall not come short of the promise; and, rested from our burdens, the Lord will lay His burdens upon us and use us to help His tired and heavy-laden ones. Let us therefore labor to enter into that rest.

—A. B. Simpson

"I Waited for You, Dad"

Is your example keeping your son or daughter from accepting Christ?

AN EVANGELIST WAS PREACHING IN a southern city when he noticed a handsome young man of about eighteen attending the services. Apparently this young man was under deep conviction. For a number of nights he came to church and listened intently as the Word was preached. Then, suddenly, there came a change of attitude. The young man seemed to lose interest in the sermons. The conviction lifted; his hardened countenance spoke volumes.

The evangelist was troubled, and he asked the young man why he had changed. The reply was slow in coming, but the evangelist was persistent and finally the young man said:

"My father is Doctor ———. He is my ideal. He never attends church, and yet he is the cleverest and strongest man I know. I've decided I'm going to be like my Dad."

The evangelist saw the point at once, and decided on a course of action. The next morning he called at the doctor's office and found him alone.

"Why, you don't look like a sick man," the doctor said. "To what am I indebted for this early call?"

The evangelist answered, "I have come to talk about your boy."

The father's eyes sparkled with pride. "You know my boy? Isn't he a fine fellow?"

"Yes," said the preacher, "I never saw a finer lad, and I am much interested in him. I want to talk to you about his future. I have been preaching in your city for nearly two weeks, and your boy was showing a deep interest in the meetings. Then he deliberately changed his attitude. I was greatly disappointed to see this, and asked him why he changed. At first he wouldn't tell me, for he respects you very highly; but at last he said to me, 'My father is my ideal. He is not a Christian, and he never attends church—and yet he is the greatest man I know. I've decided I'm

going to be like my Dad.'

"Doctor," the evangelist went on, "don't you think there is too much involved to let the matter stand like this?"

The father was stunned. His face was colorless. He walked the floor under great emotion and said, "This is the heaviest blow I have ever received."

"What do you think you ought to do about it, Doctor?"

For a reply, he asked, "When is your next service?"

"Ten o'clock this morning."

"I cannot be there; I have an operation to perform. But I will be there tonight."

That night the evangelist preached the gospel under an unction from the Holy One. The doctor was there. The call was made: "Is there someone here who, for the sake of his own soul, for the sake of those dear to him, will surrender to Christ? In token of that fact, will you walk down the aisle and give me your hand?"

The doctor stood and walked down the aisle. The people in the congregation, seeing him, were deeply stirred, for they knew and respected him.

The doctor grasped the preacher's hand and said, "My boy got me. What you told me about my boy got me. When you left, I locked the door of my office and got down on my hands and knees. I said, 'O God, forgive me. I am not only staying out of Thy kingdom but I'm keeping my boy out too. Forgive me. I will not wait another hour. I surrender now to Thee. I take Christ to be my Saviour and will let Him save me in His own way.'"

The evangelist said, "Doctor, look who is coming down the aisle." And there came the boy, with a tear in each eye. He threw his arms around his father's neck and said, "Oh, I'm glad you've come, and I come too. I wanted to come but I waited for you, Dad."



Fagots From the Torch of Evangelism

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

► **MUSE, OKLA.**—During a two-week series of meetings with Evangelist Dudley R. Pratt of Royce City, Tex. four were saved and five received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

—O. V. Justus, Pastor

► **GREENFIELD, MO.**—The entire church was blessed by the ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. Lilburn Richardson of Pittsburg, Calif. during a recent two-week revival. Nine were saved and several were reclaimed and filled with the Spirit.

—A. W. Burdine, Pastor

► **PACIFIC GROVE, CALIF.**—A three-week revival was recently concluded at First Assembly with Evangelist and Mrs. Danny Hope. The meetings were attended with a gracious moving of the Holy Spirit. Several high-school students and young married folk were saved.

—Leonard Weston, Pastor

► **COFFEYVILLE, KANS.**—The unique and distinctive ministry of Evangelist George Hayes of Houston, Tex. was signally blest of God during a revival conducted here at First Assembly. The attendance was most gratifying. Souls were saved and believers filled with the Spirit. The church is experiencing a steady growth.

—P. E. Lowenberg, Pastor

► **PARSONS, KANS.**—A most gracious old-time revival was recently held here with Evangelist R. Alan Davis of Tulsa. The whole church was stirred as God's Spirit moved upon the congregation from night to night. A total of 51 were saved, seven were filled with the Holy Spirit, and many were healed.

—William D. Saunders, Jr., Pastor

► **CLEVELAND, TEX.**—Good crowds attended revival services conducted at First Assembly by Evangelist Sara Sharp of Dallas, Tex. Souls were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit, and the sick were healed. Many were moved to a deeper consecration as a result of the anointed ministry of the Word. The fine co-operation of the pastors and congregations of surrounding churches and cities was greatly appreciated.

—Harlen J. Pate, Pastor

► **WEST COLUMBIA, TEX.**—Many were saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit during a six-week revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Earl Brotton of Lamar, Colo. There were also many definite healings. For two weeks of this campaign, services were held in a tent. Raymond T. Richey conducted one of these meetings. The Spirit of God is still moving in the midst of His people, and the church is marching forward in every way.

—B. B. Hankins, Pastor

► **QUARTZ HILL, CALIF.**—Evangelist J. D. Gardenhire of Chowchilla, Calif. conducted a very profitable three-week revival at the Assembly here. The power of God was present to meet the needs of the people. Twelve came forward for salvation, 10 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, and several were healed. The Sunday School attendance record was broken two Sundays.

—Viola Duncan, Pastor

► **WEBB CITY, MO.**—First Assembly benefited greatly from the recent ministries of Howard S. Bush, District Supt. of South Florida and Evangelist and Mrs. Otis Denton of the Appalachian District. Souls were saved, healed, and baptized in both evangelistic efforts. A great blessing was derived from the skit, "Operation S.S." which climaxed the Denton revival.

—Harry and Grace Rupp, Pastors

► **WHITE PLAINS, N.Y.**—The folk at the Assembly here are rejoicing over the blessing of God upon a recent three-week revival conducted by The Musical Busse Team. The young people, especially, were moved upon and a number were saved and reclaimed. Several were healed by the power of God. The beautiful renditions of gospel songs by voice, violin, accordion, and organ were enjoyed by everyone. At the last service pledges amounting to over \$500 were raised by Brother Busse toward the purchase of an organ for the church.

—Stephen Walegir, Pastor

► **BRENTWOOD, CALIF.**—Revival services conducted by Evangelist I. W. Chapman of Mangum, Okla. proved a great blessing to the church here. Souls were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost.

—Dewey Childs, Pastor

► **OSAWATOMIE, KANS.**—More than 20 knelt for salvation during one of the best revivals in the history of the church here. The "Singing Sandalls" of Augusta, Kans. were the evangelists. Two were filled with the Holy Spirit, and a number were refilled. Every department of the church was benefited.

—I. D. Rayborn, Pastor

► **GRAND PRAIRIE, TEX.**—Two revival meetings have been held here recently. On March 4 Evangelist Louie Shultz of Plainview, Tex. started meetings in the Shady Grove Assembly of God. Many were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. Folk from both the Nazarene and Baptist churches were among those receiving the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. There were also many outstanding healings. A year-old baby who had been crippled from birth was marvelously healed and can now use his legs. One woman was healed of an extreme nervous condition.

Later, Evangelist Jack Branscum conducted 10 nights of meeting. New people attended the services every night, and the Sunday School attendance reached a high of 207.

—John Nothalf, Pastor

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF FORTHCOMING EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGNS

STATE	CITY	CHURCH	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Calif.	Compton	W. Compton A of G	June 19-July 1	Westbrook Family	Leonard Soper
	Ripon	A of G	June 3—	Lloyd Evans & wife	E. M. McKim
Colo.	Pueblo	Central Assembly	June 17—	Christian Hild	C. F. Ferguson
Ill.	Bethalto	A of G	June 17—	H. Cox & M. Brown	A. H. Ferguson
	Pawnee	A of G	June 19—	Chas. E. Crank	M. C. Johnson
Ind.	Columbus	*Area wide	June 19—	Bill Sharp & wife	Cazzell-Baldwin
Iowa	Ames	A of G	June 10-24	D. E. Skiles	Vinton Huffey
	Waterloo	*Union revival	June 10—	Andrew S. Teuber	Russell Thompson
Mich.	Verplanks	A of G	June 19-July 1	Anspaugh Chord Makers	Wm. Severance
Minn.	Mahnomen	A of G	June 12-24	Dale Helle	R. H. Dean
N.Y.	Walton	A of G	June 10—	L. C. Robie	Philip Crandall
Ohio	Columbus	Calvary Assembly	June 12-24	Wm. Caldwell & wife	L. E. Loretz
	Mt. Vernon	A of G	June 19-24	Steve Bogdan & wife	Linden Ford
	Uhrichsville	A of G	June 26—	Eddie Roush & wife	C. D. Hirst
Okla.	Chickasha	First	June 24—	Stephen Vandermerwe	David A. Roper
	McAlester	First	June 24—	George Gospel Team	L. H. Arnold
Pa.	Bradford	**Roller Drome	June 17-July 1	Wilbur Ogilvie	Wm. Kroah, Chm.
Tex.	Corsicana	First	June 17-July 1	Stanley MacPherson	Guy Phillips
	Dallas	Bethel Temple	June 10—	Bill Sharp & wife	Albert Ott
	Joinerville	Full Gospel Tab.	June 17—	Otha Priddy & wife	Royden D. Zook
Wash.	Vancouver	Glad Tidings	June 10—	Carl & Edna Goodwin	J. S. Manchester
Wyo.	Laramie	***A of G	June 21-July 1	The Virgil Warens	Currell Muirhead

* Tent revival ** Union meeting *** Children's Revival
Announcements should reach us a full month in advance, due to the fact that the EVANGEL is made up 24 days before the date which appears upon it.

How About Your Heart?

by VIRGINIA L. SCHNEIDER

DID YOU EVER STOP TO THINK ABOUT your heart—your body's most vital organ—and what a tremendous job it has to do? About the size of two fists, the heart beats 38 million times a year. Daily it pumps 4,320 gallons of blood through 60,000 miles of blood vessels—a distance two and one half times the earth's equator.

It adjusts blood flow to the demands of your body. But the heart is not always working, for it rests between strokes. Slightly less than half the time it is working; more than half the time it is relaxed.

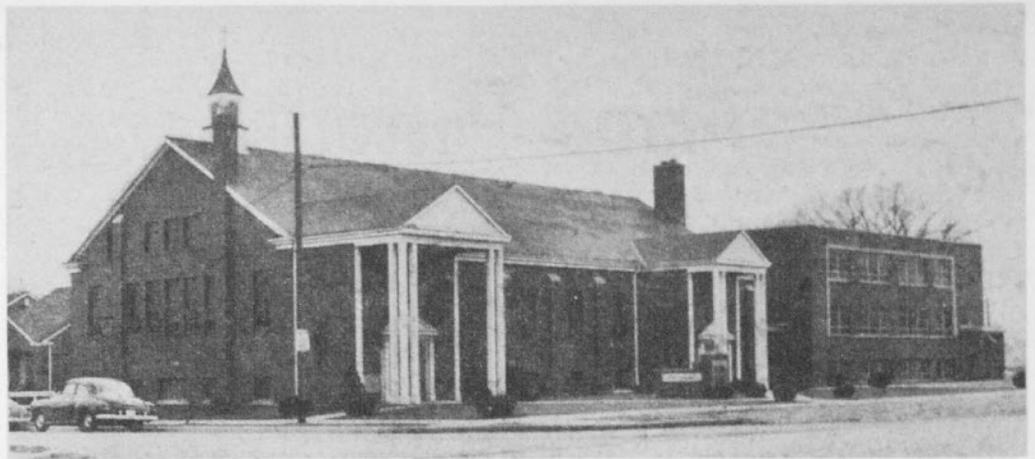
Heart disease is the nation's leading killer, having claimed nearly 800,000 Americans in 1954—more than half the deaths that year. The heart attack seems to be more prevalent in the United States than anywhere else in the world. Thirty years ago heart attacks killed 50 per cent of those they struck; today 80 to 90 per cent survive the first attack.

Last September, when President Eisenhower suffered a coronary thrombosis, many people were spurred into seeing their doctors for a checkup. A public education worker on problems of heart disease stated that the President's illness "scared some people into finding out about themselves."

Americans have a right to be concerned about this vital health menace that is affecting our nation. But, as alarming as it is, we should be stirred over a *greater* problem—the condition of our *spiritual* hearts.

How about your heart? Is it in good condition? "Thy heart is not right in the sight of God" (Acts 8:21), was the diagnosis of Simon the sorcerer's heart when God revealed its wickedness to His servant Peter.

In the sight of God the heart of *every* unsaved person is damaged. It is out of order, for "all the world [is] guilty



REVIVAL TABERNACLE DEDICATES EDUCATION BUILDING

Revival Tabernacle in Detroit, Michigan, dedicated a new Sunday School annex on April 22. The three-story, 80 x 50 addition is joined to the main auditorium which seats 500 people.

The additional 12,000 square feet of floor space gives ample accommodation for the expanding Sunday School and also provides two more assembly halls, a WMC room, pastor's study, one apartment for visiting evangelists, another for a minister of education, spacious rest rooms and a furnace room.

The pastor, Orie L. Robinson, came to the church in 1951. Under his leadership two churches were amalgamated to prepare the way for the greater Revival Tabernacle, located at 17617 Plymouth (near Southfield). The District Superintendent, Charles W. H. Scott, was guest speaker at the dedication of the new addition.

before God. . . . For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:19, 23).

But unlike natural heart ailments, for which there is not always a cure, there *is* a remedy for the guilt of sin—if we will take it. Jesus shed His precious life's blood to cure us all. The Bible says, "He died for all" (2 Cor. 5:15). And we may be "justified freely by his grace. . . through *faith* in his blood" (Romans 3:24, 25).

Why not pray the sinner's prayer for forgiveness, "Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. . . . Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me" (Psalm 51:2, 10).

Hearts that become "hardened through the deceitfulness of sin" (Hebrews 3:13) must be broken again and mellowed (Psalm 51:17). Hearts that become "overcharged with. . . cares of this life" (Luke 21:34) must be re-dedicated in preparation for Christ's soon return.

May we often ask the great Heart Searcher—Him in whose eyes "all things are naked and opened" (Hebrews 4:13)—"*Search* me, O God, and know my heart. . . and see if there be any wicked way in me. . ." (Psalm 139: 23, 24). And then may we add this prayer, "*Cleanse* thou me from secret faults" (Psalm 19:12).

Men Wanted!

- The great want of this age is men:
Men who are not for sale.
Men who are honest, sound, true to the heart's core.
Men who will condemn wrong in friend or foe, in themselves as well as others.
Men whose consciences are steady as the needle to the pole.
Men who will stand for the right if the heavens totter and the earth reels.
Men who can tell the truth and look the truth.
Men that neither brag nor run.
Men in whom the current of everlasting life runs still and deep and strong.
Men who know their message and tell it.
Men who know their duty and do it.
Men who know their place and fill it.
Men who mind their own business well.
Men who are not too lazy to work, nor too proud to be poor.
Men who are willing to eat what they have earned, and wear what they have paid for.

If we can take hold of God in behalf of men, we can take hold of men in behalf of God.

Akron Pastors Believe in Revivaltime

IN JANUARY, 1955, A TELEPHONE CALL came from Akron, Ohio, to E. M. Clark, National Radio Secretary in Springfield, Missouri. The pastors in the Akron area recognized the spiritual value of *Revivaltime's* message and knew that their national radio broadcast could be a real help to all of the churches in that vicinity. They knew that *Revivaltime's* Pentecostal message could reach homes in Akron which they perhaps could never reach. This was a challenge to their missionary vision. They invited Brother Clark to meet with them and also to contact the ABC station in Akron.

On the following Monday morning, the ministers of the area met together and pledged support to the broadcast. Later that same day, the radio station was contacted. At that time, the station management was unwilling to take

the program on any basis. Those making the contact were informed that the radio station schedule was filled up and there was "no room" for *Revivaltime*.

The pastors of Akron agreed to pray and wait for the door to open. In the meantime, the Walter Bennett Agency in Chicago started calling the station regularly to keep the negotiations open. Finally on August 1, 1955, the word came through that WADC would take the broadcast "live" off the network lines at 10:30 Sunday night. God had answered prayer.

From that time until this, a very wonderful and unusual situation has existed in Akron. *EVERY CHURCH* in Akron and most of the surrounding area supports *Revivaltime* regularly. We asked the Akron pastors to tell how they feel about *Revivaltime*.

V. L. Hertwick, pastor of First As-

sembly, said: "We feel highly honored and consider it a privilege to be associated with a great radio program like REVIVALTIME. We think it is one of the outstanding religious programs today. May God continue to bless it greatly is our prayer. We know that every dollar we invest in it is well spent."

Charles L. Jones, pastor of Copley Assembly, wrote, "I like the music and singing on REVIVALTIME. Brother Ward's powerful, practical, down-to-earth ministry and its far-reaching effect is the part I like most."

"REVIVALTIME is an outstanding presentation of our Full Gospel testimony," states R. D. Dobbins, pastor of South Akron Assembly.

W. H. Bragwell, pastor of the Cottage Grove Assembly, says, "REVIVALTIME is an inspiration to my own ministry."

Lillian Derfer, pastor of Bethel Temple, declares, "The REVIVALTIME program is a real blessing and inspiration to the members of Bethel Temple. We look forward to your program with joy, and praise God for it. We are standing back of the broadcast with our prayers and also our giving."

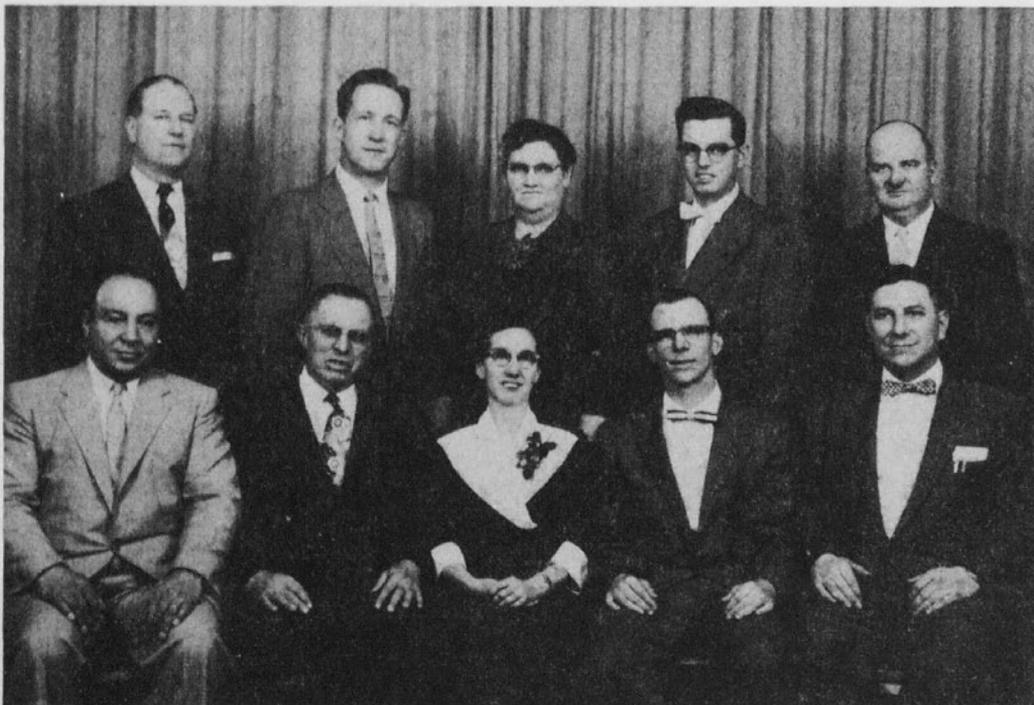
"REVIVALTIME has been a blessing to Hudson Assembly. It has made it possible to contact new people," states R. M. Giordanengo, pastor of Hudson Assembly.

Charles S. Celentano, pastor of Wadsworth Full Gospel Church, says, "I like REVIVALTIME because it places our message in homes we may never enter."

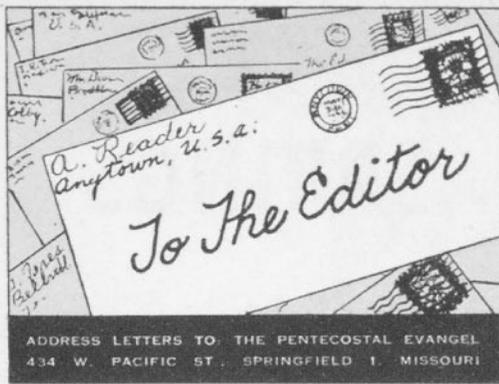
Ray S. Armstrong, pastor of Central Assembly, makes this statement, "I thank God that our church has a part in REVIVALTIME and am glad to say that our investment is reaping dividends through the uncompromising message that is going forth from week to week."

"REVIVALTIME is meeting a great need. I only wish it were possible to have a daily program to further press forward the truth that our Brother Ward so ably presents," says Robert E. Roop, pastor of the Krumroy Assembly.

REVIVALTIME is making a tremendous impact upon the city of Akron, Ohio, thanks to the united efforts of all the pastors. Through their vision, faith, and co-operation thousands of homes in that metropolis are hearing this glorious Pentecostal message.



Pictured above are the Assemblies of God pastors in Akron, Ohio. SEATED, LEFT TO RIGHT: Charles Celentano, Wadsworth Assembly; Charles L. Jones, Copley Assembly; Lillian Derfer, Bethel Temple; Wm. Bragwell, Cottage Grove Assembly; Robert Roop, Krumroy Assembly. STANDING, LEFT TO RIGHT: V. L. Hertwick, First Assembly; E. E. Austin, Ravenna Assembly; Rebenia Giordanengo, Hudson Assembly; R. D. Dobbins, Akron South Side; R. S. Armstrong, Central Assembly.



From 82-Year-Old Reader

I like your new EVANGEL very much. Next to the Bible it takes first place. I cannot see to read as well as I used to, being 82, and can only read with my right eye, but the print is very good.

A. J. HOYNE
Minneapolis, Minn.

More Family Altars Needed

I have been so impressed by your articles on Family Worship. I wonder if it would not be well to put some of them in tract form and urge pastors and evangelists to hand them out. We certainly need more family altars.

MRS. B. A. HYATT
Dickens, Texas

Good Boost for C. A. Work

I am writing to thank you for the tremendous job your staff is doing with the enlarged EVANGEL. I was especially grateful for the help you gave us District C. A. Presidents in the recent C. A. edition. It was by far the greatest boost we have received through the EVANGEL. I know I represent 42 more D-CAP's when I say a big "Thank You."

ROY A. HARTHERN
South Florida D-CAP

Votes Against a Weekly Theme

We all love the new EVANGEL with more pages, more features, etc., but I have a criticism—given in love. Why devote an entire issue to one theme? With varied subjects we can always get something for ourselves from it; but when one issue is all about old folk, another all about young folk, we lose heart for as we look through the magazine we find no surprises.

I am in favor of having a variety of subjects in each issue.

MRS. J. B. UNGER
Passaic, N. J.

Nuns Teaching in Public Schools

I want to thank you for the fine write-up on the "Garbed Sister in Kentucky Public School," page 11, in your May 6 issue.

The situation is much worse than actually appears from this picture. Word has just come to us that 49 garbed sisters and nuns are teaching in the public schools of Ohio. Violations of some variety occur in 34 states of the Union.

Thank you for mentioning our name: Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State (POAU). If any of your readers want more information, our address is 1633 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., Washington 6, D.C. Free literature is available on request.

JOHN C. MAYNE
Director of Organization

Likes the Bigger EVANGEL

I began reading the EVANGEL over forty years ago, before it was combined with "Word and Witness," and I have subscribed for it right down to now. It has always been a wonderful magazine but so much more since the enlargement.

MRS. W. F. ROARK
Baytown, Texas

Good Advice From a Nazarene

I have been admiring the progress of your work in the Assemblies of God. I have heard Brother Ward often and consider him the outstanding radio preacher of the nation. Often I have applauded your rapid development in Sunday School and missionary work. I shall continue to do so.

But I warn you, brethren, that denominational pride and spiritual superiority will ruin you I have seen what it has done to other denominations, and I see it cropping out in your own public statements and the printed page. . . .

If you have anything we Nazarenes need, pray that we will get down and get it. But don't boast about it, or gloat over it. You'll lose the very thing that has brought you success, if you do.

J. J. STEELE
Coffeyville, Kansas

"Incurably Pentecostal"

Thank you for the fine article, "Incurably Pentecostal," by my former schoolmate, Gene Peterson. I wonder if you know how highly

regarded Gene is by his Alma Mater? I am working on an M.A. degree here at Seattle Pacific College, and I knew Gene when he was an undergraduate. He was one of the most brilliant and most popular men on the campus—a good athlete, a promising preacher, a keen thinker, and everybody's friend. In his senior year he was President of the Student Body. As a Christian he set a fine example and was leader of a Pentecostal gospel team. As an honor student he was recognized by "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."

I hope to see more articles by Gene.

LEROY ALLSOPP
Seattle, Wash.

THE LOST CHRIST

When Mary rebuked the boy for tarrying in Jerusalem, and mentioned their anxiety, He replied that He had been occupied with His Father's business. At the age of twelve, Christ was conscious of His deity.

At this point many will be reminded of Gipsy Smith's famous sermon on "The Lost Christ," in which the following line of thought is developed:

"Who lost Christ? The most unlikely person—Mary. Where did she lose Him? At the communion table. How long did it take to lose Him? One day. How long did it take to find Him? Three days. Three times as difficult to find Christ as it was to lose Him!"

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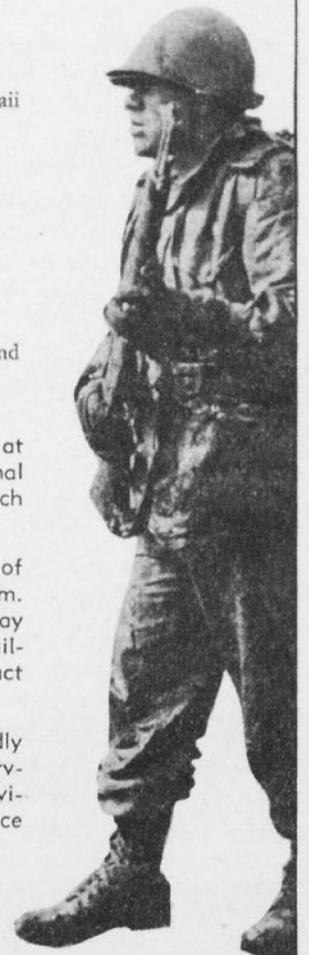
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WATER IN THE DESERT

by BETTY SWINFORD

AS MY HUSBAND AND I WERE DRIVING through the desert toward a town in New Mexico, our car developed radiator trouble. Eventually we had to stop and pour in all the water we had with us, for the radiator was leaking badly. But when we were still thirty-five miles from the small town ahead of us, this water ran out also. We were left in the hot, dusty desert with parched throats and a dry radiator—a perilous predicament!

We didn't know what to do, but we were confident that God would see us through. Then we noticed a windmill off in the distance. The air had been still as death all day, but we struck out toward it.

When we finally got there, we stared down into a cracked, dry reservoir. My husband began climbing up the structure to see if he could turn the huge old vanes by hand. But he had scarcely started to climb when a breeze began to blow and the vanes started to revolve—creaking and groaning under the strain. In the pipe below there was a gurgling; then water came pouring into the dry reservoir.

It wasn't long before we had enough water for our own thirst and also more than enough for the radiator. Then, as suddenly as it had started, the wind ceased; no more water flowed into the reservoir.

We went our way, our faith immeasurably strengthened through this miracle of God's care.

ONE BY ONE

It is said that Julia Ward Howe, author of the Battle Hymn of the Republic, once wrote to an eminent Senator of the United States about a man who was suffering great injustice. The reply was, "I am so much taken up with plans for the benefit of the race that I have no time for individuals."

Julia Ward Howe pasted the reply in her album with this comment: "When last heard from, our Maker had not reached this altitude."

It is true Jesus died for all the world, but He proved His love for people by

the manner in which He dealt with the individual. He sat by Jacob's well to talk with a thirsty soul. He released Mary Magdalene from the grip of seven devils. Zacchaeus was addressed in a direct manner when sitting up in a sycamore tree.

Indications are that of the thirty-five conversions in the four Gospels, fourteen of them were personal contacts by Jesus, twelve were by one of the disciples and the others by individuals whose names we know not. Just think what would happen if each member in our churches would win just one in the course of a year. A radical change would soon be effected in church life.

—J.N.H. in *Evangelical Visitor*.

"Don't think the Bible is dry inside just because it's dusty outside."

Troubles are great teachers, and seem to dismiss themselves when we learn the lesson.

"The Lord's ends will justify His means."



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SECRET SPRINGS

THERE IS A SPECIAL LITTLE BIT OF land which has for me very precious memories. It lies just south of the English-Scottish border. There you can walk over the ruins of Hadrian's wall, once a limit of the Roman Empire in England. You can conjure up in your mind the tremendous events of those days when the power of Rome reached that very spot.

If you go around that district you will find very many old towers, some of them in complete ruins, others of them beautifully preserved. If you ask why it is that some of them are in ruins and some are in good condition you will be told this story.

Several hundred years ago England and Scotland were at bitter enmity, and the English in Northumberland were constantly being attacked by the Scots, who carried away their cattle and stole their crops. Therefore the English built castles near the border to defend themselves. Some of those castles received their water supply through a pipe from a well many hundreds of yards away. The Scottish invaders were astute enough to know what to do—they would cut the pipe, then sit around the fortress and wait until the people inside died of starvation and thirst.

But other castles had a secret spring inside their own walls and they were invincible. So those castles stand until this day as living reminders of their invincibility. The other castles lie in ruins.

Every Christian has within him a fountain of life, but there are some who have not discovered it. Many are always going outside themselves looking for amusement and ease, for luxury and indulgence—and before long their Christian life stands in utter ruins. But there are other children of God who have learned that the only way of possessing the land and holding on to the grace which God in Christ has given them is to draw continuously on the inner secret fountain of life. They can say with all their hearts that Jesus satisfies.—Alan Redpath, in *Victorious Christian Living* (Fleming H. Revell Co.)

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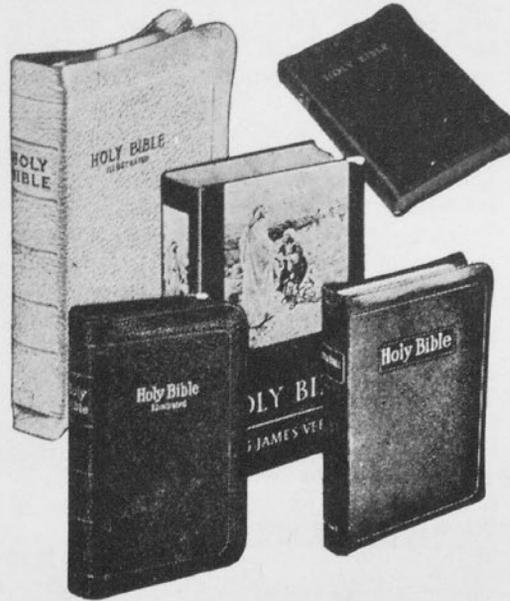
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WYOMING DISTRICT COUNCIL ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

The eighth Wyoming District Council concluded on April 19. The following new officers were elected: Murray W. McLees, pastor of Trinity Assembly in Rawlins, Wyo., Secretary-Treasurer; and Gary Thomas, pastor of the Assembly in Gillette, C. A. President. (R. G. McAllister continues to serve as District Superintendent, and H. R. Kennedy as Assistant Superintendent.)

The Council was blessed by the Spirit-anointed ministry of L. W. Dickinson, Superintendent of the Nebraska District.—Murray W. McLees.

INDIANA CHURCHES TRIPLE IN NUMBER

TERRE HAUTE, IND.—The 11th annual District Council of the Indiana District convened here May 7-9. The services were held in the lovely new sanctuary of the Hulman Street Assembly where Nolan D. Lee is pastor. The congregation is only two years old. Capacity crowds enjoyed the ministry of the General Superintendent, R. M. Riggs.

The annual reports show that the Indiana District has grown from 50 to 150 churches since its beginning ten years ago.

A Constitutional tenure-of-office limitation was deleted by a unanimous vote of the Council in session, and Roy H. Wead, who has served the District as Superintendent since its formation, was returned to office on the nominating ballot. Other officers elected were: Paul Evans, Assistant Superintendent; W. L. Thornton, Secretary; William Van Winkle, Treasurer. The C. A. President is Jimmy Jones, and the Sunday School Director is Ted Vibbert.

The WMC President, Zella Anthony, was in charge of the annual Home Missions Rally. An offering of over \$1,000 was received for Home Missions.—W. L. Thornton, District Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT ADOPTS "MINUTE-MEN" PLAN

DURHAM, N. C.—The twelfth annual North Carolina District Council was held here April 24-26. The presence of the Lord, the timely ministry of J. O. Savell, the good attendance and fellowship, all combined to make this an outstanding Council. Andrew Stirling, District Superintendent, and F. L. Jones, District Secretary, were returned to office with almost a 100 per cent vote on the nominating ballot. The Council voted to add a second full-time man for District work.

During the year, eight new churches were started, and 13 new church buildings and four parsonages were added. Six property sites were purchased for new churches, and the Sunday School enrollment has now passed the 5,000 mark. The District hopes to contribute \$25,000 to World Missions this year. The "Minute-Man" Plan for new churches was adopted by the Council. Each member of the District is requested to give one dollar each time a new church is started.

North Carolina has been blessed with a number of young men who are pioneering and building for God among North Carolina's 4½ million population. We are thankful for God's blessing throughout the District.—Andrew Stirling, District Superintendent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VBS RALLIES in Indiana during month of June with Anna Friederici and Irene Dedelow, children's evangelists. June 11-15 at Crawfordsville (V. Stoops, pastor); June 18-21 at Mishawaka (Roy Davidson, pastor); June 25-29 at Kingsford Heights (John Hampster, pastor).

OKLAHOMA INDIAN CAMP at Red Rock, Okla. (near Ponca City, Okla.), June 24-July 1. E. R. Bucher, East St. Louis, Ill., night speaker; and Evangelist Lolita Thompson, youth speaker. Camping space available. For further information write Fern Bigelow, Box 496, Ponca City, Okla.

YOUTH CAMP for Eastern Slope Rocky Mountain District at Pueblo Mountain Park, Beulah, Colo., June 11-15. Murray McLees, camp evangelist.—by Russell J. Cox, District C. A. President.

UKRAINIAN YOUTH CAMP at Lanesville, N.Y. in Catskill Mountains, July 1-7. Michael P. Horban, speaker. For accommodations write to Ukrainian Branch, Camp Dept., 9 E. 7th St., New York 3, N.Y.

25TH ANNIVERSARY of Gospel Tabernacle, Paynesville, Minn., June 22-24. Services all day Sunday. Sectional Home Missions Rally, Monday, June 25. Speakers: O. W. Klingsheim, Kalispell, Mont., founder; and Thomas Skoog, Grinnell, Iowa, former pastor.—by Raymond T. Reine, Pastor.

NEW ADDRESSES

Jonathan M. Harrel Jr., 730 W. 22nd, Ada, Okla. "Pastoring First Assembly of God."

H. B. Garlock, 1122 Wall St., Tracy, Calif.

John C. Tinsman, 710 S. Comstock Ave., Whittier, Calif. "Pastoring First Assembly of God."

Howard L. Cummings, 224 S. Seneca Ave., Newcastle, Wyo. "Pastoring Assembly of God."

Arthur and Martha Klaus, 4448 N. Richmond St., Chicago 25, Ill. "Pastoring Belmont Gospel Church."

J. Russell Mayhue, 820 Crestwood St., Jacksonville, Fla. "Pastoring Norwood Assembly of God."

F. C. Cornell, Box 675, Jenks, Okla. "Pastoring Airview Tabernacle, Assemblies of God."

Loyal A. Miller, % Lakewood Park Bible School, Devils Lake, N. Dak.

Jimmy Jones, Box 5395, 42nd St., Indianapolis, Ind. "Am now District C. A. President of Indiana; will also conduct youth revivals."

Pastor A. R. Nichols, Box 134, Arcadia, Kans.

M. F. Brandt, 1528-7th Ave., Greeley, Colo.

D. E. Skiles, 208 E. Fayette, Manchester, Iowa. "Resigned First Assembly in Grinnell, Iowa to enter evangelistic field."

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cavallini, 312 Glen Ave., Bloomsburg, Pa. "Pastoring Glad Tidings Church."

D. B. Chaney, Box 4472, Santa Fe, N. Mex. "Pastoring First Assembly of God, 1316 Apache Ave."

L. O. and Gladys Triplett, Box 147, Milton Free-water, Oreg.

E. O. Cordle, Box 523, Americus, Ga.

Evangelist Bill Scott, Kootenay Bay, B. C., Canada (temporary summer address). "Resigned pastorate in Asbury Park, N. J. to re-enter evangelistic field. My sister, Zelma Scott, Minneapolis, will be traveling with me."

Pastor Charles L. Elmes, Box 1267 (house number, 1776 Lacassie Ave.), Walnut Creek, Calif.

W. T. McMullan, 100 "F" St., Taft, Calif.

"Pastoring Taft Heights Assembly of God."

Frank Thomas, 200 - 34th Ave., Meridian, Miss. "Resigned church in Sallisaw, Okla. to re-enter evangelistic field."

Bonnie White and June Pearson, Assembly of God Indian Mission, Box 1220, Winslow, Ariz.

Evangelist H. Syvelle Phillips, Box 2171, Montgomery, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ming Sr., 2665 Del Paso Blvd., North Sacramento, Calif. "Pastoring First Assembly of God."

Woodrow Oxner, 603 W. Nebraska Ave., Peoria, Ill. "Pastoring Central Assembly of God."

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Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Myers, 624 Conally St., Sulphur Springs, Tex.

EVANGELISTIC

William E. Skinner, 2659 E. 24th St., Granite City, Ill.

Robert R. Glassbrook, 179 Daniel Dr., Whistler, Ala. "Resigned church in Mobile, Ala."

Harmel E. Moss, Rt. 6, Box 43, El Dorado, Ark.

E. T. Corbin, Box 64, Holt, Fla. "Open for calls after July 1."

Claude Collins, Box 37, Pine Mountain Valley, Ga.

Elisha B. Hosanna, 1118 Sterling Ave., Joliet, Ill.

Hugh E. Baldrige Sr., 208 Village Dr., Waxahachie, Tex.

Ralph Bartholomew, 316 N. Saginaw St., Pontiac, Mich.

EVANGELISTIC OR PASTORAL

Willard Peachee, 6825 Darwell St., Bell Gardens, Calif.

Robert B. Byers, 350 Tanner, Waverly, Ill. "Resigned church in Virden, Ill."

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Mr. and Mrs. Harold Donaldson, Box 41, West Palm Beach, Fla.

MISCELLANEOUS

MEETING POSTPONED—The meeting in Eureka, Kans., announced to begin May 27, was postponed until June 10.—by Evangelist Billy Wolfe.

NAME CHANGED—The name of Peoria Gospel Tabernacle, W. Nebraska Ave. and Ellis St., Peoria, Ill., has been changed to Central Assembly of God.—Noreen Derry, Secretary-Treasurer.

MUSICAL DIRECTOR WANTED—Experienced young man with ability to direct orchestra and choir. References required.—William H. Kautz, Pastor, Evangel Pentecostal Church, Closse and Tupper St., Montreal, P.Q., Canada.

NAME CHANGED—The Assembly of God in Jenks, Okla. has been changed to First Assembly of God.—James Bright, Pastor.

CONTACTS WANTED—We are pioneering a church in Carrizozo, N. Mex. If you have friends in this area, please send us their names and addresses.—Raymond A. Hunter, Pastor.

NAME CHANGED—Emmanuel Home Mission, 832-34-36 Union St., Allentown, Pa. has been changed to Emmanuel Assembly of God.—Robert S. Beisel, Pastor.

S. S. QUARTERLY WANTED—We need an Adult Teacher's Quarterly for the 3rd quarter (July, Aug., Sept.) for 1949. Please send it to The Pentecostal Evangel, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.

CORRECTION—Our address was listed incorrectly in the official list of ministers. Our correct address is 1344 W. Santa Cruz St., San Pedro, Calif.—Evangelists James F. and Beulah Peppet.

NOTICE—I am pastoring the Assembly in Coolidge, Ariz. which is 10 miles from the Arizona State Prison in Florence. I have permission to visit the inmates and to conduct gospel services in the prison. If you know of anyone sentenced to the State Prison, please give me their names.—William H. Collier, 595 W. Wilson Ave., Coolidge, Ariz.

WITH CHRIST

THOMAS W. JENNINGS, 44, Linwood, Pa. went to his heavenly reward April 11, 1956. Brother Jennings was ordained in 1937. He pastored in Kentucky for several years and also served as an evangelist.

HARRY W. FINDLEY, 72, Fremont, Ohio went to his heavenly reward April 25, 1956. Brother Findley was ordained in 1931 and came into the Assemblies of God in 1943. He founded the Calvary Temple in Fremont, and continued as pastor for 20 years.

HARRY V. SCHAEFFER, 65, Washington, D.C. went to be with the Lord May 13, 1956. Brother Schaeffer was ordained in 1927, and he pastored the Bethel Pentecostal Tabernacle in Washington since 1931.

J. R. KLINE, 71, Miami, Fla. went to be with the Lord May 15, 1956. Brother Kline was ordained in 1908 and came into the General Council in 1917. He founded the Berea Tabernacle in Detroit, Mich. and remained as pastor for 32 years. During his lifetime over 375 young men and women who came under his ministry entered the ranks of Full Gospel preachers. He is survived by his wife, Ethel B., one son and three daughters.

On the Emmaus Road

William Cowper



*It happened on a solemn eventide,
Soon after He that was our Surety died,
Two bosom friends, each pensively inclined,
The scene of all those sorrows left behind,
Sought their own village, busy as they went
In musings worthy of the great event:*

*They spake of Him they loved, of Him whose life,
Though blameless, had incurred perpetual strife,
Whose deeds had left, in spite of hostile arts,
A deep memorial graven on their hearts.
The recollection, like a vein of ore
The farther traced, enriched them still the more;
They thought Him, and they justly thought Him, one
Sent to do more than He appeared to have done:
To exalt a people, and to place them high
Above all else, and wondered He should die.*

*Ere yet they brought their journey to an end,
A Stranger joined them courteous as a friend,
And asked them, with a kind, engaging air
What their affliction was, and begged a share.
Informed, He gathered up the broken thread
And, truth and wisdom gracing all He said,
Explained, illustrated, and searched so well
The tender theme on which they chose to dwell,
That, reaching home, "The night," they said, "is near
We must not now be parted, sojourn here."*

*The new Acquaintance soon became a guest,
And, made so welcome at their simple feast,
He blessed the bread, but vanished at the word,
And left them both exclaiming, "It was the LORD!
Did not our hearts feel all He deigned to say?
Did they not burn within us by the way?"*

— Evangelical Visitor